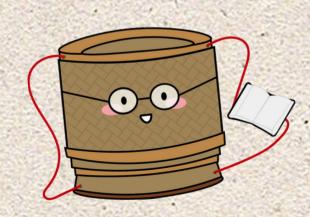


WHERE IS LAOS?

Laos is a landlocked country in mainland
Southeast Asia. It borders Thailand,
Cambodia, Vietnam,
China, and Myanmar.







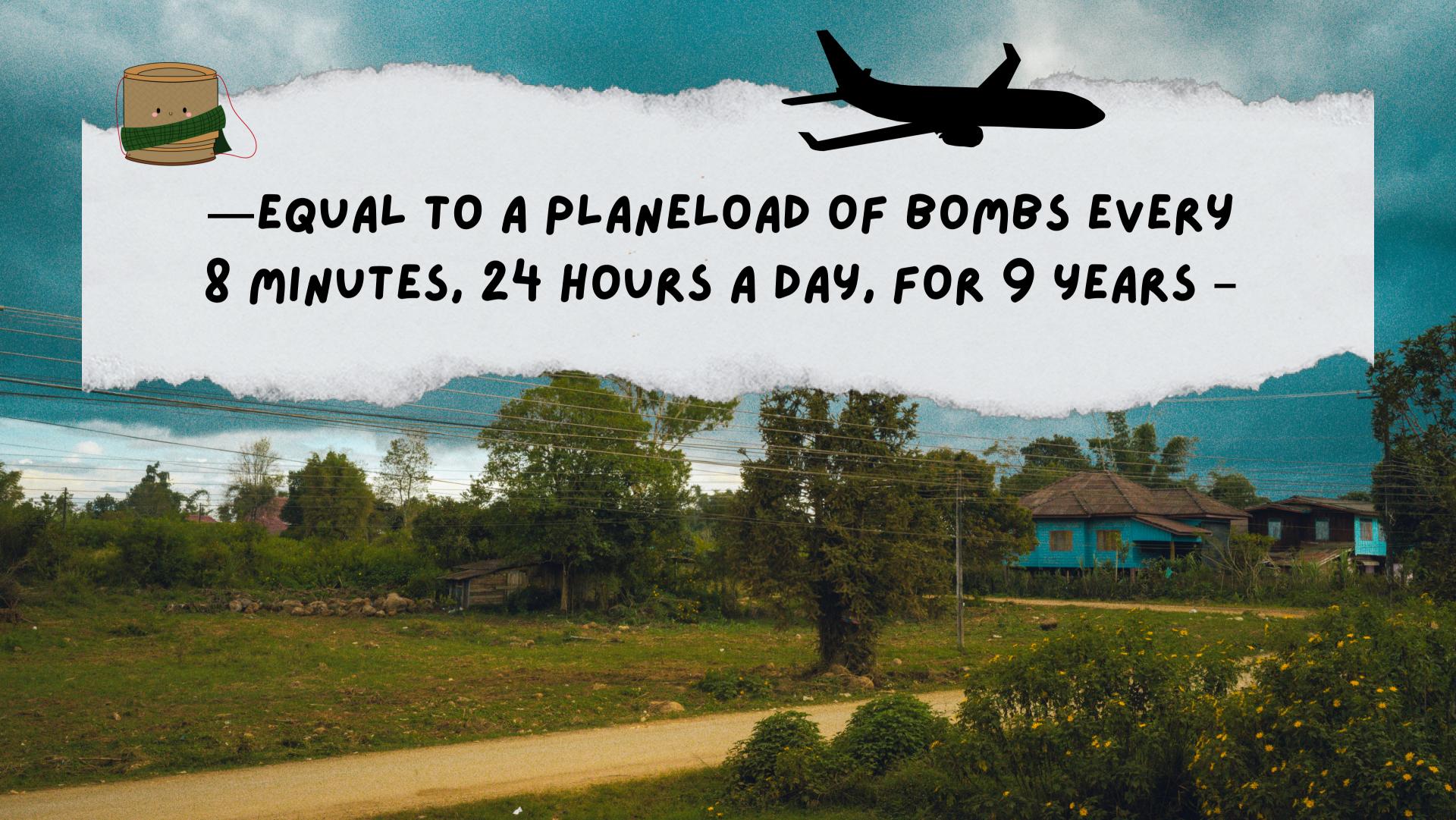


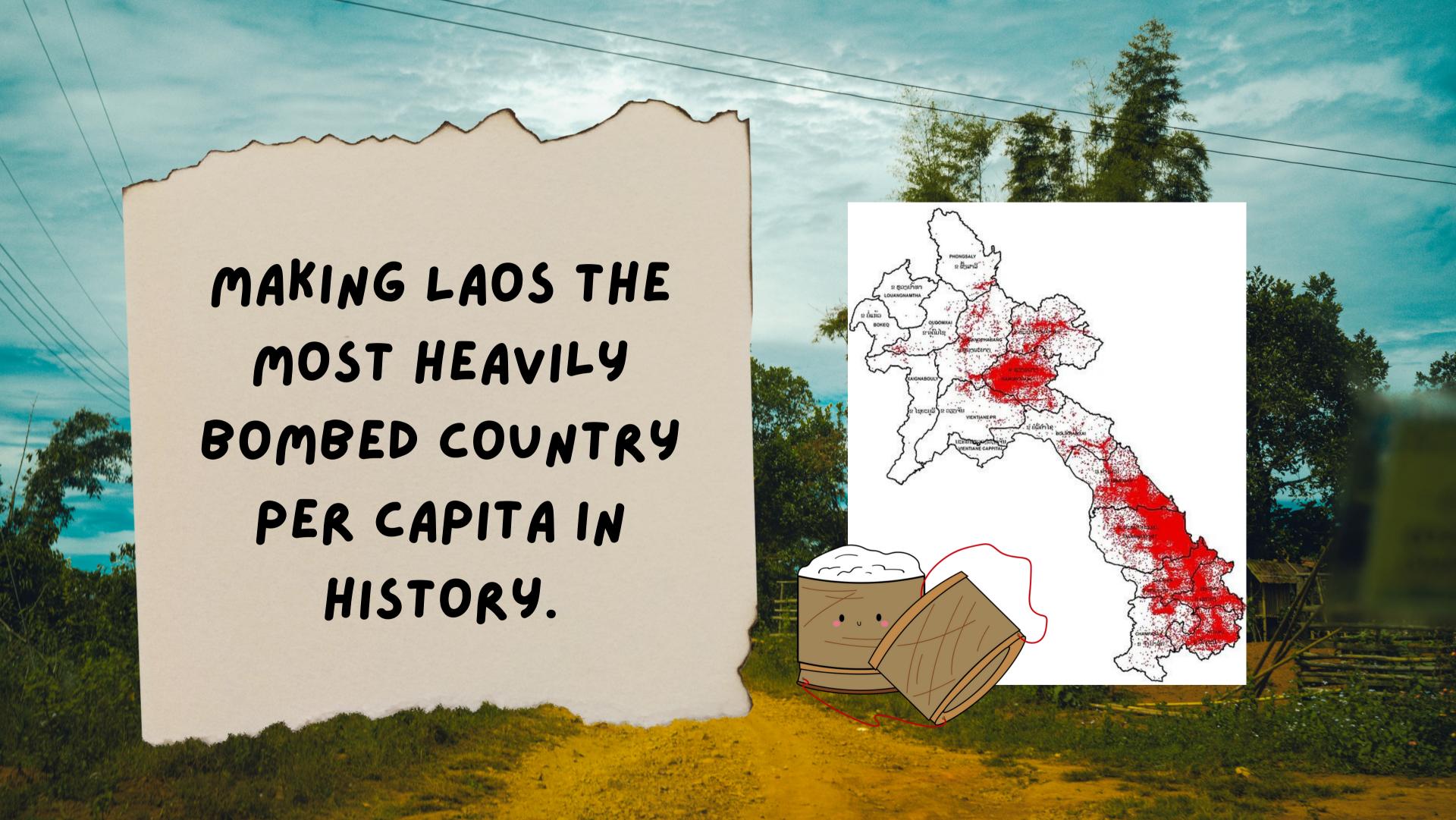
HISTORY

From 1964 to 1973, the U.S. dropped more than 2.5M tons of ordnance on Laos during 580,000 bombing missions.

