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PHILIPPINE CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES NETWORK

Together Building Safe Communities for Children

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Our Vision

"Children enjoying the fullness of life in a loving and nurturing environment"

Our Mission

PCMN is a network of Christian organization working for the protection of children which responds through:

- building capacities of the network and partners
- engages partners, develops, and links local networks
- empowers partnerships on programs, projects
- convene network organization and
- mobilizing financial and technical resources

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Message from the Chairperson

Happy HEART month. I would like to believe that the world is a lot better this week than any other week of the year. Many hearts are reconnected and reconciled in the name of love. For PCMN @ 18, HEART matters are getting serious (but definitely not complicated) and stronger. That's what we were in 2016 – serious and stronger. Serious because we have to deliver by all good means what we have to deliver as per our agreements with local government units, partner Churches and donors. Stronger because we saw regional networks standing firmly on their feet, collaborating deliberately and building their own identify and partnership with local government units. PCMN growing in depth (quality programs) and width (geographical scope). We did not only march off the map in terms of quality programming (Youth4Safety) we also have conquered new territories in terms of partnership (REST). When God is our focus, we all know that He will take us to where our programs and services will make changes in the lives of the children, the families, the Churches and the communities.

Partners, welcome to the 2017 General Assembly – a time in our partnership where we can not do otherwise but be GRATEFUL for what has been in 2016 and for what will be in 2017. Be GRATEFUL for who is God to us in all circumstances and at all time. Be GRATEFUL for this is the only way God can multiply our efforts. In fact, this is the only valid currency acceptable in heaven. He will multiply His blessings as we multiply ourselves – our commitment and our services for the most vulnerable children in our midst. Let's keep our GRATEFUL HEART always settled in God's grand plan for His children. If we can do that, God will help us to overcome any limitation and difficulty. And had plenty of that experiences in 2016.

H: As the Board Chair, I am awed by the work of the **Holy Spirit** in our midst. His miracles were overwhelming. When we thought we reached a dead end, we have wristled with each other and with God, and He led us to some solutions and agreements that were beyond us.

I am awed by the number of hearts, heads and hands that were put together to achieve our goals for 2016. Truly grateful for all the hard work of staff and volunteers who travelled the most difficult barangays in Samar or missed family events to complete implementation.

E: We witnessed the **energy** and the engagement of the youth in the Y4S (youth for safety) project. The tools that we have put together are not only tools for resiliency. They are tools for fullness of life at all times not only during emergencies. We provided the youth bigger chances to improve their future as responsible adults.

A: We grew in our **alliances and advocacy**. 2016 has brought us new awareness to escalating issues of children in all forms of poverty : weak family foundation, non-functional child protection council, dis-engagement of Churches in many children's issues, children in labor and many more.

R: We are inspired with God's work in REST. The REST while wrestling for their growth and sustainability, they are rich and big in their faith to keep REST going when the present support declines.

T: At all times we remain **thankful** and **trustful**. We will always remember before our God and Father every relationship, every donor, every partnership and every work produced by faith, prompted by love and every endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thessalonians 1:2)

As we move into 2017 and anticipate God's work through PCMN, let us unite our HEARTs around Philippians 1: 3, 9-11:

" I thank my God every time I remember you (PCMN,the network). In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now (for the last 18 years), being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you (in PCMN) will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. That your love (HEART) may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ – to the glory and praise of God.

In the service for the Lord,

Dilsy K. Arbutante

Message from the National Director

God has intended the world to be at peace, with its inhabitants working together, whole and in perfect shalom. The Old Testament book Deuteronomy describes this as a just society that builds on the justice and love of God for his people.

But this is not so as we look at our world today, it is the reverse. People have turned against each other, creating the perfect environment, not of peace and wholeness, but of brokenness. The weak is continuously exploited, children abused and sold. Children, because of their lack of maturity and experience are rendered most vulnerable to abuse. They have to bear the brunt of this brokenness.

