

Megaworld Foundation @20

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Chairman and Philanthropist



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Inspiring Change, Improving Lives

Megaworld's accomplishments as a property developer have had a significant impact on landscapes and lifestyles throughout the Philippines. The scale of our business has made us aware of just how much we as a company can contribute positively to society.

Our organization emphasizes not only high standards of performance and quality but also a high level of accountability to our stakeholders. Whether it is to uplift and empower people, support noble causes or help in nation-building, we have a responsibility to do good.

Megaworld Foundation was born from a desire to make education accessible to the less fortunate. Twenty years later, while education remains central to our efforts, our reach has expanded.





Today, we are helping address matters that are most relevant in our country. Poverty, poor health care, our deteriorating environment—these are only a few of the difficulties we face as a developing nation. We at Megaworld Foundation are breaking these issues down into workable challenges, and we are taking steps to make practical and tangible improvements in the lives of our beneficiaries.





Graduating Scholars of 2015



We believe that every project we undertake should be a step toward progress and productive change. It is our hope that the Foundation will continue to serve the community even better, in the years to come.

Dr. Andrew L. Tan

Chairman

Megaworld Foundation, Inc.

P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E



Dr. Francisco C. Canuto

President

Megaworld Foundation, Inc.

Twenty years ago, Megaworld Chairman Dr. Andrew L. Tan began an initiative of giving back to society and sharing with others the fruits of the company's success. This endeavor grew and took on a life of its own.

Dr. Tan's vision to make good educational opportunities available to the underprivileged has been brought to life through Megaworld Foundation. The Foundation has since expanded to support various social sectors through aid and volunteer work. We are thankful that it is now a living legacy, dedicated to the continuous pursuit of stewardship, kinship and solidarity.

We have marked many milestones in our history—we have grown the number of scholarship grants we have given, the amount of institutional donations we have made and the hours served by our volunteers.

But what continues to humble us is that we have become part of numerous aspirations and causes, and that we have, in our own way, made a difference through our time and resources.

When the Foundation released its first book, it was to commemorate 15 years of corporate social responsibility. Five years have passed, and we continue to move forward.

In celebrating the two decades of Megaworld Foundation, we have put together a chronicle of 20 stories recounting hopes and dreams, shared partnerships and changed lives. In these pages, we look back and remember our reason for being, and why we persevere in doing what we do.

It is our pleasure to share this book with you.

Bigger, Better Dreams

The residents of Payatas often face discrimination when they tell people where they are from. In this small over-crowded barangay, reselling trash from the dumpsite is the main source of income for many. However, this same neighborhood is filled with families who dream of sending their children to school and building a better life.



One individual from this barangay is Kathlene Galleta who has been a Megaworld Foundation scholar since she was in second year high school. She is currently taking up accountancy in the Polytechnic University of the Philippines and dreams of becoming a certified public accountant. She dreams of helping her family move out of Payatas, which they have called home for the past 20 years. After she graduates, Kathlene is set to have a secure job at Megaworld.





With both parents making under minimum wage, Daniela Añana knew her dreams could only be so big—and that the potential she had would not match the opportunities she would be given. But after four years of being a Megaworld Foundation scholar, she has expanded her horizons. She is on her way to becoming the first person in her family to finish school.



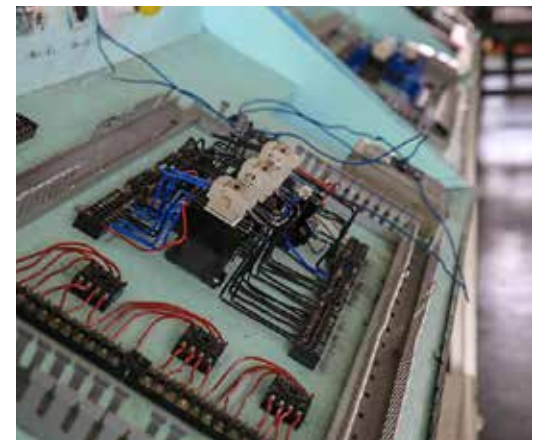
Both Kathlene and Daniela want people to know that they are more than where they come from, and that with a little help, they can do great things. Through Megaworld Foundation's guidance, both girls developed confidence, stayed motivated and learned important life skills.



Continuing Education

Megaworld Foundation continuously extends a helping hand to deserving students from poor families outside Metro Manila.

Both motivated by the lack of access to quality education in the country, Megaworld Foundation and Sisters of Mary School form a strong alliance toward solving the problem. Students enjoy access to food, clothing, shelter, medical care, quality secondary education and an intensive technical-vocational curriculum.





This partnership has helped 46 scholars continue to higher education, and already produced 14 college graduates who are now helping their families. It also provided financial assistance for Sisters of Mary to have clean water supply, after their facilities in Cebu sustained severe damage from a 7.6-magnitude earthquake.





With the help of the Foundation, young students who normally get thrown straight into employment are now given the opportunity to go to college, and later, enjoy better options for their careers.

Prioritizing Wellness

Many students attend class with an empty stomach and bare feet. This is a reality that Megaworld Foundation recognizes, and one that it works to address.







The Foundation provided new school shoes, sponsored free haircuts, conducted medical missions and held feeding programs for the students of ERDA Foundation. With these basic needs met, students were allowed to truly focus on their studies and enjoy a happier, healthier youth.

Welcome Home

An alliance with Gawad Kalinga has given Megaworld the opportunity to provide housing for 56 urban poor families in Mandaluyong City. Megaworld employee volunteers came together to help paint homes and turn them over to the community. Part of the volunteers' continuous efforts is to monitor the village and rehabilitate it, with the hope that it can serve as enduring and sustainable housing to its residents, who are always eager to share their own personal home improvements.







