



“Staying the Course”

**A Refresher and Report
November 2024-February 2025**



Beginnings

Our story begins with the arrival of US servicemen in the Philippines

1898 - 1935

US occupation of the Philippines

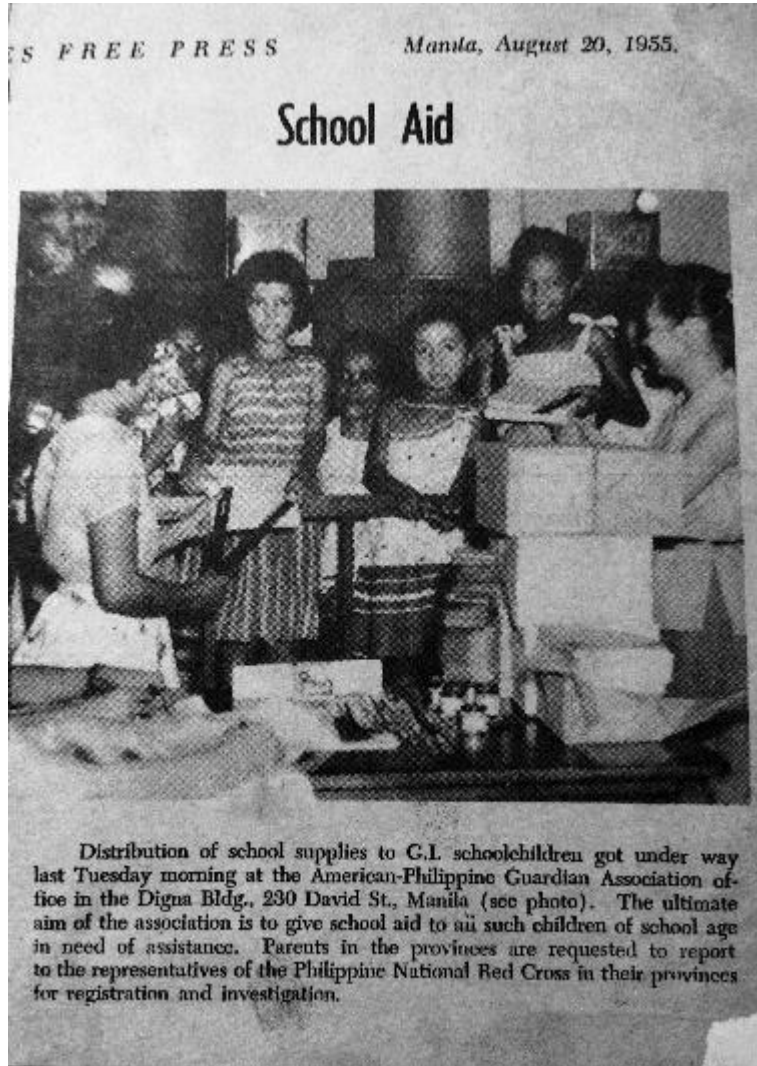
1935 - 1946

Commonwealth Period

1955 - 1992

US expanded Clark and Subic bases right after World War II throughout the Vietnam War

The children and mothers left behind



Decades of servicemen coming to the Philippines resulted in hundreds of thousands of Amerasian children left fatherless, their Filipino mothers forced to raise them alone.

In 1921, Gov. Gen. Leonard Wood organized a group to help the children.

Today, more than 100 years later, the Philippine American Guardian Association continues to help empower Filipino Amerasian children through education.

Current situation



The number of Filipino Amerasian children continues to grow, challenged by generational poverty and social stigma. Their challenges include:

- At risk of being used by their families for subsistence through **youth prostitution** and **human trafficking**
- Bullying or harassment, especially for African (Black) Amerasians that impacts negatively on their mental health
- Female Amerasians working as bargirls
- Having the means to go to school