PCMN exists to work with God in bringing this shalom for children. Together, we work hand-in -hand to provide care, influence strategies and policies in the government favorable to children, worked with LGUs in making functional the local child protection system, and promote a child -friendly and safe environment for children. We built school facilities, conducting community-based campaign on treating children well and promoted their rights, training in safety in disaster for elementary school-aged children, promoted and advocated on strengthening the families in our localities to be able to protect children well. Lastly, worked in ecumenical fashion with networks and movement in increasing protection resulting to changed lives among children.

By working together in 2016, PCMN through its collaborative projects, has touched and served 17,733 children. Our local networks in Davao City, Eastern Samar, Northern Samar and Negros Occidental have connected with 200 or more local churches in their work for children's protection. As a network, PCMN works at all levels of protection of the child in families, communities, in society and with the child and youth themselves. linking programs with our global partners,

As we build a safe community for children, we combine advocacy, capacity-buildling, collaborative response and networking to reach to the child whose needs on child protection is greatest. While these are the building blocks of our work, our foundations are in Christ.

Needless to say, PCMN has directed its sights in 3-fold response in 2017. We wish to increase our work in protecting children from on-line sexual exploitation; strengthen the families to protect their children from harm and equip children and youth with skills in line with child protection in emergencies and disaster.

As a new year unfolds to us, we are keeping faith, that as Christ himself, a Redeemer from the margins, relentlessly pursued the shalom community in his lifetime, we shall be as our Lord commands. Our calling as God's people in this time, is to protect vulnerable and at-risk children.

"You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family. (Matthew 5:9, The Message).

With warmest greetings to all members and partners on the occasion of PCMN's 17th General Assembly,

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Programs Update

NETWORK DEVELOPMENT

PCMN Directory and Website

The updating of the PCMN Member's Directory is completed and is published together with the 2016 Annual Report. The PCMN website is ongoing in its development.

Understanding God's Heart for Children

More than 40 workers of churches and organizations from 2 local networks (Mindanao Children's Ministries Network and Northern Samar Children's Ministries Network were trained as facilitator's on the Understanding God's Heart for Children (UGHC) Parenting Module. Each local network were able to reached out to more than 100 couples – 400 parents.

Grant Proposal Writing

A proposal making writeshop was conducted last November 14-17, 2016 through VIVA UK Consultant, Justine Demmer. PCMN together with the local network coordinators of Eastern Samar, Northern, Davao and Bacolod, each submitted a proposal concept notes after the 2-days identified activity. PCMN submitted concept notes on prevention of OSEC, Safe Child in Disaster and Family Strengthening as the next years focus.

Child Protection Policy Update

PCMN updated its Child Protection Policy to include the following:

Publications, Communications and the Use of Electronic Media

On Social Media publication, the staff, volunteers and partners must ensure reliability of data through validation, accurate information coming from trusted sources. Posting such as in Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and the like, should reflect PCMN's philosophy and values on children. All posting whether personal or official status updates, tweets, pictures or videos must aim to inspire and educate the public on rights, worth and dignity of children.

Quarter Meeting of the Network

There were 4 network meetings held in 2016. Learning Sessions focused on Foundation on Children's Work, Safe Child in Disaster Situation, Surrogacy in the Philippines, Drivers of Violence affecting Children in Asia & Countering thru Network Strategy and OSEC: Incidence, Prevalence, Situation and Ways To Combat through the Church, one each for each quarter.

Annual Planning and Local Network Meeting with PCMN

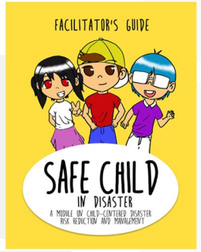
In September 19, an annual planning workshop was held to draft the 2017 direction. The 4 local networks likewise prepared their 2017 Plans.

Network Retreat

An Annual Planning and Network Retreat was held in Quezon City, last September 18-23, 2016 with 27 participants coming from the 3 NCR clusters, 4 local networks and PCMN staff.

