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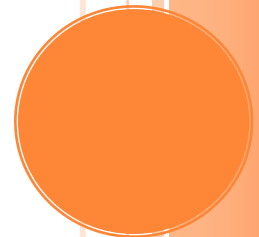
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FORMAL EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

2nd Quarterly Report 2011

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

Project Title	Formal Education Sponsorship Program
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This report covers the 2nd Quarter of 2011 or specifically from April 01, 2011 to June 30, 2011.

The Month of April is the start of the summer vacation in the Philippines and May is the preparation for the coming School Year.

The month of June opens the regular school year. For the School Year 2011 - 2012 the SBS Funded scholarship has a total of 58 scholars for the elementary, High School Level and the three (3) College scholars from Cordova and Kamagayan. In Cordova have 44 elementary & high school scholars while Kamagayan has 11 elementary & high school scholars.

AREA	ELEMENTARY	HIGHSCHOOL	COLLEGE	TOTAL
Kamagayan	10	2	1	13
Cordova	25	26	2	53
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II. ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED

4th Inter-Area Quiz Bowl

It has been 4 years that the Inter-Area Quiz Bowl activity has been conducted. It was held at the SVD Provincialate last April 17, 2011. 67 Elementary and High School scholars participated in the activities who were accompanied by EdComs and some parents. They represented their areas through the different categories like Math, Science, and Essay Writing Contest. It was

during that the time that the scholars are able to apply their knowledge during the contest, and practiced their quick thinking. Furthermore, it encouraged the children were motivated to study their lessons regularly and aim for higher academic performance in school.

As for the scholars from Cordova & Kamagayan which are handled by Scholarship Officer Erlee Adrian Lera, the children were very happy upon joining the Quiz Bowl. They were able to compete well with other children from the different area and they have the determination to win & as a result the children became the winners of the 4th Inter Area Quiz Bowl 2011. They got the 3rd place in Elementary Science, 3rd place in Mathematics High School 1st place in High School Science. They were able to give their best to win every category in the Quiz Bowl and motivated to join other activities not only in JPIC's implemented activities but as well as school activities because for them it is very important to have a full participation in such activities to gain more knowledge and to develop their own self, while the children from Kamagayan were very thankful because they were given the opportunity to show what they got and it is their third time to compete with other children through the Quiz Bowl and during this time, they became strong competitors as what they promised to themselves and again as a result of their determination and hardworking they had that sportsmanship that even though they did not win they still gave their best.

The children were motivated to participate in the activities such as this because they learn a lot from it and it also boost their self-confidence and build strong personality towards competition.

Screening

The annual Screening was simultaneously conducted during the month of May, starting May 16-24, 2011 at the respective community/area. The activity was facilitated by area officers/leaders with the Scholarship Officer Mr. Erlee Adrian Lera. It was after the screening that the Screening Committee was able to come up with a master list of scholars for the school year 2011 - 2012 with the use of the forms and complying the requirements of the said activity. As practiced over the years, those parents whose children were not accepted to the program, accepts the decision whole heartedly and try to make up for the next year's screening, wherein such activity reinforces them to be active and participated in their respective associations/organizations.

Testimonial Dinner

Last May 27, 2011 at Sacred Heart Center Cebu the Testimonial Dinner was held, as for the scholar from Cordova the activity was able to inspire his parents and himself as well in attaining his goal which is to finish his studies and attain his dreams in life. His years of experience in high school paved way in sharing his own testimony which molded his identity & encouraged himself to pursue his studies despite the financial constraints he had encountered. The said activity gave him a clear viewpoint on how to handle life's circumstances and value education. He was determined to finish a bachelor degree or even a vocational course given an opportunity in order to survive the crisis and to help his parents and fellow children in the community as well.

Purchasing

For the past years, the Purchasing of School Needs (school supplies, school uniform, school shoes, and school bag) was done at Gaisano Metro Colon & Mandaue, but this year there was a big change in the purchasing particularly in the stores since the scholars and their parents have to go from one store to the other. One of the reasons of changing the stores is that the expenses will be lessen I order to have more scholars, so the team decided to have it in Visayan Educational Supply for school supplies, Cebu Bazaar for uniform, and at Everet/Everest for school shoes. As been practiced, school bags were provided based on order by partnered PO's of JPIC in which sewing is their livelihood project. The purchasing was scheduled last June 2-12, 2011. Aside from the mentioned stores, Cebu Educational Supply & People's Educational Supply were also included but was stopped to minimize transportation expenses of the beneficiaries since the three stores mentioned earlier were close to each other. At first the purchasing wasn't appreciated by the beneficiaries because they find it time consuming to transfer stores and wants to purchase in one store that has it all. But unknowingly, they realized that with the original budget of P400.00 for the elementary for school supplies they are able to purchases a number of items compared to that in Gaisano and a budget of P 1,000.00 for shoes for a High School student, they can already have 2 black shoes, a rubber shoes and can buy socks which they cannot purchase in Gaisano. It was only in the first day that problems were encountered but the whole duration of the purchasing was managed. All the 831 FOF scholars were able to purchase their school needs.

