



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
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Mission and History

St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission (SCBPMM) is an all-volunteer, 501(c)3 organization, dedicated to promoting the inherent right of the poor and underprivileged in the Philippines, to receive basic and adequate health care, food and shelter as well as to empower them, through education, to become responsible and productive members of society. The organization was founded in 1999 as the Philippine Medical Mission (PMM), an outreach project of the Social Justice Ministry at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Arlington, VA. It was the brainchild of two dedicated Filipino American volunteers, Maricel Bretault and Celia Coronado. In 2005, PMM obtained its tax-exempt 501(c)3 status and became SCBPMM.

To accomplish its mission, SCBPMM works in partnership with established non-profit organizations in the Philippines. SCBPMM undertakes fundraising activities to support its partners' poverty alleviation and medical outreach projects and programs.

We have six regular partners, who submit proposals for funding every year. However, during times of natural disasters and calamities in the Philippines, SCBPMM also assists other well-established NGOs that are at the forefront of emergency humanitarian assistance. At times, the board also approves special funding for certain established organizations.

List of provinces in the Philippines served by SCBPMM's regular and special (2014 only) partners:

- ANAWIM Lay Missions Foundation – Montalban, Rizal, in Luzon
- Archbishop Gabriel M. Reyes Memorial Foundation, Inc. (AGMRMFI) – Aklan, in the Visayas
- Child Hope Asia Philippines (CHAP) – Metro Manila, in Luzon
- ERDA TECH Foundation – Pandacan, Manila in Luzon (special 2014 partner)
- Foundation of our Lady of Peace Missions, Inc. (FOLPMI) – Paranaque, Metro Manila in Luzon
- Religious of Notre Dame Missions (RNDM) – Kulaman, Sultan Kudarat, Cotabato, in Mindanao
- Tulay ng Kabataan (TNK) – Smokey Mountain, Metro Manila, in Luzon

In addition, FOLPMI, AGMRMFI, the Salesian Missions, Assumption Cares, and Gawad Kalinga were SCBPMM's partners in its relief and rehabilitation efforts post typhoon Yolanda (international name Haiyan) that hit the Visayas in late 2013.



Sr. Eva Maamo leading the FOLPMI medical mission in Leyte

Letter from the SCBPMM Board of Directors

Dear Friends of Philippine Medical Mission,

Thank you for the generous support that you have given SCBPMM and its projects. Because of you, we have been able to continue our mission of serving the poor. Thank you to all of our donors, our volunteers in the United States, and our partners and beneficiaries in the Philippines. Since 1999, SCBPMM has sent almost \$1.2 million in project funding and medical supplies to help and support poverty alleviation projects and medical outreach programs in the Philippines. Together, we are one human family, helping each other, caring for each other, and growing together.

In 2014, we continued to work closely with our six regular partners -- The Foundation of Our Lady of Peace Mission, the Religious of Notre Dame of the Missions, the Archbishop Gabriel M. Reyes Foundation, ANAWIM Lay Mission, and Tulay ng Kabataan -- funding almost \$80,000 in projects. In addition, in response to the devastation of Typhoon Haiyan at the end of 2013 and in partnership with the World Bank Community Connections fund, SCBPMM distributed over \$112,000 in emergency assistance to organizations working to rehabilitate the victims of the typhoon. A new partner, Gawad Kalinga Ateneo, dedicated to alleviating poverty in the Philippines, has played a major part in rehabilitation projects for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan.

On the administrative side, SCBPMM volunteers have streamlined the grant application process to make it easier for our partners to apply for and receive funding. In addition, a new SCBPMM website has been created. Take a moment to visit our site: www.scbphilippinemedicalmission.org for information on our mission, our partners, how to volunteer, and an opportunity to donate online.

Please enjoy the following report on the achievements of SCBPMM in 2014. As we move forward into 2015, we will continue to work hard for the poor of the Philippines. We invite you to contact us if you have any questions, to get involved as a volunteer, and to continue to partner with us in our work.

May God bless us All.

Sincerely,

St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission Board of Directors

About Our Partners

ANAWIM LAY MISSIONS FOUNDATION (ANAWIM)

ANAWIM is a non-profit organization dedicated to give comfort and dignity to the elderly during the advanced stages of their lives. It manages the ANAWIM Center in Montalban, Rizal, a home for the poor and abandoned elderly, orphans and physically and mentally handicapped persons. The center provides shelter, food, clothing and medical care to all residents. ANAWIM was founded in the early 1990s by Bo Sanchez.

