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Message from the Country Director

Dear Good Neighbors,

It is an honor to share with you the 2021 Good Neighbors Philippines Annual Report. This report exhibits the efforts of the organization, together with our respected partners, donors, networks, and volunteers, in empowering people and transforming communities.

The pandemic changed everything. It brought great impact not only to the organization but also to the youth, children, and families we serve in the Philippines. But, 2021 was a realization of improvements to strengthen our communities and young people to face the challenges ahead of this pandemic.

During this year, the organization reassesses and refocuses the programs in five strategic directions that addresses the economic challenge of the communities, low secondary education opportunities, climate change, and natural disasters. The strategies put high priority on Economic Development, Social Development, Green Development, Child Protection, and Resource Development in order to achieve our goals.

We adapted and expanded our program for 100 youth, especially the marginalized yet talented students, through providing scholarships and youth programs. This aims to help them reach their full potential and be socially responsible youth of their communities.

Stable income and food security have also been a continuous challenge. To address this, we improved and diversified our economic development programs to uplift their economic situation of the families and the communities. Additionally, we further extended our support to schools and health facilities to cope with the pandemic.

All through these challenges, you were there. We sincerely thank our partners, donors, sponsors, volunteers, and staff for the hard work, commitment, and love, you give to fulfill this mission.

As the Bible says, a good neighbor helps and motivates others, "Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

Thank you for being a good neighbor!



JAE CHOON LEE
COUNTRY DIRECTOR
GOOD NEIGHBORS PHILIPPINES

ABOUT GOOD NEIGHBORS

Good Neighbors is an international non-governmental organization for humanitarian and international development founded in 1991 in South Korea. Currently, GN is present in 43 countries across the globe.

Good Neighbors Philippines implements projects that unlock the potential and capacity of youth, support the children, and empower the most vulnerable in the community so that we can change and transform live for a better future.

MISSION STATEMENT

GOOD NEIGHBORS exists to make the world a place without hunger, where people live together in harmony.

GOOD NEIGHBORS respects the human rights of our neighbors suffering from poverty, disasters and oppression, and helps them to achieve self-reliance and enable them to rebuild their hope.



GOOD NEIGHBORS PHILIPPINES STRATEGY





Less Income Resource

Low Secondary Education

Inequality

Climate Change

Natural Disasters



STRATEGY

Economic

Development

Social

Development

Green

Development

Children

Protection

Resource

Development





Community Income Generation/ Social Investment

Youth Development/ **Education Advocacy**

Disaster Resilience/ Climate Change Mitigation

> Children with Special Needs Child Protection

Network Extension/ Resource Diversification



GOAL

Sustainable Economic Ecosystems

Equal Opportunities for Quality Education

Safe Environment for Families

Protect Children from Violence and Risks

Diversity Innovative Resources & Network



COMMUNITY INCOME GENERATION AND SOCIAL INVESTMENT

Good Neighbors Philippines empowers community people through building economic capacity and stability of the community's economic condition through community income generation and social

GOODNEIGHBORS PHILIPPINES ADVOCACY PROGRAMS





community and emergency relief activities where urgent help is necessary due to



Adult and children with strengthened disaster coping capacity

5.000

Adult and children in emergency relief programs

PAS AND EVACUATION CENTER FOR A RESILIENT COMMUNITY

Special Barangay Limot, a far-flung community, and a disaster-prone area is one of the covered barangays of Laak Field Office in Davao de Oro.

The community lacks facilities and infrastructures that address emergencies such as typhoons, landslides, and earthquakes.

Through the special project on Disaster Risk Reduction, this barangay is one of the communities equipped with solar-powered Public Address Systems (PAS), which has been helpful in information dissemination and serves as an early warning system during emergencies.

Moreover, part of the project is the construction of the Evacuation Center that will help more people during disasters and will essentially help build resilient community people. The evacuation center has already been a great help during the super Typhoon Odette which hit the Philippines.