The Scholar's from Cordova & Kamagayan were very happy because their school supplies were complete, their school uniforms & shoes were new. They are also very excited to go school

because they were motivated through these school opening benefits that they receive. They were also thankful because they can comply with the requirements in school and they believe they would be successful with the help of all this things in the years of studying.

Parent's Monthly Meeting

In Cordova and Kamagayn, a parents' monthly meeting is conducted and facilitated by Scholarship Officer Erlee Adrian Lera, the parents encouraged their children to attend tutorials regularly and they are thankful that there is a tutorial session because their children learn more not only academically but also moral and spiritual values. The Scholarship Officer noticed that they help their children at school through giving advices to keep them away from drugs and other vices. They were grateful of the activities conducted because the children learn new things and experience significant events in their lives. They also become supportive to their children in joining extracurricular activities in school and in their community and all activities initiated by the Scholarship Program.

Regular Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the scholarship team is scheduled every 1st Friday of the month. Last April 1, 2011 was the quarter's 1st meeting where preparation for Quiz Bowl was the main agenda. Also the revisions for the screening forms were finalized. May 11, 2011 was the 2nd meeting for the quarter and the preparation for the Testimonial Dinner and Purchasing was done. June 15, 2011 was the last meeting for the quarter and the assessment of the purchasing was done as well as clarifying issues that were encountered on the said activity. Regular monthly meetings that are conducted is always a good venue to tackle issues and concerns and discussed interventions so as not to affect the working relationship. Consultation was also done during the quarter, thus, immediate concerns were addressed.

Tutorial Sessions and Recreational Activities

In Cordova and Kamagayan, almost all of the children were able to learn new things in every tutorial session and they were having fun because of the different activities that they have in every session. They were also able to understand better their lessons in school. They were able to learn how to value education. As a result, their grades increased. Through the advance discussion last summer, they were able to deal with their lessons at the opening of the school and applied what they have learned in the previous tutorials.

Staff Development

Last May 5-7, 2011 is the Mid-Year Team Building held in the Trappist Monastery in Guimaras Island. The activity paved way for the staff to bond with each other away from the busy schedules of the regular working days. Also it was a venue to discuss matters affecting the work and some policies in which one way or the other that needs to be clarified. Aside from that the staffs were able to make their own objectives based on their real conditions which they think can be helpful for the development of the organization to be submitted to the management for approval and implementation.

Last June 27-28, 2011 The Education Coordinator and Scholarship officer, Erlee Adrian Lera attended two-day training on Facilitator's Training on Participatory Impact Monitoring Tools facilitated by NGO-IDEAS at Hotel Asia, Cebu. The training was conducted to train facilitators who in the future will be applying it to the Community. Such training is very enriching especially that as development workers, we talk of empowerment and one way of empowering people is when they themselves will assess how far have they gone, what they need and what can they do to address such needs. Such tools that NGO-IDEAS has introduced can help break free the community/beneficiaries way of thinking that they are receiver of services, rather they can come to realize that they are partners and should do something since it is their lives that they are talking about. Though most of the tools introduced have been applied to the POs, it can still be tied to the Education Program and can help see the impact of such program to the beneficiaries.

III. RELEVANT CHANGES, CONSTRAINTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The change of supplier for school needs which the parents were find it time consuming but has a good effect especially in terms of the low prices that allows them to purchase more.

As for the recommendations,

1. A MOA will then be made between JPIC-IDC and Everet Shoes, Cebu Bazaar & Visayan Educational Supply.
2. To strengthen the coordination with other JPIC staffs with existing projects, that the Scholarship will be one of the reinforcement for the community to be participative and active in the different formations in the area. Coordination is also important knowing the

fact that the staff are all from JPIC so as to avoid confusion among the people in the community.

Generally, according to the Scholarship Officer, Erlee Adrian Lera, all the activities that were planned for this quarter were implemented even though the dates, time and venue were altered. This alterations were made to have a quality atmosphere and for the best of the participants.

IV. COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The following are updates of 3 scholars in College still under the sponsorship of Justice F/Step-by-Step:

1. Rechell Buselak is now in her third year in college at the University of San Carlos. Her course is Education major in Special Education. She continues to assist Erlee Adrian during Sunday tutorials in her place in Kamagayan.
2. Jasson Singculan is on his 3rd year in College taking up Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education at the University of Cebu -Lapulapu-Mandaue Campus.
3. Cariehm Inoc is a 3rd year irregular student taking up Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education; she stopped for a semester when she got sick.

V. OTHER COMMENTS

For Erlee Adrian Lera, time management is one of the helping tools to execute the activities successfully because through this, the time won't be wasted but will be properly used in all activities implemented. As a result, all the activities were never left behind and made it more affluent than what was being expected.

Assessment every major activity should be conducted in order to improve if there is a need for improvement or maintain the good practices.

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