



Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc.

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Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. (PSFI) is steadfast in its pursuit of meeting its 2025 targets and effecting enduring change. By prioritizing the consistent implementation and continued enhancement of programs, PSFI maintains its dedicated support for beneficiaries. Moreover, the Foundation's journey thus far has highlighted the critical role of collaboration with partners and stakeholders in fostering resilience within communities.

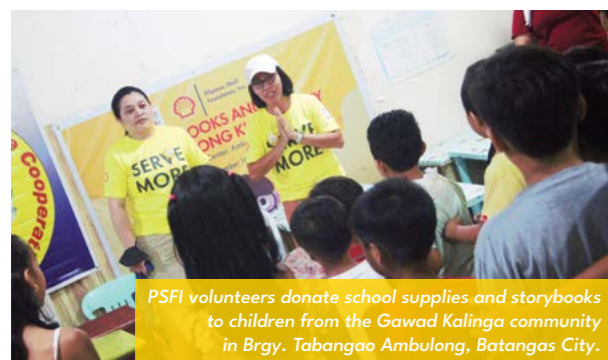
The World Health Organization (WHO) downgraded the Philippines' COVID-19 status in July 2023¹, signifying a turning point in the country's development. The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) reports that GDP grew by 5.5% during the year². Despite this, the country's economic growth has clearly left many Filipinos behind. A Social Weather Stations (SWS) survey conducted from September to October shows that 48%, or around 13.2 million Filipino families, considered themselves poor³. These figures shot up from the 2021 poverty estimate of 18.1%, or approximately 3.5 million families⁴.

Amid ongoing social, health, and economic challenges, PSFI remains committed to strengthening its endeavors to empower Filipinos to flourish and cultivate resilience. As the Foundation reaches the midpoint of its 2021-2025 Strategy, its focus is on consistent program implementation and continuous learning to drive ongoing improvement.

PSFI initially focused on creating livelihood opportunities to foster self-reliance among beneficiaries. Over the decades, these initiatives have evolved significantly in terms of geographical reach, scope, issues in focus, number of programs, and impact. This growth is attributed in part to the partnerships forged with both local and international collaborators. In 2023, the Foundation upskilled over 571 individuals through its livelihood programs and assisted 236 individuals to become employed or engaged in businesses.

Apart from capacity building and providing capital, PSFI also connects livelihood beneficiaries with the market. Recently, the Foundation connected the Rizal farmers that it trained to Kitchen City, one of the biggest food concessionaires in the country. This partnership allows the farmers' cooperative direct access to the produce supply chain, thereby providing them with the opportunity for a sustainable livelihood.

Participants in the Shell LiveWIRE program are also folded into the Shell value chain after they complete their training. Community enterprises from Rizal, Batangas, Bohol, Cagayan de Oro, Camarines Sur, and Palawan are now regularly creating corporate giveaways for Shell companies in the Philippines.



PSFI volunteers donate school supplies and storybooks to children from the Gawad Kalinga community in Brgy. Tabangao Ambulong, Batangas City.



Yellow corn farmers of the Soro-soro Allied Multipurpose Cooperative participate in Shell LiveWIRE's Automotive and Small Engine Repair Training.



Shell LiveWIRE conducts a Karagumay Bayong Bag Making Skills Training in Pasacao.

Considering malnutrition and food inflation remain among the country's prevalent issues, PSFI intends to invest heavily in nutrition and food security programs. Specifically, the Foundation has been implementing Roots to Shoots (RTS) with more partners on board. With Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), RTS is able to include more barangays in Pasacao, Camarines Sur. The program's expansion into Family Care Center-Roots to Shoots (FCC-RTS), in collaboration with Bloomberry Cultural Foundation, Inc. (BCFI), will support underserved Aeta communities in Sacobia. PSFI also launched the AgrElevate program to strengthen the food security and livelihoods of farmers and fisherfolk in Leyte, partnering with the BPI Foundation (BPIF) to amplify their impact.

Numerous challenges persist within the Philippine educational system, potentially exacerbated by the effects of the pandemic. This is evidenced by the World Bank's findings in 2020, wherein the country has a significant learning gap of 5.4 years⁵. This means the average Filipino student spends more time in school but exhibits lower productivity. A policy report by the Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS)⁶ reflects this reality, emphasizing the need to address the ongoing learning crisis.



High school students from the Sacred Heart School - Ateneo de Cebu (SHS-AdC) finish the three-day NXplorers workshop.

In response, PSFI continues to help students receive high-quality education, ignite a love of learning, and inspire them to solve problems through STEM. In 2023, the Foundation granted technical-vocational scholarships to 138 beneficiaries through Unlad sa Pasada (USP) and Gas Mo, Bukas Ko (GMBK) and supported 366 students and 38 teachers through its STEM and Innovation programs.

PSFI's health and safety initiatives encompass tackling HIV/AIDS through the HIV Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment and Sustainability (PROTECTS) program and addressing malaria through the Movement Against Malaria (MAM) initiative. As HIV/AIDS cases continue to rise and malaria instances surge, the Foundation has honed its ability to swiftly adapt to challenges by enhancing coordination with partners and expanding its activities. For 2023, HIV PROTECTS was able to support 11 regions (301 sites) across the country, while MAM supported the Department of Health in managing and controlling malaria in 47 municipalities nationwide.

In addition to its targeted activities, PSFI swiftly responds to the evolving needs of communities. Coordination between the Foundation and Shell Pilipinas Corporation's (SPC) Terminals, Mobility Stations, Real Estate, and others significantly enhances the efficiency of these engagements, particularly in disaster response situations where time is critical. As a result, PSFI provided timely support to 8,200 families or 32,800 individuals throughout the year.

The Foundation draws inspiration from the transformative stories it encounters each year and remains dedicated to providing Filipinos with the opportunity to reach their full potential. The 2023 Annual Report celebrates the resilience of entrepreneurs, innovators, and empowered individuals who have overcome challenges, thanks to the support of volunteers and partners. As PSFI continues to pursue its strategic objectives, it remains unwavering in its commitment to inspire enduring change for future generations.

¹ <https://www.who.int/philippines/internal-publications-detail/covid-19-in-the-philippines-situation-report-133>

² <https://www.psa.gov.ph/statistics/national-accounts#:~:text=The%20fourth%20quarter%202023%20Gross,was%20maintained%20at%207.6%20percent.>

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⁶ <https://edcom2.gov.ph/media/2023/10/pidspn2317.pdf>



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ABOUT PILIPINAS SHELL FOUNDATION, INC.

Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. (PSFI) was established on August 19, 1982, as the social arm of Shell companies in the Philippines. With its vision of building empowered communities, the Foundation collaborates with local and international partners to spearhead diverse fit-for-purpose programs that respond to the needs of Shell fence-line communities and the rest of the country.

PSFI is currently focused on the communities located in Bacolod, Batangas, Bohol, Cagayan de Oro, Camarines Sur, Iloilo, La Union, Leyte, Negros Occidental, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Palawan, Rizal, and Sultan Kudarat. While these are considered priority areas, the Foundation extends its programs to all 17 regions.

In its 42 years, PSFI has touched more than 16 million lives. The Foundation aims to continue advancing the country’s sustainable development for years to come, ensuring that no Filipino is left behind.

MISSION

Guided by its vision, PSFI implements programs designed to build capacities to promote self-reliance and develop the potential of its beneficiaries, both individuals and communities.

VISION

An organization sustaining its initiatives in enabling the disadvantaged to become productive and responsible members of Philippine society and in helping strengthen community systems, thus contributing to the country’s sustainable development, at all times upholding the Shell core values of honesty, integrity, and respect for people.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

CESAR A. BUENAVENTURA



2023 has been another busy year for our Foundation. Following the celebration of our 40th anniversary the previous year, we renewed our commitment to our mission of empowering Filipinos to become self-reliant and productive citizens. We strengthened our internal systems, processes, and partnerships, setting a solid foundation to achieve our ambitious targets by 2025.