THE ARCHBISHOP GABRIEL M. REYES MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC. (AGMRMFI)

AGMRMFI was founded in 1977 and is a non-stock, non-profit foundation which aims to provide development assistance in Aklan, in the Visayas. Its programs include, among others, education for poor children, feeding centers, scholarships for higher education, rural leadership development, basic health and nutrition education and services and micro-finance to indigenous industries and small businesses for family self-sufficiency. The president is Dr. Rex Mendoza and executive director is Ms. Nynn Arwena Garcia-Tamayo.

CHILDHOPE ASIA PHILIPPINES (CHAP)

CHAP is a non-profit, non-governmental organization established to address the plight of street children in the Philippines, especially Metro Manila. It provides among others, basic education, provision of shelter, health care services including a mobile health clinic, livelihood training, and counseling support to street children. CHAP was founded in 1990 and is headed by Teresita L. Silva, MSW.

THE FOUNDATION OF OUR LADY OF PEACE, INC. (FOLPMI)

FOLPMI is a non-stock, non-profit, non-governmental institution serving the poor in Luzon through varied but integrated programs geared towards total development of individuals, families and communities. Its projects include among others, a hospital for the poor, feeding centers, livelihood projects, immunization programs, a shelter for female street children, and disaster/calamity relief. FOLPMI was founded in 1984 under the leadership of Sr. Eva Fidela Maamo, MD, SPC.

THE RELIGIOUS OF NOTRE DAME OF THE MISSIONS (RNDM)

RNDM is an order of religious Sisters who work with the indigenous tribe, the Dulangan Manobo, in the mountains of Cotabato, Mindanao and was founded in 1987. Their ministries include community development, basic health care services, hospitalization and medical assistance, health education, nutrition programs and provision of educational opportunities.

TULAY NG KABATAAN (TNK)

Tulay ng Kabataan is a non-profit organization based in Manila whose mission is to take care of street children with no families, scavenger children working in dumpsites, children living in slum areas and poor pregnant mothers who need prenatal healthcare. Founded in 1998 by a Jesuit priest, Fr. John Francois Thomas, TNK provides poor children shelter, health care, education and nutrition. The goal of TNK is to give back to each child dignity and self-confidence and also to help him/ her reach the fullness of human vocation. The executive director is Rev. Fr. Matthieu Dauchez and the communications manager was Alexandra Chapeleau. The current manager is Elise Cruse.

Partner Activities in 2014

ANAWIM LAY MISSIONS FOUNDATION

Located in Montalban, Rizal, Anawim is a home for the poor, sick, and abandoned elderly. Founded in the early 1990s by Brother Bo Sanchez, a lay Catholic preacher, ANAWIM's mission is to give comfort and dignity to the elderly during the waning years of their lives. ANAWIM provides shelter, food, clothing and medical care to elderly poor who would otherwise suffer hardship or neglect. The ANAWIM Center occupies a five-hectare property that contains residential cottages as well as a chapel, mini-clinic, social and dining hall, recreation area, fishpond, and a cemetery. A doctor provides weekly consultations and a nurse maintains a small clinic to monitor residents' daily health care needs. On average, ANAWIM houses between 50-55 residents.

ANAWIM became a partner group in 2007, when SCBPMM began funding food, supplies and medicine for ANAWIM residents. To date, SCBPMM has provided total grants to ANAWIM in the amount of \$35,113. These funds were used primarily to purchase medications for diabetes, hypertension, tuberculosis and coronary problems, and to equip its mini-clinic with medical supplies. In 2013, the cost of medicines for the residents averaged \$900 to \$1,000 a month, around \$18 to \$25 per resident per month. During the year 2014, \$7,000 was disbursed by SCBPMM to ANAWIM.

The following is an update about two of our residents who first came to ANAWIM in 2013.

Lutgarda and Antonina Francisco, age 86 and 76, are two elderly siblings who came to ANAWIM struggling with various physical ailments. They came from an impoverished family of seven from Paranaque, a suburb of Metro Manila. Neither received education beyond the sixth grade due to their family's circumstances. Antonina worked in a cigarette factory, and later as a laundrywoman while Lutgarda did the household work. Over years of daily hard work, Antonina developed severe rheumatism as well as deformed fingers and toes. Lutgarda suffered from eye problems, dizziness, coughing, joint pain and loss of appetite. After two unsuccessful cataract surgeries, which damaged her tear glands, Lutgarda went almost blind.