This evacuation center is a great help for us in times of emergency and disaster. The barangay would have to worry less about storms and heavy rains because Limot has always been flood-prone. We were able to use the evacuation center amid Typhoon Odette. Had there been no center there, I wouldn't know where to bring them as the water level steadily rose in the middle of the night.

RICHARD TINOY

IP-Barangay Chieftain

GNIP is a huge help to the people of Special Barangay Limot. Through the Evacuation Center Project, it will serve as their protection and security during emergencies like flooding and continuous rains that Limot has been experiencing throughout the years. There will be less fear and trauma for the populace when heavy, unrelenting rains and LPAs are forecasted.

ROBERT MACOTO

Laak Municipal DRRM Officer



1,874



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616

783







SAVED BY SAVINGS GROUP

Benilda Cañelas, or Ate Bene, a community sponsorship facilitator is one of the active members of Brgy. Salug Women's Savings Group, a savings group supported and organized by Good Neighbors International Philippines.

Her husband lost his livelihood from the onset of the pandemic up to the present. Ate Bene maintains a small variety store to sustain their daily needs. However, the income they gain from their store is not enough for them.

Being a member of the Brgy. Salug Women's Savings Group has been a big help because she was able to save. Moreover, this savings group is one of the beneficiaries of the Micro Business Pandemic Loan offered by Good Neighbors International Philippines.

Ate Bene is one of the members who accessed this program. She loaned 5,000 pesos from her savings group with 3% diminishing interest per month and payable for 6 months. Ate Bene used this as an additional investment in her business and helped her increase her income from 1,000 pesos to 1,500 pesos.

Having a share out is also a big thing for her. From her savings in the whole year, she was able to buy the needs of her family and was no longer very dependent on her variety store for their necessities.

According to her, membership in a savings group is very important, especially if camaraderie is strengthened. There is a support system that will not just help you financially but also socially and morally.





HOPE THROUGH LOAN

The Micro Business Pandemic Loans (MBPL) was one of the aggressive actions Income Generation Sector formulated to help combat the pandemic to protect the marginalized, vulnerable, and wider populations across CDPs and help ensure economies in our localities will rebound as swiftly as possible.



A total of 21 saving and income generation groups were able to avail the MBPL. A 90.5% repayment has already been made from the loan program.

CONNECTING PEOPLE THROUGH BETTER TRANSPORTATION

In the province of Eastern Samar in the municipality of Guiuan, the last town is the Sulangan in which almost 4,000 people live. In order to go here from the town proper, a thirty to forty-five-minute drive before reaching Sulangan.

With Sulangan being a pilgrim's place, more people travel here, thus, transportation was a challenge. Their mode of transportation were pedicabs, tricycles, and old jeepneys. However, these were not enough.

On November 2021, Good Neighbors International Philippines partnered and provided loan support to the Sulangan Transport Cooperative (STC) in Guiuan, where one of our development project areas is located. The loan worth 9.8 million was awarded to STC providing them with seven modern jeepneys to be used as their transportation.

Currently, transportation has provided better service to students, business owners, and the people who go to the town proper for medical check-ups. It has made a positive impact on the community, especially in Sulangan.





9 EDUCATION AND PROTECTION

58,117

Children with improved access to quality education

25,913

Students received financial and material support

181

Partners' schools

3,097

Teachers and educators participated in capacity building training



Individuals received life-skill training



EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

With the COVID-19 pandemic still disrupting the education system, we make sure that the right to education is fulfilled and no children will be left behind.

About 61 Child Development Centers, Day Care Centers, Elementary Schools, and High Schools were given support with various learning materials and equipment that children and teachers need in their modular distance learning.

