



ANNUAL REPORT





Good Neighbors attained General Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic Social Council (UN ECOSOC) in 1996.



In recognition of the valuable efforts in providing universal primary education all over the world, Good Neighbors was awarded the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Award by the International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions (AICESIS) in 2007.



Good Neighbors was the first Korean NGO to have partnered with the World Food Program (WFP).

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A Message from the Country Director



Daehyun Kim
Country Director

**Let us continue to
work together for
the children and our
future. Mabuhay!**

Warmest Greetings!

Giving a message in an Annual Report always engrave fulfilling and grateful emotions in my heart. It gives rewarding and reckoning times of another year well done!

The narratives and accomplishments etched in this report immortalized all our collaborative efforts to advance the welfare of the children and the communities we serve. These are the testament of our dedication and compassion in working for the best interest of the people. Big or small, the stories and write-ups written here have contributed in our quest to make the lives of the marginalized children and their families better. Around the country, our development and humanitarian services in the 11 project areas and those areas hit by disasters have made our organizational presence strong through our comprehensive programs—health, education, income generation, and the others. Our responsive programs have trickled down safety nets to protect the grassroots level and the vulnerable sectors. We have made our actions bold in protecting the rights of the children, building the social and economic capacities of the low-income families of the sponsored children, improving and institutionalizing Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) mechanisms of partners in disaster-prone areas, and strengthening the delivery of basic social services, especially in remote and isolated areas.

These noble efforts were made possible through the hard work of the staff, partners, communities, and donors/funders who believed in our good cause. At this point, I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation for all the invaluable contributions you made.

About Good Neighbors International Philippines

Good Neighbors (GN) is an international, nonprofit, child-focused, humanitarian organization that plans, implements, and raises funds for the provision of services in child education, community development, health, sanitation, and disaster relief projects. In 1996 and 2007, GN obtained a General Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (UN ECOSOC) and was granted a Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Award from the United Nations for its achievements in universal primary education. GN currently operates in 40 countries around the world.

Good Neighbors International Philippines (GNIP) was established in 2008, with the goal of improving the lives of Filipinos, especially of the children, through child sponsorship and community development programs. GNIP formally started its operations in February of 2009 with Barangay San Isidro in Rodriguez, Rizal as its pilot Community Development Project (CDP) area. By 2016, a total of ten GNIP CDP areas are supported all over the country.

In 2015, Good Neighbors Philippines (GN PHL) was established and became a daughter organization of GNIP mandated to do resource mobilization or fundraising. GN PHL was established to start the initiative of introducing local sponsorship. This strategy sprung from the principle that Philippine society also has the capacity to help fellow Filipinos with a focus on marginalized children and vulnerable communities. In this effort, the Philippine social landscape was eyed as a prime source of support for more sustainable sponsorship initiatives.

Vision

We envision a country where people care and share with love for the welfare of every Filipino child.

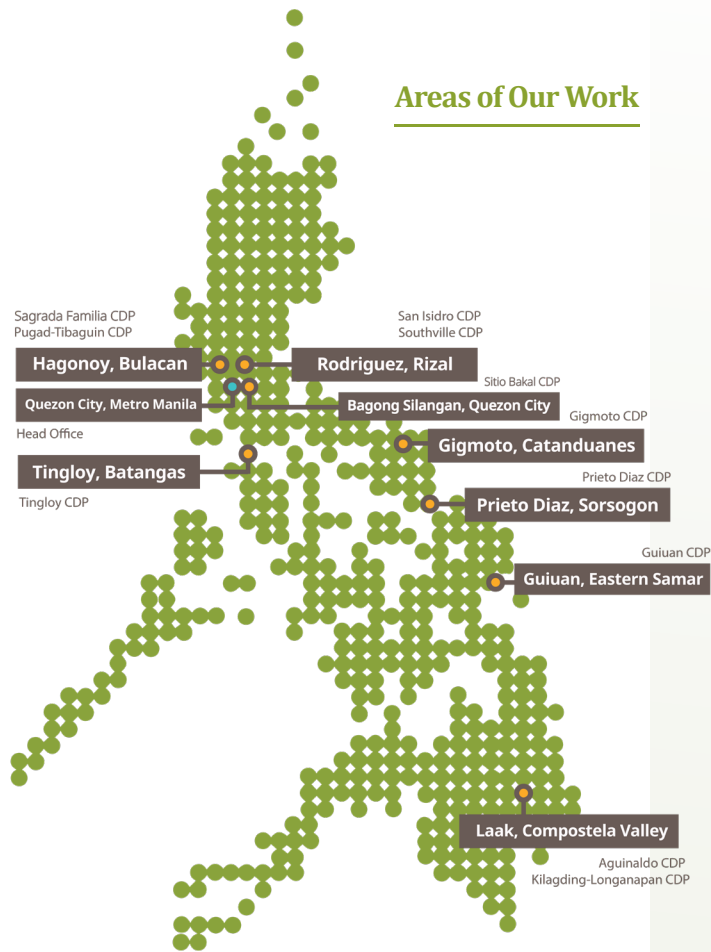
Mission

We strive in promoting the well being of marginalized Filipino children through integrated and child-centered community development programs that create long term positive change.

Core Values

Love
Innovativeness
Transparency and Accountability
Empowerment

Areas of Our Work



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Community Development
Project (CDP) Areas

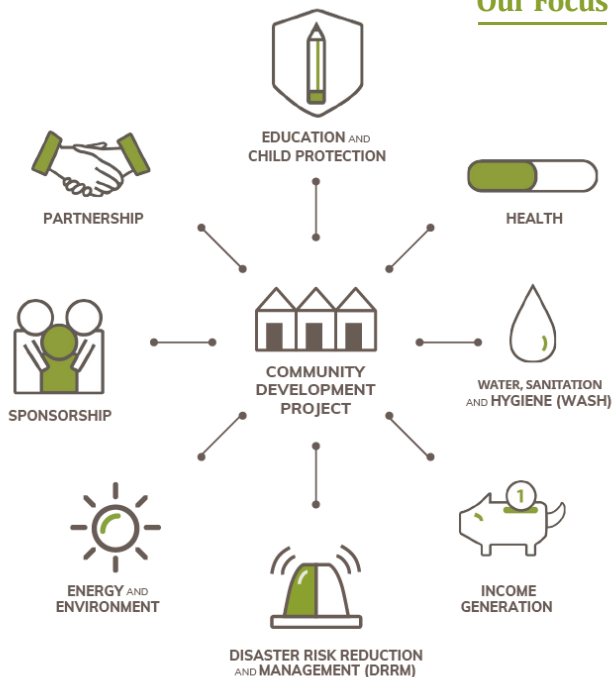
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Head Office

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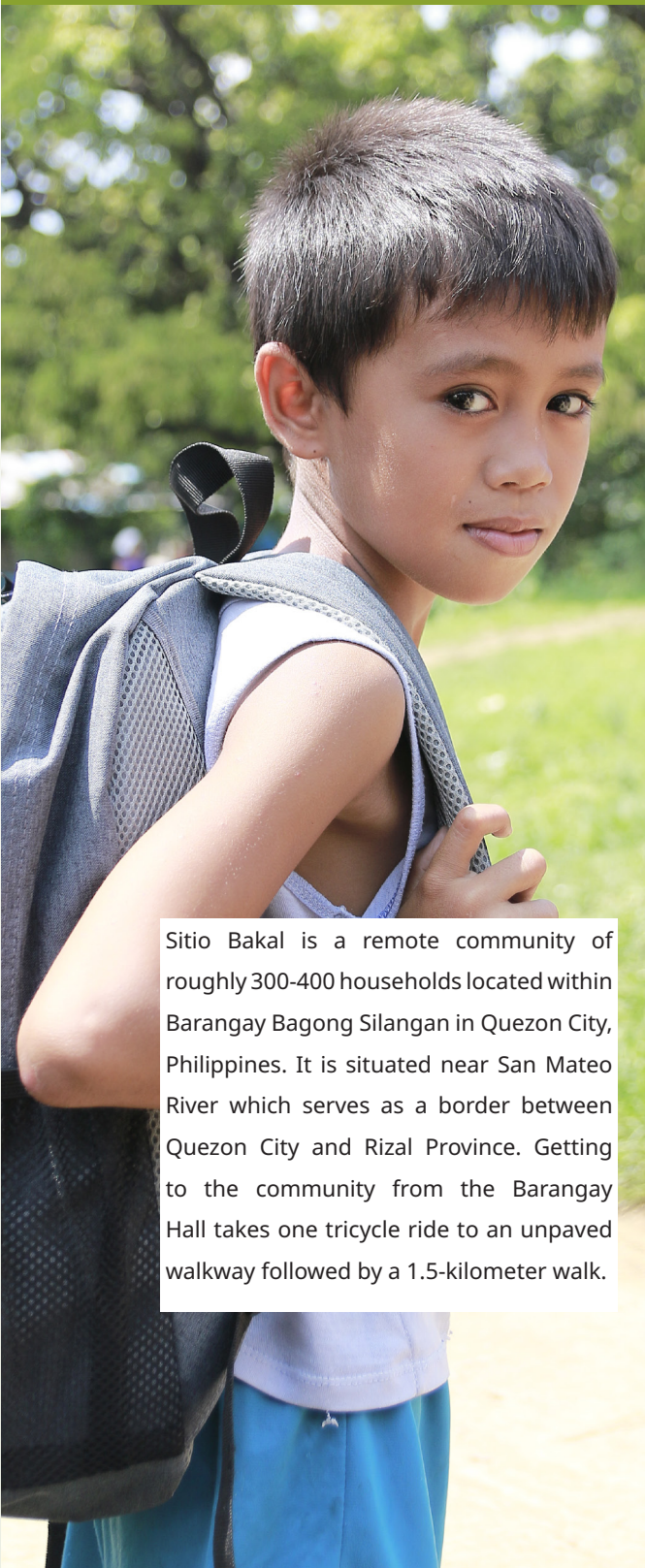
Sponsored Children
nationwide

Our Focus



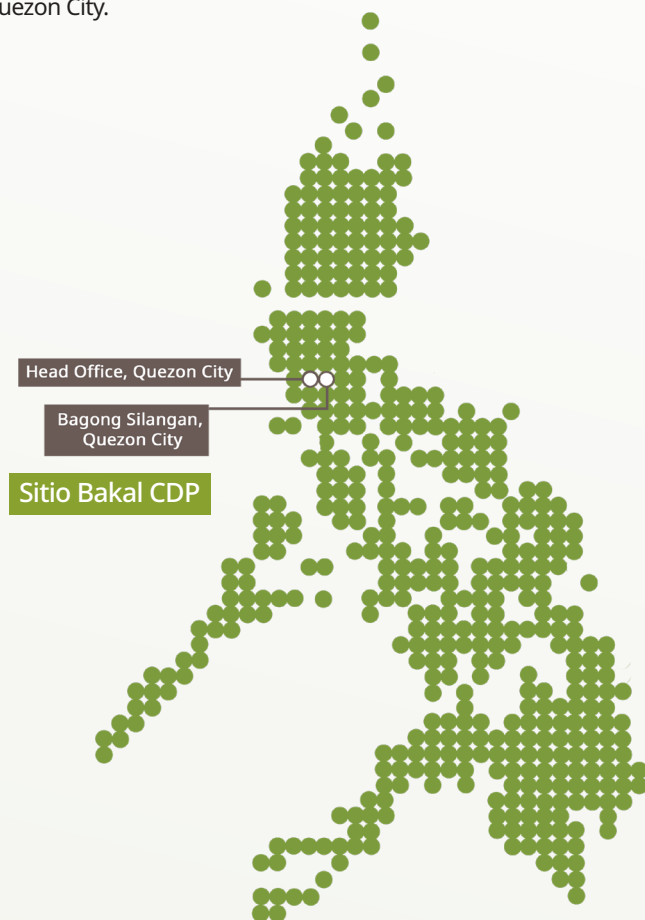
The organization's strategic direction for 2019-2021 focused on community development initiatives on child protection; education; health; water and sanitation and hygiene; livelihood; environment; and disaster risk reduction applying the human right-based, child-centered, and integrated community development approaches. The Country Strategic Plan (CSP) targets improvements in the internal processes to be able to support the community development projects. The 3-year CSP is aligned and consistent with GN Vision 2030.

A NEW ADDITION: SITIO BAKAL, BAGONG SILANGAN CDP



Sitio Bakal is a remote community of roughly 300-400 households located within Barangay Bagong Silangan in Quezon City, Philippines. It is situated near San Mateo River which serves as a border between Quezon City and Rizal Province. Getting to the community from the Barangay Hall takes one tricycle ride to an unpaved walkway followed by a 1.5-kilometer walk.

As Good Neighbors Philippines enters another decade of serving the Filipino children, it started the year opening a new Community Development Project (CDP) in the National Capital Region particularly in Sitio Bakal, Bagong Silangan, Quezon City.



This is the smallest sitio in Barangay Bagong Silangan. The place is nothing compared to the modern city. Water and electricity are not accessible in the area. Getting from the village to the sitio is very challenging. It is about half an hour's walk through dirt trails, past a short rickety footbridge, and across grassy fields.

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF UNCRC

Good Neighbors International Philippines (GNIP), together with over 850 participants, commemorated the 30th Anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child on November 17 at the ABS-CBN Vertis Tent in Quezon City. Together with the commemoration of the 27th National Children's Month, attendees were composed of both children and adults ranging from walk-ins to those coming from 13 academic institutions, partners NGOs, communities, GNIP-formed Child Rights Clubs and other partners.