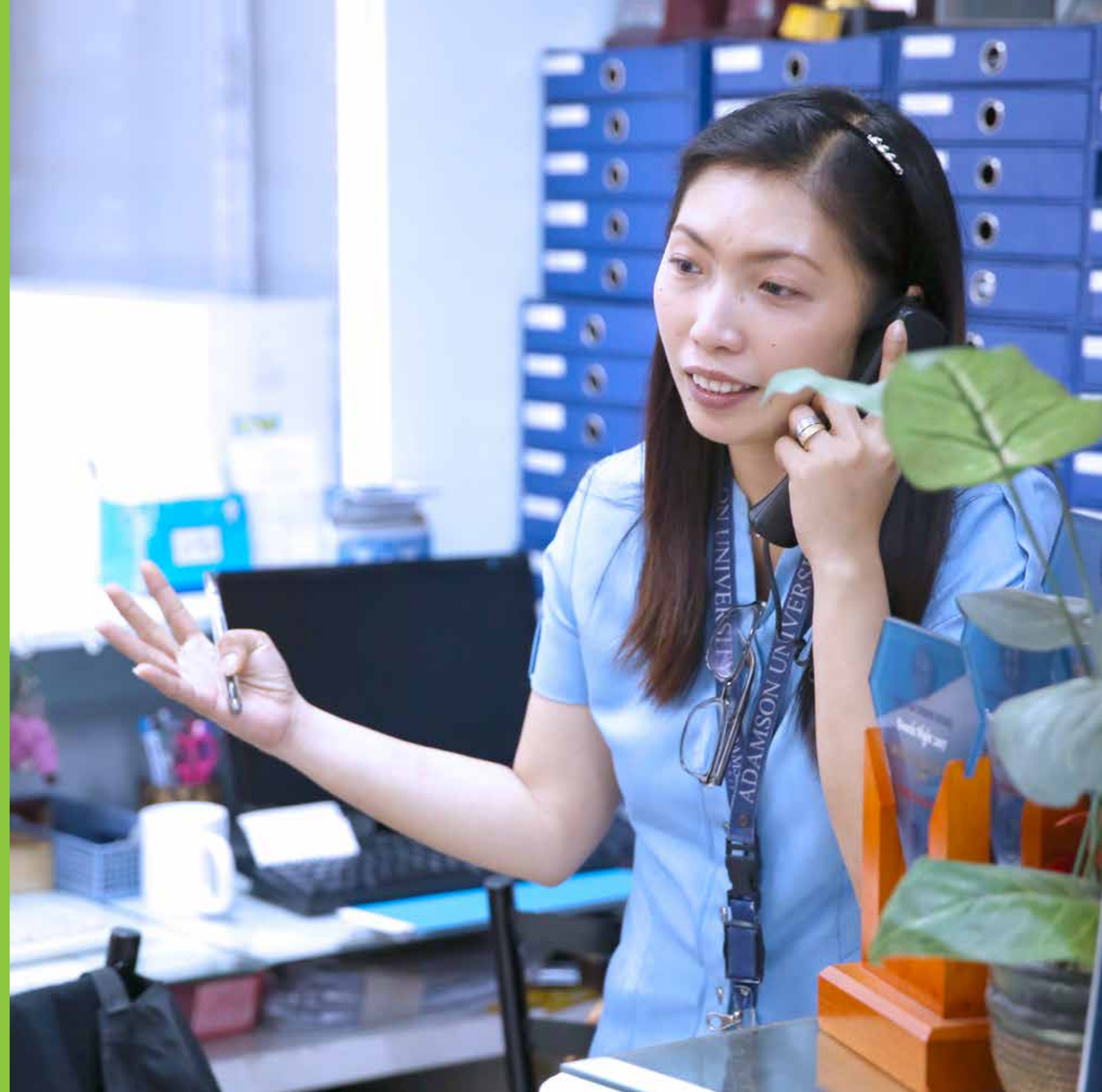
Residents of the Gawad Kalinga Village have experienced a turnaround in their day-to-day experiences. From living in makeshift shacks in the slums, they now have a decent roof over their heads and are able to spend time with their loved ones in a clean and safe environment.

Advocacy for Learning

Making quality education more accessible and giving back to the community—these are advocacies Megaworld Foundation and Adamson University share. Toward the same goal, they join forces for the benefit of hardworking students all over the country.



*Education
is the
Passport to the
Future*



Over the past 10 years, the Megaworld-Adamson partnership has provided scholarships and eliminated entrance exam fees, so more students have better access to higher education as well as employment after graduation.

The current scholars under the program strive to maintain their grades and stay on track inside and outside of the classroom. Counselors assigned to them try to understand their situation in order to address issues that may get in the way of their studies. Seeing the Megaworld-Adamson scholars grow and give back is one of the most rewarding things for both parties.



For the Differently Abled

Sharing moments with the neglected and underrepresented in society gives them hope and affirms their sense of self.



Megaworld Foundation visited its differently abled brothers at Sinagtala Home for Boys and gave them extra care by spending time with them and hosting a film viewing, in addition to donating essentials and providing medical supplies.





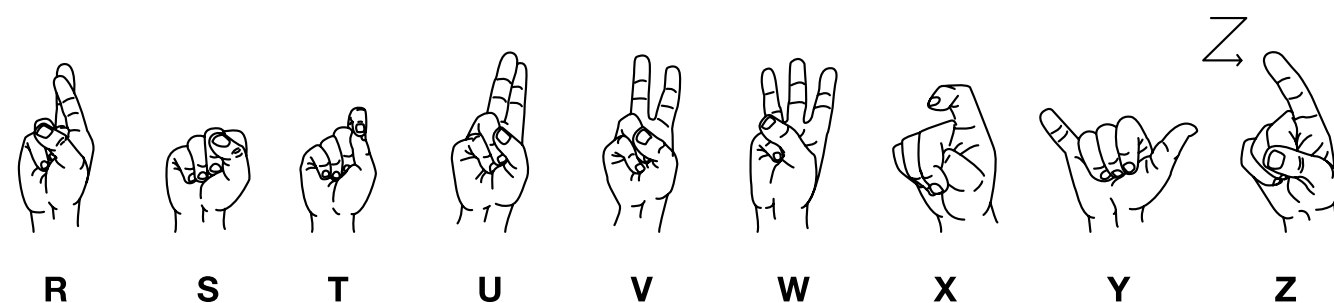
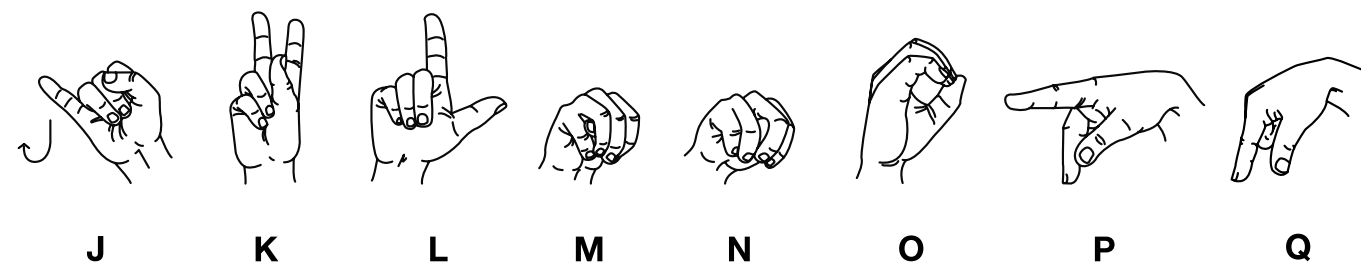
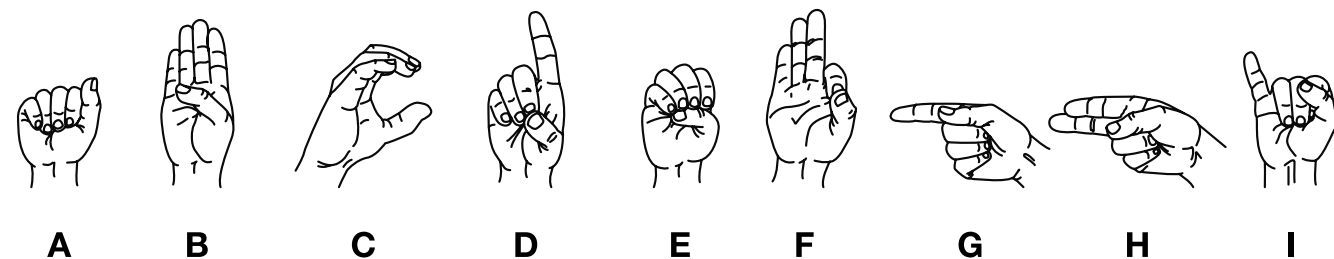