Since 2022, PSFI has shifted its reliance away from funding from the Malampaya Deep Water Gas-to-Power Project, which was once a significant benefactor. We have remained determined and resourceful in seeking out new funding avenues. The subsequent years also highlighted the necessity of forging connections to collaborate with like-minded organizations to sustain our initiatives and expand our impact across the nation.

Thanks to the latest Global Fund (GF) Grant, we remain on track towards eradicating Malaria in the country, with just a few isolated cases in the hinterlands of South Palawan and Tawi-Tawi. We are also making good progress in curtailing the spread of HIV infections in vulnerable communities.

In 2023, Movement Against Malaria (MAM) continued to strengthen the capacity of local governments and communities in Palawan, Sultan Kudarat, and Occidental Mindoro to reduce the burden of malaria in their areas. Aside from our standard interventions, we have focused more on integrating malaria care into mainstream health services and equipping communities with the necessary skills to sustain local efforts. Despite the challenging year, with cases spiking due to external factors, the agile collaboration of our volunteers with communities allowed for a timely response.

For the GF HIV Grant-Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment, and Sustainability (HIV

PROTECTS) program, we have been augmenting government initiatives. We helped identify people living with HIV (PLHIV) and those at risk of transmission to provide them with proper care. HIV PROTECTS distributed testing and protective equipment to these communities, conducted training on local case management and community resilience, and assisted national government agencies in creating policies and roadmaps.

To address the urgent need for medical professionals, Bloomberg Cultural Foundation (BCFI) provided PSFI with a grant of PHP 300 million for a sustained scholarship program for doctors, nurses, and allied health professions in cooperation with various accredited colleges and universities and with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for caregivers.

We have been successfully implementing the Roots to Shoots (RTS) program with the Manila Water Foundation (MWF) and World Vision Philippines as pivotal partners. Our new partnership with BCFI has also expanded the reach of this



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program to include Aeta communities around the Clark Field area. In collaboration with the Clark Development Corporation (CDC), we are helping address critical nutrition needs in these areas. Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI) also extended RTS services to more barangays in Camarines Sur.

To maximize our agricultural support, we have promoted agri-entrepreneurship and doubled efforts to connect farmers to the market. Particularly for RTS and scholarship initiatives, we are seeking more partnerships with other foundations. Meanwhile, our tried and tested in-house training activities in farming, STEM, and technical-vocational skills continue to provide tangible results and benefits.

As a non-profit organization, challenges in terms of resources are familiar to us. We leverage our network and pool of experts to seek partners and funders who can join us in persisting with our efforts and reaching more Filipinos in need.

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Year after year, we remain grateful to our PSFI team for their passion and dedication. To our partners and benefactors, we hope to continue a fruitful relationship as we work towards our goal of improving the lives of the less fortunate sectors of our society.

CESAR A. BUENAVENTURA
Chairman

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

LORELIE Q. OSIAL



Undeniably, the vulnerable sectors in our country are among the most affected by global and national shifts in our environment, economy, and society. For instance, inflation has exacerbated Filipinos' struggle to meet basic needs. At the same time, climate change has made natural disasters more devastating for fenceline communities. These concerns have prompted us to sustain and scale up our efforts.

As its social arm, the Pilipinas Shell Foundation aligns itself with Shell Pilipinas Corporation's (SPC) Powering Progress strategy, enabling value creation and fueling nation-building. Powering Progress is Shell's global blueprint for sustainable growth, which comprises 1) Generating Shareholder Value, 2) Achieving Net Zero Emissions, 3) Powering Lives, and 4) Respecting Nature. Together, we have made notable progress on these pillars.

In particular, PSFI has significantly contributed to Powering Lives through its extensive impacts on communities and to Respecting Nature, primarily by protecting critical habitats. Our initiatives span six thematic areas, mainly aiming to empower individuals and communities.

POWERING LIVES & RESPECTING NATURE

Our training programs related to technical-vocational skills, STEM and innovation, agriculture, and entrepreneurship have imparted beneficiaries with life-long knowledge and skills that build competencies, inciting positive change in their lives. The Save, Invest, Nurture Access to Green Energy (SINAG) program, along with providing energy access, also enables the development of enterprises, livelihoods, and education in these communities that are not connected to the grid. In 2023 alone, we upskilled over 571 individuals

through livelihood programs and assisted 236 individuals to become employed or engaged in businesses.

Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN (TANDIKAN) and the Tubbataha program have been noteworthy collaborative efforts to protect Palawan, the country's last ecological frontier. We are immensely proud of the Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park rangers we have supported throughout the years, who were awarded by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) with the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) International Ranger Award in July. Their often-unseen, dedicated efforts to lead other volunteers have continuously contributed to the preservation of a critical ecosystem.

As SPC pursues sustainable growth by exploring renewable energy, the Foundation has also been forming strategic partnerships to expand our programs to reach more communities in need. The Global Fund (GF) has been indispensable in our effort to eradicate malaria in the country through the MAM and our drive to curtail the spread of HIV infections through HIV PROTECTS. The Bloomberry Cultural Foundation has allowed us to launch the Medical Scholarship program and expand our Roots to Shoots (RTS) program to Aeta communities around the Clark Field area.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

The future can only be sustainable if it is equitable.

Shell envisions becoming one of the world's most diverse and inclusive organizations, where employees, customers, partners, and suppliers feel valued, respected, and included. Echoing this sentiment, our programs start with forming

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relationships with partners on the ground. Beyond capacity building and other support, the trust and genuine connection between our communities, program officers, and volunteers constitute the heart of our work. In line with this, we consider our PSFI team and staff to be the organization's backbone. We extend to them our technical-vocational scholarships, the Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) workshop, and other upskilling opportunities to equip them with the confidence and ability to thrive and reach their full potential. Over the years, we have proudly witnessed the journey and transformation of many of our leaders.

41 YEARS AND BEYOND

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We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our valued partners for their collaborative spirit in amplifying the reach and impact of our programs. To our dedicated team, your passion, dedication, and tireless efforts have influenced countless individuals and are the driving force behind our success.

Finally, we are humbled by the privilege of supporting our esteemed beneficiaries. Your resilience and determination inspire us to keep pushing boundaries and finding innovative solutions to help you achieve your aspirations. We look forward to strengthening our relationships and exploring new opportunities to empower communities together.

LORELIE Q. OSIAL
President

MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SEBASTIAN C. QUINIONES, JR.



In reaching the midpoint of our 2021–2025 Strategic Plan, we have maintained the programs that cemented our legacy of empowering Filipinos and launched more projects or expanded programs with new partners. To support the growth of our key programs, we embraced change and optimized our processes. Thus, we began 2023 by strategically restructuring our organization to ensure we elevate how we do things from within.

We are honored to have again been appointed Principal Recipient (PR) of the Global Fund for MAM and HIV PROTECTS in Grant Cycle 7, as securing funding for these programs is among our primary endeavors for 2023.

Our commitment to our pioneer programs remains unwavering. These programs, which continue to expand, have touched the lives of numerous beneficiaries nationwide. As of 2023, PSFI has supported over

11,000 Filipinos and nurtured exemplary professionals through technical-vocational scholarships like Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal (SKIL) and Gas Mo, Bukas Ko (GMBK), as well as STEM and innovation programs like the Shell-PhilDev scholarship program. Beyond academic achievements, we have fostered a sense of community among our scholars. We eagerly anticipate the grand reunion of SKIL alumni next year, a testament to the lasting impact of our programs.