Composed of informative and educative presentations and discussions on the four main clusters of child rights from the child rights experts from the CRC Coalition, Child Justice League, ABS-CBN Lingkod Kapamilya Bantay Bata 163, and the Child Rights Network, the Advocacy Summit enriched the participants with a wider and in-depth understanding of the rights of children.

TINIG NG KABATAAN



ILIKE 2019: TINIG NG KABATAAN

The second part of the event featured independently produced films that showcased stories focusing on the promotion and protection of the rights of children. The film festival was an up-scaled advocacy platform that enabled the organization and the audience to hear the voices of the children and youth through the 67 film entries submitted by filmmakers across the country.

The film festival winners that featured real-life situations and stories are being targeted for potential further screening with partners who share the same advocacies and priorities.

Homegrown child rights advocates and defenders such as those from the CRC were also invited during the

Tinig ng Kabataan celebration to perform meaningful creative presentations such as skits, monologues, and dances that exhibited their deeply rooted passion for this advocacy.

Moreover, the participation of local personalities like Dominic Ochoa, Camille Prats, Maris Racal, Ella Nympha, and Karylle, and the Passport Holders added more value to the promotion of child rights and community development.

Through partnerships and collaboration with schools, communities and like-minded organizations including the National Youth Commission (NYC), Department of Education (DepEd), Movie and Television Review and Classification Board (MTRCB), Local Government of Quezon City through the offices of the City Mayor, and Cultural and Tourism Affairs, College of Mass Communication of the University of the Philippines (UP CMC), CRC Coalition, Sagisag Philippines - an online news portal, Jollibee Group Foundation, and DZUP 1602, Tinig ng Kabataan realized its overarching goal of increasing the participation and awareness of the Philippine society on the rights of the children.





EDUCATION

sector

PEOPLE ARE EDUCATED

GNIP recognizes the importance of the right of every child to education, development, and protection through the provision of early childhood education and different educational programs.

GNIP continues to improve access and quality of education through the provision of school supplies, literacy program, life skills program, Technical Vocation and Alternative Learning System Trainings Resource Mobilization and Corporate Partnership, Capacity Building of Teachers and Child Development Workers, and Parent-Teacher Conference. As such, social and life skills activities are also conducted to help build their full potential as an individual. Moreover, GNIP also aims to make education accessible to those who are deprived due to financial capacity.



Provision of Learning Materials
and Other Equipment to:

12

children

4

learning
facilities

3

schools



Parent Education and
Teacher Training Program

1,082

teachers and parents
trained



Literacy
Programs

2

schools
supported

631

trained
individuals

Distribution of School Supplies to Children

Good Neighbors has many initiatives, but one way it consistently contributes to the welfare of sponsored children is by providing educational supplies to the children. This effort is in support of their right to education and personal development. With many factors that can affect a child's access to education, as well as their performance in school, adults and government must collaborate to alleviate such hindrances and ensure that all children can enjoy all their rights.

The organization assisted thousands of children for the school year 2019-2020.

In the 11 project areas across the country, 12, 646 children

received notebooks, pencils/ballpens, bags, umbrella, art materials, and other school supplies which were assessed needed, depending on their grade level.



Social and Financial Education (SAFE) through Aflatoun



GNIP conducted a Training of Trainers (ToT) on Financial Education through the Aflatoun program in 4 CDPs. Aflatoun's mission is to *“ensure that children and young people get access to quality, inclusive and child-centered social, and financial education.”* In a nutshell, Aflatoun includes the teaching of social education and financial literacy. In social education, children will be able to learn soft skills, such as leadership, character development, communication and decision making, on the other hand, financial literacy or education means teaching the children the concept of the proper way of managing and saving money, and designing a small project for income generation.

GNIP was able to train **58 teachers and 144 children** across CDPs of San Isidro, Rodriguez, Rizal; Tingloy, Batangas; Guiuan, Eastern Samar; and Laak, Davao de Oro. Additionally, CDPs will also roll out this program to Child Rights Clubs in their respective schools to emphasize their understanding, rights and responsibilities, saving and spending, planning and budgeting, and child social and financial enterprise knowledge.

Productivity After Class Hours

The after school program of selected students in Prieto Diaz National High School (PDNHS) was continuously implemented by GNIP Prieto Diaz Field Office. This aimed to contribute to improving the quality of education of its target students and sponsored children. The focus of the after class session this year was on reading which was facilitated by the teachers from PDNHS. The voluntary service of the teachers who have genuine interest and dedication to helping the students beyond their working hours is greatly valued by the organization.



Provision of Learning Materials for Learning Development



As GNIP continued to provide access to quality education to our project areas, the GNIP Prieto Diaz Field Office sealed a partnership and turned over the Learning Materials to Manlabong National High School on July 31, 2019. This activity aimed to provide learning materials as well as to support the students in their learning development. This was attended by the BLGU Representatives, School Principal and Faculty, PTA President, and Student Supreme Government Officers.

“ Every child has the right to **EDUCATION.** ”

More Than Just Peers

Improving the academic performance of the sponsored children and youth in the target project areas of GNIP is one of the interventions under the education program. By the end of January 2019, **30 students** participated in the Peer Educator's Training organized by Gigmoto CDP. The activity intended to orient the students on the concept of peer education and their roles and responsibilities which are vital in helping other students to perform better or even at par with other students who are remarkably performing well in school. This a beginning effort towards achieving the organization's goal to help provide quality education to our children.



Building Capacities through Literacy Modules



On February 22, the set of literacy modules (kagamitan panturo, banghay-aralin, and training module) crafted by GNIP and Department of Education (DepEd) Rizal was officially unveiled during the book launch. This was a momentous event that surely etched a lifetime accomplishment to both parties.

This will help thousands of students and children, and even adult learners who are in need of educational interventions.

The K-12 inclined modules will benefit both schools and communities ensuring that community leaders and volunteers were capacitated in teaching the modules to out-of-school youth and adult learners.

Significantly, diversified teaching approaches tailored-fit on the needs of the learners are adapted. These modules were distributed to partner-schools and other schools in DepEd Rizal.



Joining Forces for ALS

The GNIP Bulacan Field Office in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd) - Alternative Learning System (ALS-Bulacan Division) and Barangay Local Government Units of Pugad, and Tibaguin in Hagonoy jointly worked together to cap the improvement of quality and basic education that is receptive in fulfilling the rights of the children. The ALS module crafted for this partnership catered to the learning needs of non-schoolers, dropouts, non-literate adults,

and marginalized groups who can learn in and out-of-school settings.

The literacy mapping for Division of Bulacan Cluster 1 followed suit conducted by 5 mobile teachers, 6 ALS Coordinators, barangay mother leaders, GNIP Education Staff, and Division Education Program Specialist II. This initiative brought hope through bringing the ALS program closer to the island barangays of Pugad and Tibaguin.



ASAP for Education



The Gamao Elementary School in the CDP of Tingloy, Batangas developed an Aklat Sisikat Action Plan (ASAP) to achieve its objective of providing quality, equitable, culture-based, and complete basic education. To contribute to achieving the objective and in successfully implementing the after school program, **GNIP provided books to the school catering to 119 students and 8 teachers.**

The ASAP has a two-fold programs which includes Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) and remedial reading program. These programs aimed to help students improve their reading and comprehension skills through the use of reference materials and to help the students enjoy their right to have access to quality education.

Empowering the Youth to be Proactive

In the month of August in the CDP of Gigmoto in Catanduanes, Peer Education Sessions were conducted as a strategy to provide additional opportunities for learning while also providing a fun and friendly environment for students and peer educators. It was simultaneously conducted in five schools: Biong Elementary School, San Pedro Elementary School, Dominador Guerrero Elementary School (San Vicente), Sioron Elementary School, and Sicmil Integrated Elementary School. The Peer Educators Club of Dororian National High School served as volunteer facilitators for all five sessions which were participated by selected elementary level pupils. By engaging various sectors of the community, GNIP continuously hopes to spark their willingness to participate in community educational and developmental efforts that ultimately contribute to the fulfillment of child rights.



Encouraging and empowering the youth to be proactive is one of the efforts of the organization through continuously involving them in nation-building and community development efforts.

Values Transformation for those at Risk of Dropping Out from School

In the CDP of San Isidro and Southville in Rodriguez, Rizal, a *two-day values transformation activity was conducted for Students at Risk of dropping out of school (SARDO)* at the secondary level.

This aimed to revive and refresh the student's eagerness to study through activities such as journaling and discussions on coping with emotions and stress in positive ways, problem-solving and conflict resolution, and goal setting for productivity and success. It was spearheaded by a licensed psychologist and invited speaker, Mr. Bryan Suriaga.



Succinctly, it is really important that children are aware of the value of education and the impact it can have on their lives, as it may affect their development and their way of life.

Strumming for the Development of Creative and Life Skills

Southville Mom Center conducted a 12-session guitar lesson in April and May 2019 for sponsored children (SC) in San Isidro Community Development Project (CDP). This summer program helped the children and youth enhance their skills and talents in music and at the same time use these talents as a medium or form for advocacy.

The aim to bring joy and develop them to become well-rounded individuals was achieved.

The need to have a guitar lesson was expressed by the SC during the socialization activities as one of their interest and potential area for development.

The invited instructor taught them to play the guitar using a method that incorporated all of the learning channels such as audio and verbal and some

elements of values development, particularly in the area of discipline and patience. This was also a venue for the SC to express themselves, their voices, their actions, and their creativity. Moreover, this was an opportunity to hone their leadership potentials.

On May 8, the recital was held and was participated by **20 students**, some learned basic while others learned advanced lessons. The recital day showed that SC really enjoyed their time learning guitar lessons and sharing what they had learned from this activity. The parents of the SCs were also invited which made them proud and fulfilled with the achievement of their children. They further expressed to conduct another set of guitar lessons. The office of the Brgy. Chairman, Karen Mae Hernandez, of barangay San Isidro, sponsored 17 guitars as their counterpart for the said program.



Pupils Graduated from San Isidro Learning Center



GNIP caters nursery class for children ages 4-5 years old for both sponsored and non-sponsored children in San Isidro CDP in Rodriguez, Rizal. Just like the government facilitated school, the children also received free tuition, uniform, and 3-day snacks a week.

Momentously, last April 2019, the moving-up and recognition day of the pupils of the 5 Learning Centers in San Isidro CDP was successfully held. **126 students** successfully completed the requirements of the school year 2018-2019.

This is part of the Good Neighbors Nursery Program and beginning effort of making education accessible to the children especially those who live in the mountainous and hard to reach areas. The Country Director of GNIP, Mr. Daehyun Kim, together with our esteemed partners graced the activity.

With the cooperation of the parents and students, the program was a success and was evidently a fun-filled recognition day for the children.



Parent-Teacher Conference in Bulacan

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child states that governments and institutions must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents and carers to provide guidance and direction to their child as they grow up. In this spirit, GNIP made sure to regularly engage, inform, and educate the parents of children to assure that their inputs and rights as parents are not overlooked. In the Community Development Project of Sagrada Familia in Hagonoy, Bulacan, a Parent-Teacher Conference was conducted in coordination and partnership with the Department of Education (District Level) and the Provincial and Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office on August 13.

This served as an opportunity for both parents and teachers to *share best practices, discuss and enrich their parenting skills and teaching methodologies or approaches* respectively for the betterment of the students' lives inside and outside of school.

This was participated by selected sponsored parents per grade level, Homeroom Parent-Teachers Association (PTA) Officers, Day Care Parents, and teachers from Sagrada Familia Elementary School and Day Care Center.



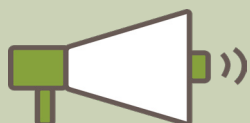
Inclusive Planning Workshop for Education

GNIP continuously keeps up with its commitment to contribute in improving quality and accessible education, especially to far-flung, poverty-stricken, and geographically isolated project areas, as access to education is a great challenge to them.

To address this, the CDP in Tingloy, Batangas had a planning workshop with the representatives from the partner-schools, Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), and Child Rights Club. *The workshop focused on the development of after school sessions, a program that encourages the students and teachers, to provide motivational activities, to improve the students' academic performance, and to sustain their motivation towards their studies.*

Moreover, GNIP provided boxes of various reference materials aimed to augment the instructional materials of our partner-schools. These are just some of the concrete ways in addressing the lack of teachers, and educational resources and facilities in the area.





CHILD PROTECTION and ADVOCACY sector

EVERY CHILD IS PROTECTED

In ensuring that our children live in harmony and enjoy their rights, GNIP promotes the strengthening of the child protection system in the community development project areas, improvement of the community awareness on child protection, and children, themselves, being advocates for child rights and child protection.

Through the reactivations and capacity building of Local Councils for the Protection of Children, parent education sessions, formation of child rights club (CRC), and other partnership programs in connection with the advocacy of protecting child's rights are one of the interventions of the GNIP this 2019.



Campaigns and Activities
for Child Protection

4,243

individuals

16

schools



Hands in for Fighting Child Labor

In the spirit of commemorating the World Day Against Child Labor in the month of June, GNIP joined awareness efforts through a campaign promoting the right of the children to be protected from performing any work that is likely to be hazardous or that interferes with their education. With the theme, “Children should work on their dreams, not in fields,” the campaign was held in Sagrada Familia and Pugad Elementary School to Grades 4, 5 and 6 pupils.

