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CHAP celebrates 25th Anniversary through dinner- for-a-cause

Childhope Asia Philippines kicked -off its 25th founding anniversary through a special fundraising dinner at Ilustrado Restaurant, Intramuros, Manila, May 22.

CHAP President and Executive Director, Ms. Teresita L. Silva, expressed gratitude to all those who have been part of the organization's journey through the years. She said that their support has allowed Childhope to touch and transform the lives of abandoned and neglected children in Metro Manila.



STRONGER THROUGH THE YEARS: CHAP celebrates 25 years of giving hope to street children.

Guest speaker and current Chairman of the Board of Directors of CHAP, Dr. Jaime Z. Galvez Tan, said that this is a momentous event for the organization, as it ushers into more years of helping street children have a better chance in life. He encouraged attendees to help CHAP more, especially now that non-government organizations are having a hard time raising funds. "Encourage your friends, families, colleagues to help Childhope continue its mission with the street children. We need your help now more than ever," he added.

Among the highlights of the program were awarding of plaques of appreciation to donors and partners, recognition of staff who served for more than five years, and a special performance by the CHAP RockEd band.

Alongside the dinner program, a special auction of artworks made by CHAP's beneficiaries was also conducted. One mainstream guest artist, Mr. Christian Regis, donated two of his artworks which were also auctioned that night.

The event was attended by long-time partners and grant donors, friends, present and former staff of the organization.

IN THE NEWS

Street Education Program highlights: January to June 2014



Through the Street Education Program, street children participants were given access to basic services such as alternative education, psychosocial interventions like counseling, health and medical services, and vocational skills training among others. All these activities provide them an opportunity to realize and maximize their potentials.

- Some 348 children participated in the alternative education, mobile education van and mobile school sessions
- About 155 street children were provided with counseling sessions to help them cope up with challenges in life
- A total of 517 children were provided with health /medical services through the mobile health clinic and referrals to local health care institutions
- About 9 street children were referred to temporary shelters
- A total of 105 children were provided with basic and advanced computer education sessions
- A total of 32 street children enrolled in formal school through Childhope's assistance were promoted to the next educational level. Two (2) of them are expected to graduate from college this school year 2014-2015.
- One street child who attended sessions on Alternative Learning System (ALS) passed the examination equivalent to secondary level given by the Department of Education (DepEd). He decided to go back to formal school and is currently taking up Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

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From top to bottom: Basic computer literacy classes inside the Mobile Education Van (MEV); a JHW conducts primary health care session; alternative education session using the MEV; focused group discussion with a street educator



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SPECIAL FEATURE**CHILDHOPE ASIA
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LIFE ON THE STREETS

NASH and DANIEL: REAL LIFE SUCCESS STORIES

Throughout Childhope Asia Philippines' 25 years of existence, it has always touched and transformed the lives of so many children. Most of them have already lost hope, being exposed to the harshness of street life. CHAP has extended a helping hand to them, guiding them all the way until they realize that there are better opportunities than living and staying on the streets.

Nash and Daniel are no different. "Been there...done that" so to speak. Both of them recall that their encounters with the street educators of CHAP sparked the flame that brought the light of hope back into their lives.

NASH. Ramonito Tiano or Nash once roamed the streets of Ermita and Luneta to scavenge together with a group of street children. His interest in dancing was rekindled when he participated in CHAP's programs. He learned proper values and discipline through the alternative education sessions. As he grew older, he was taught vocational-technical skills by street educators. Now, he works in a spa, runs his own *sari-sari* store, has some savings in the bank, and enjoys teaching dance lessons to less fortunate children.

DANIEL. Daniel Louise Dejapin or Daniel lived his early years by himself on the streets of Ermita and Malate. He used to sell flowers at night outside bars and restaurants to earn a living. When he met a street educator, he was encouraged to join the sessions. Daniel was observed to possess leadership skills and was then trained to be a Junior Health Worker. Though on the streets, he never gave up attending school. During high school he was invited to spend the last 2 years in EAC-IS and finished it with good grades. He applied for a scholarship abroad and was subsequently accepted. This August, he will be leaving for Germany to study Psychology at the Robert Bosch United World College. He promises to come back to the country and become a social worker to help street children like him who are desperately in need of guidance.



Above: Nash gives a testimonial during CHAP's anniversary dinner; Below: Daniel thanks CHAP for all the help given to him.

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