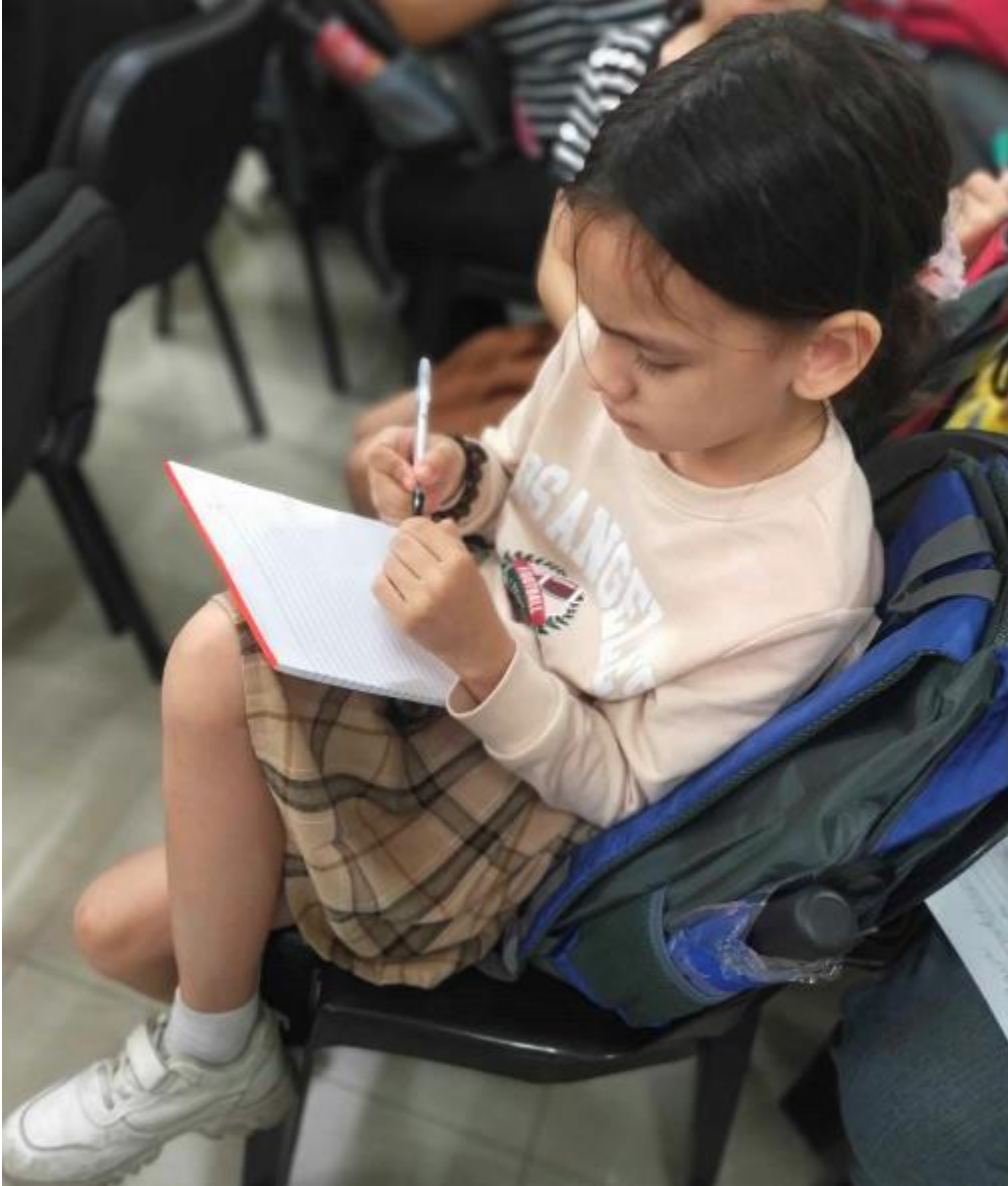
Education challenge in the Philippines today



- In the Philippines, education is subsidized by the government
- Yet the gap between education and poverty remains wide.

11 million children cannot go to school because they cannot afford transportation, school supplies, school fees including internships, uniforms, shoes and meals at school

(Phil Statistics, May 2024)