“ Every child must be **PROTECTED FROM EXPLOITATION AND WORK** that is dangerous or might harm their health. ”

It was spearheaded by the Bulacan Field Office in collaboration with the Department of Education Alternative Learning System (Division, District, and School), the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), and the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO). Different activities were held like room-to-room campaigns the presented a photovoice art material that showed their personal stories emphasizing that children have full rights to get proper attention, love & care from their parents, schooling, guidance, playing with friends, and other happy moments. Hagonoy, Bulacan is one of GNIP CPDs that has rampant cases of child labor. In such advocacy, they are giving the community information to protect their rights.



Participation in DepEd's Roadshow



The Community Development Project (CDP) of Tingloy Island in Batangas participated in the 2019 Department of Education's (DepEd) Resiliency Advancement Meet (RAM) and Stakeholders' Partnership and Roadshow Exhibit from October 23 to 25.

It aimed to provide an avenue for partners of the agency, like that of GNIP, to network and showcase both their accomplishments and advocacies. The advocacies include improving access to quality education for the children and programs that create impact and long term positive changes in the community.

Through this event, GNIP further strengthened its partnership with DepEd, network with other participants, and promoted the advocacy of child rights with children.



RADIATING THROUGH THE RADIO: CRC Members Speak about Child Rights

On November 26, the community-based Child Rights Club (CRC) officers Brix Rafael Martin and Elaine Reyes participated in a live radio broadcasting along with Mr. Dalmacio G. Dela Cruz, Anchor of 103.9 FM RTV Radio Bulacan.

Through the broadcasted radio segment, they were able to express and speak up about Child Rights. They were also able to develop their learning skills and empower them to use journalism and media as a tool to increase awareness in advocating the rights of all children. The radio broadcast is a powerful medium in making a call to action to the Filipinos.



CRC Leadership Camp

In the CDP of Gigmoto, Catanduanes, a training on Leadership and Organizational Management through Leadership Camp was held in Sicmil Integrated School last August 30.

This camp was a re-echo session for the Basic Orientation of Child Rights that was actively participated by identified students from Grades 10 to 12. The Child Rights Club (CRC) that completed the Leadership Camp facilitated the said event, such as Sorion Elementary School and Gigmoto Rural Development High School. Through this, the students and youth can show their leadership and sense of responsibility to take action and perform according to their roles.

“ Every child has the right to **EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS, FEELINGS AND WISHES** in all matters affecting them. ”

Partnership to Battle VAWC

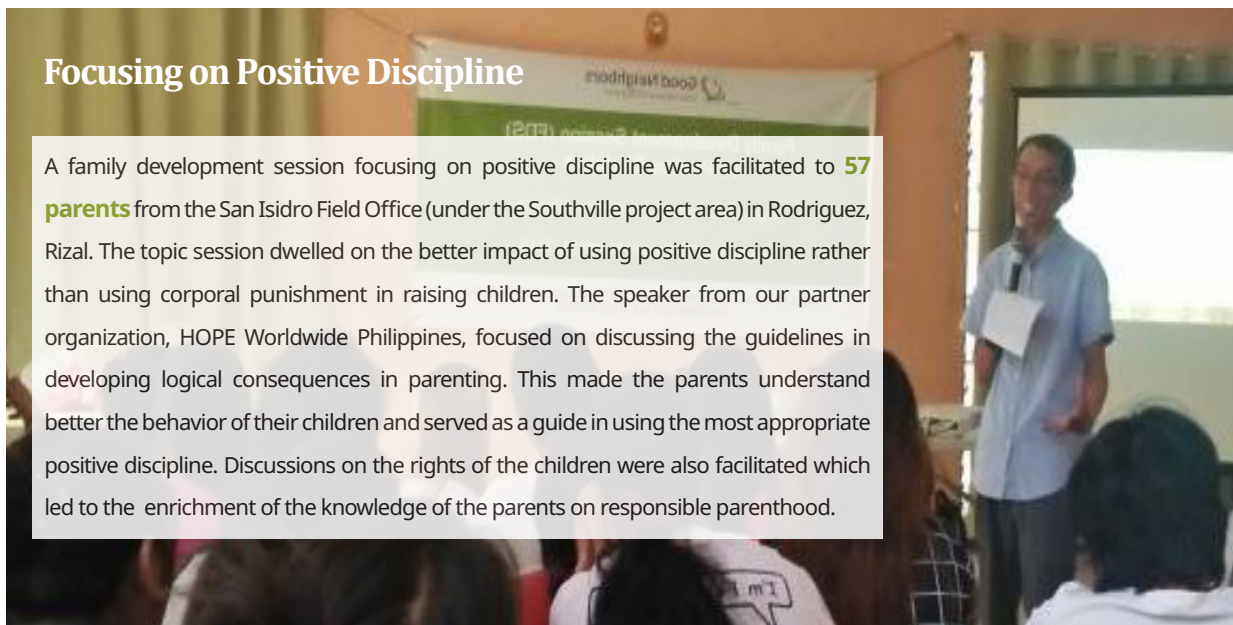


The local government of Prieto Diaz, with the support of GNIP, led the Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC) advocacy campaign last March 21. The event aimed to increase the awareness of the people, particularly the duty bearers who are into local governance and who have the mandate to address the issues of women and children. During the event, the Municipal Mayor himself, Hon. Benito L. Doma, presented the plans of the Municipal Council for the Protection of Children (MCPC) and the creation of the Barangay Children's Association (BCA). Mayor Doma emphasized the need to strengthen the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC), especially in providing the children with holistic intervention.

Moreover, the event was highlighted by a commitment signing to end VAWC which was participated by the Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU), BCPC, and Barangay officials and staff.

Focusing on Positive Discipline

A family development session focusing on positive discipline was facilitated to **57 parents** from the San Isidro Field Office (under the Southville project area) in Rodriguez, Rizal. The topic session dwelled on the better impact of using positive discipline rather than using corporal punishment in raising children. The speaker from our partner organization, HOPE Worldwide Philippines, focused on discussing the guidelines in developing logical consequences in parenting. This made the parents understand better the behavior of their children and served as a guide in using the most appropriate positive discipline. Discussions on the rights of the children were also facilitated which led to the enrichment of the knowledge of the parents on responsible parenthood.



Youth Camp for Kids

Because *every child has the right to a quality education* that enables them to use and develop their skills and talents, a two-day youth camp was held for students and officers from the Balagbag Elementary School in Rizal from May 9 to 10. This program aimed to enrich the participants' leadership skills and ultimately enable them to know and exercise their rights.

During this camp, some various discussions and activities engaged youth attendees. These covered topics on self-awareness, child rights, leadership styles and effective decision-making, values formation, and team-building.



“

I have learned the importance of knowing the *four basic rights* and the importance of self awareness and because of this, I realized that we can [find] ourselves as unique individuals, when we have a better understanding of ourselves.

This summer camp [truly] helped me in developing myself and widening my understanding on *how to become a good leader*.

Bryan Furry Cinco
CRC member

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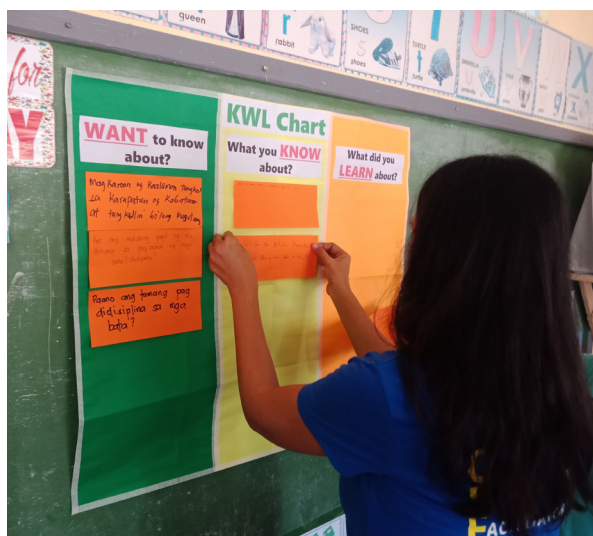
Parents Learn Effective Parenting

The parents have the main responsibility in child-rearing which involves protecting children, providing optimum development, and molding the child's characters. Thus, it is important to equip and teach them about the different methods on parenting.

A *parent preparedness seminar* was successfully conducted by the Laak Field Office which aimed to support and teach parents emergent literacy practices through parenting trainings/meetings to increase children's emergent literacy skills and school readiness. Through Know, Want, Learned (KWL) Chart, they were able to recognize the parents understanding about caring for children.

Further, GNIP discussed several topics to help parents/guardians in guiding their children, such as caring for children at home, streets and school, young children's behavior, and going to school emphasizing their role in their child's learning and development.

In Laak Field Office, a *parents effectiveness seminar* was facilitated to strengthen the knowledge and skills of the parents in nurturing and rearing their children. With this kind of activity, the parents were equipped with some techniques in effectively handling their children. They also learned different areas of early childhood development, child behavior management, husband and wife relationships, health care, and other challenges of parents.





CRC Meetings to Strengthen Advocacy

Engaging the youth in acting for the benefit of advocacies like those for child rights is something that GNIP sees as very important. As such, members of Child Rights Clubs (CRCs) regularly gathered to ensure that the purpose behind the club remains clear and strong. The CRC is an initiative that aims to improve the capacities of organized youth groups to advocate for their rights. In the Community Development Projects (CDPs) of Aguinaldo and Kilagding-Longanapan in Laak, Davao de Oro, a CRC meeting was regularly conducted where upcoming activities were discussed and new and vacant CRC officer positions were monitored to assure continuous engagement with its respective members.

A Better Understanding of Adolescence for CRCs



The Good Neighbors Child Rights Club Members often give the organization a sense of pride when it comes to participation and proactivity. This year, **130 youth from the 7 barangays** from Prieto Diaz Community Development Project participated in the values formation session cum teambuilding activity. The session tackled the topic of Understanding Adolescence to address pressing issues of adolescents like identity crises. The learning session was very informative and interactive with the sharing of experiences and stories from and among the participants. This was successfully held with the help of the CRC advisers from the partner schools who facilitated the activity.



I Live, Inform, Educate – Karapatan ng Bawat Bata or ILIKE is a GNIP yearly celebration of Children's Month. This advocacy event has a theme that promotes and highlights child protection, child participation, and child rights. Every year, GNIP is highlighting specific advocacy to create a venue for campaigning child rights. This year's celebration is marked as the 30th Celebration of the United Nations Convention on the Right of a Child with the theme "Tinig ng Kabataan" (Voices of the Youth). Together with the 10 CDPs of GNIP, celebrated and held their programs and advocacy efforts emphasizing the four (4) clusters of children's rights – Survival, Development, Protection, Participation, and making the event more children focused.

Some of the highlighted events of the CDPs were: Interactive booth activities and forums were facilitated showcasing the basic rights of the child in the CDPs of Tingloy, Batangas; Laak, Davao de Oro; and Hagonoy, Bulacan.

Advocacy Talk Show in the CDP of Guiuan, Catanduanes was held that helped the parents and youth understand more about children's rights. A children's congress was organized by the CDP of Prieto Diaz in Sorsogon emphasizing on being a child rights advocate. In addition, an activity entitled "Pistayawit: Awit at Sayaw para sa Edukasyon ng Kabataan" in partnership with the Department of Education and Local Government Unit was held. This activity aimed to raise awareness on the importance of education and the community's culture to a child's development. Moreover, CDPs of San Isidro/Southville and Gigmoto were able to improve the potential, skills, and talents of the children to be co-facilitators of the celebration of ILIKE.

Child rights being the heart of our advocacy, the CDPs were able to reach **5,066 children, local government officials, and community people.**

Strengthening Knowledge on Child Protection and Rights through Re-Orientations

A way of GNIP's effort to protect children and promote a safe environment for them in the community is working hand-in-hand with the local government to enhance the capacity of the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC). The BCPC is a committee in charge of planning, implementing activities, and addressing issues pertaining to children. The committee is composed of different representations from the community with the village captain as the chairman.

The organization helped LGU through re-orientation and workshops for the council members, creating action plans for children, monitoring the implementation of the action plans, and sharing resources. These activities will hope to strengthen child protection systems in the community. In solidarity, we can make a protective and safe place for children.

Across GNIP Community Development Project areas, there were **71 barangays** supported in the re-orientation of the BCPC members and strengthening of child protection systems in the community. These activities are a continuous effort to ensure children are safe and there are responsive communities to take care of children's concerns.





HEALTH sector

PEOPLE ARE HEALTHY AND WELL-NOURISHED

In addressing the health problems in the communities, Good Neighbors International Philippines implements annual medical check-up, capacity building for community health workers, support for health center operations, medicine supply and medical equipment, health education, and advocacy campaign within the community development project (CDP) areas.

By giving access to quality health, improve health-seeking behavior of families and improving the nutrition of children, we believe that the children and other community members will be able to have a healthy and well-nourished lifestyle.



Supported Health
Facilities

11

facilities



Annual Medical
Check-Up

10,537

children



Implemented
Health Campaigns

13

campaigns

Annual Medical Check-Up



A total of 10,537
sponsored children

was able to undergo annual medical check-ups commenced from April 29 to May 3, 2019.

The children availed physical check-up and were provided with multivitamins and basic medicines. The children who needed medication including laboratory tests such as X-ray, CBC, urinalysis, stool exam, and other tests were recommended to consult physicians with support from GNIP.

The sponsored children who needed laboratory had their tests outright in the hospital. Moreover, the results of the tests were obtained immediately. The presence of pharmacists to disburse medicines was also very helpful, especially for the parents who needed to know more about the medicines prescribed to their children.

The activity was jointly implemented with the barangay LGUs, Community Sponsorship Facilitators, Health Workers, Ponferrada Polymedic Hospital, Rural Health Unit, and Pharmacia Machica.