The retreat was facilitated by Ptr. Noel and Ms. Jing Burias.

Safe Child in Disaster



Disaster threatens the lives, the rights and needs of millions of children around the world. During disaster, children are the most vulnerable sector of the population.

The UN-Convention on the Rights of the Child emphasised that children should be given special protection during emergency situations, and that their specific needs must be met for them to grow and develop. Therefore, support must be in the context of their families, communities and culture.

PCMN started to work on a curriculum on Child -focused Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) since 2015 and has launched its curriculum called Safe Child in Disaster in May 2016. The purpose is to strengthen the capacities of children on disaster preparedness utilising a community-based program that provides interactive and participatory approaches. The curriculum includes modules on four lessons in disaster, specifically: 1) fire; 2) typhoon; 3) flash flood; and, 4) earthquake. In 2015, a pilot was conducted in Eastern Samar, which is an area recovering from typhoon Haiyan. Through these pilots, PCMN this year,

improved the curriculum to become complete with a storyboard, songs and dance, and translated into English & Filipino.

***Davao Training*

Safe Child in Disaster Trainings:

There are 35 organisations and 103 staff/ volunteers trained during the three training of trainers (TOTs) conducted to equip implementing organisations for the Safe Child in Disaster Curriculum. Likewise, this prepares the PCMN network's staff and as a result of the TOTs, Safe Child camps were organized by 11 organisations, two of which were local networks. Over-all accomplishments, provide services for preparedness in disaster has been surpassed by 23% reaching to 3,443 children.

Children's Good Treatment Campaign

Children's Good Treatment Campaign is a collaborative project with VIVA UK and PCMN's members and partners. To promote lasting change for children, this project aims to let the adults in the community know how to treat children better and to help children understand how to be treated well and to empower them to advocate for good treatment.

On October 2016, the Good treatment culture came to the Philippines. With 4 PCMN's local networks -Mindanao Children's Ministries Network, Eastern Samar Child Rights Advocate, Northern Samar Children's Ministries Network, Alliance of Children's Ministries Network and 19 members and organizations.

The network targeted to reach out to 10,660 adults that will pledge to treat children better by signing a "Pledge Card":

As of January 2016, there are 2040 adults who signed the cards through advocacy campaign by children with their mentors.

** A youth from partner implementer discussing the Pledge Card

Viva is committed to see networks grow in size, significance and influence to bring about lasting change for children.
We congratulate PCMN on another significant year and look forward to continuing our partnership into the future.

- Brian Wilkinson
Head of Network Development, Viva

18th Year Anniversary

Highlights on the 18th Year Anniversary

To celebrate its achievements in the last 18 years, PCMN held its 18th year anniversary. A ceremony to award plaques and citations were given away to staff and Board of Trustees who have served PCMN from 5-10 years in the network.

48 organizations and churches attended in the anniversary celebration which also saw warm greetings powered on from partners around the globe. Two resource persons spoke on effects to children on violence against children and Online Sexual Exploitation of Children (OSEC).

Justine Demmer of VIVA UK and Ms. Evelyn Pingul of International Justice Mission spoke respectively on the topics On Drivers of Violence affecting Children in Asia & Countering thru Network Strategy and OSEC: Incidence, Prevalence, Situation and Ways To Combat through the Church.

RESTORE EASTERN SAMAR TOGETHER

2016 was indeed a banner year both for Philippine Children's Ministries Network (PCMN) and Eastern Samar Child's Rights Advocate Net (ESCRAN) on its full completion of Restore Eastern Samar Together (REST) program. This is a disaster response and recovery intervention which is on its 3rd year of implementation in the six (6) REST covered municipalities of Lawaan, Balangiga, Giporlos, Quinapondan, Hernani and Balangkayan. The transition of REST projects ESCRAN's direct operational management is successful because of the presence of an organization locally with similar vision for children.