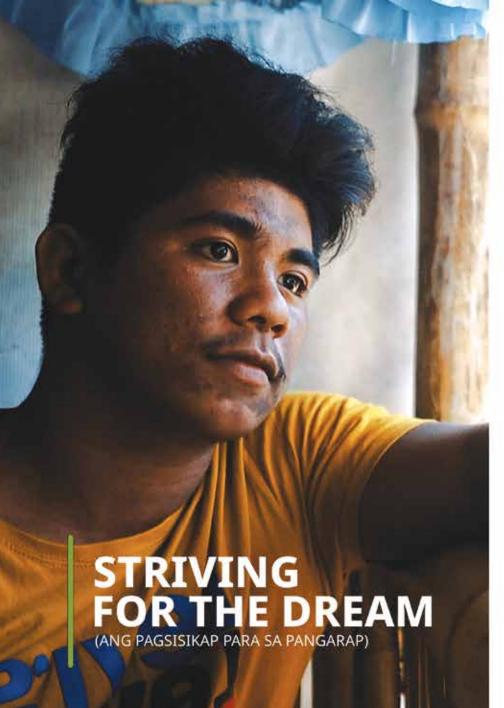
We continuously work hand in hand with partner government units to achieve a better and quality education for the children and address these challenges in education.

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School supported

11,503

Sponsored children supported with Learning Materials



John Justine Antonio, 18, is one of the 100 youth scholars of Good Neighbors International Philippines.

He currently lives in Hagonoy, Bulacan, under the Pugad-Tibaguin Community Development Project area. He is a Grade 11 student, and he is studying in Technical Education and Skills Development Authority or TESDA in Malolos, Bulacan taking a vocational course in welding.

Justine stands as the provider of their family. When he come home from school, he worked straight to dry fish and earned around 200 to 300 pesos. He also has side jobs like manicure and pedicure services.

Justine is very determined and hardworking to finish his studies and provide for his family.

When they found out that Justine was one of the chosen scholars, his grandmother was very happy for him because he will be able to continue his education with the help of Good Neighbors.

"Okay lang naman po sa akin na magtrabaho sa isang araw, basta lang po maiahon ko po sila sa kahirapan. Ayoko po kasi silang nahihirapan. Kasi po matanda na po kasi sila. Gusto ko po ako nalang nagtatrabaho. Kahit na- okay lang po nandiya-diyan lang po sila na nakaupo, nakahiga, basta masaya po sila araw-araw. Sana po makatapos ng pag-aaral, maitaguyod ko po ang pamilya po namin sa kahirapan po. Kaya okay lang po na mahirapan ako, wag lang po sila."

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It is okay for me to work a day, as long as I can lift them out of poverty. I cannot afford to see them in pain because they are also old. I just want to be the one working. It is okay for me that they are just here sitting or lying down as long as they are happy every day. I really hope to finish my education so I can support and help my family.





A HUNDRED DREAMS TO REACH: WELCOMING THE 100 YOUTH SCHOLARS!

Good Neighbors International Philippines (GNIP) successfully launched its "Scholarship Program" by welcoming 100 youth scholars across the 10 Community Development Projects last December 29, 2021.

In this time of the pandemic, a significant number of out-of-school youths have risen due to the unemployment of their parents and the effects the COVID-19 have brought in many livelihoods. The temporary closure of schools and the shift to blended learning modalities also made it more difficult for the students to cope and adjust, especially with limited access to the internet and their limited gadgets and equipment to utilize in their education.

Thus, the new pilot program of Good Neighbors Philippines, Scholarship Program, addresses the educational needs of potential and talented junior and senior high school students to become future leaders.

The 100 youth scholars are students who excel in their respective schools but are financially challenged to continue their education. They have gone through a rigid selection process based on their performance in school and their family's economic situation.

The program will provide the youth scholars with a full scholarship covering their tuition fees, miscellaneous fees, transportation, uniform, internet load, and other school-related expenses.

Aligned with the scholarship program is the implementation of youth development sessions, capacity-building activities, and empowerment sessions that aim to hone their sense of leadership and social responsibility.

Good Neighbors the Philippines hopes that the youth will hopefully become agents of change in our society. We also hope that together we can help reach their dreams that one day will become part of the good changes to their communities and the world.