VACCINATION DAY: Caring for the Health of the Staff

Head Office

On September 6, the employees of the GNIP Head Office in Quezon City held their annual flu vaccination. This is one of the benefits of the staff and the organization's way of showing its love and care to its workforce.

Aside from the vaccine's benefit, this initiative aimed to increase awareness of the potential impact of getting vaccinated, especially on a regular basis, which ultimately, is a good health practice. Better health protection can mean great productivity in the workplace.



Gigmoto CDP

Aside from this, last June 2019, the Community Sponsorship Facilitators (CSF) in Gigmoto received anti-flu vaccines as part of Good Neighbors' inclusive approach to promoting proper medical care and safeguarding their good health. As valued partners in the advocacies pursued by the organization, CSFs are provided avenues and opportunities to walk the talk on the importance of having good health, proper hygiene, and health care practices.



NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH: Nurturing Knowledge On Nutrition



In Barangays Pugad and Tibaguin in Hagonoy, Bulacan, child malnutrition is still a community problem. In order contribute to the pursuit of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal Number 2 of reducing the number of undernourished children, the GNIP Bulacan Field Office conducted a promotional campaign supporting the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Municipal Nutrition Action Office's efforts for awareness and key behavior change toward proper nutrition during the 2019 Nutrition Month Celebration held on July 31. The children were engaged in promoting nutritious diets and active lifestyles through various creative presentations, such as costume competitions, poster making, and the like.

“ Every child has the right to the
BEST POSSIBLE HEALTH. ”



Dengue Awareness

With the increasing cases of dengue recorded across the country last 2019 of June, a series of Dengue Awareness Campaign was conducted by the Guiuan Field Office to countermeasure this issue. It was made possible through the contributions of Barangays and their respective Health Workers. All in all, **a total of 377 individuals participated in this activity**, including the sponsored families and other community members. Furthermore, it is important to do everything we can to stop its havoc, especially on Filipino children who are more vulnerable. This activity was very helpful in keeping the communities become alert and cautious about the outbreak of dengue.



Training CHWs for Pneumonia Management

A two-day capacity building training was successfully done in the two Community Development Projects (CDPs) in Laak, Davao de Oro on May 9 to 10. This focused on the strengthening of Community Health Workers (CHW) and the community management of pneumonia disease.

Through the partnership with the Provincial Health Office and the Laak Municipal Health Office, the CHWs were able to learn the Universal Health Care and Management on Pneumonia from the invited resource speaker from the Provincial Health Office.



Health Campaigns for Adolescents

Gigamoto CDP

The Gigamoto Field Office held a three-day Adolescent Health and Empowerment Educational Campaigns from February 23 to 25, in close partnership with the Rural Health Unit and Child Rights Club (CRC), and with support from Youth Club and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK).

It was participated by youth and students ages 14 to 17 years old. The activities contributed to promoting good health and safety of the community especially the students and the 9 barangays who participated actively. It also had interactive exhibits and several room stations that participants actively engaged and shared their insights. Processing sessions were also significantly conducted to ensure that key messages were delivered.

Topics discussed included understanding adolescence, teenage pregnancy, child and sexual abuse prevention education, sexuality, and other relevant topics. Through this campaign, they were able to understand more about their well-being, risk-taking behavior, and the importance of self-awareness and helping their peers.



San Isidro CDP

The advocacy on Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health and Effects of Early Pregnancy **participated by 131 students** from the two partner schools of San Isidro Field Office was lauded for helping the students to have some level of maturity in making responsible decisions, which was held last March 14.

This activity provided the high school students the right information about sexual reproductive health and it further made the students realize that motherhood at a very young age is detrimental and can lead to serious problems. A Training of Trainers of Child Rights Club followed suit to this activity to tackle the issues on teenage pregnancy and this was rolled out in the schools and communities within the project area.

The success of the activity is attributed with the support of the Municipal Nutrition Action Office of Rodriguez municipality who provided the resource speaker.



Capacity Building for BHW and BNS



The CDP in San Isidro, Rodriguez, Rizal conducted a two-day capacity building and training activity for Barangay Health Workers (BHWs) and Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS) last September 19 to 20. This activity aimed to further educate and empower them to be skilled agents of promoting health and nutrition.

On the first day of the training, skills transfer was started by teaching them how to take vital signs, blood pressure, pulse rate, respiratory rate, weight, and temperature which will help them assess ill health such as hypertension, fast heart rate, and difficulty in breathing, underweight, and fever.

The discussion and lecture also focused on prevalent diseases such as Tuberculosis (TB), Parasitism, Diarrhea, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, UTI Dengue, and other relevant topics. The government's expanded program on immunization (EPI) was also thoroughly explained for their understanding.

On the second day, the importance of proper nutrition was discussed and followed by role playing to apply the knowledge they have learned. Some portrayed scenes of check-ups and giving health education.

The training was a success with the help of Municipal Health Office who provided resource speakers. At the end of the event, a planning session was conducted in order to provide foresight on how the learnings may be trickled down to the participants' respective catchment areas.

Nutritional Cooking Demonstrations

For Mothers

In collaboration with the Municipal Nutrition Action Office (MNAO), the Gigmoto field office organized training on a nutritional cooking session for mothers and Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS) last February 27 from 9 communities. This is to improve the nutritional status of the children and their families. The topics discussed were nutrition concepts, food groups, micro and macronutrients, nutritional guidelines for Filipinos, among others. The mothers from the different barangays were educated on strategies to prepare nutritious food through a cooking demonstration which was facilitated by the resource speaker from the MNAO. This initiative contributed to our objective in ensuring that children have appropriate health and health services.



For Expectant Fathers

Last November 27, the Community Development Project of Gigmoto, expectant fathers were educated about the significance of their role during their wife's pregnancy, and ultimately as their child grows up. This initiative, under the health sector, tackled not only basic nutrition but also tackled the subject of illness among children and a nutritional cooking demonstration. Through such efforts, Good Neighbors hopes to help parents in ensuring the health, safety, and development of their children, especially during the crucial period of early childhood.

Healthy Pets Means Healthy Owners

The field office in Hagonoy, Bulacan in partnership with the Provincial Veterinarian's Office of Bulacan, conducted mass information, education, communication (IEC) activity. This aimed to increase the community's awareness of the animal stray and being a responsible pet owner.

Along with this, free anti-rabies vaccines were also provided in Barangay Sagrada Familia to further emphasize the importance of responsible pet ownership and to promote healthy communities with healthy children.

With a total of 231 vaccinated dogs during the event, this GNIP activity was successfully implemented and concluded through the collaboration with the Barangay Local Government Unit and RTV Radyo Bulacan 103.9FM.





WATER, SANITATION and HYGIENE (WaSH) sector

**FAMILIES HAVE IMPROVED ACCESS TO SAFE
WATER AND PRACTICE PROPER HYGIENE
AND SANITATION**

Good Neighbors International Philippines greatly values the health of the children and the community not just by providing them medical check-up and facilities but also the access to clean and safe water, and sanitary environment. The GNIP was able to provide community-led sanitation; Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) projects; and health education for children.



Supported WaSH Facilities

11

facilities



Promotion of WaSH

683

individuals

Wash Facilities for Partner Schools

One of the significant contributions of GNIP in improving the health condition of the people, in its target communities, is the construction of Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WaSH) facilities. This year, *two WaSH facilities were turned over to two partner-schools, Candiis and Hinagtungan Elementary Schools* in Laak, Davao de Oro Field Office.

These facilities will address the issues of lack of access to water, and proper hygiene and health care education. These facilities will in the long term encourage WaSH positive behavioral change in the school and community through GNIP and the DepEd joint conduct of program promotions, education, and awareness-raising to children and students.



Pursuing Wash Projects through Partnerships



Barangay San Pedro, in the Municipality of Guianan, is one of the communities identified to constantly experience difficulties having access to safe water. With the consultation of and coordination with the barangay local government, GNIP Guianan Field Office was able to rehabilitate existing water sources through the creation of a water pump which improved community access to potable water.

This granted residents to have a more accessible water source instead of having to buy mineral water from refilling stations in the distant Guianan town proper.

After the orientation of community BAWASA officers on water sustainability, the water facility was successfully turned over on August 29 to the barangay and now benefits more than **149 households** in the area.

The Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) is one of GNIP initiatives that aims to expose and educate community members about the importance of proper water, sanitation, and hygiene (WaSH) practices and overall community cleanliness to address open defecation, primary health, and sanitation issue that is present in far-flung or isolated communities.

The CLTS in San Isidro was a three-day training for trainers in partnership with Provincial and Municipal Sanitary Offices that was held last August 14. **The activity consisted of climate setting, defecation area mapping, a transect walk, and educational sessions.**

A Proactive Community for Total Sanitation



With the help of sanitary officers and trained facilitators from the local government, four sitios in San Isidro were identified to participate in the project and come up with and present an Open-Defecation-Free Action Plan to the proper authorities. After this, 16 toilet bowls will be distributed through the municipal government once prerequisite requirements such as a cemented hole and septic tank are accomplished. With initiatives like this, GNIP aims to continue educating and motivating communities to participate in partnering with private organizations and the local government. This actively contributes to development efforts for bringing a brighter and healthier future.





Community Leads Sanitation Efforts

In coastal areas where Good Neighbors operate, sanitation is one of the health problems. It has been observed that a significant number of households still lack access to proper human waste disposal. The people practice open defecation which can result in a life-threatening disease like diarrhea.

Such as in Barangay San Rafael in Prieto Diaz, whom most people lack access to proper sanitation which post a serious risk to health, especially the children.

To address this, the Prieto Diaz field office conducted Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) Training for the facilitators to combat the seemingly endless problem in the community.

The two-day training has equipped the participants with the needed knowledge and skills in doing the CLTS. **Their call to action at the end of the training was the development of a Zero Open Defecation Plan** with Good Neighbors, Local Government Unit, and Municipal Health Office as the lead implementers.



Fluoride Application and Dental Health Campaign

On November 12, 19, and 26, the Community Development Project (CDP) of Southville partnered with the Municipal Health Office (MHO) and the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) for the promotion of dental hygiene and the application of fluoride varnish for preschool students in Rizal. Through this activity, Dr. Joimarinn Tibig, the Municipal Dentist of Rodriguez, Rizal, together with nurses and other health workers from the MHO, visited GNIP Learning Centers in Sitios Pintor, Bambanin, and Basecamp, Southville 8 Phases 1 and 2, and the Southville 8 Elementary School to educate and provide services to **215 pupils**.

Through activities like this, GNIP aims to spread awareness on proper hygiene practices as well as contribute to the delivery of health services to its engaged communities.





DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DRR) sector

COMMUNITY HAVE INCREASED RESILIENCY FOR DISASTER

The Philippines being prone to hazard and disaster because of its geographical location and climate, GNIP aims to provide community capacity on Disaster and Risk Reduction (DRR). This is persistently an important venture for community development skills training to prepare them for any natural disasters.

GNIP through its various programs such as Disaster Preparedness Program, Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Program, Disaster Response Program and Disaster Rehabilitation Program, help decrease the country's vulnerability and increase its resiliency toward natural calamities within the community.



Disaster Aid

8,000
households



Trainings and Programs

846	95	114
individuals	schools	barangays

Participation in the DRR Barangay Olympics



GNIP develops and implements various forms of educational and awareness-building activities. Among these are training sessions for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) which are often in partnership or coordination with the local government.

The DRR Barangay Olympics, an educational, informative, and friendly competition among the Barangay Emergency Response Teams (BERTs) of chosen Barangays in Prieto Diaz,

was conducted through a partnership with the GNIP Prieto Diaz CDP. During the event, participants were tasked to apply everything they were able to learn from the pieces of training provided by or implemented through a partnership with GNIP to ensure their preparedness for emergency response. The activity simulated realistic events such as road accidents and other critical incidents that BERTs may face in cases of disaster or emergency.



DRR for Resilience



Disaster risk reduction is one of the concerns at the forefront of pursuing community resilience, particularly in disaster and calamity-prone countries like the Philippines. Through the presence of resource persons from the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Office, the Community Development Project in San Isidro, Rodriguez, Rizal conducted an orientation on disaster preparedness and family readiness for three days in six strategic sitios. *The activity focused more on methods of being prepared for earthquakes such as preparing emergency kits and how to reunite with loved ones after a disaster strikes.*

The activity also served as an important eye-opener to the participants. The sharing during the latter part of the event showed how most of them were not aware of the impending threat of “The Big One” which is particularly relevant to residents of Rizal as the province lies on fault lines and has been previously identified as those at risk of the earthquake that is predicted to be at intensity eight or very destructive.





Community-Wide Disaster Drill

In the GNIP Southville CDP in Rodriguez, Rizal, a community-wide disaster drill was participated by **498 individuals**. It was spearheaded by both the municipal and barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Offices. This was participated by GNIP staff by being deployed in strategic areas to provide documentation, pamphlet distribution, and an overall evaluation of the activity. As an organization with multi-sectoral programs that aim to approach development in a holistic manner, *serving a country prone to various natural disasters, such as initiatives are a great help for the community.*



First Aid Kit Distribution in Gigmoto



Through the years, the organization has been known and actively involved in its effort to significantly contribute to disaster risk reduction initiatives. Living up with this program standards, GNIP distributed earlier in 2019 set of First Aid Kits and DRR equipment to Gigmoto CDP.

This aimed to make the project areas prepared during calamities, disasters, and emergencies. Series of training and orientation was held prior to the kit distribution to capacitate the partners and stakeholders. Prior to this, orientation on the use of the first aid kits and DRR equipment was conducted to prevent such incidents and ensure proper management.