Aside from 6 REST municipalities, eleven (11) more towns in Eastern Samar were reached by activities of REST such as:

Gen. Macarthur,
Maydolong,
Borongan,
San Julian,
Sulat, Taft,
Can-Avid,
Dolores, Oras,
San Policarpo and
Arteche,

where ESCRAN's eighty one (81) local member churches actively participated, have also benefitted from capacity-building projects and trainings reaching out to 12,000 vulnerable youth and children, through community-based trauma debriefing camps of Operation Safe, disaster preparedness training for safe child in Child-Focused Disaster Risk Reduction, Para -Legal Training on Laws for Children, Foundational Training on Children's Work and Children's Good Treatment Campaign.

In, 2017, some remaining activities in Back to School and SNP ECCD Centers are earmarked under REST. ESCRAN has partnered with Mission MInistries Philippines, Stairway Foundation and the DSWD Region VIII office to continue on its child protection projects.

Lawaan
Balangiga
Giporlos
Quinapondan
Hernani
Balangkayan

SAFE CHILD

- Children in Need of Special Protection

Activity/Service: Food packs subsidy
Output: 25 children
Reach: Lawaan to Balangkayan

Activity/Service: Referral to MSWDO
Output: 19 children
Reach: Lawaan to Balangkayan

Activity/Service: Integrated with 4Ps
Output: 100 children
Reach: Lawaan to Balangkayan

- Operation Safe

Activity/Service: 16 trauma debriefing camps for children
Output: 1,028 children
Reach: 16 barangays in the municipalities of Sulat, Taft, Can-Avid and Dolores

- Child-Focused DRR (Safe Child in Disaster)

Activity/Service: 17 community based DRR preparedness training camps for children
Output: 1,488 children (1,076 South, 412 North)
Reach: 17 barangays in the municipalities of Borongan, San Policarpo, Oras, Balangiga and Quinapondan

- Youth for Safety

Activity/Service: Developing youth advocates and mentoring peers for children advocacy initiatives
Output: 36 youth advocates and 302 peers mentored
Reach: Lawaan, Balangiga, Hernani

1,028 children were reached
Operation Safe Camps

1,488 children were reached
Child-Focus DRR Camps

SAFE SCHOOL

- Supervised Neighborhood Play (SNP)

Activity/Service: Setting up of ESCRAN-run SNP centers
Output: 3 Pilot SNP Centers
6 SNP teachers trained,
3 churches administering SNP operations
Reach: Lawaan, Balangiga, Hernani

- Back to School

Activity/Service: Educational support to elementary and high school children / youth
Output: 120 youth and children
Reach: Lawaan to Balangkayan (6) REST municipalities

- Day Care Center Project Building Construction

Activity/Service: Day Care Center Building Construction
Output: 7 newly constructed Day Care Centers (Completed 30 DCC Building target)
Reach: 1 in Lawaan, 1 in Balangiga, 1 Quinapondan, 4 Balangkayan

120 children supported through Back to School Program

7 Day Care Centers Constructed
**Completed 30 DCC Building Repairs and Construction*

SAFE CHURCH & COMMUNITY

- Family Strengthening

Activity/Service: UGHC
Output: 30 Churches
Reach: North Municipalities

Activity/Service: CGTC
Output: 1,078 children and adult
Reach: Eastern Samar

Activity/Service: Foundational Training on Children's Work
Output: 50 Churches
Reach: Eastern Samar

50 Churches trained on **Foundational Training on Children's Work**

30 Churches trained on **Understanding God's Heart for Children**

1,078 Children and Adult joined the Good Treatment Culture

SAFE GOVERNANCE

- Network Development

Activity/Service: Governance Training
Output: BOT Members, ESCRAN
Reach: Eastern Samar

Activity/Service: Network Development Training
Output: ESCRAN network members
Reach: Eastern Samar

Activity/Service: Government linkages with PDRRMO on family-based DRR activities
Output: ESCRAN as an NGO
Reach: Eastern Samar