When their parents and most of their other siblings passed away, the two sisters subsisted on Antonina's monthly pension of 1,500 Pesos (about \$35). They moved frequently until an uncle allowed them to construct a makeshift house on his property. They were able to buy materials of corrugated metal and plywood one piece at a time, while neighbors donated other needed items. But since their shanty was near a creek, water seeped into their house during the rainy season. An ANAWIM volunteer doctor finally learned of their plight and recommended that they be taken to ANAWIM.

Today, the sisters share a room with the other "lolas" (grandmas) in a cottage at the Center. They get their care and support from the ANAWIM staff, caregivers, and nursing aides. At the sunset of their lives, they have found comfort and a haven in ANAWIM together with all the elderly residents in the Center.

THE ARCHBISHOP GABRIEL M. REYES MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, INC

The Bulig Aklan Mitigating Hunger in Children and Educating Parents Project in Aklan was a two-year grant from the St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission from 2012 to 2014. The first project started in Banga, Aklan in May 2013 and ended in June 2014, benefiting 50 pre-school kids from the Banga Upland Agrarian Reform Community consisting of barangays Dingle, Polocate, San Isidro and Badiangan. The supplemental feeding was conducted for one year with 4 feedings every week for 12 months. The beneficiaries were 15 kids from barangay Polocate, 15 kids from Badiangan, 10 kids from Dingle and 10 kids from San Isidro.

In February 2014, AGMRMFI started a one-year supplemental feeding project in Malay, Aklan in the barangays of Dumlog and Kabulihan. This project benefitted 150 children and was implemented in partnership with DUCOFA (Dumlog Coconut Farmers Association) and the Dumlog Kabulihan Elementary School Parents Teachers Association.



Parent beneficiaries availed of health and nutrition education programs and family development sessions on topics such as natural family planning and fertility management, financial literacy and responsible parenting. Parents took turns in preparing meals for the children and brought vegetables, rice and firewood as counterpart.

Barangay councils provided the kitchen utensils and venue for the feeding, which took place in their respective Day Care and Health Centers.

They also monitored the feeding sessions. Barangay Nutrition Scholar (BNS) weighed the kids regularly. RHU (Rural Health Unit) personnel did a deworming of the children twice a year.

As the supplemental feeding project ended in Banga, it was able to accomplish the following results:

1. Increased weights in 50 children beneficiaries from an average of 1.5 to 2.5 kilos per child achieving a normal nutritional status.
2. Eating healthy and nutritious foods such as vegetables that were produced in the family garden as required by the project.

In Malay, 139 out of 150 children improved their nutritional status and increased their weight by 1 to 1.25 kilograms. Unfortunately, 11 children remain undernourished and nutritionally challenged. This is attributed to lack of consistent access to nutritional resources at home because of poverty. It was reported that parents urged their children to go to school so they can avail of the daily supplemental feeding program which may be the only nutritious meal they ate during the day. The undernourished children were also affected by cough, fever and flu.

To strengthen families as the basic unit of the community, beneficiary families were encouraged to attend a series of family development sessions led by resource persons from the Department of Social

Welfare and Development. These sessions focused on financial literacy, responsible parenthood, family planning, child development, environmental protection, disaster preparedness, health and nutrition.

Parent-beneficiaries commented how much they have learned from these training programs. They appreciated what they learned about being responsible parents and protecting their environment. All parent-beneficiaries valued the supplemental feeding program because it not only improved the health and nutrition of their children, they themselves benefited from their participation in menu planning, home budgeting and food preparation which are skills they are directly applying in their homes to maintain a healthy diet for their families. The participants in the seminars also reported improved husband-wife relationships; enhanced child-parent relationships; enhanced awareness on personal hygiene, health and nutrition; increased awareness and attitudes on family budget management; and also increased awareness and knowledge on disaster preparedness, response and mitigation. It was found that communities actively participate when guided on identifying their needs and finding solutions to their problems. Community ownership was crucial in making this project succeed.

The Banga project utilized a holistic development approach by introducing livelihood support to parents of the feeding beneficiaries in order to ensure food security of the household and maintain the nutritional needs of the children. The parent beneficiaries in Banga were consulted on the kind of livelihood they wanted to put up to augment family income and the general consensus was hog fattening and breeding utilizing 70% organic feeds mixed with 30% commercial feeds. These families were assisted in this project.



Parents in Banga underwent seminars in health and nutrition and vegetable production. A seminar on hog production was conducted by the municipal agriculturist. Beneficiaries will continue to be given technical and financial assistance.

AGMRMFI implemented similar trainings and livelihood projects in Malay, Aklan, but these were not funded with SCBPMM grants.