Community-Led DRR Sustainability Program for CRC



The participation of children and youth in disaster resilience is one of GNIP's efforts today. In the CDP of Pugad Tibaguin in Hagonoy, Bulacan, a Community-Led DRR Sustainability Program was conducted for the Child Rights Club (CRC). They were able to learn the importance of readiness and preparedness when a disaster strike. Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO) helped the participants to understand different types of disaster events that may happen in their area and taught them basic first aid and life support.



Simultaneous Earthquake Drill

The 2019 first quarter nationwide simultaneous earthquake drill was held and participated by Tingloy Field Office, Tingloy Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, school head, teachers, and students in Papaya National High School, Municipal Health Office, Red Cross 143, and other stakeholders. The participants of the drill were oriented and educated on the protocols before, during and after the earthquake incident.

First aid management was demonstrated to the participants as deemed necessary in performing their roles in conducting emergency response, assessment, and treatment of casualties during disasters. This activity was a prelude to other disaster-related training which GNIP facilitated to equip the people in the community with necessary knowledge and skills in responding to disasters.

Students in Action for Resilience

In the CDP of Guiuan, 40 participants who are members of various student clubs from Tubabao National High School participated in the three-day *Child-Led Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)* activity. The concept of DRR, the thematic aspects of disaster prevention, and mitigation, as well as the basics of contingency planning, were discussed through a partnership with the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO).

Students were also educated about first aid and emergency basic life support. Their last day was allotted for drill demonstration and simulation to showcase the participants' learnings. This shows how important the participation of the children in building disaster resiliency in the community.





MINDANAO EARTHQUAKES



In October 2019, a series of strong and devastating earthquakes struck various areas in Mindanao Provinces. As an organization that gives great value to disaster preparedness and helping our neighbors, we are always on alert and ready to provide emergency response and DRR services to those in need. **Having more than 23,000 people affected by the series of earthquakes in Mindanao**, GNIP's emergency response intervention was the provision of 2,000 hygiene kits and non-food items that catered to 10,000 individuals or 2,000 households in North Cotabato, the province which was affected the most.

2,000

households received
hygiene kits and
non-food items





TYPHOON TISOY

The Typhoon Kamuri, locally named Typhoon Tisoy, affected various regions in the Visayas area on the first of December of 2019. The Community Development Projects (CDP) in Prieto Diaz, Sorsogon, and Gigmoto, Catanduanes were greatly affected by this typhoon. **Having 2,700 households or an estimated number of 13,500 individuals were badly hit, which includes the mentioned CDPs.**

With the help of different partners, volunteers, and the local government, we safely and successfully distributed the relief goods to thousands of households in Prieto Diaz and Gigmoto.

2,100

households in
Prieto Diaz received
relief goods

600

households in
Gigmoto received
relief goods

TYPHOON URSULA

In the afternoon before Christmas, Typhoon Ursula made a landfall in Salcedo, Eastern Samar which greatly affected children and families in Eastern Visayas. **The CDP of Guiuan, Eastern Samar is one of the communities badly affected by the devastating typhoon.**

Through the damage assessments and coordination with the local government, the GNIP was able to distribute hygiene kits to 3,300 families across 44 barangays. This was successfully done with assistance from the

Philippine National Police and the Armed Forces of the Philippines in the area. The Child Rights Clubs volunteers also assisted in coordination with the Local Government of Guiuan.

3,300 families received hygiene kits





ENVIRONMENT and ENERGY sector

COMMUNITY PRACTICES ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

It is important to recognize the emergence of climate change in the Philippines especially our country being one of the most vulnerable countries that are greatly affected by this phenomenon. Thus, GNIP contributes to environmental conservation and protection through campaigns on proper waste segregation, solid waste management, Mangrove Planting and Rehabilitation, and Coastal Clean-up drives. In addition, the development of sources of energy in the Community Development Project (CDP) areas that are isolated and are inaccessible with basic services like education, health, and electricity is also pushed forward to contribute to community development.



Solar Group Associations

4

associations



Environmental Campaigns

5,880

individuals

Green Walk and Mangrove Planting in Prieto Diaz

GNIP recognizes that the community is as important as the environment which both gravely affects the fulfillment of children's rights. Thus, a Green Walk and Mangrove Planting Activity were held last August 3 spearheaded by the CDP of Prieto Diaz in Sorsogon. This is in continuation of GNIP's commitment with the Local Government Unit of Prieto Diaz, through SEAMANCOR Eco-Developers, Inc., to pursuing coastal rehabilitation efforts that aimed to revive the locality's coastline as a key step in preserving and protecting the environment.

About **10,000 mangrove propagules** were planted in the specified areas wherein there has been a case of mangrove deforestation. The Green Walk or coastal clean-up was along with areas of Barangay Diamante, Perlas, Brillante, and Tupaz. Prior to this, discussion on the value of mangroves in coastal community and ecosystem as well as the impact of keeping the coastlines garbage-free. Remarkably, the CRC members and other attendees enjoyed their time knowing they will contribute to preventing the impending effects of global warming and climate change.



Last June 12, some sponsored children, Child Rights Club members and youth volunteers of Good Neighbors joined the **Eco Camp by the Sea** initiated by Tingloy Eco Savers Club. The camp offered several enriching experiences like discussions on environmental preservation, mangrove planting, and exploration of underwater beauty and coral reefs. Significantly, this activity aimed to help the local community proactively preserve their valuable coral reefs, and prevent fish pollution.

Tingloy ECO Camp



Now, these children and youth are ambassadors to influence their family, friends, and even tourists in protecting their island.

In the CDP of Guiuan in Eastern Samar, a Community-Based Coastal Resource Management (CBCRM) Rollout was conducted that aimed to give the communities awareness on coastal protection, preservation, and proper management and the prohibited activities in accordance to the laws in coastal protection. Beforehand, a CBCRM Training on Trainers (ToT) was conducted last June 2019, wherein an action plan was crafted by the respective barangays.

An accumulated total of **1,038 individuals** participated in the said activity of which is 35% were sponsored families.

Awareness on Coastal Protection



Promoting Environmental Protection with Balik Bakawan

A multi-lateral local partnership for the BALik Bakawan (Be an Advocate in Linking Knowledge for Bakawan) was mobilized to increase the awareness of the residents of the island barangays of Pugad and Tibaguin in Hagonoy.



The two-day program highlighted the significance of mangrove conservation and its importance to our ecosystem through implementing 4 major activities – **the Mangrove Conservation Seminar, Awareness Campaign on Solid Waste Management, Clean-up Drive, and Mangrove Planting.**

The activities were successfully implemented with the commitments of the various agencies to include Bulacan State University (BuSu), Bulacan Environment and Natural Resources (BENRO), Municipal Environment



and Natural Resources (MENRO), Municipal Agriculture Office (MENRO), Fish Farmers Cooperative, barangay local government units, SK, community leaders, and some youth. The local media played vital roles in the promotion of the activities. Notably, 103.9 Radyo Bulacan broadcast the events a week before the implementation to generate more participation from the community. Also, the BuSu TV aired the BALik Bakawan activities immediately after its conduct.

Campaigning for Proper Waste Management

The CDPs of San Isidro in Rodriguez, Rizal; Gigmoto, Catanduanes; and Pugad Tibaguin in Hagonoy, Bulacan conducted Awareness Campaign on Environmental Conservation and Proper Segregation of Waste in their communities to protect the environment and health of the public. It was done through series of discussions on waste management and 3Rs (reduce, re-use, recycle), dissemination of correct information to the people on proper collection, transportation, processing, recycling, and disposal of waste and garbage. It was successfully conducted in partnership with their respective Municipal Environment and Natural Resource Office (MENRO) and the active participation of the community members.

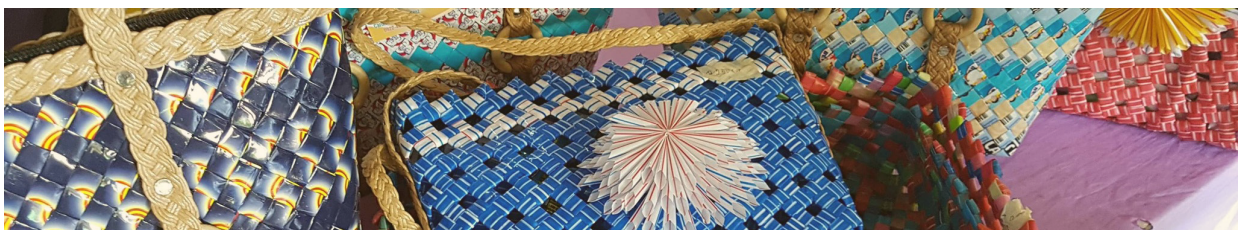
A total of **349 individuals** participated in these awareness campaigns that led to addressing the pressing environmental concerns on waste management.



Waste No More

The CDPs of Pugad Tibaguin and Sagrada Familia have taken steps to strengthen inter-agency and multisectoral governance approaches towards the protection of marine and terrestrial environments and resources, a concern affected by the alarming levels of marine pollution.

The seminars and skills development training were conducted in collaboration with the Bureau of Environment and Natural Resources Office (BENRO) - Bulacan Province and the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) of Hagonoy, Bulacan.





Presently, reducing and reusing plastic use is being practiced in the community by crafting plastics into different types of bags to become a source of income for selected families from the community.





CHILD SPONSORSHIP

sector

IMPROVED PARTNERSHIPS AND NETWORKING FOR SUSTAINABILITY

The inception of Good Neighbors International Philippines (GNIP) had its roots from the child sponsorship program. The organization bridges the gap to bring support and assistance closer to those in need through establishing a link between the child and their potential sponsors overseas. Good Neighbors also maintains a good sponsor-sponsored child relationship through letters, in which both the sponsors and sponsored child can share stories. All of these processes are bounded by the organization's Child Protection Policy.



Sponsored Children (SC)

12,567
total SC

203
locally SC

New Sponsored Children in the New CDP

GNIP is now etching a remarkable history in establishing a Community Development Project (CDP). In the past 10 years, GNIP established 10 CDPs with funding support from donor countries.

The new CDP is established with localized fund sources from development-oriented, generous, and kind-hearted Filipino donors.

Last March 25, the new CDP with local sponsorship is opened in Sitio Bakal, Bagong Silangan, Quezon City.

The establishment of the new CDP kicked off with the conduct of organizational and program orientation, intake interview of children and their parents, assessment, and a home visit. This initiative is fully supported by its GNIP Country Director, Daehyun Kim, and the partner local government units of Brgy. Bagong Silangan and Quezon City.



New Year with New Kids

The number of sponsored children provided with comprehensive programs and services continue to increase. *2019 kicked off by welcoming 28 new sponsored children from Prieto Diaz CDP.* This means that Good Neighbors Philippines has a growing number of marginalized Filipino children to serve. As a beginning initiative, the newly sponsored children were given school supplies. Auxiliary to the provided service, their parents were oriented about the programs and services, and their respective roles and responsibilities in the helping process.



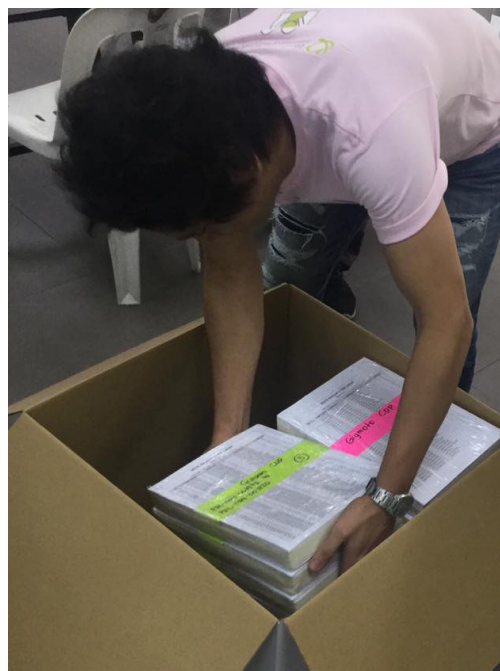
New Child Finding in Pugad and Tibaguin

With the continuous service of GNIP, an *additional 100 children from island barangays of Pugad and Tibaguin, Hagonoy Bulacan were screened* and were eligible for the sponsorship and other various sectoral services and development programs. The children and their families underwent orientation, intake interviews, household visits, and profiling. Good Neighbors will unceasingly bridge the gap and mainstream the children in accessing the needed services and in exercising their rights.



13,000+ Annual Child Letters

A big pat on the back to all our Community Development Projects and the GNIP Sponsorship Services Unit for accomplishing the documenting, translation, and organizing of this year's Annual Child Letter (ACL). The ACL is a yearly activity where sponsored children write original letters to their sponsors based on a theme as a way for children to give thanks and as a mechanism to strengthen sponsor-child relationships. **This year's ACL created by over 13,000 GNIP sponsored children here in the Philippines** were sent and organized by GNIP to respective sponsors last December.



Clustered Workshop for CSF

The Clustered Workshop was designed for both the Community Sponsorship Facilitator and Sponsorship Staff of every CDP. It aimed to produce better facilitators during the actual conduct of the Annual Progress Report by providing them with relevant inputs to sharpen their skills. APR process and guidelines based on the Child Management System were among the topics in the workshop. Through this, they were able to gain basic facilitation skills and tips on effective communication with our sponsored children in the community.