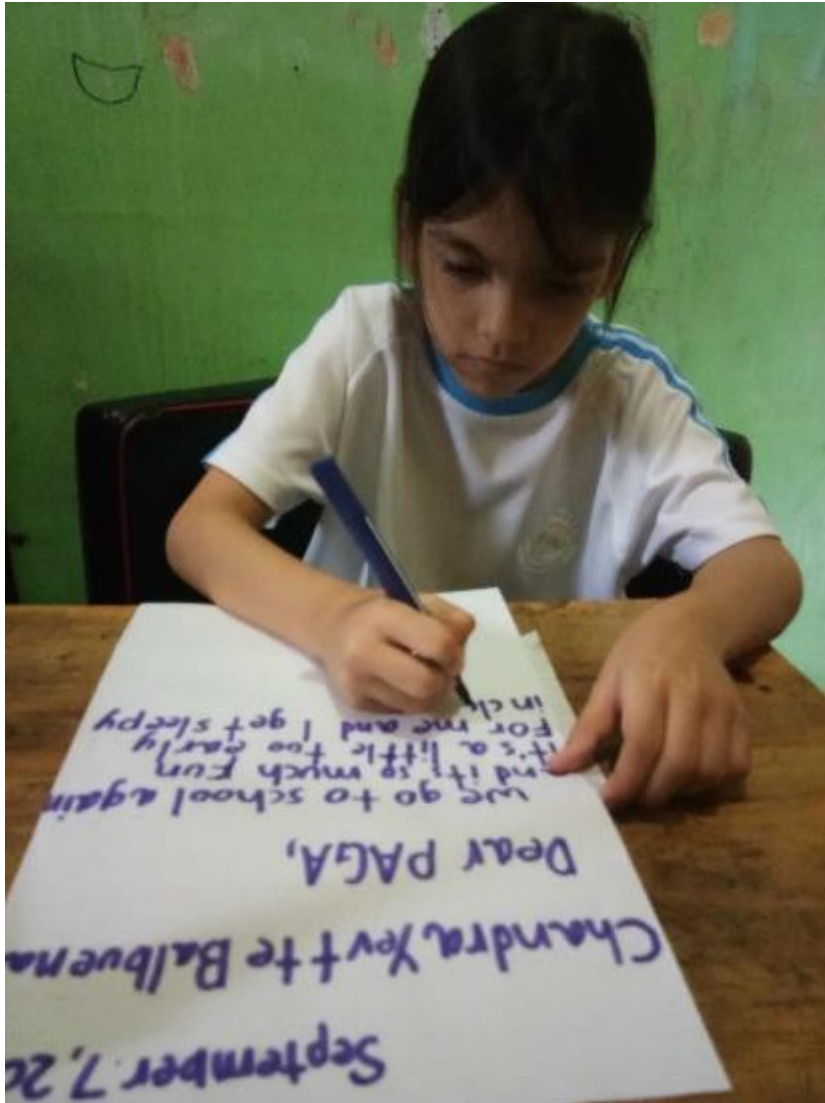


Our program

A blend of:

- Educational assistance
- Psychosocial support
- Personal development

Educational Assistance



A monthly allowance helps with transportation, meals, uniforms, supplies, and other school needs

Children share monthly updates or anecdotes about challenges and proud moments

Submit copies of their grades



Psychosocial Support

Our social welfare officer conducts monthly check-ins and quarterly home visits with the children and parents to provide counseling and assistance



Personal development

Our volunteer mentors share their wisdom



Etiquette for Teens



Safety



Financial Planning



Personal development

Workshops on:

- “Love Yourself”
- Creating Positive Minds
- The Anatomy of Stress
- Career Planning
- Responsible Parenting
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
- Sustainable Development





The children perform well in school with averages above 80%.

Our beneficiaries are paying it forward



Volunteer
barangay
firefighter



Volunteer for
medical
missions



Volunteer at
orphanages



Volunteer trainer
for Red Cross;
member of
rescue teams
during calamities



**Campaigns that increased awareness about PAGA,
generated support for school supplies, and put
Christmas on the table of the children and their families**

**Cum Laude
BS Hospitality Management**

Cum Laude BS Criminology

**Some of
our
graduates**

BS Accounting Information

BS Tourism

BS Hospitality Management



Some plans for 2025 anchored on self sufficiency and sustainability

1. Train parents for livelihood

Backyard vegetable gardening in small spaces for food security

Bath and laundry soap production for sustained hygiene

2. Train the children to be ambassadors for sustainability who will implement community projects





The challenge we face

After 100 years of empowering through education, we need to strengthen our financial position so we may continue bridging the gap for more Filipino - Amerasian children as we are almost hitting our “*bottom dollar*”



**Our sincere gratitude to
our dearest partners who
have shared the dream of
education for a better life.**

**Together with the
children, we wish you all
the best and invite you to
stay the course with us.**

How can I help?



- ❖ Sponsor a child's education for **P20,000 or \$350/year**
- ❖ Be a member
Regular P2,500/year
Lifetime P7,500
- ❖ Sign up as a volunteer mentor and share knowledge
- ❖ Donate
Any amount will go a long way

With gratitude!



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