HANDWASHING FACILITIES FOR SAFE AND CLEAN SCHOOLS

schools are still temporarily closed due to the pandemic.

transferred to where students can have access.

Schools provided with hand

57

Student Beneficiaries

especially when we had our Technical Vocational Training wherein the school is permitted for face-to-face classes. It safeguards the students who are going in and out of the school premises. Thank you very much for the handwashing facilities that you have provided for the usage of our students and

parents. It was a great help to improve our service by providing quality education and safe learning. Again, thank you and may the Lord bless you always.

MR. MARIO MANGADO

Principal I - Southville 8 B Senior High.

SUPPORT FOR THE SPONSORED FAMILIES

The pandemic has still taken a toll on the marginalized families who are severely affected, especially their livelihoods.

On March 26, due to exponential rising cases, a stricter community quarantine was implemented. The major sectors, especially in health and nutrition still largely affected. Adding the fact that the government admitted that it can no longer provide financial and other forms of assistance to the people, further worsened the burden of their daily living.

Hence, the provision of rice, as well as school supplies, is of great importance for our covered areas and sponsored families, who are not spared from this trying time. Providing support that will





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People with improved access to clean and sufficient water and sanitation

18,629

People with access to improved water sources

540

People with access to improved

200

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WATER, SANITATION,

AND HYGIENE (WASH)

Improved toilets

13

Improved water supply facilities

13,259

People participated in WASH tollets (latrine) programs

CHILD SPONSORSHIP



759

Non-sponsored children supported

860 11,150

New child Annual Progress

Report

finding

Gift Money, and Letter distributed

969



BRIGHT EYES FOR BRIGHT FUTURE

Nico James Tallada, 11, a sponsored child in Gigmoto, Catanduanes, was diagnosed with a Corneal Ulcer. It is an open sore in the outer layer of the cornea.

Before Nico turned one year old, his parents noticed unusual symptoms in his eyes which they consulted with a doctor. They give him eye ointments as treatment. However, his parents were worried because, after a year, the condition of Nico was persisting. His eyes were red and were always watery.

When Nico reached fourth grade, he began to experience difficulties in reading and writing which affected his studies. According to his father, it was painful for Nico to open both of his eyes.

"Nahuhuli ako klase pag kumokopya sa blackboard kasi hindi ko masyadong makita yung sulat ng teacher ko. Kaya minsan pinapadala nalang minsan yung libro," said Nico during the interview with him.

Besides this, it also affected his communication with other people, even with his parents. He swerves his face and does not make eye contact.

In the early days of March 2021, Nico had frequent complaints of eye pain when he was studying or doing his module. He remained most of the time in his room to avoid excessive sunlight.

The family consulted the organization and was able to help with Nico's medications. After several checkups and medications, Nico's conditions improved and was much better. His eyesight was not too blurry and he feels comfortable. His reading ability also progressed, including reading his modules, His face does not deviate anymore during conversations and maintains eye contact.

"Tulad ng pagpapagamot namin kay Nico yung mga hindi minsan na-aavail na gastusin para bilhin yung gamot, sa pamamagitan ng Good Neighbors nakukuha agad," expressed by Nico's father.

According to his doctor, ulcerations in his eyes lessened and the eyes had opened wider than before.

Nico is continuing his medications as advised by the doctor so that symptoms will not persist.



GUDLIFE FOR THE COMMUNITY

Charlito Vergara or Kuya Lito is one of the active community leaders in Sitio Bakal, Bagong Silangan, Quezon City, an area in the metro where basic services, like access to water and electricity, are still at far.

Kuya Lito is a farmer and always dreamed of having an additional income for his family and his fellow good neighbors who have been into urban farming and looking for other sources of livelihood.

Through GUDLIFE Project, Kuya Lito is now close to that dream. It paved the way to start the partnership of Good Neighbors Philippines and the 25 beneficiaries in Sitio Bakal.

