

ANNUAL REPORT 2018: TONDO SITE
BYSMP BLESS THE CHILDREN FOUNDATION, INC.
PHILIPPINES: NCR
EDUCATION

Accomplishments

1. Out of 1338 Sponsored Children there were a total number of 1332 or 99.55% that were promoted to the next grade level.
2. There is an increase in the number of students who excelled both academic and extra-curricular activities. There are 298 sponsored children who received awards compared to last year's 214 sponsored children.
3. Sponsored children were provided avenues for them to develop their intelligence through arts, dance and music (violin and guitar).
4. Chosen 8 Sponsored Children ages 15-18 were educated about Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC) which aims to make the children safe and enjoy using the internet. Moreover, they were also taught on what to do when they either personally experienced it or have knowledge about it.

Goals

At the end of school year, the following goals will be achieved:

1. No sponsored children will be retained in their present grade level and increase the number of children who will obtain higher marks in school thru tutorial sessions.
2. Enhance and develop the children's skills and latent potential through engagement in the different Site activities (e.g. art, music, dance and personality development)
3. All sponsored Children will undergo intrapersonal and interpersonal relationships through life skills session.
4. At least a half of Youth Sponsored Children (215 out of 429) will undergo the OSAEC Advocacy seminar.



Honing the children's intelligence through music and art

HEALTH AND HYGIENE

Accomplishments

1. 1195 Sponsored Children received bi-annual medical checks.
2. The level of awareness on health especially on diseases like anemia, pulmonary tuberculosis, and malnutrition surged up.
3. All sponsored children received Vitamin A supplement in partnership with local health center.
4. 910 sponsored children were given visual acuity test. 391 (42.97%) children were fitted with corrective eyeglasses.
5. 1233 Sponsored children had undergone Psychological Assessment – DAP-SPED and showed that 205 (16.63%) of Sponsored Children need to undergo further evaluation.
6. Under the Zero Cavity Project, 779 (57.61%) Sponsored Children have already gone Oral Rehabilitation, 500 (36.98%) are for ongoing Oral treatment, and 73 (5.41%) have no dental records yet.

Goals

1. Zero cavity goal achieved.
2. 100 siblings ages 0-2 years old are included in the Dental Home program.
3. Zero malnutrition
4. Zero anemia



Left photo: Some of the children who received eyeglasses

Right: All children with completed oral rehab posed for photograph with Happy Tooth

NUTRITION

Accomplishments

1. Increase of weight among all sponsored children.
2. Provision of monthly multivitamin supplements to all sponsored children.
3. Continuous implementation of feeding program.
 - a. On June, a total of 6 existing feeding areas were served breakfast with Vitameal added into it and gave Children Reliv Nutritional Supplement.

- b. A total of 481 children and 62 elderly fed per day in six areas.
4. Chalice children Nutrition Program has provided a total of 144,551 nutritious meals to children for F.Y. 2017-2018. The children had shown significant improvement in their nutritional and health status. Their height increased from the range of 1cm to 10.5cm while their weight increased from 1kg to 10kg.

Goals

- 1. Zero malnutrition among children under the Chalice Children Nutrition Program.
- 2. To increase the awareness of parents on nutritious foods and wellness for children.

FAMILY

Accomplishments

- 1. 256 Couples and 33 Solo Parents completed the #LabYuBeh- a 2 day couple and parenting seminar which aims to make them recognize that their actions may affect their child’s persona and that they are playing a big part in moulding their children’s future. In addition, it is to strengthen the couple’s relationship as partners in raising their family.
- 2. The 3-day Sports Fest held at the football field of Don Bosco, was attended by the Sponsored Children and their parents. It was a fun filled activity for the Children, as they built new friendship, competed with the other teams, and yet was able to instil the value of Sportsmanship.

Goals

- 1. Improve the lives of the 20 family through income generating programs Strengthen the bond between parent and children through Family Day, Parent & Child Encounter Sessions.
- 2. Enrich the level of understanding of parents between each other to keep a healthy family life.
- 3. Conduct marriage encounter in coordination with parish office.



Top left: Couples visualizing their dreams

Top right: Parade of colors during Laro ng Lahi Sportsfest

Bottom: Group photo of sponsored children and parents during Laro ng Lahi Sportsfest



COMMUNITY

Accomplishments

1. 4 communal Latrines were installed in Bldg. 28 (1), Bldg. 24 (1), and Bldg. 20 (2) in Temporary Housing, Tondo, Manila. These toilets were made possible thru the funding from Human Development Program.
2. Medical Checks for Children and intervention were done to children in the community:
 - a. 884 non-sponsored Children were checked and treated.
 - b. 247 children were given dental procedures on the spot.

Goals

1. Cater a health awareness programs on communicable diseases.
2. Intensify asthma program for the residents.



DIRECT FAMILY FUNDING

Accomplishments

1. There were 1361 Sponsored Children that had opened their bank accounts.
2. 65 Chalice Synergy Groups altogether had accumulated savings of Php 897,348.45 in the bank.
3. Out of 65 CSG, 8 CSG have their Income Generating Project. With it, they were empowered; as they were able to run their own business, learn how to handle money and also, it helped them to have income and savings at the same time.