Our Shell Training Farms (STFs) in Bombon and Pililla have been instrumental in improving food security and providing livelihood opportunities through training programs on sustainable agriculture. For 41 years, STFs have provided practical knowledge and resources on agri-entrepreneurship to help communities achieve self-sufficiency. In 2018, we expanded this to reach communities in El Nido, Palawan, which was established as the Palawan Eco-Agro Park (PEAP). In all of the areas where Shell Pilipinas has a footprint, PSFI has been there to assist in ensuring we are good neighbors to fenceline communities.

As a result of our new partnerships, we have been strategically launching programs since 2022. In collaboration with BCFI, we aim to provide students with medical scholarships. In August 2023, we also officially signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with BCFI and the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) to improve the accessibility of nutritious food, livelihood opportunities, and clean water for 2,500 households in Sacobia, Pampanga, by 2026. This will be implemented under the Family Care Center-Roots to Shoots (FCC-RTS) program.

We have been exploring external funding sources to support new and existing projects. These efforts were fruitful in

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forging steady partnerships with like-minded organizations. Working with MBFI has allowed us to expand RTS to reach more barangays, and our collaboration with BPI Foundation, Inc. (BPIF) through Agricultural Services to Elevate Farmers towards Sustainable Food Security and Livelihood (AgrElevate) will help address the significant issues that farmers and fisherfolk face in Leyte.

Undoubtedly, the Foundation encountered its share of challenges. Yet, we remained steadfast in our commitment to our mission. While crowdfunding initially seemed promising, it ultimately proved financially unsustainable, prompting us to explore alternative strategies. Despite the challenges of maintaining our training farms as cost-neutral operations, we remained undeterred and continued to adapt and seek viable solutions. We are now considering a strategic scaling down of operations, phasing out our training farm in Pililla. However, this does not mean a halt to our capacity-building programs on Natural Farming Systems (NFS). We will continue these programs, albeit without the cost of operating an entire farm.

Despite risks in funding, PSFI is always looking for opportunities to meet the needs of our beneficiaries. Our drive to press forward stems from our core vision of ensuring that no Filipino gets left behind.

To our esteemed partners, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering trust and support. We eagerly anticipate future collaborations that will further our shared mission. We also wish to express our deep appreciation for our dedicated team, whose passion and hard work are the driving force behind our achievements. Together, we are moving our fellow Filipinos forward. Based on our progress so far, we are optimistic that we will achieve our targets and continue making a positive impact nationwide.

SEBASTIAN C. QUINIONES, JR.
Executive Director
















OUR FOCUS: PSFI 2021–2025 STRATEGIC PLAN

PSFI ultimately aims to empower communities and individuals to become self-reliant by delivering programs that create conditions for lasting change. PSFI's 2021–2025 Strategic Plan is a continued focus on contributing to sustainable development through thematic areas, operating in key locations where we can make the greatest impact. The Foundation is on track to achieve its goals based on the progress in 2023. While there were challenges encountered, PSFI's continuous monitoring and quick response proved to be effective measures in addressing issues.

THEMATIC AREA

2025 TARGET INDICATOR

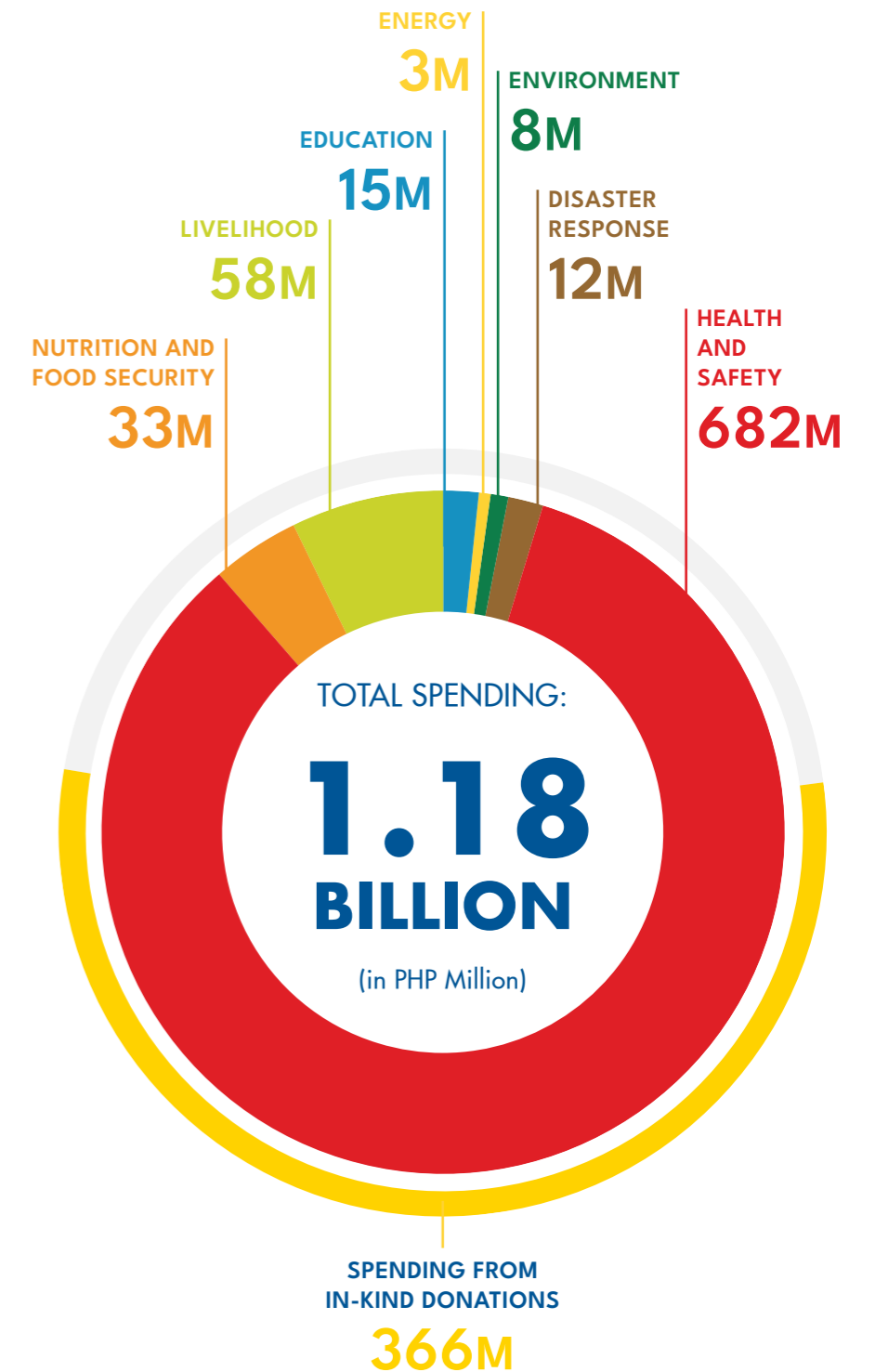
 <p>NUTRITION AND FOOD SECURITY Establish self-reliant, food-secured, well-nourished, and resilient communities</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce to 5% or below the prevalence of wasting among children under five years old • Reduce to 34.69% or below the prevalence of stunting among children under five years old • Reduce to 17.9 % or below the underweight rate among children under five years old • 4,200 households with access to and ability to obtain nutritious food • 2,500 trained farmers applying sustainable farming technologies • 5% increase in average farm income and household monthly income
 <p>HEALTH AND SAFETY Prevent premature mortality due to epidemics and road accidents</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain zero accident-related injuries and mortality in catchment sites • Zero local malaria transmission by 2026* • Contribute to the 95-95-95 Target to end the HIV epidemic
 <p>EDUCATION Advancing STEM Education for Filipino youth</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 500 scholars supported • 100% of scholars are employed or engaged in a business • 2,783 students trained in STEM problem-solving skills
 <p>ENERGY Powering for a brighter future, one village at a time</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 150 megawatt-hours of energy produced annually from a renewable source • 12 communities have access to clean and affordable energy through the microgrid
 <p>LIVELIHOOD Sustainability through diversified and inclusive economic opportunities</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3,046 individuals trained and upskilled • 45 viable cooperatives established in fenceline sites* • 100 trained beneficiaries employed or engaged in a business
 <p>ENVIRONMENT Promoting environmental sustainability is a responsibility at every level</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 tonnes of carbon sequestered • 72,000 kg of plastics recycled per year • 37 communities with established continuing environmental programs
 <p>RESPONDING TO IMMEDIATE NEEDS</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring short- and long-term relief to those affected by disasters