Activity/Service: Regional partnership with DSWD on Family Development Sessions among 4Ps community beneficiaries
Output: ESCRAN as an NGO
Reach: Eastern Visayas (Region VIII)

Lessons and Key Takeaways

from External Evaluation Results of the Restore Eastern Samar Together (REST) Program at Eastern Samar

- Leadership is essential to organized response
- Christian Churches are oriented towards helping the community
- Networks working together is a proven model in humanitarian response
- Competencies gained in 3 years may be tapped for future ESCRAN Programs
- Churches restored become operational centers of response

Esatern Samar Child's Rights Network (ESCRAN) is a local network of 81 member churches and organized with SEC Registration No. CN201512752, with offices at Lawaan, Eastern Samar. The local network is equipped to continue work on children's protection.

WHERE WE WORK

Story of Change

Melai, is a natural comedienne among her peers and friends. She is bubbly and such a very pleasant person to be with. Melai easily befriends new acquaintances and even stranger, with all her antics of funny stories and seemingly endless mantle of jokes. Behind her contagious smile, she had gotten sick with chronic gastroenterological disease that caused her to stop pursuing her BS education course in college at Eastern Samar State University in 2010. She recalled that it was in her second year in college that she was suddenly confined for a month in a hospital until she fully recovered. They thought that it was just a regular amoebiasis got into her system. Despite this, Melai still looked for ways to help her family when she finally realized that she could no longer go back to school, not due to her health condition, but because her parents simply could not afford it anymore.

Melai, 24, single, is the youngest among the 7 siblings. Her 64 year-old Father, Marcial is a hardworking fisher folk from the low lying village in Cancapaba, Lawaan where their house was totally washed out by Haiyan. Her 63 year-old mother, Margie is an equally dutiful housewife and a mother who helps provide for her children's need.

Melai, at tender age, also went to Manila to work in a canteen. Later on, she also tried to work as a sales lady, but went home to Eastern Samar to take care of her nieces and nephews. She has learned to be content at home taking charge of everything from household chores to looking after her family, in spite of being the youngest. Gifted with good singing voice, she also sometimes plays drums as a member of the church youth band.

It was early in 2011 when Melai first joined PCMN training on UGHC modules in Tacloban, Leyte. On April 2014, the Operation Safe training came in Calbayog. The local community volunteers were tapped to provide psychological support to almost 6,000 children in Eastern Samar. Melai was first assigned as a crew member. She was then appointed as camp director, until OPSAFE project concluded in May 2015. Melai was also invited by the Operation Safe International founder to conduct trauma debriefing camps in Guiuan, Ormoc City, Cebu City and Davao City.

Melody "Melai" Inciso

She was also trained as a station leader in Child-Focused DRR training. She participated in the camps until November 2015 that served 5,000 children in the REST covered towns including Llorente and Salcedo.

In 2016, Melody got more engaged in REST youth for Safety program under ESCRAN. She was appointed as youth center facilitator at the Youth Friendly Space in Lawaan. This time she deals with training youth on Child's rights and protection against abuse. Melai is elected as Youth Regional Representative during the Youth for Safety national youth summit in April 2016. Melai as youth mentor has also trained over 100 children advocates in Lawaan. She continues to serve as a regional representative to the PCMN Youth for Safety Youth Network in 2017

Amidst her household duties, Melai still makes time for community service to the youth and children. She still wishes to finish her college degree someday. She is also thankful to God for the permanent core shelter awarded to them by Operation Mobilization Philippines.

Regional Youth Representative, Youth Center Facilitator, Operation Safe and CFDRR Station Leader

Through REST the pastors of ESCRAN feel empowered to approach and access government in ways they have not been used and able to before. In an FGD held with Town Coordinators, they indicated that one of the core reasons they are pleased to continue working with PCMN despite the fact that it is a taxing commitment over and above their responsibilities as Pastor is, "We want to be visible in our community... before PCMN came, the only church that has power to talk to the government is the Catholic church, now at least they can see that we Evangelicals and Protestants also have something to contribute to the community."

