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When did you start soccer and where?

Around 7 in Vietnam

2. What intrigued you to the game of soccer?

All the neighbor kids played

3. How has soccer impacted your life in a positive?

Fun and created friendship

4. What challenges have you faced through playing soccer?

Injuries and find the right environment to play: schedule and place

5. How did you get involved in the Soccer family in Austin, Texas

Through other players that I scrimmaged with

6. With Austin being such a populated city, is it hard to find space to play?

Somewhat. There are places whether they are closer to where you live or work

7. How is the Austin soccer community different from others that you've played?

I have only played in Austin through my adult life

8. How often do you play a week?

Three times during season, two times off season

Where in Vietnam did you grow up?

I grew up in South Vietnam in the Mekong delta area.

What was the team like for the high school you played with?

I was a freshman when I joined the team. Unlike here where it is more organized: team practice each week on school's field, at my HS, the practice was done by individual students. Only when there was a match then the student players would get together for the match. We would march from the school to

the city soccer field: no buses 😊, and of course followed by the chanting and flag waving of the team supporters that comprised mostly of other students.

What type of injury did you get while playing soccer?

Although I have seen worse injuries in my playing experiences, I personally had ankle sprains, knee sprains, and muscle pulls: groin, calf, quad, etc.