*Adjusted targets based on 2023 progress

OUR PROGRAM SPENDING AND DONATIONS

2023 HIGHLIGHTS

PSFI spent PHP 1.18 billion across its seven thematic areas in 2023, with approximately PHP 366 million of this being from in-kind donations.





Students from the New Era University - College of Agriculture accomplish 240 hours of training and fieldwork at STF Pililla.



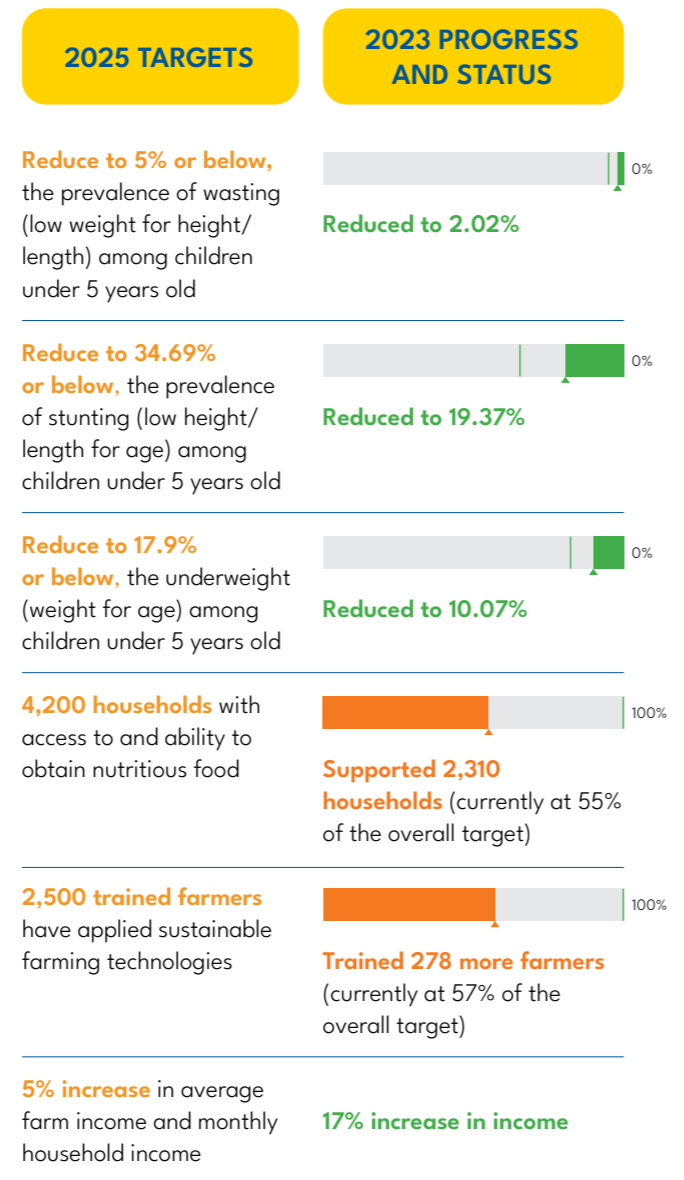
NUTRITION AND FOOD SECURITY

Aligned with UN SDG 2: Zero Hunger, PSFI targets malnutrition and food insecurity to foster a healthier society. Nutrition and Food Security programs contribute to solving these issues by promoting sustainable agriculture, improving access to nutritious food and clean water, and enabling good nutrition behavior.

THE PROGRAMS:

- Future Filipino Farmers Program (3FP)
- Integrated Farming Bio-Systems (IFBS)
- Research and Development for Agriculture
- Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund Program (RCEFP)
- Roots to Shoots (RTS)
- Shell Training Farms (STF)
 - » Bombon, Camarines Sur
 - » Pililla, Rizal
 - » Palawan Eco-Agro Park (PEAP)

PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS



2023 At a Glance



110
individuals started income-generating projects



690
individuals (including farmers and fisherfolk) completed upskilling training on nutrition and food security



275
individuals trained in sustainable farming



50
farmers completed training for rice competitiveness




2
farmer groups supported by 3FP



1,720 kg
of livestock harvested



35
teachers and educators completed the School Edible Landscaping for Entrepreneurship (SEL4E) Curriculum



1,750
farm visitors



4,060 kg
crops harvested



PHP 200,000
provided to support farm groups



57.2 M
funding for another 3 year implementation of RTS



165
fisherfolk family members trained on alternative livelihoods

Established RTS in 4 new barangays in Mabalacat City, Bamban, and Pasacao



35 onion farmers in Pililla complete their training on organic plant supplements.

SHELL TRAINING FARM (STF)

Shell Training Farms (STFs) are facilities that are established to help improve the agricultural productivity of smallholder farmers. It comprises programs that promote agricultural education, showcase innovative farming technologies and systems, and conduct research on sustainable and practical agricultural approaches.

The program is currently concentrated in Bombon, Camarines Sur, and Pililla, Rizal, to support its communities continuously. In 2019, the program was extended to El Nido, Palawan as the Palawan Eco-Agro Park (PEAP). PSFI's experts collaborate with partners like the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), the regional offices of the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA), and other local organizations to support these communities.



Hands-on seedling transplanting activity at Pililla STF Pililla

In 2023, STF engaged 650 individuals through various trainings for farmers and other members of the community. However, some challenges affected the program's activities. In particular, an extended dry season and an avian flu outbreak in Camarines Sur limited crop planting and poultry stocking. There were also delayed sales due to buyers' bracketing of stock prices. These events can directly impact the food security and financial stability of families and individuals, especially when they depend on producing specific goods.

Because of its contribution to the community, the STF Bombon received a Certificate of Recognition and PHP 10,000 as the Best Project Implementer during the First DA Bicol Civil Society Organization Summit. Further expanding its impacts, PSFI is looking forward to its continued partnership with the Embassy of Japan in the Philippines to complete the development of the Food Processing Training Center currently being built in Bombon to supplement PSFI's existing efforts to empower farmers in the area.

Through STF, communities have the opportunity to become more resilient against unexpected events by learning new skills and diversifying their livelihoods. PSFI remains committed to learning from and adapting to such challenges in order to meet Filipino farmers' current and future needs.

PALAWAN ECO-AGRO PARK (PEAP)

Securing a sustainable source of fresh produce is crucial for areas that rely heavily on tourism. In addition to providing food for residents and tourists, local agriculture expands the local community's sources of income. PSFI initiated the Palawan Eco-Agro Park (PEAP) to improve farm productivity and food accessibility in El Nido and its neighboring municipalities while raising the locals' quality of life and protecting the environment. By working closely with Ayala Foundation, Inc., and local partners like the El Nido Municipal Agriculture Office (MAO) and Asosasyon ng mga Magsasaka at Mangingisda sa Munisipyo ng El Nido, Inc. (AMMMENI), the program effectively empowers farmers and fisherfolk.