Meanwhile, the Foundation provided scholarships for the children of the Philippine Institute for the Deaf. Volunteers engaged in meaningful interactions with the kids through outreach activities.



ALPHABET SIGN LANGUAGE



Empowering Women & Children

Over the years, Megaworld Foundation has built partnerships with organizations that prioritize the welfare of women and children. These include the Philippine Foundation for Breast Care, Kaisahang Buhay Foundation and The Foundation for Professional Training.



With the Philippine Foundation for Breast Care, Megaworld Foundation sponsored programs for socialized medical services, breast cancer awareness and spiritual counseling and healing.



Financial assistance, meanwhile, was given to Kaisahang Buhay Foundation's Nazareth Homes, which houses and provides care for 20 single mothers at a time.

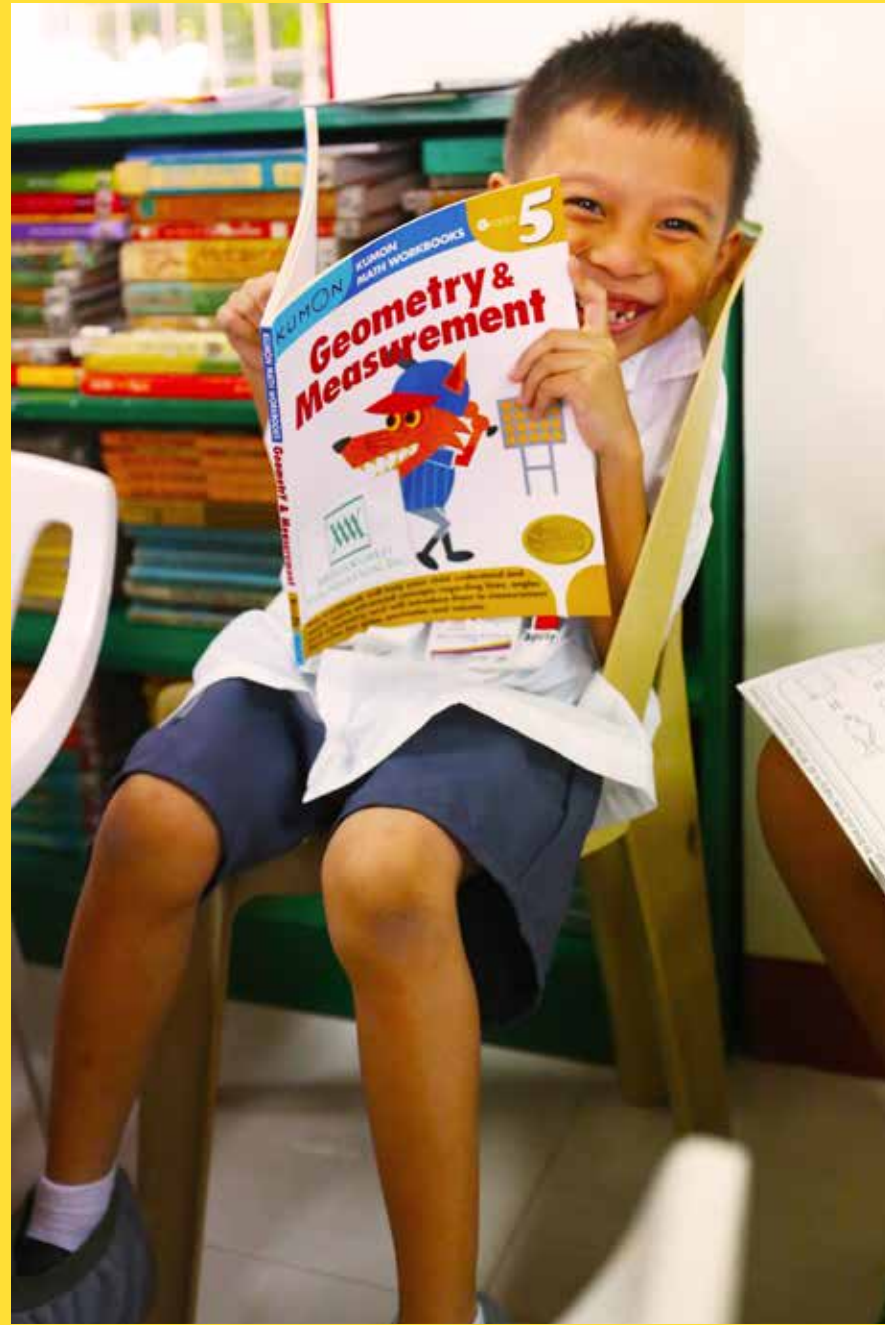


Through these specific initiatives, the Foundation not only gives women and their children a voice, but also promotes the value of respect and appreciation for people from all walks of life.

Gift of Reading

Providing quality education does not stop at giving scholarships and building classrooms. With a shortage of facilities and an overflowing student population already posing major challenges, many public schools are unable to enjoy proper libraries. The absence of quality books means that children miss out on a world of knowledge, imagination and possibilities.







Megaworld Foundation continues to forge partnerships with other foundations to construct libraries and donate school textbooks as well as storybooks to students. Through its efforts, it hopes to build a strong and educated nation, one book at a time.



Stronger Values

Every year, hundreds of applicants apply for a Megaworld Foundation scholarship with the hope of building better lives for themselves and their families. Those fortunate enough to get into the program are met with opportunities as well as responsibilities.





Megaworld Foundation scholars are expected to not only maintain good grades until the day they graduate, but also develop holistically as individuals. They work on their personal development through programs and outreach events where they understand the importance of kindness, compassion and giving back. By also encouraging the values of integrity, hard work and excellence, the scholars learn to become leaders and movers in society.