– Pastora Ching Boniol,
BOT Chair, ESCRAN
(Town Coordinator, Lawaan)

In Barangay Mabini, the Day Care Center Worker has indicated, "I cannot teach the children in my home because my house was also destroyed by the typhoon, and we are still constructing our home.. I am waiting for PCMN to finish DCC, now its finished. We can begin classes."

– Ma. Lorna Acid, DCC Worker
Brgy. Mabini, Quinapondan, Eastern Samar

Core to the success of the REST program is the strong, motivated and eager to learn and engage local church volunteer base. This sector is important to REST, keeping the volunteer motivated keeps them in the project.

– Lesson Learnt, REST Annual Report 2016

Story of Change

"Ako si Exequiel Alota Brgy Chairman ng Brgy Cabay, Balangkayan, Eastern Samar, Married, tatlo ang anak, may dalawang apo at nakatira ako sa Purok 3 Brgy Cabay. Nagpapasalamat ako sa PCMN sa ibinigay na project sa amin dito sa Barangay na Day Care Center. Malaking tulong ito sa mga bata dito sa Barangay ko dahil sa layo o sa lawak ng Barangay ko, Yung ibang bata malayo ang nilalakaran sa dating Day Care. Mapapaganda na yung dalawa kong Purok; yung Purok 7 at purok 5, mapapalapit sa bagong day care ko ngayon ang mga bata. Kaya yung Brgy Cabay ay nagpapasalamat po talaga sa PCMN.

Maraming problema ang dinaanan namin para makakuha ng day care, siguro alam ng Brgy yan na nahirapan talaga kahit yung mga kagawad ko sabi ko nga noon kay Mam Luz na pati kami nagdadasal na di mawala sa amin yung day care dahil andaming hadlang. Una dahil sa apat na lugar na tinuro ko kay Mam Luz di natanggap dahil nung una yung sukat di kasya, tapos merun din ako dun sa tabi ng highway, kaya lang mababa, di rin naaprobahan . Hanggang nakarating ako sa site na yun, malaking problema talaga dahil yung lupa dalawang beses kami nagbayad dahil yung unang binayaran hindi naaprobahan ng contractor

dahil bako bako at may malaking bato. Dahil kulang yung pera namin ayaw din pumayag nung may ari ng lupa kung installment daw. Pinaumpisa kami ng 1 linggo lang yata itinigil na. Nakiusap ako kay mayor ng kakulangan sa bayad ng lupa, awa ng diyos naawa si mayor. Sabi ko nga pinakinggan kami ng Panginoon."

BARANGAY DATA
of Cabay

POPULATION:	2392			
	M	F	Families	HH
Purok 1 ----	138	152	77	64
Purok 2 ----	184	84	57	52
Purok 3 ----	226	232	120	107
Purok 4 ----	217	239	124	103
Purok 5 ----	137	145	64	60
Purok 6 ----	113	91	55	52
Purok 7 ----	255	252	145	133

Total Household:	571
Total Families:	642
Total Male:	1171
Total Female:	1221

YOUTH FOR SAFETY

Outcome 1 – By end of Project, 5 Child Protection Committees are strengthened to advocate for the protection of children in partnership with the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC)

Formation Child Protection Committees:
NCR:
Three Child Protection Committee
(Manila City, Quezon City and Caloocan)
Samar:
Three Child Protection Committee
[Balicuatro (composed of 9 municipalities), Central Area (composed of 9 municipalities) and Pacific Area (composed of 6 municipalities)]
Davao:
Three Child Protection Committee
(3 districts in Davao City)

Outcome 2 – 3 Regional Youth Networks are established in the three targeted areas and consolidated into one national youth network

Each region, NCR, Northern Samar, Eastern Samar and Davao have already formed their Regional Officers. Each region has 10 Youth Officers.