A PEAP farmer harvests vegetables.

PEAP is a central hub for agriculture and entrepreneurship, where locals can gain valuable skills and start income-generating projects. Mushroom Processing, Business Plan Workshop and Policy Preparation, and Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) are some trainings that farmers and fisherfolk greatly appreciate. Throughout the year, 202 individuals completed trainings on alternative livelihood sources and managing enterprises, and 104 individuals implemented various income-generating projects that contributed to the increase in income of their families based on the upskilling training they participated in.



Cherry Burlas leads SKP training at PEAP



As the president of the Sitio Calitang Fishermen Cooperative (SCAFICO), Cherry Burlas actively seeks opportunities to enhance her leadership skills. After completing the LEAD workshop, she joined the Mushroom Processing training to encourage fellow SCAFICO members to pursue other sources of income. Cherry also took part in Sanayan sa Kakayahang Pangangalakal (SKP), or the business planning workshop, to learn how to create project proposals for their cooperative. As the leader of a newly established organization, she encounters challenges in motivating members to participate in PEAP initiatives. However, beyond enriching her skillset, the training also significantly bolstered her confidence and encouraged the growing interest of other members. Cherry remains optimistic regarding the future of SCAFICO, saying, "Magagamit at magiging guide namin ang aming mga natutunan sa SKP (Sanayan sa Kakayahang Pangangalakal) Training na ito. Bagama't mahirap, kami ay magsusumikap na gawin ang aming makakaya para sa aming asosasyon. (The knowledge we gained from the business skills training will guide us in starting our enterprise. Despite the challenges we may face, we will strive to do our best for our association.)"

PSFI also relaunched the El Nido Food Terminal to bring produce directly from farmers to consumers, enabling farmers to sell their fruits and vegetables at a reasonable price. With AMMMENI managing the food terminal, 104 farmers benefited from the project and generated PHP 12.7 million in total sales in 2023.

KITCHEN CITY

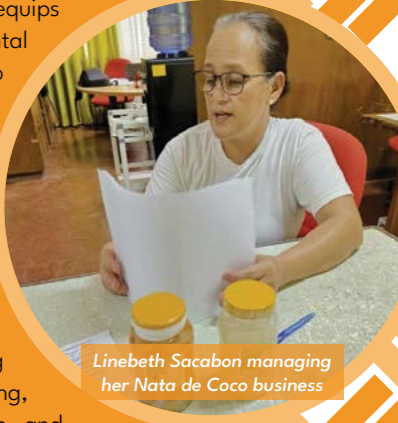
Similar to PEAP, PSFI collaborated with Kitchen City, one of the country's biggest food concessionaires. This partnership linked Rizal farmers to the growing market for fresh, locally sourced produce and ensured a steady supply for Kitchen City. This collaboration has successfully enhanced small landholder farmers' food security and economic conditions, as it greatly surpassed its annual profit goal in this pilot year.

RICE COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND PROGRAM (RCEFP)

The Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund, or Rice Fund, was enacted under the Rice Tariffication Law to boost agricultural efficiency, sustainability, and competitiveness. This is achieved by allocating resources towards mechanization, seed development, credit, and extension services for rice farmers.

Aligning with this legislation, PSFI integrated this initiative into STF as the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund Program (RCEFP). This program supports rice farmers by teaching modern farming techniques, pest management, and high-yield practices to improve productivity and sustainability. In 2023, PSFI empowered 50 rice farmers with updated rice production and management knowledge. Program participants completed 112 hours of the Production of High-Quality Inbred Rice, Seed Certification, and Farm Mechanization Training.

Beyond rice production, RCEFP equips farmers with the fundamental knowledge and confidence to continue enhancing their livelihood. Linebeth Sacabon is a farmer from Camarines Sur who joined PSFI's RCEFP training from May to July 2023. After finishing the program, she was even more motivated and inspired to participate in another upskilling training on food processing, specifically for Nata de Coco and vegetable chip production. She focused her efforts on honing newfound skills and developing excellent products, which led to the establishment of her own brand, "Mama Beth's Nata de Coco." Harvesting and fermenting her own products, she sold around 30 kg or 100 bottles of her nata de coco each month, earning around PHP 12,000. Linebeth's perseverance and dedication to learning have given her the skills to improve her rice farming and create an alternative livelihood source.



Linebeth Sacabon managing her Nata de Coco business

PSFI coordinates with ATI, TESDA, and local government units to ensure the program's success. The Foundation hopes to maintain strong working relationships with partners to continue bringing positive change to the agricultural sector.

INTEGRATED FARMING BIO-SYSTEM (IFBS)

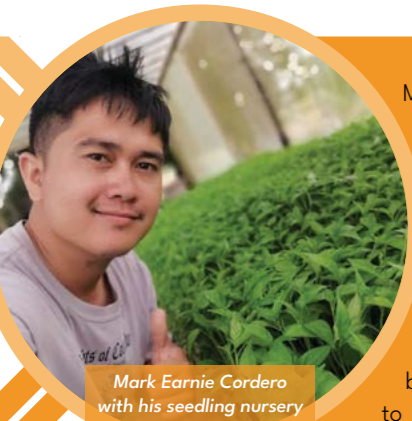
IFBS has introduced innovations in farming technologies to benefit farmers for over 30 years, currently focusing its efforts on communities in Bombon and Pililla. The program promotes sustainable crop production and animal husbandry, agroforestry, the conversion of farm wastes into biofertilizers, and farm entrepreneurship. In doing so, IFBS also addresses the challenges farmers face, like environmental pollution and the high cost of inputs (e.g. fertilizers, pesticides, and seeds).

In 2023, 258 farmers graduated from IFBS training at the Bombon and Pililla Shell Training Farms. IFBS conducts a three- to seven-day capacity-building training that helps farmers generate higher income by lowering production costs, improving their products, and honing their business and networking skills. Out of those who participated in IFBS training in Bombon in 2023, PSFI recorded 75 individuals who have increased agricultural income yearly.



Hannah Belza (right) with her veggie chips

IFBS welcomes all interested individuals to learn about farming. Hannah Louise Belza is a Certified Public Accountant who became interested in agriculture after graduating from college. When she learned about the program, Hannah joined the food processing upskilling and IFBS training. Afterward, she began producing vegetable chips and other healthy foods using what she learned from the training. Hannah elaborates, "I took this opportunity not only for myself, but also for our community. It creates additional employment since I need to hire additional workers to help make the vegetable chips. I can also help other farmers because I buy their produce at a fair price. Now, I can offer healthy snacks to our community instead of them eating food with low nutritional value."



Mark Ernie Cordero with his seedling nursery

Mark Ernie Cordero has been part of the program since 2021. He completed the IFBS training and upskilling training on vegetable seedling production and nursery management. According to Mark, the program boosted his confidence to establish his vegetable seedling nursery and to become a certified seedling grower in Camarines Sur. From this business, he was able to support his family and invest in a motorcycle that made seedling transportation more convenient. He was also elected president of the Young Farmers Organization of Pamplona and Libmanan.

Besides vegetable seedling production and nursery management, IFBS offers other upskilling training such as mushroom production, food processing, and basic bookkeeping and financial management. In 2023, 245 individuals graduated from these different upskilling trainings. As a result, the Foundation noted that 80 participants from Bombon were able to implement various income-generating projects as additional sources of income.



Reynaldo Estadilla using vermicompost

Advocating for continuous learning is part of PSFI's approach to sustainable agriculture. IFBS invited Reynaldo Estadilla, an experienced rabbit meat farmer and Baras Rabbit Meat Association member in Rizal, to attend the organic fertilizer production training and augment his understanding of vermicomposting. Since Reynaldo is also knowledgeable in organic farming, he was able to apply the training to his vegetable production.