The scholars regularly look back on their experiences. They take note that being industrious and persevering are integral in reaching their dreams. They acknowledge that through the scholarship program, they have matured and become more socially aware, as well as preserved the values instilled in them.

Paying it Forward

Megaworld Foundation scholars don't just receive; they also give back. The Foundation inspires young people to serve others—especially the lost, the least and the last—by requiring them to take part in outreach activities and encouraging them to create their own programs. At the beginning of every scholarship program, the Foundation introduces “Paying It Forward,” a principle that scholars are asked to take to heart.



In the spirit of the season of giving, the scholars surprised people who personally touched their lives through song and care packages.



Pasko na naman
O kay tulin ng araw
Paskong nagdaan
Tila ba kung kailan lang

Ngayon ay Pasko
Dapat pasalamat
Ngayon ay Pasko
Tayo ay mag-awitan.

Pasko! Pasko!
Pasko na naman muli.
Tanging araw na ating pinakamimithi.
Pasko! Pasko!
Pasko na naman muli.
Ang pag-ibig naghahari!





“I truly believe that by serving others, I serve God. This is what keeps me going and moving—to be an instrument of God in blessing His other creations.”

Inspired by the genuine care they experienced from being part of the Megaworld Foundation’s scholarship program, the scholars seized the opportunity to reach out to others in need.

Scholar-turned-Megaworld employee Bryan Suñiga, together with his friends, came up with his own way to give back. The opportunity came during one of their hikes, when they stumbled upon small communities badly lacking basic needs.

Because these communities are inaccessible, they have not been able to receive much assistance. Hence, Bryan and his friends founded the AKYATEAM, Inc. Although there is still much work to be done, they are glad to know they are able to help in their own little way.



Bryan Joseph Suñiga
Megaworld Scholar

Ever
Grateful
to
Megaworld

For the past 20 years, Megaworld Foundation has granted over 5,000 scholarship grants to deserving students. Through their hard work, the scholars have graduated from some of the Philippines' top universities in the Philippines and received multiple awards and recognitions.

Academics aside, the principle of “Paying it Forward” is perhaps the most important part of every scholar’s experience. They are constantly taught, trained and given opportunities to give when they can—with the hope that these small efforts can one day make a big difference.



*A
Bright
Future*

Megaworld Foundation, a proud partner of World Vision, ChildHope Asia and the Virlanie Foundation, believes that sustainable communities should be filled with children continuously learning and thriving.



Together with these institutions, the Foundation has undertaken many endeavors to make this a reality. It has sponsored and facilitated disaster rehabilitation outreach events and feeding programs. It has also created enclaves where children are free to be children.





Volunteers and the kids they tended to enjoyed positive and fulfilling interactions. The kids easily stepped up to challenges, displaying their innate intelligence and practicality.



Ako po ay si Alaiza Joyce F. Hernandez.

Kung tawagin po ako ay AJ.

Ang mga Kaibigan Ka po ay si AgeLyn.

Ang Kasama Ko po sa bahay ay ang nanay

tatay at aking mga kapatid.

Ang paborito Ko pong pagkain ay gulag

at kanin, isda, at manok. Ang aming bahay po

ay gahi sa bato at kawayan.

Ang bahay po namin ay malayo sa paaralan.

Ang pangakap Ko po sa buhay ay maging

isang guro. Maraming salamat po.





The Foundation's goal is to improve the lives of the most vulnerable children in the Philippines. By introducing them to a world of learning, it hopes to see fewer kids on the street and more productive members of society.



Thank You, Megaworld



One Smile at a Time

Megaworld Foundation teamed up with Operation Smile to provide free reconstructive surgeries to repair cleft lip, cleft palate and other facial deformities in children throughout the country.