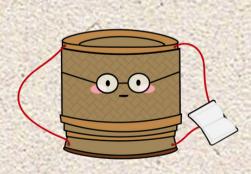


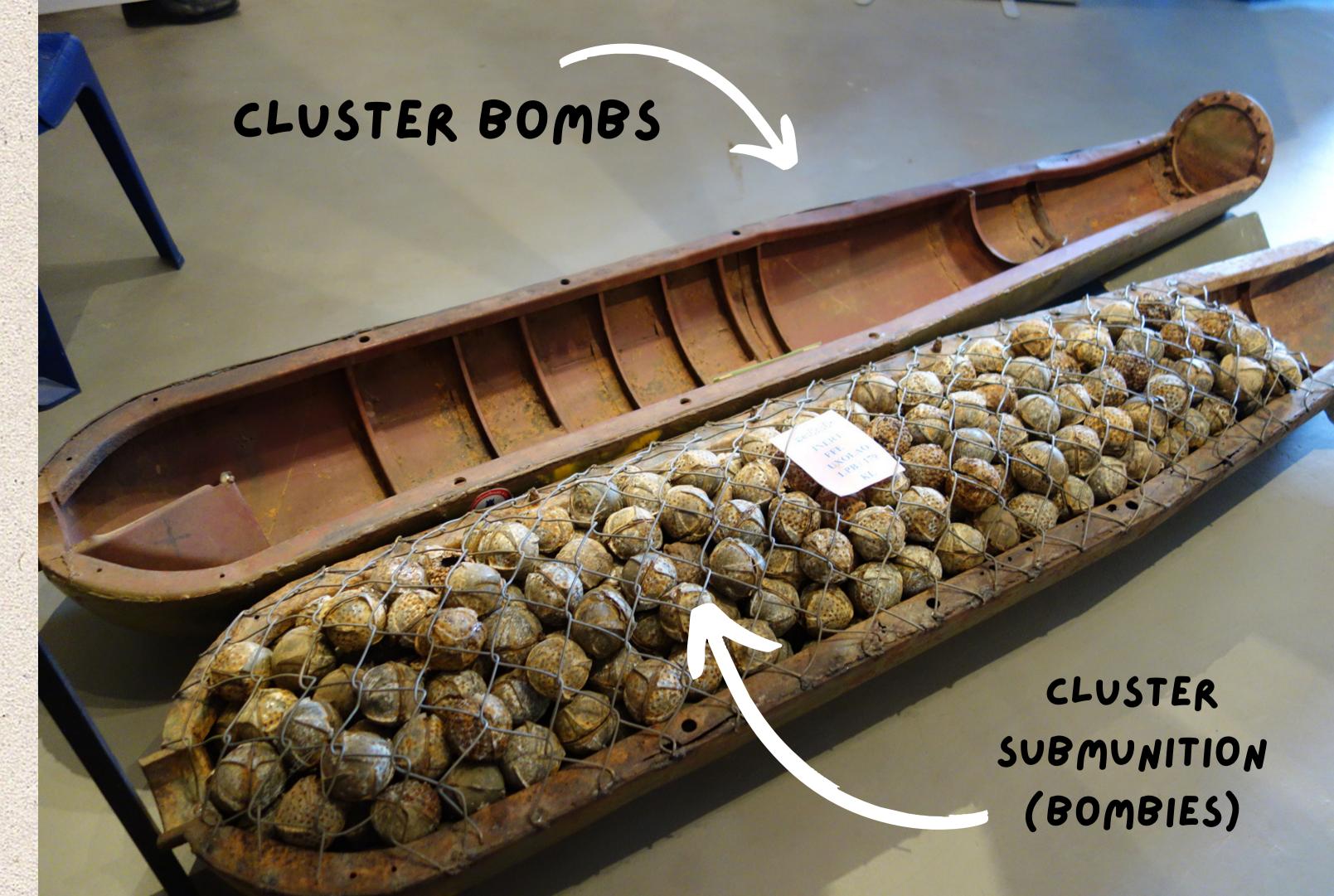
*Ordnance is a mass noun referring to military materials such as weapons, ammunition, equipment, and vehicles.