Aside from capacity-building, IFBS seeks to support farmers by providing much-needed capital. The program extended cash assistance to three farmer groups from Pililla, enabling them to launch their enterprises. Their business proposals amounted to PHP 20,000 to PHP 40,000 per farmer group.

FUTURE FILIPINO FARMER PROJECT (3FP)

Recognizing the critical importance of agriculture, PSFI initiated the Future Filipino Farmer Project (3FP) in 2018, aiming to inspire greater participation in farming endeavors and advance the local industry by helping farmers shift to sustainable agriculture. The 3FP Phase II was implemented in 2022 to expand the initial concept, exploring the feasibility of a climate-smart, rice-based farming model tailored to local farmers. This was rolled out to two farmers' groups in Bombon and Magarao. In 2023, two groups received farm inputs, construction materials, and IFBS training from PSFI to support their growth. A total of 20 farmers from the two groups attended the three-day IFBS training.



Threshing of organic rice planted at STF Bombon

The Magarao Vegetable Grower Association (MAVEGA) is one of the groups selected to pilot 3FP. Before 3FP, MAVEGA relied only on vegetable production due to the high up-front costs of raising livestock. However, unfavorable farming conditions like long dry seasons and heavy rainfall urged them to volunteer 10 of their members to undergo training for farm planning, crop management and maintenance, feed formulation, and organic fertilizer production under 3FP.

After a year, MAVEGA was able to supplement their income by adding livestock raising to their activities. Members utilized an additional 300 square meters of land for various farm activities. They are now actively managing and expanding their livestock and vegetable production, receiving two greenhouses from the DA Regional Office 5. As a result of their success, they have inspired other farmers to join their group. The two 3FP farmers' groups utilized an additional 2,000 square meters of land to their original 6,500 square meters, increasing their farm productivity.

PSFI marks another successful year, having met the majority of the project's objectives in promoting organic animal husbandry, organic vegetable and rice farming, and organic fertilizer production. Despite the effects of the long dry season and the avian flu, 3FP still made significant progress on its targets. It accomplished 82.5% of its production targets with a total production of 169 heads of livestock, 6.4 tons of rice, 3.4 tons of vegetables, and 5 tons of organic fertilizers.

The partnerships fostered by the Foundation with the DA Regional Office 5 (DA-RFO 5) and the Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA) also amplified the project's impacts. The CBSUA contributed technical expertise for the assessment, design, and installation of a rainwater harvesting and pressurized irrigation system at STF Bombon. This partnership allowed PSFI to harness and utilize needed technology at the farm, enhance its productivity and resiliency, model adaptable technologies, capacitate farmer-clienteles and farm personnel, and create a positive working relationship with the community.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

With the growing population and progressing effects of climate change, the Research and Development for Agriculture program is fundamental to PSFI's approach to addressing the country's concerns about food security. This is integrated with the programs under Nutrition and Food Security to explore and introduce potential sustainable technologies that would benefit smallholder farmers.

A key initiative of the program is establishing the Camarines Sur and Rizal Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) Groups. Upon the two groups' accreditation as an Organic Certifying Body (OCB) by the Bureau of Agricultural and Fisheries Standard (BAFS), smallholder farmers in these provinces will have better access to obtaining organic certification, opening doors to broader opportunities.

PSFI actively participates as part of the technical team in charge of the Rizal PGS and the Camarines Sur core groups. PGS is a low-cost, local system of quality assurance that emphasizes social control, and knowledge building. It is based on the active participation of farmers, consumers, and the local authorities. The groups come together in order to visit farms, support each other, and ensure that farmers develop products within the Philippine National Standard (PNS) for Organic Agriculture.



Core members of the Rizal Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) Group conduct a peer review as a pre-requisite in the organic certification process.



PSFI and partners celebrate the successful completion of the RTS program in Bombon and Pasacao with the Handover Ceremony, transitioning it into a long-term program for LGUs and communities.

ROOTS TO SHOOTS (RTS)

PSFI established Roots to Shoots (RTS) as a holistic program that integrates diverse approaches to addressing child malnutrition and food insecurity. It primarily focuses on reducing the prevalence of stunting, wasting, and being underweight in children. Taking a multi-sectoral approach, PSFI engages with the Manila Water Foundation (MWF) and the World Vision Development Foundation (WVDF) to execute activities within the program's three components: Food Security and Livelihood (FSL), Water Access, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), and Mother and Child Care (MCC).

After launching as a successful three-year program in 13 barangays in Bombon and Pasacao, Camarines Sur, the program has secured substantial support from local governments and organizations. It also formed partnerships with other non-profits, such as the Metrobank Foundation, Inc., which recently collaborated with PSFI to support another barangay in Pasacao for the next three years.

From 2019 to 2022, the program achieved its targets and transformed the lives of many children, parents, and communities. Within the three years of implementation, stunting decreased by 10.57% in Pasacao and 7.45% in Bombon; wasting decreased by 5.39% in Pasacao and 2.46% in Bombon; and the number of underweight children decreased by 6.91% in Pasacao and 4.32% in Bombon.

The past years of RTS' implementation have shown tremendous improvement in health and nutrition while demonstrating effective local leadership. To ensure this progress continues, the Foundation facilitated the transition of RTS into a self-sustaining local initiative. Aside from allocating funds for the program, the local government integrated RTS into their broader community health and nutrition strategies. This commitment to sustain the program ensures that communities will feel its impacts long after PSFI officially turns over the program.

Following this success, PSFI engaged with the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) and Bloomberry Cultural

Foundation, Inc. (BCFI) to reach out to Aeta families in Sacobia, Pampanga. The Phase II Aeta Family Care Centers: Roots to Shoots (FCC-RTS) builds on CDC's existing Aeta Family Care Center initiative, creating a holistic and culturally sensitive approach that will address the specific needs of the target communities. These new sites will be supported by the program within the next three years.

Each three-year roll-out of RTS shows the efficacy of having a multifaceted strategy, involving local stakeholders in all project stages, and equipping local partners with relevant skills in combating malnutrition and other complex issues. The Foundation plans to continue working closely with stakeholders to guarantee the resilience and sustainability of the program.

FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD (FSL)

PSFI spearheads the Food Security and Livelihood (FSL) component of RTS to improve access to affordable and nutritious food to meet dietary requirements. Its interventions encompass boosting communities' agricultural production and augmenting their entrepreneurial skills. As a result of the trainings conducted, 157 caregivers and 97 farmers increased their income, and 599 households have better access to nutritious food from home gardens or communal farms.



With guidance from PSFI and World Vision, caregivers in Camarines Sur prepare nutritious meals for their children.



SARBO receives the Nakakaunlad Award from PhilStar NakakaLocal Awards (top) and recognition as one of the Top 6 Community Enterprises (bottom) in 2023.

The Agri-Negosyo Assistance (ANGAT) initiative under the Food Security and Livelihood (FSL) component empowers farmer associations to establish agricultural enterprises. The Siembre Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries Organization (SARBO) is a prime example of this successful endeavor. SARBO is among the 13 farmer associations backed by ANGAT, designated as a beneficiary in November 2021. By concentrating on optimizing their banana chip production, SARBO utilized the capacity building, funding, and marketing assistance provided by the program to expand their operations, diversify flavors, and achieve total sales exceeding PHP 700,000 by the conclusion of 2023.