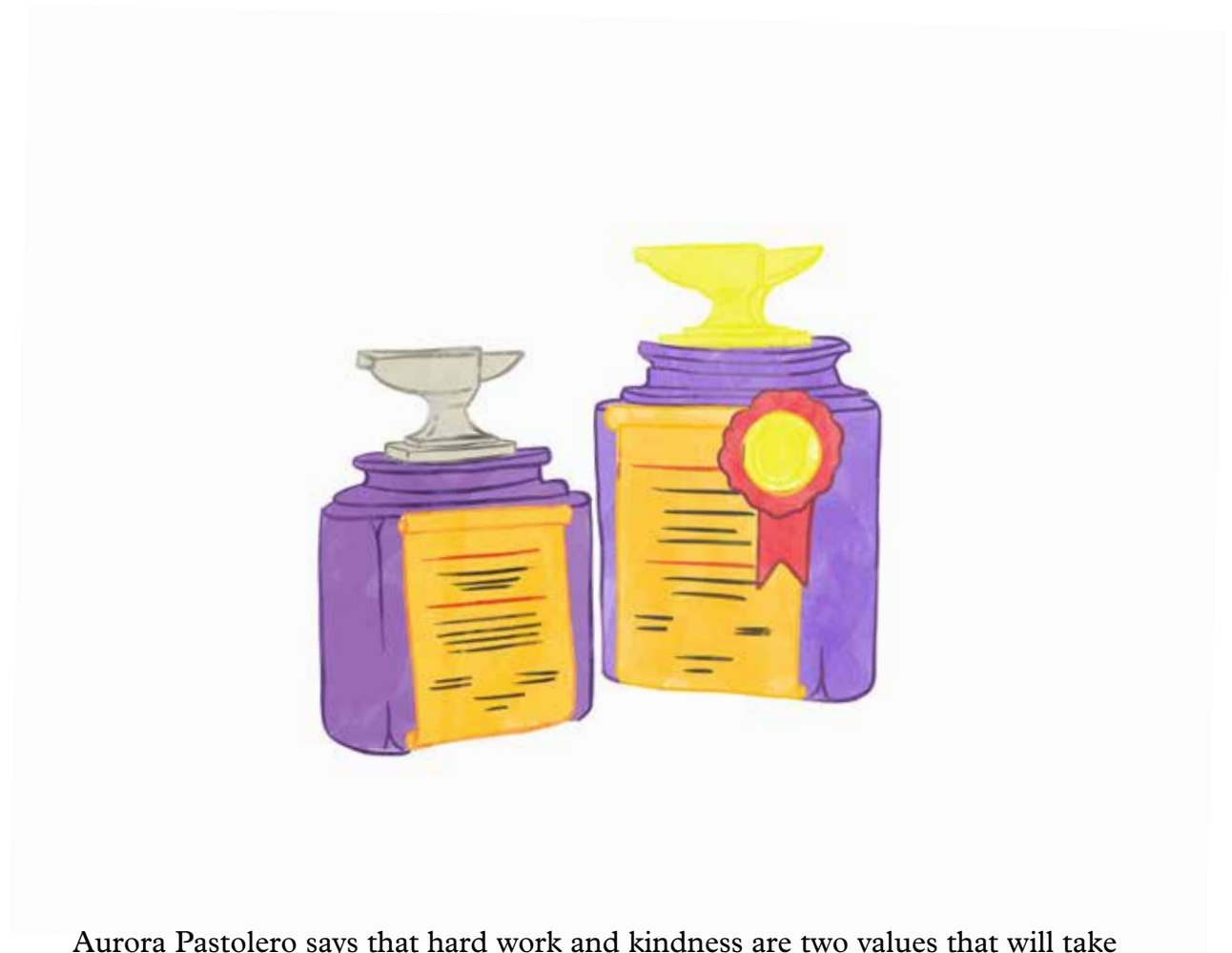
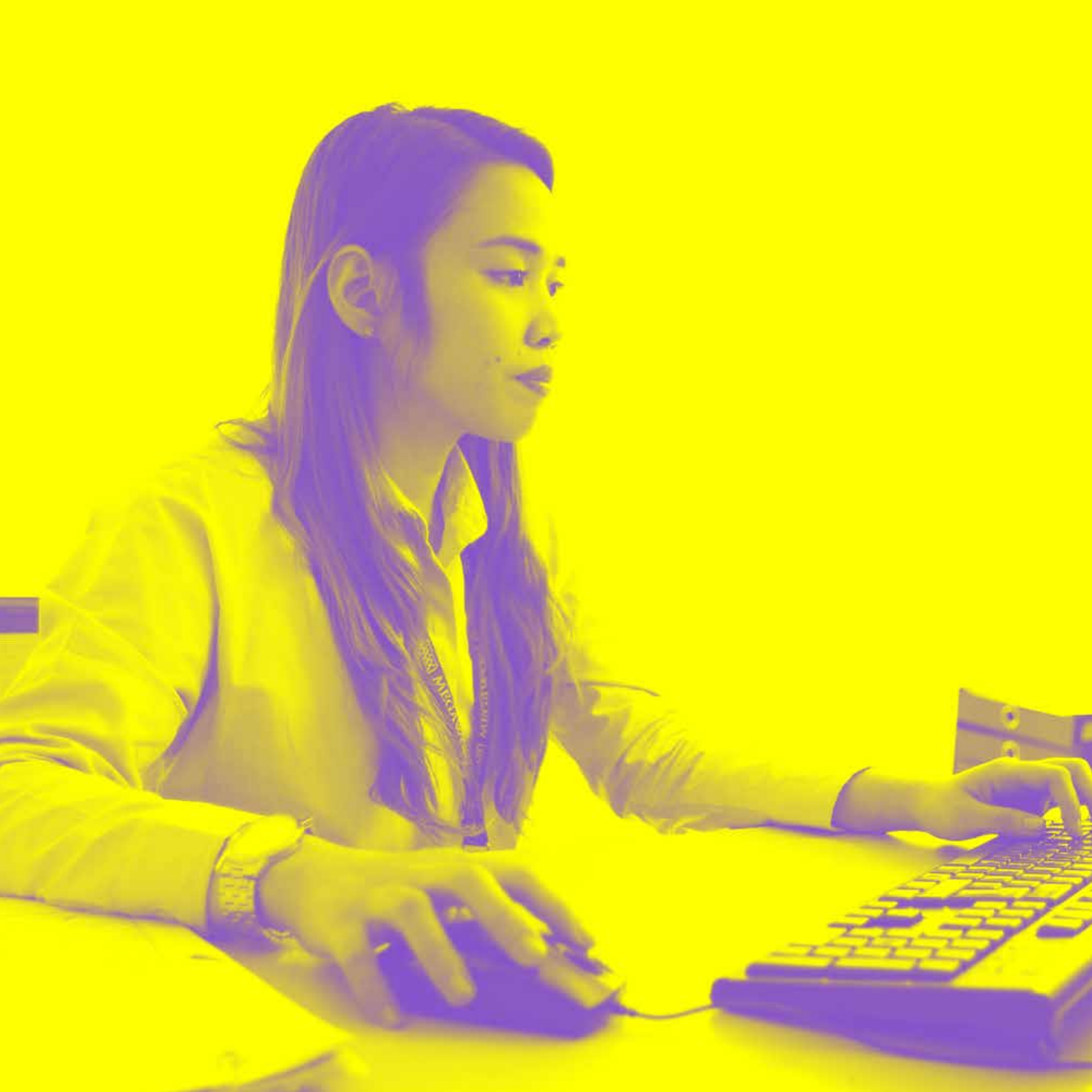




Through these services, kids who often encounter speech, eating, hearing and dental issues can now smile and lead happier lives.

Love, Service and Hardwork

Megaworld Foundation enables scholars to achieve their dreams through its scholarship program. Two of its scholars had their shares of struggles, but their values helped them move forward. Now, they are working in Megaworld, where they continue to grow and develop their potential while being able to support their families.



Aurora Pastolero says that hard work and kindness are two values that will take her a long way. Amid personal struggles, Aurora managed to graduate from Centro Escolar University. Today, she is a marketing and business development supervisor at Megaworld, which has been her second home for the past five years. She feels she is given a lot of room to grow at the company, as she gets more responsibilities and opportunities to handle various projects.



Transitioning to the working world was not an easy task for Leoniben Bantugan, a former Megaworld Foundation scholar and now a Megaworld accounts payable associate. While making good grades at the National University, Leo had to work several jobs to help his family make ends meet. He went through the experience of having just enough money to attend his job interview. Now in the corporate world, it is his perseverance that continues to shine through.



We continue to help our scholars realize their dreams for a better life for themselves and their families by giving them opportunities to use their potential to the fullest.



Beating the Odds

Attending law school is rarely an option for those who cannot even afford to get an undergraduate degree. These two Megaworld Foundation scholars dared to dream and beat the odds.



Hyacinth Aldueso
Megaworld Scholar

“Now that I am a lawyer, I view life differently. I have to deal with other people’s predicaments on a regular basis. Although these situations can sometimes be difficult, I am grateful that I am given a chance to be of assistance to those with problems.”

Hyacinth Aldueso knew that receiving a scholarship meant that many new doors would open for her. She also knew that with hard work, she would finally achieve her college dream of becoming a lawyer. Hyacinth believes that the values instilled in her during her scholarship taught her how to be more generous.



“Success cannot be done overnight, but by persistence and desire to succeed. It is something shared. It is not something na nasa sarili mo lang. Success is something offered to your family and to your community. That is what success is to me.”



After receiving her undergraduate degree from Adamson University, Angie-leeca Sevilla knew she could be more. A lack of finances stood between her and her lifelong dream of becoming a lawyer. Despite this, she was committed to make it a reality, no matter how long it took.