WHAT
ARE
CLUSTER
BOMBS?







80 million

clusterbombs



As many as **one-third** of the bombs dropped on Laos never exploded, lying dormant for years or decades until disturbed by a farmer's plow or a child's curiosity.

WHAT COULD HAPPEN TO A PERSON OR COMMUNITY WHEN UXO IS SET OFF?



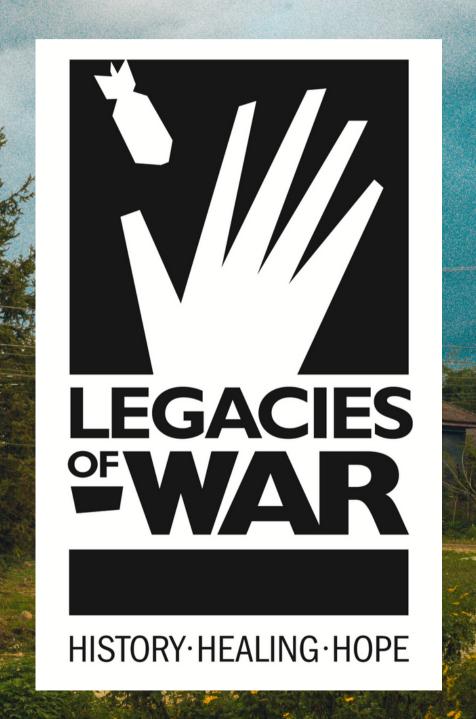




An estimated
700,000 people,
amounting to
approximately 25%
of the population
of Laos fled.

WHAT IS LEGACIES OF WAR?

Legacies of War is an educational and advocacy organization working to address the impact of the American Secret War in Laos as well as the wars in Cambodia and Vietnam.



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WE ADVOCATE FOR U.S. GOVERNMENTAL FUNDING TO GO TOWARDS CLEARING UXO IN LAOS, CAMBODIA, AND VIETNAM!





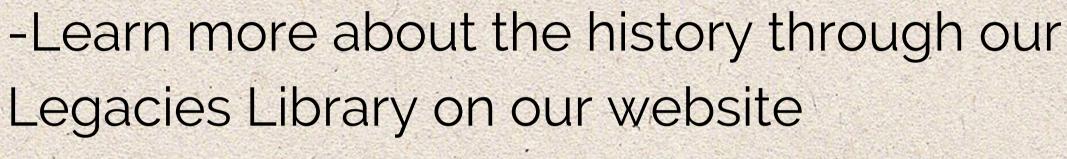
UXO = UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE

BOMBS THAT DID NOT EXPLODE WHEN THEY HIT THE GROUND.





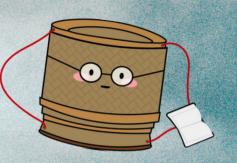
HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED?



- -Donate to support our work
- -Join our letter writing/call campaigns to your members of Congress
- -Tell one person about what you learned today



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Why is it important to learn about the history of the Secret War in Laos?

Why are weapons so harmful to a community?

How do we install hope for the future of Laos in our own local community?

As students, how can we make an impact on this issue?

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FOLLOW US TODAY!



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THANK YOU & KOP JAI LAI LAI!!!