CHILD HOPE ASIA PHILIPPINES (CHAP)

CHAP is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that addresses the plight of street children in Metro Manila, Philippines. Founded in 1990, CHAP is a strong advocate of children's rights and welfare. To this end, it provides street children with health and medical care, shelter, basic education, livelihood training, and counseling services. While the organization helps these children meet their basic needs, it also seeks to equip them with education and skills in order to prepare them for a better and productive life.

For several years now, CHAP has been a reliable partner of St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission (SCBPMM). Its Mobile Health Clinic (MHC) Project, which makes health and medical services

accessible to thousands of street children in Metro Manila since 2007, has been made possible with the funding and support of its partners such as SCBPMM.

In 2014, the MHC Project provided free medical consultations to 2,139 children in cities and municipalities of Metro Manila: Pasay, Makati, Manila, Paranaque, Quezon City, and Caloocan. About 88% of these children were of ages 7 to 18 years old. They were treated for various medical conditions; there were several hundred cases of upper respiratory tract infections (bacterial and viral), dental problems, hyperactive airways syndrome, systemic viral illnesses, and allergic rhinitis. There were also several cases of acute conjunctivitis, fungal skin diseases, acute gastroenteritis, carbuncle, furuncle, and folliculitis. Out of 3,641 cases treated by physicians, about 1,011 cases were regular check-ups in order to ensure preventive measures against illnesses and to encourage parents about the importance of preventative medical care.

During the second part of the year, the number of children treated went down to 853 (from 1,286 during the first half) due to streamlining in operations that forced CHAP to close its Street Education Program in four areas: Balintawak, Mayon, Monumento and Blumentritt. Also, the Christmas holiday season prevented medical workers from conducting their regular clinic visits.

The MHC Project remains a success because of the active involvement of the Junior Health Workers (JHW's), a group that assists CHAP in providing medical treatment to street children. This group is composed of street children who are trained to administer first aid treatment to their fellow street children. JHW is also trained to refer children to public hospitals and health centers when needed. In 2014, a total of 1,744 children received first aid treatment from JHW members. JHW also conducted 309 primary health care sessions. They attended a two-day training workshop on topics ranging from primary health care to children's rights, advocacy, and children's participation with members of the Junior Child Rights Advocates.

As to community involvement and advocacy activities, CHAP has partnered with the University of the Philippines College of Medicine's Department of Family and Community Medicine in providing community extension opportunities to UP medical students while giving them exposure to the activities of CHAP's Mobile Health Clinic Project.

CHAP also partnered with the Ateneo School of Medicine and Public Health (ASMPH) and provided its medical students opportunities to participate in CHAP's health and medical services once a month.

Unfortunately, CHAP lost a big part of their funding from CORDAID. As a result, the street educators decreased from 33 to 17. Administrative staff was also reduced from 20 to 7.

Last year, the IMF Civic Program through SCBPMM funded the vocational training sector of the Street Education program. Thirty boys, ages 15-17 years old were registered with the government agency of TESDA (Technical and Skills Development Authority) for livelihood programs. Some have been employed as waiters and messengers in hotels, and others are working as t-shirt screen printers. These boys also receive training on budgeting, saving, and putting their money into good use.

FOUNDATION OF OUR LADY OF PEACE MISSIONS, INC. (FOLPMI)

In February 14, 2014, thirty Aeta children in the day care classes at the Aeta Resettlement and Rehabilitation Center in Barangay Sacatihan, Subic, Zambales were started on a one month feeding program that was supported by SCBPMM.



FOLPMI operates 12 feeding centers serving a total of 430 children. These centers are in Metro Manila and in the Aeta community in Zambales.

In 2014, the majority of SCBPMM's financial support for FOLPMI was used for the medical and surgical missions for typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda victims in Leyte, described below in this annual report.

RELIGIOUS OF NOTRE DAME OF THE MISSIONS (RNDM)

RNDM is an order of religious sisters who work with the indigenous tribe, the Dulangan Menubo, in the mountains of Cotabato, Mindanao. SCBPMM funds its health program.

In 2014, with the help of SCBPMM, RNDM was able to provide support to 266 patients with various illnesses by giving them their prescribed medicines free of charge. There was a high incidence of respiratory illnesses and gastro-intestinal cases in both adults and children. Two babies needed and were given long-term milk supplement. High-risk pregnancies were given prenatal care and after birth, mothers were given medication against infection.