Angie-leeca worked as a paralegal during her first few semesters as a law student. She attended classes at night. Eventually, she got a scholarship and took on a part-time job. Today, she is a licensed lawyer in private practice and hopes to work at the public attorney’s office.

Angie-leeca Sevilla
Megaworld Scholar

Health and Happiness

Health is often neglected in the less fortunate sectors of our society.

This prompted Megaworld Foundation to take action and partner with DSWD’s Golden Reception and Action Center for the Elderly and Other Special Cases, Operation Blessing Foundation Philippines as well as AFP’s Civil Military Operations Group, another advocate of better access to health care.









Free check-ups, medicine and vitamins as well as counseling and spiritual support are offered during the Foundation's annual medical mission. These gives assurance to children and the elderly that their health and well-being are still a priority.

Greener Tomorrow

Megaworld Foundation teamed up with other foundations to save the last surviving rainforest in Metro Manila. Part of its sustainability efforts included tree planting activities which aimed to protect the country's natural resources.





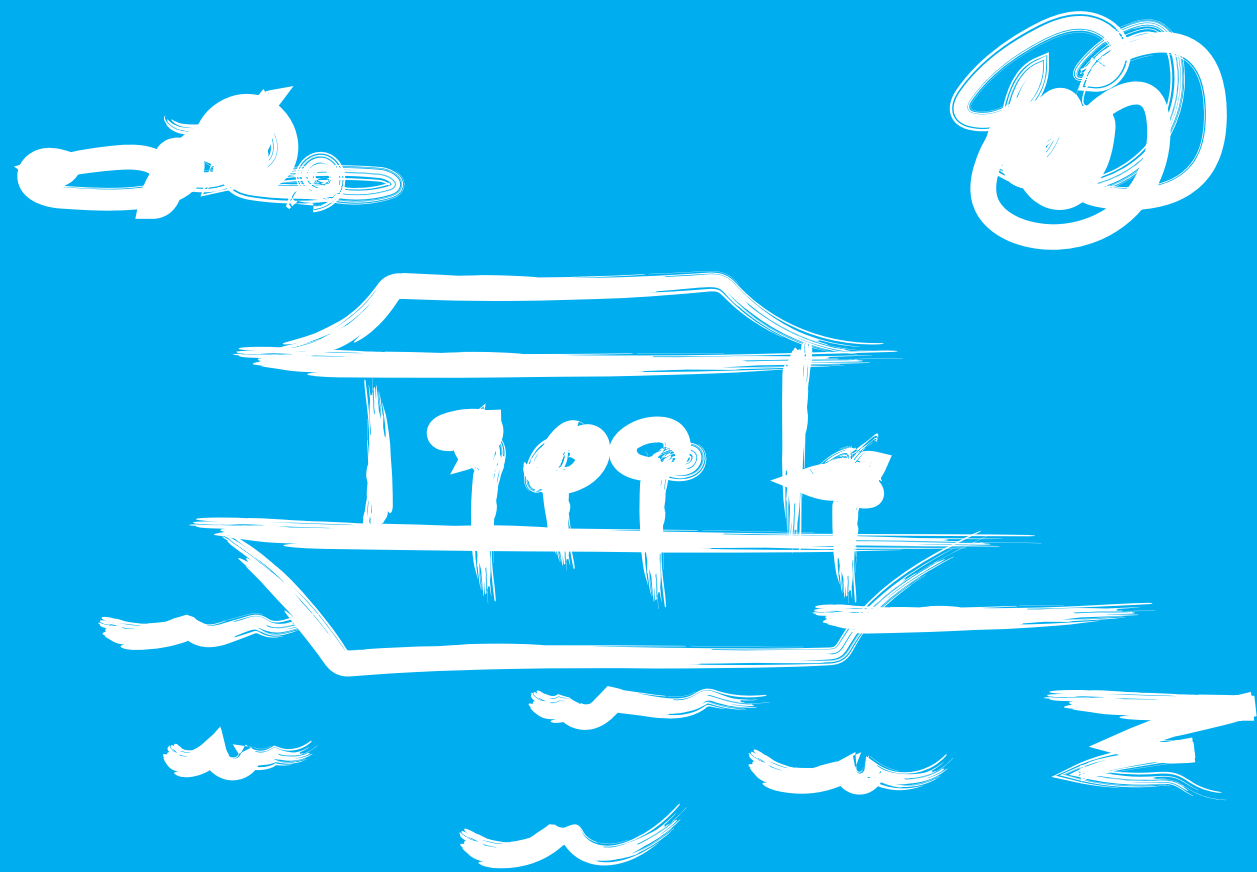


Seeds were sown in the hope that these will grow large trees, which would protect the land from flood erosion as well as help clear the waters, freshen the air and preserve wildlife.



Yellow Boat of Hope

The Yellow Boat Foundation makes quality education accessible to communities in Cebu, Romblon and Sorsogon by transporting students from far-flung areas to school. These same students used to risk their safety by swimming across streams and rivers just to get to class while their parents strive to provide for their families.



Salamat po sa donasyon na binigay ninyo.

Ngayon, hindi na namin kailangang lumangoy
araw-araw para makarating sa aming paaralan.

May nasasakyan na kaming mga bangkang
dilaw na parang school bus.

Nagpapasalamat,

Mga beneficiary ng

Yellow Boat of Hope Foundation



“By donating Yellow School Boats, kids don’t need to swim, wade in water or walk for hours to get to school. It enabled them to reach school safe and dry. By making it easier for kids to get to school, attendance rate has improved and dropout rate reduced.”

Dr. Anton Mari Lim

Co-founder and President

Yellow Boat of Hope Foundation, Inc.



A Safe Space to Learn

The Aetas of Tarlac were puzzled when asked about their dreams. Their feet were bare. The nearest school took 4 hours to reach on foot via a hot, dry trail. They simply could not see a future outside their humble village.



"Greetings of Peace!"

Thank you very much for the good news that you brought us- the approval of both our requests for the Dormitory for Aeta Pupils.



When the pupils and students go back to school in June, they will be pleasantly surprised and surely happy and grateful to see their school rehabilitated, thanks to Dr. Andrew Tan and your Megaworld Foundation.



With your donation for our Project for the Dormitory of Aeta pupils, surely more Aeta children will be interested to go to school. Just imagine, the kids will be spared from the daily hike through mountains and the crossing of rivers during school days. They will be assured of shelter, a steady supply of fresh water and food to supplement whatever they can afford to bring. These would surely translate into higher enrollment and more literate children.