3 clusters were participated by 189 individuals across CDPs of GNIP. Manila Cluster consisted of the CDPs of San Isidro and Southville in Rodriguez, Rizal; Tingloy in Batangas; and Pugad Tibaguin and Sagrada Familia in Hagonoy, Bulacan. The Surigao Cluster consisted of Guiuan CDP in Eastern Samar, and Aguinaldo and Kilagding-Longanapan CDP in Laak, Davao de Oro. Lastly, Bicol Cluster consisted of Gigmoto CDP in Catanduanes and Prieto Diaz in Sorsogon.



Strengthening the Bond Between Children and their Sponsors

The Annual Child Letter (ACL) is an activity participated by both sponsored children and their families. It aims to strengthen the bond and communication between sponsors and their beneficiaries.

Children are given the chance to make a handwritten letter that Good Neighbors will give to the corresponding sponsor.

In the Good Neighbors Field Offices, such as Laak, Prieto Diaz, and Gigmoto, many children used their creative skills in expressing gratitude towards their sponsors despite being miles apart. Although a small token in comparison to the hope and love being shared, the ACL continues to reinforce sponsor and sponsored child relationships.



Caring for Families to Create Families Who Care

GNIP builds on fostering a caring and nurturing environment for its sponsored children by enabling them to have good interpersonal relationships between and among the parents and the children.

In the Prieto Diaz field office, a simultaneous total family approach activities in enhancing family relationships were facilitated to its **7 covered barangays**.



The sense of working together, volunteerism, communal identification of community issues and concerns, and teambuilding was instilled in them. Among the activities conducted were clean-up drive, tree planting, awareness-raising on community issues, and other experiential activities that eventually can lead to sustainable social environments like the families and communities. These were made possible with the support of the Sangguniang Kabataan in the different barangays.

Socialization 2019



For a lot of people, the holidays are opportunities to celebrate love and gratitude for the year. *The end of the year is celebrated in the community through the implementation of a socialization and gift-giving activity.*

This activity is celebrated by all 11 CDPs of GNIP to share and culminate the year with fun-filled activities together. This is with the much-appreciated help of our Community Sponsorship Facilitators. Aside from Noche Buena packages, children were also able to receive other gift items from GNIP after participating in a discussion about going beyond gifts and defining what the essence of the holidays or the Christmas season is for them and their families. Games and prizes, of course, were not missed in this socialization day.

A total of **12,450 sponsored children** across all CDPs participated in this activity.



Head Office Staff Support CDPs During APR and ACL

The support of Head Office Sponsorship to the CDPs during Annual Progress Report (APR) and Annual Child Letter (ACL) were conducted. This aimed to help improve the operations, mitigate the glitches, and for additional manpower.

The Sponsorship Team in the Head Office conducted a field visit to the CDP areas during the Annual Child Letter (ACL) and Annual Progress Report (APR) actual conduct. During the field visit, the HO Team assisted the CDP Sponsorship staff in the final validation of the needed documents during actual conduct.



Delivery of Gift, Money, Letter to Children

Aside from direct services given to sponsored children, some sponsors also send special gifts or letters to their sponsored children. Through the Gift money, sponsors can fulfill their desire for direct support. This also builds a sense of closeness and bond between the sponsor and their sponsored children. As such, letters also paved the way to exchange affection, care, love, and significant support between sponsors and sponsored children.

A total of **209 sponsored children received letters from their sponsors** and **716 sponsored children received gifts** from their sponsors across all CDPs.





INCOME GENERATION (IG)

sector

FAMILIES HAVE IMPROVED LIVELIHOOD

Good Neighbors International Philippines Income Generation sector (IG) provides community members a platform to learn and apply money management, entrepreneurship skills, and financial stability. GNIP organizes savings and credit groups, establishes social enterprise, cooperative developments, capacity building for sustainable agriculture, and engages income generation groups in livelihood projects.

This empowers and gives opportunities to the parents and adults to engage in groups that can be equipped for profitable economic growth and to have an improved livelihood.



Income Generation
Group Projects

20
projects



Formed Savings Groups

37
groups



Capacity Building Trainings

2,595
individuals

Farmers' Field Day

In the Community Development Project area of Gigmoto in Catanduanes, the MASIPAG (Magsasaka at Siyentipiko para sa Pag-Unlad ng Agrikultura) Luzon Cluster Regional Coordinator, together with two GNIP staff members, savings group and community members from Brgy. Sicmil and Brgy. Biong participated in a trial farm demo establishment. The 2 barangays previously conducted the actual planting of rice where 50 sample varieties of rice were provided by MASIPAG.

In Sicmil, 47 out of the 50 varieties successfully grew, while in Biong, all 50 varieties have grown and have been re-planted.

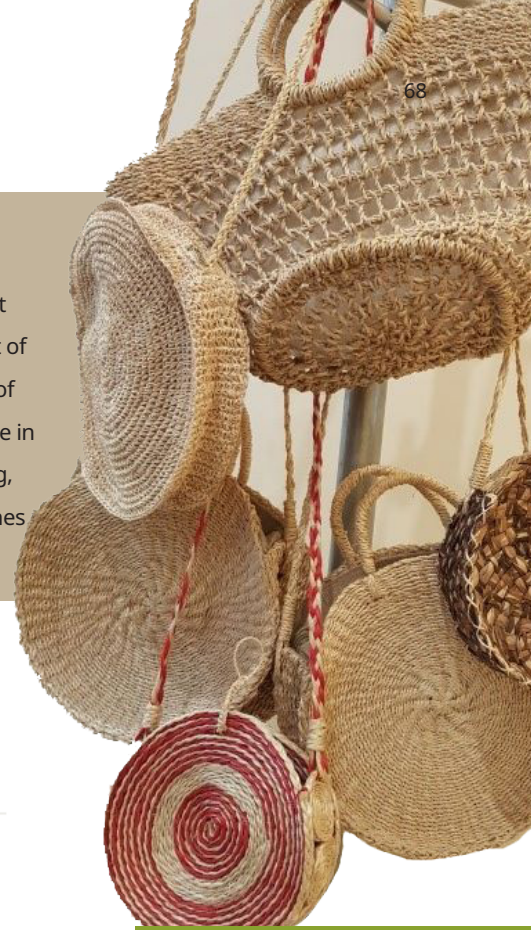
GNIP strongly believes that capacity building programs, such as the establishment of IGGs, is a great contributor to a community's progress and economic stability.



Product Development in Gigmoto

Before they participated in the OKB trade fair, they had a Product development coaching session together with the staff. They were invited by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI). The activity helped them to have innovative designs of their products like abaca bags to make them more marketable and competitive in the lucrative market. They have learned product branding, accessorizing, lining, quality control, and specification. This was one of the developmental approaches the IG groups to become economically empowered.

It has a team of experienced and efficient members who are carefully involved in quality production and distribution of the products. They arranged the selling of products for both retail and wholesale. Being in the handicraft industry, AGAPP mainly focuses on designing beautiful handicrafts utilizing the locally available agricultural and indigenous materials. They offer a host of products tailored fit to the needs of the buyers.



Shoulder Bag and Sling Bags



Storage Boxes

Timbuli Products

The products of TIMBULI-Papaya Income Generation Group (IGG) organized by Good Neighbors International Philippines in Tingloy, Batangas was patronized and promoted during the Philippines Nurses Association: 2019 Regional Convention (Region IV).

The products were valued and distributed as tokens to the keynote speakers and delegates.

The TIMBULI-Papaya IGG of Tingloy Field Office was also given the opportunity to showcase their products during the said event.



Encouraging Partnerships for Income Generation

One of the biggest contributors to community development is strong partnerships among groups and individuals. Last August 20, 2019, a partnership meeting for Income Generation Groups (IGGs) from the CDP in Tingloy was held together with the Department of Tourism headed by Atty. Sylvia Marasigan and TUWI artists. This is to strengthen partnerships in the community, as well as to build new connections among individuals and groups.

Afterward, an exchange of ideas took place on how to improve and upscale their products to attract more customers and eventually have a wider and more profitable market. The meeting was also an opportunity for initial partnership consultation. The two IGGs were hopeful to showcase their products for tourism-related events in the Batangas Capitol with other groups from other municipalities.



Banking on the Community's Strengths for Income

In Barangay Tibaguin, Hagonoy, Bulacan, fishing is the backbone of the economy. Constant economic and societal changes in the community have brought about an increasing need for local community members to become more competitive and financially adept.

GNIP in Barangay Tibaguin, has organized a savings group named *Pintig sa Isla* or *Pinag-isang Tinig at Gawa sa Isla Savings Group*.

Through collaboration with the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) 3-Technology Outreach Station and the Department of Trade and Industry-Bulacan, members of this organization have been empowered to venture into micro-social enterprising. Banking on its strengths as a fishing community, products are vacuum-sealed dried fish and shrimp. Presently, the products are retailed to different consumers and areas. With a constantly shifting economy, the strengthening of livelihoods is more often than not a priority of the local government to keep up with the times.



Teaching the Young to Save Early

The GNIP-formed IG groups are monitored through visits to share updates and track their progress. In the CDP of Prieto Diaz, regular monitoring visits were conducted to the 17 GNIP-formed IG groups to ensure that they are guided, capacitated, and empowered.

Updates include the formation of the newly-organized Barangay San Ramon Young Savers Club, an organizational Management Training session for the San Ramon Savings Group, and the first harvest of soybeans in Barangay San Rafael which were planted by the Samahan ng Manggagawang Tribo ng San Rafael.

Values Transformation for Income Generation

In the Community Development Project of Guiuan, a three-day Basic Entrepreneurial Skills Training was conducted for 32 members of organized savings groups.

They were taught the step-by-step process of making a business plan. At the end of the training, the specific business that the participants wanted to start or improve were identified through the submission of the business plan. These included shell crafting, native delicacies, e-loading, and sari-sari stores, among others.



Fostering Financial Resiliency

A community's economic potential and financial resiliency can be greatly strengthened with educational and informational capacity building initiatives. The members from various savings associations from the GNIP Community Development Projects of Kilagding-Longanapan and Aguinaldo in Laak, Davao de Oro attended and participated in the *Good Neighbors Basic Entrepreneurship Skills Training or GBEST*. During this four-day activity, participants from the Remember Saving Association (REMSA), the Candiis Savings Association (CASA), the Mag-Agbay Savings Association (MAGASA), and the Kilagding Women Savings Association (KWOSA) were engaged with the goal enabling them to come up with business plans that are suitable in their respective communities. Participants were also oriented on the basics of entrepreneurship and how sustainable businesses operate.



GNIP believes that the fulfillment of the rights of all Filipino children needs a holistic and community approach. As such, other members of the community, such as parents, are also engaged in various development programs. In the CDP of Prieto Diaz, members of the *San Rafael Women's Savings Group* were participants in a *Financial Literacy and Basic Bookkeeping Training* that aimed to further educate and empower them for improved income generation and financial management.

Financial Literacy for Women's Savings Group



In Barangays Sicmil and Biong in Gigmoto, Catanduanes, farmers were given the opportunity to rank and choose the best variety of rice which they will plant for the verification in their farms.

These were previously planted through Bayanihan in the trial farm which was established in pursuit of climate-resilient and organic agriculture. Farmers who participated in this engagement were tapped by the organization and were then engaged with GNIP's valued partner in income generation and agriculture, the MASIPAG (Magsasaka at Siyentipiko para sa Pag-unlad ng Agrikultura). Farmer's Field Day is a celebratory event to commemorate the success and diversity of harvest in their trial farms (50 rice varieties) and the opening of the opportunity for farmers to become part of MASIPAG.

Abundance in Varieties



Multiple Areas Conduct Business Opportunity Study



GNIP launched a Business Opportunity Study (BOS) to all its 10 Community Development Project areas across the country. *The BOS is the organization's sustainability strategy in helping the families and communities to come up with more viable businesses that will tailor fit and maximize the resources of the communities.*

In the Key Informant Interviews (KII) and Focus Group Discussions (FGD), the situation of the communities in terms of its sources of income, livelihood, existing enterprises, and challenges were objectively assessed. Gender disaggregated data were elicited for a more comprehensive data gathering process with 20 FGDs conducted. Varied yet challenging information was continuously gathered in the communities to provide substance for the analysis of the study. The above-mentioned information will be used in planning relevant economic development interventions in the less 50 strategic areas of Good Neighbors.





DESIGN, MONITORING, and EVALUATION (DME)

IMPROVED DESIGN, MONITORING, EVALUATION AND LEARNING OF PROGRAMS

During the first year of implementation and monitoring of the Country Strategic Plan 2019-2021, GNIP continued building its Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation system by collectively determining performance targets across all CDPs. Community assessment and baseline data gathering efforts were also conducted in Sitio Bakal, the newest CDP area. These endeavors serve as follow through to GNIP's commitment towards transparency and accountability by reflecting how the programs transformed the lives of children and the communities in the most vulnerable areas of the Philippines.

Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation Performance Target Setting Workshop

Within the Logical Framework Approach, it is important to identify and measure progress over time along objectives set by the CDP. It is through the Logical Framework that the CDPs conveyed project objectives based on the needs of the community, the means to achieve those objectives, and the information needed to quantify success. Changes from the baseline data and comparisons between actual accomplishments and concrete targets are the usual bases for measuring progress.

Setting performance targets is the critical next step after establishing baseline data in the CDPs. Performance targets are specific indicator results that the project team aims to reach during the project period. This represents the project team's commitment to achievements in concrete terms. To accomplish this, the Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation Department of GNIP conducted a Performance Target Setting Workshop. Annual targets were identified to guide the CDPs throughout the three-year implementation of the programs. These were laid out in the Indicator Tracking Table, a tool used to monitor yearly progress and achievements. By 2021, all yearly accomplishments and achievements will be consolidated and compared with the targets set for the duration of the project.