On April 5-8, 2016 the Youth for Safety regional officers are consolidated into one National Youth Network through the youth parliament conducted in Baguio. The Youth for Safety National Youth Officers, namely: Aljune Yucot, Debbie Pancho from NCR; Melanie Inciso and Jason Nobli from Easter and Northern Samar; Mayjee Dela Cruz and Fernando Astorga Jr. for Davao City.

In April 27, 2016 the PCMN Youth for Safety Youth Organization was registered under National Youth Commission (NYC) as a legitimate, government-recognized organization with an advocacy to fight child sexual abuse of Filipino children.

Children and Youth Reached by Youth for Safety Phase 2 Program:
NCR: 1,791 children and youth
Northern Samar: 1,304 children and youth
Eastern Samar: 300 children and youth
Davao: 2,500 children and youth
Total Reached: 5,895 children and youth

Raised 300 Youth Advocates
NCR: 100 Youth Advocates
Northern Samar: 70 Youth Advocates
Eastern Samar: 30 Youth Advocates
Davao: 100 Youth Advocates

National Activities Participated In:

National Awareness Week on Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation
February 8, 2016 – Youth for Safety YA's joined the National Awareness Week on the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation which was spearheaded by CPTCSA and the city of Quezon City. Youth for Safety set up a booth and conducted an orientation on Child Sexual Abuse to children and youths who joined the event (120 children and youth).

Youth Factor 9
April 16, 2016 – Youth for Safety joined the Youth Factor 9 gathering in Cuneta Astrodome. Youth Factor 9 is an event spearheaded the PCEC Youth Commission. The NCR YA's participated in the event by setting up a booth for Youth for Safety. They promoted our advocacy and program to the young people, pastors and church leaders who participated in the event.

National Children's Month Celebration
November 5, 2016 – the Youth for Safety participated in the National Children's Month Celebration in MoA. In celebration of Children's Month the Philippines joined the campaign to gather 1.5 Miillion pencils and formed the longest line of pencil that is now recorded in the Guinness Book of Records.

Youth for Safety Planner Launching of Planner 2017
The first project of Youth for Safety for sustainability was launched last November 2016 in different regions. The Planner 2017 was launched during the Children's Month Celebration. We printed 1500 copies.

Lobbying for Anti-Corporal Punishment at the House of Representatives and House of Senate
November 21, 23 & 24 2016 - some of the Youth for Safety NCR YA's also joined in lobbying for Anti -Corporal Punishment in the House of Representatives (November 21 & 24) and House of Senate (November 23).

Radio Guesting

NCR:
February 13, 2016 - two Youth Advocates from Quezon City were interviewed in DZRH about Child Sexual Abuse in partnership with CWC.
Samar:
Ptr Randy Rivera, Youth for Safety Mentor was interviewed at FM-Allen Radio Station and Niko Martiniko was interviewed at DYSM. Both of them were interviewed about child sexual abuse and the Youth for Safety Program.
Davao:
August 27, 2016 - Youth for Safety's 11 YAs in Davao also were guested in DXFE radio station and interviewed about the Youth for Safety Program. The YAs were given a session on Creative Advocacy through radio in partnership with 1197 DXFE. A weekly radio guesting of the Y4S every Saturday at 3:00 PM was proposed and will be for review and MoA signing.
In October 7, 2016 - the Y4S Program Coordinator (Garicel Garina), VIVA Denmark (Gritt Hedehus and Michael Thorlund) and Leah Genson and Ptr Ariel of MCMN were also guested at DXFE to discuss about the program of the Youth for Safety.

First of all I send you all the best wishes for the PCMN's General Assembly today. As the new national director of Viva Denmark I had the chance to visit the Philippines in October 2016. It was a fantastic experience for me to visit our colleges in the office in Manila as well as different members of the network. I was very impressed by the work I saw and proud to be partner with PCMN.
A very special moment for me was to meet the young volunteers in "Youth for Safety" and fell the engagement and enthusiasm they put into the project of supporting other children and youth.
God bless you all.