Hopefully, with more literate Aetas, they would be less prone to abuse by some lowlanders who grab their ancestral lands or buy their farm produce at extremely low prices. You will be helping, not only the pupils, but the whole communities of Nangka, Bilad and Kawayan in Tarlac. You are agents of transformation!”

- Sr. Vilma Puzon, SSps







Everything changed when Megaworld Foundation rehabilitated their school, constructed a dorm and established a feeding program. The Aetas now have a safe space of their own to learn more about the world around them, without worrying about where to sleep or what to eat.

Building Better Classrooms

Another major problem Megaworld Foundation aims to address is the destruction of classrooms in disaster-prone provinces. Through its partnership with Holy Spirit Academy of Irosin and Federation of Filipino Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industries, more classrooms were built and reconstructed to accommodate the growing number of students, especially after K-12 program was implemented.





Megaworld Foundation helped the institution, and now, its 470 students have five school buildings for their use and they no longer have to study under roofless classrooms. The availability of these spaces has motivated the children to come to school, and the teachers to further impart their knowledge.



Sharing the Love

Megaworld employees have responsibilities far beyond their job description. They recognize that they have the power to truly make a difference.



Megaworld Foundation continues to seek new and innovative ways to help those in need. One of its initiatives is continuously involving employees in its efforts. Employee volunteers, already steeped in Megaworld's caring culture, are invited to apply the value of love for their fellowmen outside the context of the workplace.





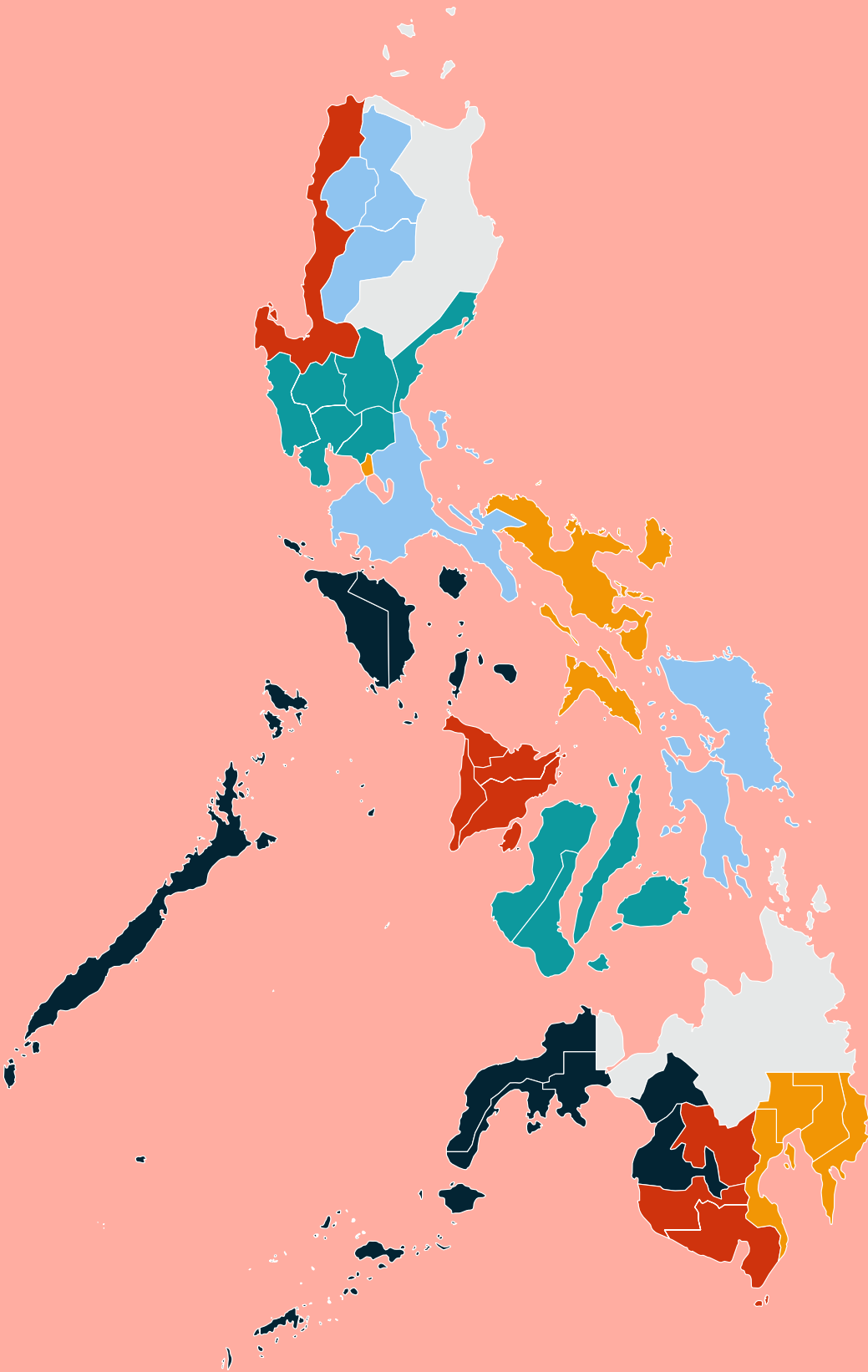


A volunteer's act of sharing time and talent with others is far greater than goods or monetary donations. The efforts of Megaworld employees in helping others and spreading hope allow them to grow personally and find joy and fulfillment. Those on the receiving end of their time and company, meanwhile, are able to feel cherished and cared for.

Strength in Numbers

Guided by the belief that poverty alleviation and the betterment of society must be sustainable, multi-sectoral and specialized, Megaworld Foundation ensures that its programs, projects and partnerships address various needs in education, housing, the environment and health care as well as aid and rehabilitation.

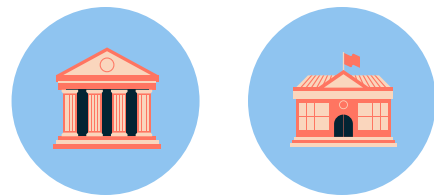
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- Region IVA — CALABARZON
- Region IVB — MIMAROPA
- Region V — Bicol
- Region VI — Western Visayas
- Region VII — Central Visayas
- Region VIII — Eastern Visayas
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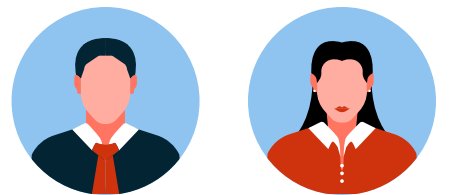
Scholarship Programs

*By Alliance Global Group as of December 2016

43
supported
schools
and
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Over 280
hired
scholars*





Over 5,000
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given*



Over 235
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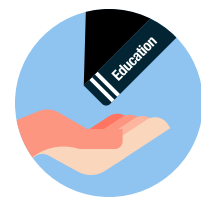
Over 475
graduate
scholars*