Patients with serious medical conditions were sent for treatment to the local hospital and to the provincial hospital which is 89 km away. Mothers were assisted in childbirth. Some mothers had life threatening conditions such as heavy bleeding, brain abscess, etc. A total of 135 patients were given hospitalization financial assistance. RNDM also provided transportation/ ambulance assistance to 55 patients to access medical care in Isulan and Davao (89 km away).

Health Training sessions were conducted for thirty-five health (35) volunteers. They came for sessions in basic pharmacology and use of herbal medicines, maternal and child health care and community organizing. These volunteers were responsible in responding to the health needs of their communities. Mothers' Training Sessions for a total of 42 participants in different sessions were also conducted.



Samidan is a respected tribal elder in her community. She volunteered to assist in the health program. She has rendered good services to her community, even leaving her work in the farm to attend to patients. She has good knowledge of her culture but is oftentimes lost in the world of modern medicines. She is very committed to defend the right of her people to access medical care.



Connie is an 8 year old cleft lip patient. Her deformity caused her serious embarrassment and constant teasing in school. There was no glow or happiness in her eyes when we first met her. With the help of Smile Train, she underwent surgery. She was given transportation and accommodation assistance as the operation was done in Davao. Her successful surgery gives Connie a better and happier future.

TULAY NG KABATAAN

In 2013, SCBPMM took on TNK as a new partner and SCBPMM received its first report from Tulay ng Kabataan last year. The project sponsored was a health care program for poor children (specifically scavenger children and children in slums) and pregnant mothers for 10 months of the school year 2013 - 2014.

This program provides medical care to about 950 children and 50 pregnant mothers. The location of the project is Metro Manila, Philippines, in eight day care centers in the midst of squatter areas. Six of the day care centers are in the city of Navotas - scattered around North Bay Boulevard south, Navotas Fish port complex, Sitio Pitong Gatang. One-day care is in Catmon, Malabon and another in Sitio Damayan, Tondo.

The day care centers of the foundation offer pre-school education as well as tutorial for elementary students and a feeding program for the children in the four poorest centers. The project gave all students and feeding program beneficiaries the following:

1. Medical check-ups and follow up check-ups. Those checkups are made in the day care centers by the nurse volunteer of the foundation who is full time dedicated to this medical program. For the school year 2013-2014 there were 667 children enrolled in the 8 day-care centers and they all received medical care.

2. Medical treatment or complementary examinations (Xray, blood test) as needed, according to the doctor's findings and recommendations.

Moreover, pregnant mothers were provided quality prenatal care including monthly consultation, laboratory and ultrasound examinations, which otherwise would have been too expensive for them to afford.

In the seven centers of Malabon & Navotas (children in slums project), there were 519 beneficiaries for the early childhood education program, 794 beneficiaries for health and medical assistance and 521 beneficiaries for nutrition assistance.



In the center on the Tondo dumpsite (scavenger children project), there were 148 beneficiaries for early childhood education, 547 beneficiaries for health and medical assistance and 163 beneficiaries for nutrition assistance.

Every day, thousands of people strive to make a living, scavenging on the 7-hectare dumpsite of Manila and the first victims are the children. Tulay ng Kabataan built a center on the dumpsite so as to meet the children's needs for education, nutrition and health. It became a refuge for families whose living environment is horrendous.

TNK's priority is the vital needs of the people, especially children and pregnant women. TNK responds to emergencies, provides children with properly balanced diets, protects them against many sicknesses on the dumpsite, sends them back to school for a better future and conducts various outreach activities on the dumpsite.

Health check-ups were conducted by a French volunteer nurse, Claire Maurice, assisted by Health Community Workers. She is a full time nurse for the scavenger program and children in slums program of the foundation. There is no doctor working in that program. Claire and the community workers make the link between families living in slums and health care centers outside the slums. Claire Maurice has been very dedicated in giving quality health care to all the beneficiaries, especially to the ones on the dumpsite (Blessed Mother Teresa de Calcutta center). She is assisted by Liza Iraya, nutrition/health worker coordinator for the scavenger children program.



Children and pregnant mothers that need medical care are referred to the local Health Center and/or hospitals like Gat Andres Bonifacio Hospital and Tondo Medical Center for further medical treatment. The most common complaints encountered were the following: fever, cough & colds, toothache, and headache. The most prevalent illnesses encountered were parasitism, diarrhea, acute respiratory infection, tuberculosis, anemia, scabies and wounds. The most common laboratory tests done were blood test, X-Ray and urinalysis.