- Gritt Holm Hedehus
Leader / Director

IMPACT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

VIVA Denmark has been sending volunteers and interns to the Philippines through their Impact Volunteer Program and is placed to different member organizations of PCMN. These volunteers are aspirant agent of change. They spend 2 to 5 months of volunteer work, sharing their skills and talents to their receiving organization, building relationship and learning the Philippine culture.

For the first time last year, PCMN started leading the learning principle of the program called Impact Academy in the Philippines in collaboration with partner agencies of PCMN, like Tondo Blessed Hope Bible Baptist Church, Pajo Outreach and Lingap Pangkabataan Incorporated. And as of February 2017, there are eleven Danish volunteers who have gone through the sessions. These volunteers were placed to PCMN member organizations – Kanlungan sa Erma, Christian Mission Service Philippines and Onesimo Bulilit Foundation.

The Academy in the Philippines aims at giving participants knowledge and skills, preparing them for their volunteer placement. This entails acquiring the right preconditions to be able to work with children-and-youth-at-risk. The teaching session aims at equipping participants with knowledge about human rights of children and youth, poverty and inequality, and the role of civil society, in order to give them an understanding of different issues of and approaches to development. It also aims at promoting participants' personal reflection about issues of development and inspire them to a long-term commitment in favor of children-and -youth-at-risk.

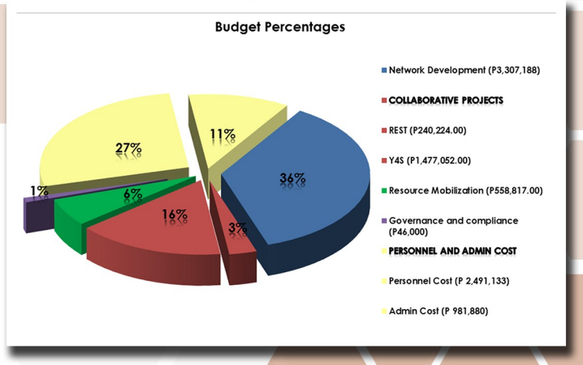
OPERATION SAFE

Operation safe is a 5-day session Psychological First Aid program for young children. It is a crisis intervention project that supports young children's adaptive functioning or resilience within crisis situations. During the reporting period it was run as a 5-session, 2 weekend day camp.

Last year, there are 3 Training of trainers for Manila, Davao and Eastern Samar. Four Opsafe camps were conducted in Eastern Samar, Davao, Navotas and Quezon City reaching out to 1,750 children.

Operation SAFE project is accomplished through partnering with TEAR, Global Care and Operation Safe International.

PLANS FOR 2017



I. Network Development
- Quarter meetings and Learning Sessions
- Network Development Digest
- 365 Devotionals on Children- for adults
- Conduct of Quality Improvement Steps (QIS)

Module 1: How children grow and develop
Module 2: Planning and working effectively
Module 3: Good stewardship
Module 4: Keeping children safe
Module 5: Developing leadership
Module 6: Working Together

- Upgrade Safe Child in Disaster curriculum.
- Safe Child in Disaster TOT
- Conduct of OperationSafe in selected areas
- Conduct Foundational Training on Children's work in NCR, Davao & Eastern Samar regions facilitated by Urban Saints
- BOT, GA and members quarter meetings and special meetings
- Conduct PCMN retreat at national level
- Asia Network Coordination Meeting

II. Youth for Safety
- Strategic Communication Planning in 3 Regions
- Youth participatory training
- Program end evaluation
- General Assembly of Davao Youth for Safety
- National consultation on Child Sexual Abuse and launching of Y4S Youth Organization

III. REST
- Project REST closure remaining activities up to June 2017

IV. Resource Mobilization
- Fundraising event
- Writing additional materials on Online Sexual Exploitation on Children (OSEC) Module as supplement to Youth for Safety BOMCA
- Implementation of PCMN volunteer program
- Writing, submission and engagement in 3 Grant Proposal on OSEC, Family Sthrengthening and Safe Child in Disaster.

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