Goals

1. To better improve the leadership skills of each CSG's.
2. Elevate the level of awareness of Parents and Children on Children's Rights and Responsibilities, R.A. 10364 - Anti-Trafficking Act, RA 9262 - VAWC, RA 9710 - Magna Carta for Women, and RA 7610 - Child Abuse.
3. The number of CSG's that will venture in income generating projects will increase to enable them to become self-reliant.
4. SEC Registered for People's Organization.



Left: Industrious CSG meeting



Right: Integrity CSG Meeting

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BYSMP BLESS THE CHILDREN FOUNDATION, INC.
Manila, Philippines

Who we are:

Our organization is BYSMP Bless the Children Foundation, Inc. Tondo Site started its operation as Tondo Sub-Site under Bulacan Site on July 1, 2013 with 50 sponsored children. In July 1, 2015, Tondo was launched as an independent site with 507 sponsored children through the agency agreement with Chalice Canada signed by Fr. Patrick Cosgrove 11 June 2015. Our mission is to empower God-centred BCFI Communities through values formation, education and holistic care to achieve a dignified way of life. Our values are Meekness, Compassion, Integrity and Commitment.

Our Site Director is Eunice Cheng-Chua. Our Program Coordinator for Sustainable Livelihood Program is Marvin Bautista. Our Social Workers are Patricia Jasmin Villaresco, Hannah Morella and Angelica de Peralta. Our psychologist is Sharmaine Ranzonado. Our psychologist/HR is Danica Layag. Our Field Workers are Rosalia Pabilona, Nova Brazil, Irma Fruto, Rowena Pajanustan, Ellen Eve Guro, Jenny Bautista and Shane Pinca. Our Tutors are Mary Ann Muncada and Renelyn Bernardino. Our Accountant is Novilyn Ortiz-Luis. Our Cashier is Maritess Nazareno. Our Nurse is Connie May Torre. Our Cook is Ofelia Caras. Our houseparent is Analyn Navarra. Our liaison officer is Alfonso Angel. We have around 7 dentists who come once a week to take care of the children's oral health. Our Dental Assistants are Leandra Asiodche and Jonel Ramos.



From left: Jonel Ramos (Dental Assistant); Christine Osacdin (Physical Therapist); Marvin Bautista (program Coordinator); Angelica Peralta (Social Worker); Ellen Eve Guro (Field Worker); Emely Siedel (Cook); Analyn Navarra (Houseparent); Shane Pinca (Fieldworker); Rowena Pajanustan (Field Worker); Danica Layag (HR/Psychologist)



From left: Mary Ann Muncada (Teacher); Ruel Chavez (Music Instructor); Ofelia Caras (Asst Cook); Maritess Nazareno (Cashier); Renelyn Bernardino (Tutor); Sharmaine Razonado (Psychologist); Cherry Gonzales (Social Worker); Jenelyn Bautista (Field Worker); Hannah Morella (Social Worker); Irma Fruto (Field Worker); Patricia Jasmin Villaresco (Social Worker); Rosalia Pabilona (Field Worker)

Where we work:

Our site is located in Tondo, Manila, Philippines. The climate is hot and humid. During rainy season, most streets are flooded due to clogged drainage. Traffic is horrendous. The Site is based in one of the most depressed community in the City of Manila. Sanitation is at its worst. Most are without latrine. No water connection. Residents buy their water per container. It is a vast emerging landfill, with almost 65% of its residents engaging in scavenging, garlic peeling, odd jobs that barely earns a decent living. Material poverty is obvious, but it is mental poverty that afflicts the people in the community.

Tondo Sponsor Site serves as a lighthouse, beaming its rays of hope not only for the sponsored children and families, but also to the other members of the community. The Site always lives with Chalice vision in heart and mind: Sharing Christ with all in need.

What we do:

The organization moves towards its goal to cater to the developmental and sustainable programs for the disadvantaged children, families and communities in Tondo.

The programs initiated by BCFI are holistic in nature that basically addresses the individual, group and community concerns. The existence of BCFI for almost a decade has provided a strong foundation to the children and their families. The programs provided projects that are both material and non-material in nature. Education is primarily the flagship program of BCFI has grown into a more responsive and proactive programs to ensure sustainability and community driven. The community based approaches of BCFI basically support the development plan of the country in providing education, health care and livelihood as contribution in alleviating poverty.

The areas covered by BCFI are depressed barangays of Tondo, Binondo and Navotas. These communities belong to the poverty level, their issues are multi-level that has contributed more to their situation. However, the eagerness and hope of the people consistent with BCFI's mission has given them chances to improve their lives. The community based approaches of the BCFI where participation, accountability, transparency and shared leadership between the people and foundation are a continuous process being implemented. It has shown success as the program progresses. The accomplishment below summarizes the accomplishment of the foundation.