Sitio Bakal Community Assessment and Baseline Data Gathering



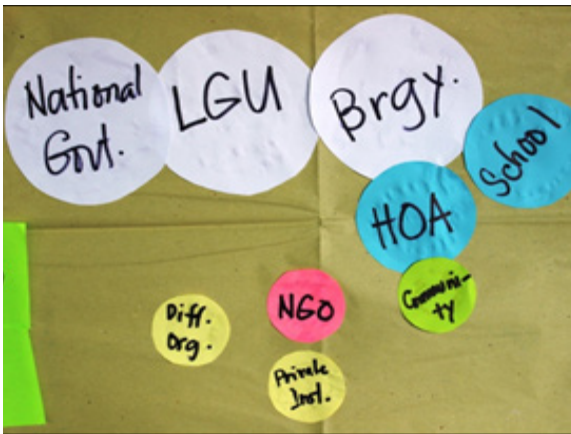
Based on data from the National Poverty Commission and the Department of Social Welfare and Development, Sitio Bakal is one of the most marginalized urban communities within Metro Manila. Several community concerns emerged after the initial ocular visit. Students in the sitio walk a considerable distance to get to their schools in the Barangay proper. The poorly lit walkway also posed as a security threat for children.

The community also lacks equitable access to clean and safe water because the primary source of water is a privately-owned single-hand pump located at the center of the community. *These factors prompted GNIP to make Sitio Bakal a strategic area of intervention with the ultimate goal of ensuring the well-being of residents, particularly of children in the area.*

Dream Community of Brgy. Bagong Silangan



Stakeholder Analysis



To understand the actual situation and concerns the community is currently dealing with, GNIP conducted a community assessment with representatives from Sitio Bakal. The stakeholders present included, school officials from Brgy. Bagong Silangan, the Homeowners Association (HOA) of Sitio Bakal, the Health and Sanitation office of the Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU), and residents of Sitio Bakal. The two-day assessment was spent engaging everyone in participative data gathering such as social mapping, problem trees, and sketching their dream community. Three major problems emerged: the absence of concrete access road to the Barangay proper, the lack of electricity (i.e. power lines), and inadequate access to clean and safe water.

After identifying priority areas, the participants underwent a stakeholder mapping to collectively identify who and what can help the community flourish. Towards the end of the Community Assessment, a community action plan was formulated to identify possible interventions, their tentative timeline, and the stakeholders responsible to address each problem. A symbolic commitment signing concluded the event.



GOOD NEIGHBORS PHILIPPINES (PHL)

RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

Good Neighbors Philippines (GN PHL) is the local resource mobilization or fundraising arm and daughter organization of Good Neighbors International Philippines (GNIP). It was established to start the initiative of introducing local sponsorship. This strategy sprung from the principle that Philippine society also can help fellow Filipinos with focus on marginalized children and vulnerable communities.



PHL Donation Raised

PHP 1,313,658



PHL Donors

40

Individual
Donors

5

Organizations/
Companies

Bridging the Gap between the Children and Basic Services



It has been known that in some GNIP communities, sponsored children need to cross mountains and rivers on foot to get to and from school everyday. Through a partnership with Metrobank Foundation, Inc. and the Macabud National High School,

GNIP was able to successfully provide bicycles to a second batch of children in need in San Isidro, Rodriguez, Rizal and Tingloy, Batangas.

Through efforts like this, GNIP brought education closer to children in the hopes of helping them fulfill their rights and realize their maximum potential.

Some **25 high school students** in the CDP of Tingloy received their bicycles in time of the school opening. In partnership with PNP-Tingloy and the supplier, orientation were given to the students on traffic rules and regulations, safety mechanisms and maintenance of the bicycles. Also, bicycle test and drill prior to the turn-over was conducted. The parents of the grantees were encouraged to further support the studies of their children and ensure their safety. The Good Neighbors and the partner-schools entered into a memorandum of agreement to monitor the project and the academic performance of the students.



Promoting Sponsorship through the Good Neighbors PHL Booth

Good Neighbors PHL has launched its exhibit booth in different malls in Metro Manila. The booth features its comprehensive sectoral programs including the geographical expansion of its Community Development Project area in Sitio Bakal, Bagong Silangan, Quezon City. The mounting of the booth aimed to increase our brand visibility and generate support and resources for our sponsored children and community development programs.



Venice Grand Canal Mall



Eastwood Mall

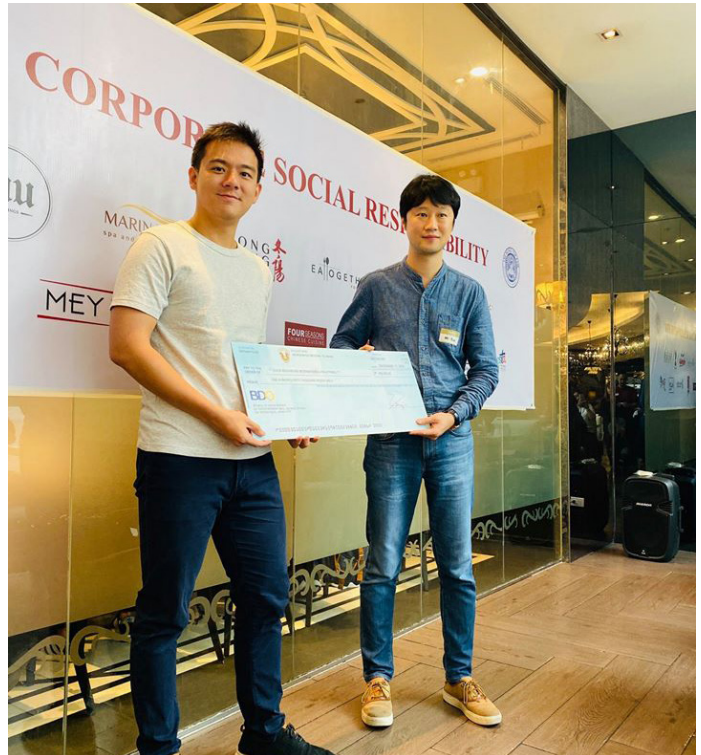


Greenbelt

Through a partnership with Vikings Group, 25 children were granted the gift of sponsorship for one whole year.

They were also treated to a luxury buffet for lunch at Vikings at the Block, SM North EDSA. Present during the turnover was GN PHL President, Mr. Daehyun Kim, who was joined by Mr. Charles Stewart Lee, Vikings Group Marketing Director, and Ms. Jemerald Zafra, Vikings Group Marketing Manager, together with the entire Vikings Group Marketing Team. GN PHL extends its gratitude for Vikings Group's commitment to helping fulfill the rights of Filipino children.

Vikings Sponsors Children through CSR



Turnover of Donation from Philippine Soong Ching Ling Foundation

The beginning of a valued partnership between Good Neighbors and the Soong Ching Ling Foundation here in the Philippines was held last July 17. With the presence of Philippine Soong Ching Ling Foundation President, Mr. Henry Lim Bon Liong, Honorary President, Ms. Pilar Ong King, as well as Foundation Auditor, Mr. Nelson Guevarra, and Director, Ms. Lourdes Wang, a generous donation for the benefit of children from Sitio Bakal was turned over at the Good Neighbors International Philippines Head Office.

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Through contributions and partnerships like such, Good Neighbors hopes to continue the collaboration of adults and governments to ensure that all children can enjoy all their rights as mandated by the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child.



LWYK Foundation Turnover of Donation to Good Neighbors PHL

A turnover of donation to Good Neighbors PHL from Lee Wong Yuk Kam Foundation (LWYK) was held. LWYK Foundation is a family-based foundation which aims to give back to society by giving education scholarships, guidance, and support. The donation was handed over by Mr. Clinton Lee, Director of Anchor Land Holdings Inc. as support to **48 children in Sitio Bakal CDP**. This kind gesture of LWYK has sparked hope for the children to fulfill their rights and their potential through GNIP programs and by being able to go to school.

Good Neighbors Philippines (PHL) 2019 Donors

Companies/Organizations



Philippine Soong Ching Ling Foundation



Lee Wong Yuk Kam Foundation



Vikings Group (Pacific Apex Food Ventures Inc.)



Odyssey Foundation



JS Unitrade Merchandise

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Ms. Athnea La Puebla
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Ms. Honey Keth Hallazgo	Mr. John Mark Pillarda
Ms. Gloria Uson	Mr. Miguel Christian Durana



MOM CENTER

In 2019, 125 bereaved mothers gathered together to share their life, testimonies, narrating their challenges and struggles through the difficult period of mourning. They were encouraged to resolve the feelings of grief and to restore their self-functioning with the help of each other. Because of the sensitivity of the life stories each bereaved mother went through, the help of DSWD - Ina Healing Center are carried out through the guidance of experts and professionals.

Therapy through Clay and Art



Artistic expression does not only provide an avenue for showcasing personality or skill but can also be used for psychotherapy and rehabilitation.

In the Community Development Project (CDP) in Southville, a clay and painting therapy session were attended by Good Neighbors Grief Recovery Program attendees, Peer Support Mentors, Grief Watch Volunteers, and participants from “Halika Usap Tayo Kaibigan Activity” (Come On, Let’s Talk, Friend).

This program encouraged the participants to release tension (pain, trauma, fear, etc.) related to the loss of loved ones, as well as to create camaraderie among participants through a shared creative activity.

Promoting Mental Health and Proactivity through Zumba



Among the many projects held by GNIP, one of the more intimate and targeted activities held is for abused or bereaved mothers. **Activities such as counseling, art therapy, and socializing aimed to help these mothers recover from past experiences** that could otherwise hinder them from participating in and contributing to society.

In the CDP of Southville in Rodriguez, Rizal, **10 Zumba, and yoga sessions were conducted** for abused and bereaved mothers to improve the participants’ health and self-care awareness. On the last day of the sessions, a short program and recital were conducted with the active participation of more than 30 individuals. Community development does not solely lie in big initiatives. In some cases, good outcomes also come from smaller and more targeted forms of action.





OTHER ACTIVITIES and SPECIAL PROJECTS

Korean Youth Leaders Visit GNIP Offices

Good Neighbors International Philippines welcomed the *ten Korean youth-leaders from the ten different Korean universities*. They were commissioned in the Philippines to do volunteer work in one of the Community Development Projects (CDP) in the country.

These dynamic individuals learned about the Philippines' current social and economic situation particularly the situation of our CDP in Bulacan. Empowered with new learnings, they are in line to be the next advocates for child rights and community development.

A key component of effectively advocating for any cause is an enlightening observation and experience of a society's reality.





As part of their volunteer activities and immersion, the Korean student visitors spent a couple of days in the Pugad Tibaguin and Sagrada Familia Community Development Projects (CDPs) in Bulacan where they not only learned about the local community but also gifted residents with games and performance.

As one of the newest groups of Good Neighbors (GN) advocates, GN is looking forward to how this experience will contribute to the inter-country pursuance of child rights and community development.



The IP Learning Center in Laak

Inter-Agency Planning

GNIP Laak field office convened an inter-agency planning workshop geared towards achieving the goal of one of its special projects dubbed HOPE Letter Indigenous People (IP) Education Project.

The project aimed to provide access for indigenous people in the community to quality socio-cultural and educational facilities that would create a positive impact on their growth and cultural development.

GNIP partnered with the National Commission on Indigenous People, Tribal Councils, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department of Education, Local Government Units, and collectively crafted a comprehensive plan to holistically address the needs of the IP.



Culmination and Turnover

GNIP's good practice of bringing the programs and services at the heart of the community was once again proven effective in the turnover ceremony of the Indigenous People's (IP) Learning Center and the culmination of the 15-day learning session of Dibabawon tribe. A Learning Center was built in Brgy. Longanapan, a far-flung area in Laak, to cater to the educational needs of the IPs. This was a laudable accomplishment of GNIP in providing accessible education to tribal communities like the Dibabawon.



Dr. Hilda Opeña, IpEd Focal Person of DepEd Davao de Oro (Compostela Valley) together with the other partners, highly commended the project and efforts of the Laak field office in prioritizing the concerns and needs of indigenous people. She was more impressed knowing that the pilot 15-day learning sessions produced high performing students who have received medals. The turned over facility will be collectively sustained by the provincial government of Davao de Oro, DSWD, Barangay Longanapan, and DepEd.



Training of Trainers & Learning Guide roll-out

A Training of Trainers (ToT) was organized to sustain the operations of the turned over Indigenous People's (IP) Learning Center for the Dibabawan tribe in Laak, Davao de Oro. Vis-a-vis with this, a roll-out of the IPEd learning guide was facilitated to all the Dibabawan teachers to ensure that the module was properly disseminated. The activities were successfully implemented with the full support of Dr. Hilda Opena, and Mrs. Percedita Ganza who snappily discussed the learning guides to the participants.

Moreover, the Knowledge Channel E-learning materials were turned over to the partners to help the teachers level-up their teaching materials into the 21st century. The partners who accepted the E-learning materials were DepEd, BLGU, and Tribal Council in Laak.



Every Child Has the Right to Learn And Play

The Every Child has the Right to Learn and Play, otherwise called the *CLAP Project aimed to deliver inclusive interventions for all learners of Prieto Diaz Central School.*

The initiative also envisions a learning hub with complete amenities and developmental materials that can benefit all students, including those with special or specific needs. To further understand the dynamics and appropriate materials for those with special needs, the GNIP Community Development Project in Prieto Diaz coordinated with one of the agencies in the region offering accurate and advanced programs for persons with different needs. Harong Kan Sagrada Familia, an NGO located in Legazpi City specializes in special education and education for persons with different needs, was visited by GNIP for the sharing of best practices. Through the accommodation of Fr. Anduraj and Ms. Evangeline Ante, GNIP was able to explore and discuss further coordination and partnership for the CLAP Project. As an organization that believes every child should be cared for and loved, GNIP always welcomes cooperation and partnership among organizations and individuals that help push forward the advocacy of child rights.