Part of the project is to have an area to set up a seedling nursery for the whole community. Without hesitation, Kuya Lito graciously offered his vacant lot to put up the seedling nursery.

Through the effort and leadership of Kuya Lito and the rest of the partner beneficiaries, they were able to have their first harvest of vegetables. Some harvests were red lettuce, romaine lettuce, pechay, and mustard.

Kuya Lito is very much thankful to Good Neighbors and The Australian Embassy of the Philippines for this opportunity not only to his family but for the other members of the community who have benefitted from the project.





THE GUDLIFE PROJECT

Through the funding support of The Direct Aid Program of the Australian Embassy in the Philippines, the Gardening for Urban Dwellers and Livelihood and Income for Financial Empowerment or GUDLIFE Project was realized. The main objective is to address the issues of food insecurity and livelihood that arose from the COVID-19 Health Emergency through creating a sustainable food source and providing alternative livelihood to the Sitio Bakal Community.

This project is a continuing effort of Good Neighbors PHL to scale up the previous initiatives in piloting the Hydroponics technology a another methodology of urban farming.

The GUDLIFE project also forged several partnerships with different government organizations for the sustainability of the project.



25 BENEFICIARIES





WATER PUMP CONSTRUCTION

2 Good Neighbors PHL

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

MR. PROSPERO DARUCA

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During the groundbreaking ceremony of the water pump construction on December 10, 2021. In the photo were Mr. Modesto Saromines, HOA Vice President; Ms. Marissa Padrequilla, HOA President; Ms. Lorelyn Tamares, Sitio Bakal CDP Field Manager; Ms. Cindy Mangaya, Social Development Division Manager; Capt. Willy Lara, Barangay Chairman of Bagong Silangan; Atty. Bong Teodoro, District Coordinator -Office of the Mayor; and the Barangay Councilors, Ariel Jardino and Frederick Marcelo.

The Structural Design of the water pump was drafted by volunteer Engineer, Joshua Aguaras, from FairBuilding Network.

CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES

The partner organization, the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Plant Industry, conducted a training of trainers on the Introduction to Hydroponics training on October 28, 2021. It was facilitated by BPI's Agriculturist, Jose Diego Roxas and attended by four (4) beneficiaries, Prospero Daruca, Charlito Vergara, Bobby Nabarte and Felinor Calivo. The Australian Embassy Direct Aid Program Manager, Ms. Teodora Avila were also present.

The participants were trained on the use of the Hydroponics Method for Urban Gardening, its advantages, and the procedures for implementation.

On December 10, 2021, two additional workshops were conducted for all the 25 beneficiaries in Sitio Bakal, the Nutrient Film Technique for Hydroponics, and Plant Propagation.

The Nutrient Film Technique is a versatile system used in Hydroponics wherein a very shallow stream of water containing all the dissolved nutrients required for plant growth is re-circulated past the bare roots of plants in a watertight gully, also known as

A pump is used to distribute the nutrient solution to the channels. On the other hand, PLANT PROPAGATION showcased the technology and techniques for propagating fruit-bearing trees and plantation crops.





COVID-19 HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY

Through the UPS Philippines and UPS Foundation, 1,000 marginalized families were provided with relief packages and health essentials through a house-to-house distribution. Despite the rainy day, muddy and slippy road, it did not stop us to extend our service to the people.

Thermal scanners and other health essentials were also handed over to the barangay and health frontliners of the community.

785,000 100
Amount donated Gallons of alcohol

1,000

Families supported

10

VID-19 Health Emerge

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Thermal gun scanners

SOLAR LIGHTS FOR SAFE COMMUNITY

In partnership with Anchor Land Holdings Inc. and A Liter of Light, 10 solar lamp posts and street lights were installed in Sitio Bakal to help children and families feel safer and secure.

Solar lamps were also provided to families who have been using kerosene lamps in their households.

Sitio Bakal still does not have access to electricity, even water.