SARBO actively participates in activities and competitions, which further promote their products and help them secure additional capital. The group was included in the Top 6 Community Enterprises in the Shell LiveWire (SLW) Acceleration Program 2022 and received PHP 100,000 to further fund their activities. Government agencies like DAR, DTI, and DOLE have also recognized their potential and provided funding assistance amounting to approximately PHP 530,000, which is earmarked for expanding their facility. SARBO is also pursuing FDA certification and strategically planning to transition into a cooperative model, envisioning enhanced services for their members and fellow agrarian reform beneficiaries. This shift reflects their commitment to sustainable growth and empowering their community.

Following three years of successful implementation, the Foundation has been able to maximize its roster of partners in augmenting efforts in FSL. In 2023, PSFI and BPI Foundation, Inc. (BPIF) began their collaboration to implement the Agricultural Services to Elevate Farmers towards Sustainable Food Security and Livelihood (AgrElevate). AgrElevate is a farm-to-table program that aims to address the challenges faced by fisherfolk in the municipality of Leyte in Leyte through capacity development, sustainable livelihood, market support, and financial literacy. This is in line with RTS' future efforts to reach out to other communities and address the specific needs they face.



Caregivers and children follow proper hygiene attitudes and practices.

WATER ACCESS, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (WASH)

MWF oversees the Water Access, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) component, leveraging its water and sanitation expertise. This program aims to protect communities from waterborne diseases and improve access to clean water by building infrastructure and promoting good hygiene practices. As a result, WASH has improved hygiene and sanitation for 102 households.



The height and weight of children enrolled in the RTS program are diligently monitored to ensure they maintain healthy growth and achieve a normal weight for their age and development stage.

MOTHER AND CHILD CARE (MCC)

The Mother and Child Care (MCC) component, led by WVDF, focuses on rehabilitating malnourished children by equipping caregivers with essential knowledge and best practices through the Positive Deviance/Hearth (PDH) and Go Baby Go! Parenting programs. These community-based approaches empower caregivers to provide the best possible care, leading to 558 underweight children achieving normal weight.



Community volunteers participate in the RESCUE Program's Water Safety and Handling Aquatic Emergencies Training in Pasacao.



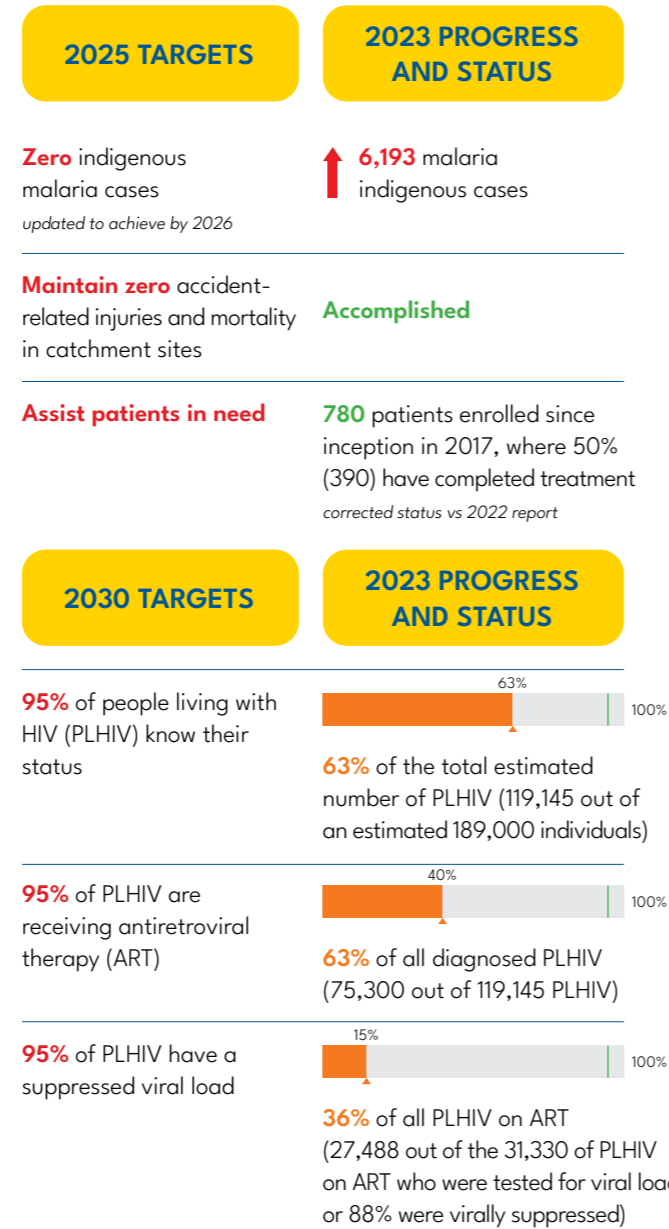
HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Health and Safety programs focus on safeguarding communities from threatening illnesses and other adversities by promoting health and safety education and giving them access to proper healthcare, allowing them to build resilience.

THE PROGRAMS:

- BiyaHero (Be-a-Hero) Program
- Global Fund (GF)
 - » HIV Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment and Sustainability (PROTECTS)
 - » Movement Against Malaria (MAM)
- Patient Assistance Program (PAP)
- Response to Communities Under Emergencies (RESCUE)

PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS



Data on the number of people living with HIV was based on the HIV/AIDS and ART Registry of the Philippines (HARP) as of December 2023, produced by the Department of Health-Epidemiology Bureau.

2023 At a Glance

270 individuals trained on road safety	60 individuals attended road safety awareness sessions	455 individuals trained on disaster preparedness and response awareness	225 individuals trained on first aid and basic life support awareness
190 road safety signs and infrastructures produced and distributed	435 individuals trained on fire safety awareness	140 individuals trained on water safety awareness	
37,210 high-risk TGW tested for HIV and received prevention services	184,280 high-risk MSM tested for HIV and received prevention services	194,030 long-lasting insecticidal nets continuously distributed to targeted risk groups	
525 TGW diagnosed with HIV	7,570 MSM diagnosed with HIV	54 (100%) confirmed cases were investigated and classified	
2,990 YKP diagnosed with HIV	85 PWID diagnosed with HIV	296,683 (100%) suspected malaria cases received a parasitological test in the community	300 (84%) received first-line antimalarial treatment at public-sector health facilities
16 barangays reached through medical missions	1,810 individuals assisted during medical missions	5,674 (99%) received first-line antimalarial treatment in the community	88% of health facilities used the electric information system to record and submit data
		100% of district health management teams at MAM sites developed a monitoring plan	

Key populations in the country most-affected by HIV include **males having sex with males (MSM)**, **transgender women (TGW)**, **people who inject drugs (PWID)**, and **young key populations (YKP)** or the at-risk youth (15 to 24 years old) who may be categorized into multiple groups.



BIYAHERO (BE-A-HERO) PROGRAM

BiyaHero seeks to equip communities with knowledge on road safety to prevent accidents and prepare individuals in cases of emergencies. The program raises awareness through information, education, and communication (IEC), workshops, campaigns, infrastructure, and other necessary interventions. To effectively cascade these initiatives, BiyaHero empowers community volunteers to become Road Safety Mentors who promote and practice road safety for pedestrians, commuters, and drivers.

Throughout the year, 171 volunteers actively participated in BiyaHero's Road Safety and Security workshops across La Union, Batangas, Pasacao, Iloilo City, Puerto Princesa City, and Calapan City. The San Fernando City Office for Public Safety organized a Road Safety Awareness Session for students at San Agustin Elementary School. Given the school's proximity to the Shell Poro Terminal, educating children about pedestrian safety is crucial. Additionally, PSFI provided 94 traffic signs and infrastructure to these communities to remind pedestrians and motorists to practice road safety.