A Nutrition service is also part of the health and medical assistance program. All the children enrolled under the preschool-tutorial education services were served daily with nutritious meals, supplemented with boiled eggs and milk. The nutrition workers assigned per center monitored the weights and heights of children at the end of every month. Nutrition workers are the ones in charge of the cleaning and storage of feeding supplies. They are also the ones cooking and preparing the food.

Tulay ng Kabataan continues to strive towards meeting their goals. They provide free medical care and medicines to children and mothers who cannot afford it (due to lack of information and money for transportation, medical consultations & medicines and even fear of leaving their squatter areas). Better health for children is also resulting in better performances in school.

The picture on the front cover of this annual report was taken at Tulay ng Kabataan. Pope Francis secretly made a trip to TNK after his mass at the Manila Cathedral on January 16, 2015. The children had previously written Pope Francis hundreds of letters which Cardinal Tagle hand carried to the Vatican. Many of the children invited him to visit them and he did! What a joyous day!

Humanitarian Relief for Victims of Typhoon Haiyan/ Yolanda

In November 8, 2013, super typhoon Haiyan (international name)/ Yolanda made landfall in central Philippines. It was a category 5 storm with maximum sustained winds of 315 km/hour and storm surges of 7.5 meters. It was the most powerful storm recorded in the world. More than 6,183 were declared dead and thousands went missing. There were almost 30,000 injured and 16 million people were affected.

SCBPMM responded in 2013 and 2014 by supporting projects for fishing boats, shelter, livelihood, rehabilitation, medical assistance and feeding programs in Leyte (Alang-Alang, Ormoc, Palo and Tacloban), Aklan (Madalag & Libacao) and Samar (Lawaan).

SCBPMM raised \$148,895 to support rehabilitation programs helping the victims of Typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda --\$133,546 from The World Bank Group Community Connections Fund, and \$15,349 from other individual donors. This generosity of The World Bank Group and other donors made it possible for SCBPMM to support the following Typhoon Haiyan rehabilitation projects:

- Ateneo Gawad Kalinga rehabilitation and livelihood projects(with values formation) and Kusina ng Kalinga (Caring Kitchen) school feeding program for 3,800-5,000 children in Alang-Alang, Ormoc and Palo in Leyte for school year 2014-2015 (\$48,737)
- Archbishop Gabriel M. Reyes Memorial Foundation (AGRMFI) in Madalag & Libacao (Aklan): Shelter, livelihood, rehabilitation and medical assistance (\$31,320)
- Salesian Mission, Inc. project for ten fishing boats in Lawaan, Samar (\$6,964)
- Assumption Alumnae Association, Inc. (working with the International Office of Migration) - For Construction of dwellings in Tacloban, Leyte (\$13,000)
- The Foundation of Our Lady of Peace ,Inc. (FOLPMI): three medical and surgical missions for typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda survivors in Tanauan, Palo, Tacloban in Leyte (\$12,200)

RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO FOLPMI AFTER TYPHOON HAIYAN/ YOLANDA

Soon after super typhoon Haiyan hit Central Philippines in November 2013, SCBPMM started a fundraising drive to help the typhoon victims. Generous donors gave money online, by mail and by supporting SCBPMM at the St. Charles Alternative Sale. The money raised was given to Sr. Eva Maamo, SPC, head of the Foundation of Our Lady of Peace Missions, Inc.

FOLPMI conducted three medical and surgical missions for typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda survivors in Leyte from March 9-12, 2014. Sr. Eva headed a team of 17 volunteer physicians, 3 nurses, 1 midwife, 1 nurse aide, 1 coordinator, 1 IT specialist and 2 security officers who together, provided medical treatment to 785 patients, 367 of which were children. Of these 785 patients, 49 availed of minor surgeries.

Sr. Eva's team also distributed relief packs to a total of 2,100 recipient families. The medical missions were held in barangay Santo Nino in Tanauan Leyte; in barangay San Joaquin in Palo, Leyte and in barangay Tigbao, Tacloban City, Leyte. FOLPMI worked with the parish priests and barangay captains and council members. Each relief packet consisted of 4 kilos of rice, 6 cans of century brand tuna, one big box of powdered milk, 6 packs of noodles, ground soya beans for porridge, slippers, underwear, bath and laundry soap, coffee and sugar.



RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO SALESIAN MISSIONS AFTER TYPHOON HAIYAN/YOLANDA

A few days after super typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda struck the Visayas, the National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians, was already very busy providing emergency humanitarian assistance to the people of Eastern Samar. Under the leadership of their Rector, Father Vitaliano "Chito" Dimaranan, SDB (Salesians of Don Bosco), the next few months found MHC National Shrine providing relief and rehabilitation for the typhoon victims in various towns in Central Philippines, including Cebu. SCBPMM heard of their work through the Yolanda Relief Campaign of DC/MD/VA and encouraged MHC National Shrine to submit a proposal. In the spring of 2014, SCBPMM gave money for the construction of 10 motorized boats for the fishermen of Lawaan, Eastern Samar who lost their livelihoods when the storm took their boats.

RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO ATENEO GAWAD KALINGA AFTER TYPHOON HAIYAN/YOLANDA

In every disaster, the poor are among the first to get hit and the last to recover. The widespread devastation in the post-Yolanda era showed the necessity of programs that address both the long term and short term needs of poor families. Gawad Kalinga (GK) launched major projects such as construction and repair of homes and also livelihood assistance in Leyte and other areas of Central Visayas. They also have a feeding program.

In 2014, GK started its first Kusina ng Kalinga (Kitchen of Caring) feeding program in Alang-alang, Leyte. Through a strategic partnership with Ateneo de Manila University, Department of Education Leyte, the Local Government of Alang-alang and Lifebank Foundation, the feeding program for school children was started. In April 2014, Fr. Bienvenido F. Nebres facilitated the partnership between GK, Ateneo and SCBPMM for the Kusina ng Kalinga in Alang-alang.

SCBPMM gave assistance to GK in its feeding program to provide nutritious school lunches to 8,964 children in Leyte. Of this number, 2,368 children were the direct beneficiaries of SCBPMM's contribution. GK allocated Php 15.00 per child per day for its feeding program, and meals were given 130 days of the year. Tracking of Body Mass Index (BMI) of the children showed increased weight and improved over-all physical well-being.

Thanks in part to the feeding program, enrollment has increased. Children are healthier, happier, more attentive and participate more actively in school, and attendance rates have improved. The school meals program has turned out to be an effective way of encouraging out of school children to go back and continue their education.

Parents of beneficiaries are encouraged to volunteer in the kitchen and also to attend values formation and capacity building seminars.

The Kusina ng Kalinga program has also contributed to the local economy. Local drivers now have a steady stream of income as they are employed to transport meals to children in 29 public schools spread across 19 barangays. Php 8.50 out of the Php 15.00 per child budget goes into the meals. This means operating at a minimum capacity of 2,000 meals a day, the kitchen spends a minimum of Php 340,000 a month on ingredients alone. These ingredients are sourced by GK from local farmers and suppliers.

Daily lunches on school days consist of vegetables, rice and meat. GK reaches out to school children, street children, and the internally displaced population as part of its relief response.

GK reported challenges in mobilizing parents to attend the seminars and volunteer in the kitchen. Lost school days because of cancellations due to storms, etc., were also an issue. Another challenge was the accurate and timely tracking and computation of BMI, grades, attendance, and other impact assessment tools.

Out of the \$48,737 given by SCBPMM to GK for its feeding program, \$30,686 was used. The remaining \$18,050 will be used for the next school year.



Kusina ng Kalinga staff and volunteers preparing packed lunches



Children saying grace before meals

RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO ASSUMPTION CARES AFTER TYPHOON HAIYAN/YOLANDA

SCBPMM helped with Assumption Alumnae Association's mission to rebuild and rehabilitate 16 barangays of Mercedes, eastern Samar. Mercedes is a 4th class municipality in the province of eastern Samar. It has a population of 9,900, and it suffered 97% devastation by Yolanda. In partnership with the local government, the church and local community, Assumption Cares constructed new homes for so many who have lost everything during the typhoon. Assumption Cares also provides education, health assistance, community centers and training for alternative livelihood.

RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO ARCHBISHOP GABRIEL M. REYES MEMORIAL FOUNDATION AFTER TYPHOON HAIYAN/ YOLANDA

SCBPMM supported 2 AGMRMFI programs. One program was located in the far flung village of Maria Cristina in Madalag, Aklan and the other program is located in the LORRI agrarian reform community of Libacao, Aklan. The programs helped construct new homes for poor families whose homes were completely destroyed by the typhoon. Thirty-three families from Maria Cristina and 45 families from Libacao were provided shelter assistance. Medical assistance was also provided with the funds raised by SCBPMM. Women of Maria Cristina were given livelihood assistance/training. It was a challenging experience for all partners and beneficiaries. Their collaborative effort helped rebuild resilient and disaster responsive communities.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO ERDA TECH FOUNDATION

SCBPMM gave a grant to ERDA TECH foundation to support its meal assistance program for their school's underprivileged high school and vocational students. ERDA tech is a non-profit private high school that provides free education to children of families that earn less than Php 10,000 (about \$220) a month. The students are from Tondo, Sta. Ana, and Pandacan, Manila. Its meal assistance program has improved student attendance and academic performance. ERDA has a student population of 370 adolescents and 70% to 75% of graduates proceed to college. Their year-end report is expected to be submitted in summer of 2015.