356 PEOPLE

> 100 HOUSEHOLDS



In addition, Sun Life Foundation have also provided school supplies to the learners in the community that will help in their modular learning modality. 350 CHILDREN PROVIDED WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

A CHRISTMAS WORTH CELEBRATING

Through the 2021 Christmas Campaign supported by different organizations, children and their families in Sitio Bakal and Sitio Ibayo in Bagong Silangang were able to receive Noche Buena packages.

500 FAMILIES



DONORS

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We are truly grateful that Good Neighbor Philippines allowed us to be part of this life-saving activity during what was a difficult time for the global community.

Regardless of the challenges we face, finding ways to give back to the people we serve, and sharing resources to build purposeful relationships, are important parts of what UPS and The UPS Foundation stand for.

Congratulations to the Good Neighbors Philippines team for the fantastic work. We look forward to working together on more important projects in the years to come.



RUSSEL REED **UPS Philippines Country Manager**



In the tradition of helping make lives brighter for Filipinos, Sun Life Philippines through its philanthropy arm Sun Life Foundation once again showed that by working together, we can all make a difference in the lives of our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

With this, I am proud to share with you the success of the Learning Accommodation and Welfare (ILAW) project, a collaboration with our long-time implementation partner Good Neighbors Philippines.

Through ILAW, we were able to give access to quality and inclusive education by providing learning aids and assistive devices to children with disabilities. This strengthens our advocacy on Child Protection and Inclusive Education for Children with Disabilities, and through this, we were able to put into action our Diversity, Equality, & Inclusion campaign.

ILAW's focus is to give access to quality and inclusive education by donating learning aids and assistive devices to children with disabilities. These donations, benefitted up to thirty (30) children with disabilities in Sitio Bakal, Brgy. Bagong Silangan, Quezon City from November 2021 to November 2022.

> On top of the donations, we also conducted: Community Mobilization Activities, Provision of Assistive Devices, Rehabilitative Services & Developmental Assessments, Capacity Building Trainings & Workshops, Partnerships & Networking, Policy Advocacy, Project Monitoring & Evaluation, and Project Management Expenses to ensure that our beneficiaries are able to maximize the donations and to alleviate difficulties and to break down hindrances that the parents and children may encounter due to their circumstances.

> Lastly, the project aimed to promote an environment that is more accommodating to the beneficiaries' needs to ensure equitable learning opportunities for the children with disabilities.

Through endeavors like this, Sun Life hopes to contribute in building a nation that affords every Filipino equal opportunity no matter their circumstances, and we look forward to more collaborations with our implementation partners in building a brighter tomorrow.



As you get older, remember you have another hand: The first is to help yourself, the second is to help others. - Audrey Hepburn

KOPFa (Korean Artists Organization of Philippine Fan Clubs) is an organization that was built by love of fan girling. Different artists' Fan club in the Philippines that are united to work on one goal, Spreading Love and Unity.

Through the years we also made fan girling a way to help our fellow men in need through various charity events. We are thankful to Good Neighbors International Philippines for allowing us to be part of their advocacy in making this world a better place for everyone. We are grateful that through them we were able to make a change and to help in our own little way. Thank you for giving us a chance to show that we do more than just fan girling, we are helping the community.

We, at KOPFa are looking forward to more projects with Good Neighbor. This is truly a love in action. Keep on spreading the love. Kamsahamnida – 감사합니다



KATIE SAN JOSE
Korean Artists Organization
of Philippine Fan Clubs
CEO

GOOD NEIGHBORS PHL FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS





GOOD NEIGHBORS INTERNATIONAL PHILIPPINES FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS





HEALTH



INCOME GENERATION



ADVOCACY





WATER & SANITATION



COMMUNICATION PARTNERSHIP & NETWORK BLDG.



1.33% Php 1,296,458

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT



OFFICE OR PROJECT MANAGEMENT



EMERGENCY RELIEF



FUNDRAISING PROGRAM



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