*From 2007 to 2016

Partnership Building

Over 3,000
books and
school
supplies
given

2 boats
donated to
provide
8,800 boat
rides a year in
Sorsogon





56
classrooms
and day care
centers
built and
refurbished



321
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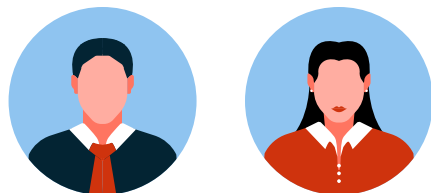


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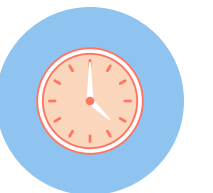
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Volunteerism Program

Over 1,000
employee
volunteers



Over
10,000
volunteer
hours
rendered





90,000m² forest
land protected
through the
“Green Thumbs
Up!” Tree
Planting Activity

4,670 children
fed through
the “One Spoon
at a Time”
Feeding Activity





2,581
patients
served



227 cleft lip
and palate
surgeries
sponsored

10,996 relief
and gift bags
packed and
given



Fruits of Our Labor

Along with narratives from a 20-year journey comes a number of accolades, serving as reminders to the Foundation to remain committed in impacting society through positive ways.

The following local and international awards recognize how the Foundation consistently meets global standards of good governance, and how it inspires other nations to be advocates of corporate social responsibility.

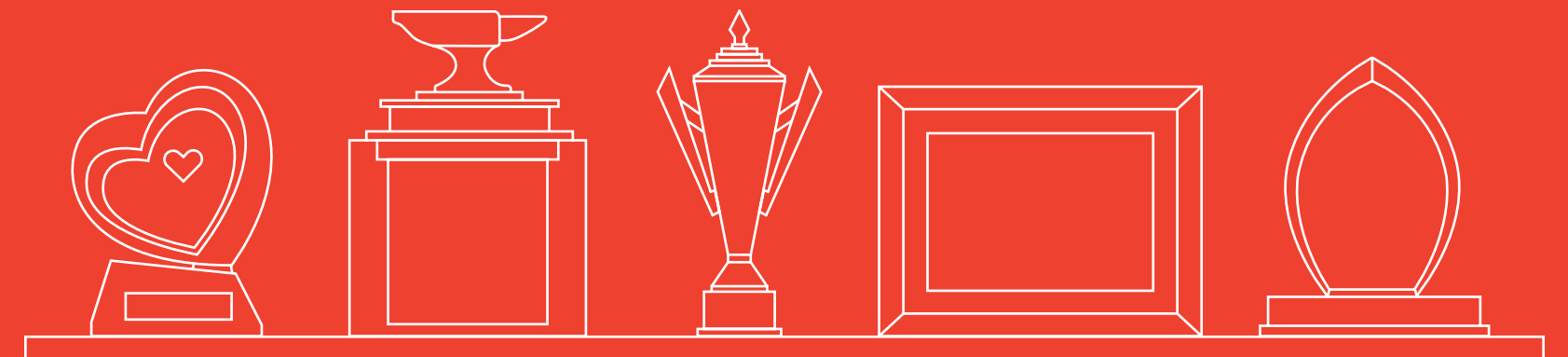


20 Years. 20 Awards.

- 01. 2017 International CSR Excellence Awards**
Champion of Champions
United Kingdom
- 02. 2017 International CSR Excellence Awards**
Gold - Charitable Giving
United Kingdom
- 03. 2017 International CSR Excellence Awards**
Gold - Education
United Kingdom
- 04. 2017 International CSR Excellence Awards**
Gold - Philanthropy
United Kingdom
- 05. 2017 International CSR Excellence Awards**
Gold - Volunteering
United Kingdom
- 06. The 9th Annual Global CSR Summit and Awards**
Gold - Excellence in Provision of Literacy and Education
Malaysia



- 07. 2017 Philippine Property Awards**
Special Recognition in CSR
Philippines
- 08. 2016 Asian Excellence Awards**
Best CSR
Hong Kong
- 09. 2016 Philippine Quill Awards**
Excellence Award - Employee Engagement
Philippines
- 10. The 8th Annual Global CSR Summit and Awards**
Gold - Excellence in Provision of
Literacy and Education
Indonesia
- 11. 6th Asia Best CSR Practices Awards**
Winner - Best Education Project Awards in CSR
Singapore
- 12. 52nd Anvil Awards**
Silver - Internal Employees, Shareholders and Suppliers
Philippines
- 13. 52nd Anvil Awards**
Silver - Good Governance, Social Responsibility,
Responsible Citizenship
Philippines
- 14. 2016 Asian NGO Leadership Awards**
Winner - Education and Learning
United Arab Emirates
- 15. 2015 Asian Excellence Awards**
Best CSR
Hong Kong
- 16. 51st Anvil Awards**
Silver - Education and Literacy
Philippines
- 17. The 7th Annual Global CSR Summit and Awards**
Bronze - Excellence in Provision of Literacy and Education
Indonesia
- 18. 2015 ASEAN Corporate Sustainability Summit & Awards**
Runner Up - CSR and Community Impact
Philippines
- 19. 2014 Philippine Quill Awards**
Merit Award - Publications
'Breaking Ground and Thriving' Coffee Table Book
Philippines
- 20. 2013 Asian Excellence Awards**
Best CSR
Hong Kong



Continuing the Legacy

What grew into 20 years of philanthropy started from the desire of Dr. Andrew L. Tan to give back to the community, especially to the young men and women with big dreams, but without the resources or avenues to achieve them.

Dr. Tan says, “I came from humble beginnings, and I can say that my education helped me achieve my dream of becoming an entrepreneur. I gained knowledge and honed skills that I could use in business, which gave me the capability and confidence to pursue opportunities in industries that I was passionate about.”

His belief that education is the key to leading people out of poverty is what compelled him to make education his advocacy through Megaworld Foundation. Today, he continues to help deserving, underprivileged youth fulfill their own ambitions in life.

Dr. Tan’s vision of changing individual lives has had a positive impact and ripple effect. Education not only benefits Megaworld scholars, who are direct recipients of the Foundation’s support, but also their families and communities.

Developing the students’ capabilities is only one aspect of the Megaworld scholarship program. Increasing their awareness of the plight of others, as well as inspiring their drive to reach out and be of service, are another. This is the kind of compassionate, committed culture of giving and giving back that Dr. Tan wishes to establish through Megaworld Foundation’s programs and projects.

Supporting various charitable causes has likewise given the Foundation opportunities to do its part in working toward a progressive and sustainable society. This kind of society will allow future generations to thrive, and hopefully, continue to nourish Dr. Tan’s legacy.





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