SCBPMM EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Christmas Campaign 2014 – In November 8, 2014, volunteers gathered together to stuff envelopes for SCBPMM’s direct mail fundraising.

Participated in **International Monetary Fund Helping Hands** employee fundraising campaign

Participated in **World Bank Community Connections** employee fund raising campaign

Visits to Partners in 2014 - Every year since 1999, the U.S.-based members of SCBPMM have kept close contact with the various partners in the Philippines. Through phone calls, email reports, and site visits, SCBPMM has been able to monitor its partners’ activities and projects.

TO OUR DONORS

We would like to thank all those who have made donations in 2014 and in previous years. All gifts of time, talent and treasure to help with the projects of SCBPMM are deeply appreciated. It is only because of you that we are able to continue the mission of SCBPMM.



Sr. Eva Maamo distributing relief packages post Typhoon Haiyan

2014 Major sources of SCBPMM revenue:

World Bank Community Connections Employee Giving

International Monetary Fund Helping Hands Campaign

IMF Civic Program

St. Charles Borromeo Parishioners

SCBPMM Leadership

SCBPMM is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors and by a core of committed volunteers of various backgrounds. Through SCBPMM, volunteers provide their special knowledge and expertise to fulfill the mission of the organization. The board meets twice a year and the core group meets every quarter or as needed.

Board of Directors

Executive Director - Maricel Bretault
Peggy Carrington
Fr. Gerry Creedon (Emeritus)
Miguela Gutierrez
Alice Lieberman
Pamela Michalegko
Emeterio Roa III
Juliet Teodosio

Officers

President - Vanessa Lagera (up to May 2014)
Treasurer – Peggy Carrington
Secretary - Lois Padla Pastor

Partner Coordinators

Alice Lieberman

Cecile Motus

Core Volunteers

Special Events – Dolly Pascual, Rachel Roa, Cherry Ignacio
Staff writer – Vanessa Lagera, Mary Estacion, Priscilla Tacujan, Jill Sandor
Bookkeeper - Nomelie Veluz
Legal Consultant – Bryan Del Rosario

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2014
In US Dollars

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Operating Revenues:

General donations	\$20,718
Restricted donations*	161,309
In-Kind donations	396
Interest income	138

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES **\$182,561**

*In 2014, restricted donations were high due to donations from World Bank employees and others donated specifically for programs assisting the victims of Typhoon Haiyan.

Expenses:

Program Services-Distributions**	\$191,727
Office	\$1,071
Professional fees	3,200
Fundraising costs	3,026
Total supporting services	\$7,297

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES **\$199,024**

**In 2014, Program Services-Distributions were high due to distributions to programs assisting the victims of Typhoon Haiyan.

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS **\$-16,463**

PROGRAM SERVICES-DISTRIBUTIONS

The Foundation of Our Lady of Peace, Inc.	\$9,382
Childhope Asia Philippines	21,527
The Religious of Notre Dame of the Missions	10,000
ANAWIM Lay Missions Foundation	7,000
Archbishop Gabriel M Reyes Memorial Foundation, Inc.	9,773
Tulay Ng Kabataan	10,970
ERDA	10,854
Emergency Relief Programs	112,221
Total Distributions	\$191,727

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Cash and cash equivalents	\$30,355
Total Assets	\$30,355

Net assets	
Restricted net assets	\$21,434
Unrestricted net assets	8,921
Total net assets	\$30,355
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$30,355

HOW YOU CAN HELP

DONATE

Donations of money or goods (e.g., medical supplies) to SCBPMM are tax deductible. Checks should be made out to St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission (or simply, SCBPMM) and mailed to:

St. Charles Borromeo Philippine Medical Mission
P.O. Box 101923
Arlington, VA 22201-9998

If you would like to donate to a specific partner, or for a specific project, please indicate that in the memo line of your check.

You can also make a secure online donation through Paypal on our website
www.scbphilippinemedicalmission.org

VOLUNTEER

We welcome all volunteers of various backgrounds and skills, with or without experience. We are willing to train. There are many diverse opportunities to help. For students or interns, we would be happy to write your school about how you volunteered with us.

Contact us at pmm@stcharleschurch.org

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