Project Inception and MOA Signing



With the CLAP (Every Child has the Right to Learn and Play) Project Inception and MOA Signing with the Department of Education happened in the Prieto Diaz Community Development Project, Good Neighbors International Philippines hopes to continue its advocacy for community development and child rights fulfillment through the construction of the one-story WISH PLANET 8 Learning Hub that will be utilized for various educational and capacity building initiatives of GNIP and its partners.

GNIP acknowledges the Local Government of Prieto Diaz, representatives from the Sorsogon State College, and the Nexon Foundation for their much-appreciated effort and support that made this project possible.

Capacity Building for Finance, HR, Procurement, and General Services

The GNIP employees in the Finance, Human Resource, Procurement, and General Services Units from the different project areas in the country gathered together for a three-day seminar. The seminar covered topics on organization financial processes, human resource development, procurement, and administrative concerns.



This activity aimed to increase the organization's overall efficiency and productivity in serving the Filipino children and the nation, in general.

Xia Vigor Participates in GNIP's Medical Check-Up and School Supplies Distribution

The sponsored children from the newly launched CDP in Sitio Bakal, Bagong Silangan **have received medical check-up and school supplies distribution through GNIP.** The activities kicked off with an opening program. The Country Director of Good Neighbors International Philippines, Mr. Daehyun Kim, delivered a message emphasizing the importance of partnership, especially with the community. Xia Vigor, our celebrity volunteer, followed suit where she inspired the children to keep and hold on with their dreams - that their dreams will be their passport in having a successful life in the future. The rights of the children were discussed and proper handwashing was demonstrated. During the activity, the medical check-up gave the children opportune time to undergo medical consultations and were provided with vitamins and medicines. With the school supplies distribution, children received school supplies like bags, umbrella, notebooks, pens, coloring materials, among others.

The parents who seldom bring their children for a medical check-up due to economic constraints appreciated GNIP's initiative of bringing medical services in their community. They were also appreciative of the school supplies especially for the families who find it hard to make their ends meet.

The activities for the day were made more exciting with Xia Vigor helping the medical team, community volunteers, and staff. Hon. Wilfredo L. Cara, Barangay Bagong Silangan Chairman, graced the morning activity and conveyed his utmost support to Good Neighbors. The medical check-up was conducted in collaboration with Ospital ng Maynila Medical Center and St. Francis Generic Drugstore.



San Isidro/Southville CDP

Dance recital, school supplies distribution, and annual medical check-up for sponsored children are some of the major activities slated in San Isidro Field Office of Good Neighbors International Philippines. These back to back activities brought joy to hundreds of children in the area. The dance recital was a culmination of the seven-day dance lesson offered as a summer program to hone the skills and talents of the children.

The school supplies distribution and medical check-up were part of the regular activities of Good Neighbors implemented in all of its Community Development Project areas to meet the educational and health needs of the children.

Xia Vigor significantly contributed to making the activities more meaningful by her kind gesture of reaching out to the children despite geographical distance. As a child guest of honor, she motivated her fellow children to keep on dreaming, and as young, like them, they need to start making their dreams come true.



GNIP Recognized by Manila Water Foundation



GNIP has been awarded recognition from Manila Water Foundation in creating sustainable Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WaSH) communities in the Philippines.

The 2 parties share the same noble cause and have been actively collaborating through the years for several activities such as I Like Celebration annually held during children's month in November and the MARAWI intervention. GNIP continuously spread its wings in strengthening partnerships, especially at the national level to reach out to more Filipinos in need of our help.

The GNIP Bulacan Field Office received a plaque of recognition from the Bulacan State University (BSU).

They were recognized as one of the institution's partner organizations who have exhibited outstanding dedication in advocating for the rights of children and bridging the gap between communities and the services they serve. GNIP was also recognized by the efforts that are ultimately parallel to AmBisyon Natin 2040, the collective long-term vision, and aspirations of the Filipino people for themselves and the country in the next 25 years. The said recognition was in celebration of BSU-SAMBALARAN 2019 (SAMA NA, SA PAMBAYANG KAUNLARAN) with the theme of "Bayanihan ng mga Bayani ng Bayan". The Provincial Governor of Bulacan, Hon. Daniel R. Fernando; Malolos City Mayor, Hon. Gilbert T. Gatchalian; and other partner institutions/organizations were also recognized during the event which was spearheaded by BSU University President, Dr. Cecilia S. Navasero-Gascon.

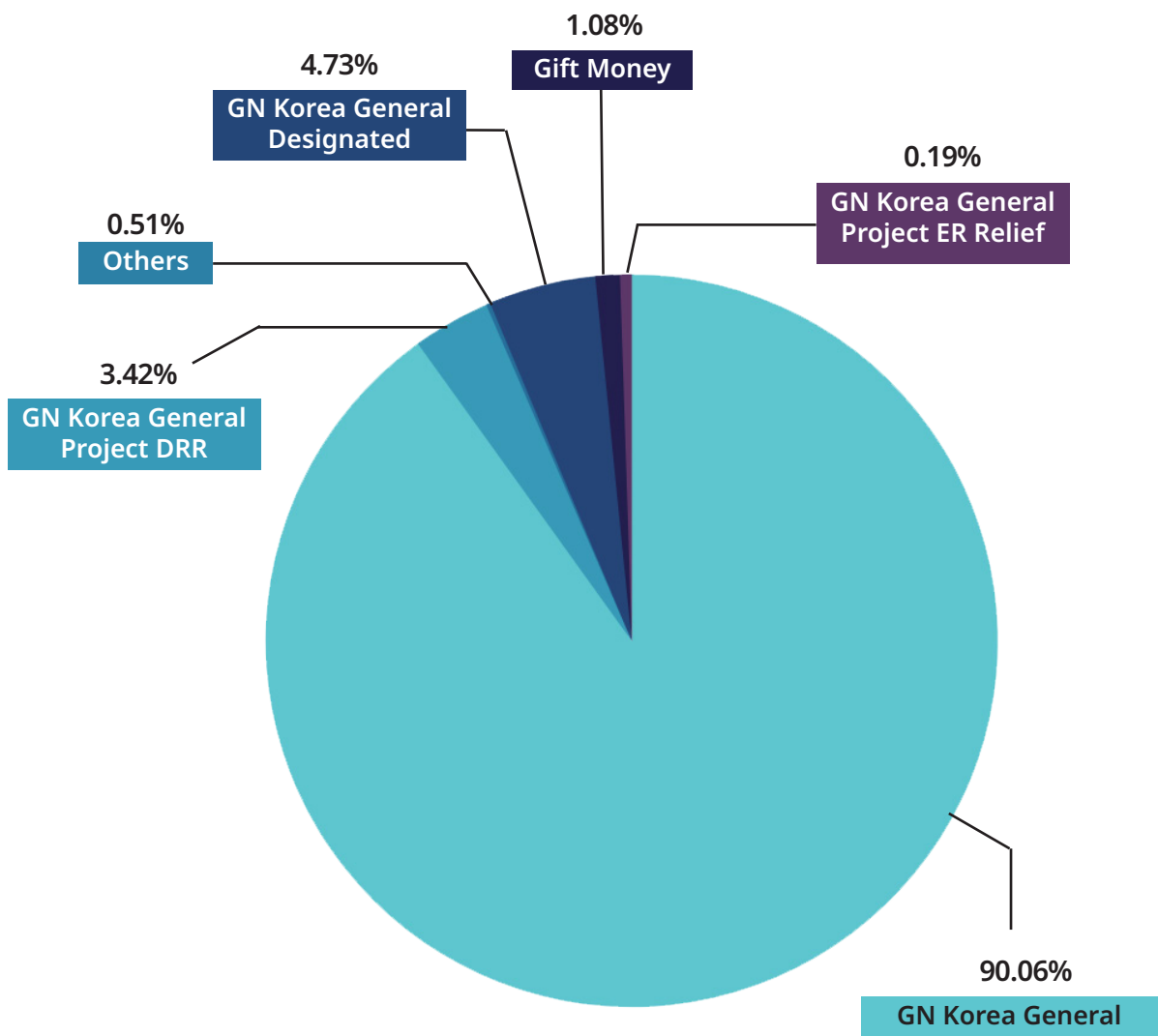
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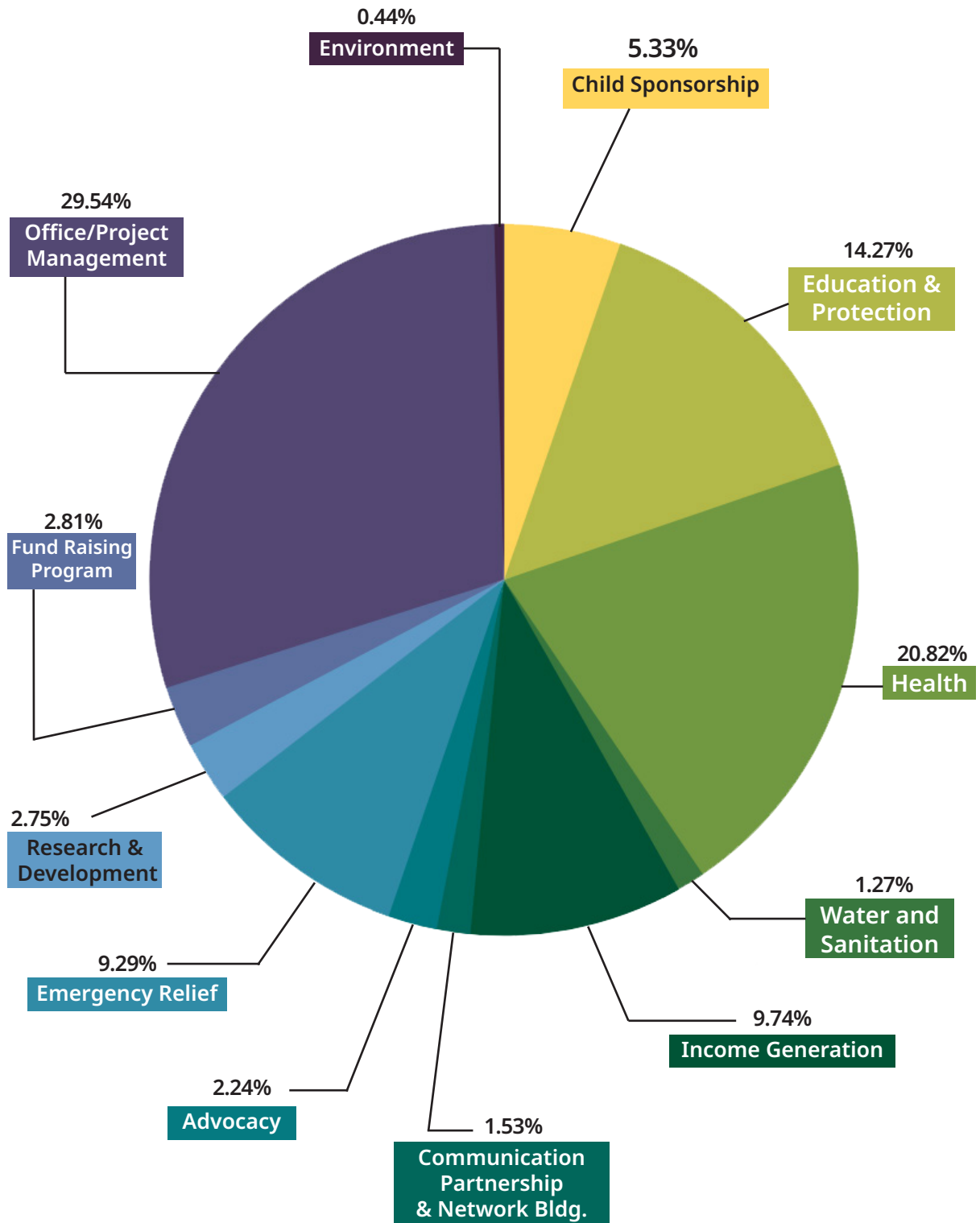
FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 2019

This summary shows the 2019 financial expenses utilized in the different programs and activities executed by Good Neighbors International Philippines. It also shows the income received through GN Korea, GN Gift Money, and GN Designated Fund.

2019 Income and Support



2019 Expenses



San Isidro/Southville Field Office



Laak Field Office



Prieto Diaz Field Office



OUR WORKFORCE

Bulacan Field Office



Guiuan Field Office



Tingloy Field Office



Gigmoto Field Office



Head Office



LOCAL NETWORK

Local Government



Private Organizations



Coalition/Network and Other NGOs



Government Agencies



Other Networks and Partners

Philippine International Non-government Organization Network
 Area-Based Standards Network (Sorsogon Cluster)
 Area-Based Standards Network (Catanduanes Cluster)
 Local Council for the Protection of Children Consortium
 Committee on Children in Urban Poor Areas (CUPA)
 Department of Social Welfare and Development – Guian
 Mercury Drug – Hagonoy, Bulacan Branch
 Ponferrada Polymedic Hospital
 Prinsayas Corporation
 Sampana Clinical Laboratory
 Sorsogon Integrated Health Services Foundation
 Makabata Para sa Bayan
 AY Foundation
 Manila Doctors Hospital
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