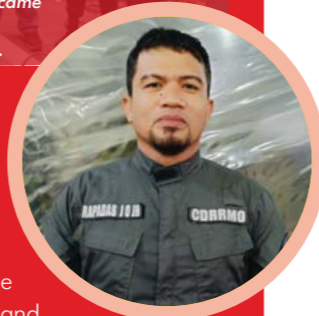


PSFI and Shell Poro Terminal conduct the BiyaHero Road Safety and Fire Safety Training for communities in La Union.

Aside from imparting knowledge and skills, BiyaHero also builds confidence in its beneficiaries. Annabelle Jarquio, a volunteer from Brgy. Poro, San Fernando City, La Union for Road Safety and Emergency Preparedness, says, "Thank you po sa Shell Foundation para sa training na ito. Natutunan po namin na, in case of emergency, 'wag agad magpa-panic. Dapat may presence of mind. Salamat din po sa CDDRMO sa mga natutunan namin na maia-apply namin sa barangay namin, kung paano ang proper way ng pag-assist sa mga napilayan, nasugatan, napasong mga simpleng bagay pero malaking tulong na sa kanila. (Thank you to the Pilipinas Shell Foundation for this training. We learned to stay level-headed during emergencies. I'd also like to thank CDDRMO for teaching us how to properly assist injured individuals, a skill that would be very helpful when the need arises.)"



Juanito Rapadas, a BiyaHero trainee representing Puerto Princesa CDDRMO, later became Pangkat Ligtas-Buhay's President (formerly BiyaHero RESCUE Team).



PSFI's initiatives inspire everyday citizens, such as Juanito Rapadas, to take action and make meaningful contributions to their community. In 2023, he joined the Basic Road Safety and Emergency Preparedness training, representing the Puerto Princesa City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (CDDRMO). Driven by his dedication to road safety, Juanito became one of the pioneers of the BiyaHero RESCUE Team in the city and an active member of the Palawan Motorcycle Organization (PMO). He also set up BiyaHero RESCUE Messenger, a group chat that allows users to quickly inform DRRMO, the City Philippine National Police (PNP), the Land Transportation Office (LTO), and other key offices, creating a faster and more efficient system to report and respond to accidents in the area.

In 2023, the BiyaHero program underscored the importance of adaptability to the community's specific needs. The Foundation conducted refresher courses, re-trained schools and active organizations, and provided essential safety equipment. To ensure the program's sustainability, it is crucial to secure support and commitment from local government bodies through supportive issuance ordinances and funding allocation. Equally important was PSFI's collaboration with key stakeholders, such as Shell terminals, which significantly enhanced the efficiency and effectiveness of its initiatives.

BiyaHero aims to empower Filipinos by equipping them with the necessary tools to protect themselves and encouraging others to take proactive measures to ensure the safety of their communities.

RESPONSE TO COMMUNITIES UNDER EMERGENCIES (RESCUE)

In addition to prioritizing road safety, PSFI is dedicated to mitigating the impacts of disasters on communities. Like BiyaHero, the Response to Communities Under Emergencies (RESCUE) Program equips and empowers local leaders to act as first responders during crises. By providing comprehensive training modules, the program enables communities to proactively address various scenarios, thus fostering preparedness and alleviating concerns and uncertainties.



Volunteers from Brgy. Sta. Rosa Del Sur, Pasacao participate in RESCUE's Fire Safety Training.

A significant number of volunteers actively participated in workshops throughout the year: 111 in Basic First Aid and Life Support, 155 in Basic Fire Safety, 43 in Water Search and Rescue, and 75 in Family Disaster Management. These trainings were conducted to benefit 16 fenceline communities in La Union, Batangas, Pasacao, Iloilo City, and Calapan City. Beyond recruiting volunteers, PSFI worked closely with local governments to organize and capacitate groups to lead local emergency response.

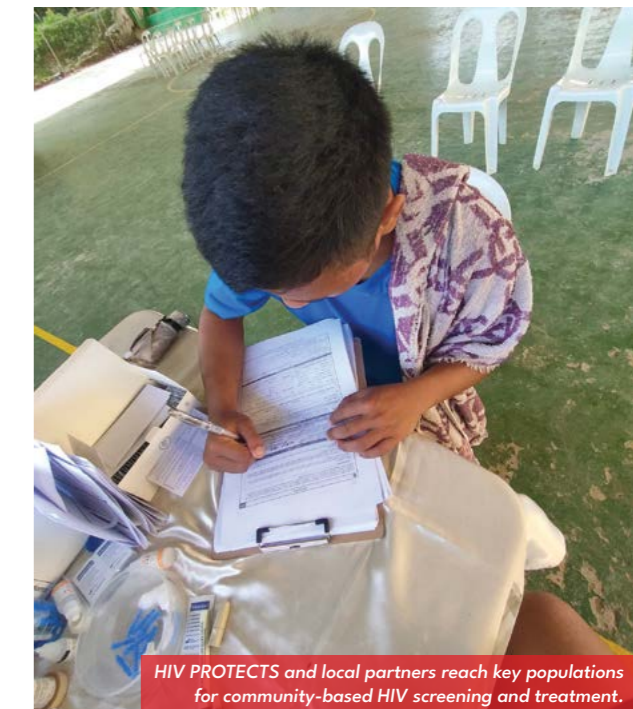


Volunteers from Batangas City (Brgys. Ambulong, Malitam, San Isidro, and Libjo) also learn about basic first aid in the two-day Basic Fire Fighting and Basic Responders' Training.

In 2023, the RESCUE Program assisted 10 barangays in establishing an organized group of citizens equipped to handle emergencies related to first aid, basic life support, road safety, fire safety, water safety, and disaster response. Additionally, the program also helped register 39 members of the Barangay Peace-keeping Action Team of Brgy. Mansaya as part of the Community Fire Auxiliary Group (CFAG) of the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) in Lapus, Iloilo.

According to the World Bank's 2022 Country Climate and Development Report, the Philippines consistently ranks among the most vulnerable to extreme climate events. As challenges evolve, PSFI aims to continuously adapt and empower more communities to become more resilient to various environmental and social shocks.

GLOBAL FUND (GF) HIV PHILIPPINE RESPONSE TO OPTIMIZE TESTING, EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES, TREATMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY (PROTECTS)



Along with the Movement Against Malaria (MAM), HIV PROTECTS is one of PSFI's flagship programs. It is motivated by the global vision to achieve "Zero new infections, Zero discrimination, and Zero AIDS-related deaths" as well as the national goal to reduce the estimated annual number of new HIV infections to less than 7,000 cases by 2027.

As a Principal Recipient of the Global Fund, PSFI does its utmost to amplify the interventions of the national and local governments in preventing further HIV infections and treating people living with HIV (PLHIV). HIV PROTECTS focuses on four populations most vulnerable to HIV and AIDS, which include men who have sex with men (MSM), transgender people, people who inject drugs (PWIDs), and young key populations (YKP).

PSFI primarily supports community-based organizations (CBOs), local government efforts, and other regional initiatives by procuring HIV commodities, conducting training and policy interventions, assisting in the development of technical documents, and carrying out various operations. The Foundation also directly assigns staff to Social Hygiene Clinics, HIV Treatment Hubs, and CBOs dispersed across 11 regions. These comprise 150 peer navigators, 98 case managers, 30 medical technologists, 10 PhilHealth clerks, and 16 mental health support officers. The program also supports those in charge of human rights-related interventions, including 21 Area Regional Coordinators and 17 Community Access to Redress and Empowerment (CARE) Officers.

Overall, the HIV PROTECTS program made significant progress in 2023. PSFI met its procurement targets, distributing approximately 210,084 bottles of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP), 110,034 self-testing kits, 500 condom dispensers, and other necessary equipment. Moreover, 15 units of Isuzu Light Trucks (multi-purpose vans) were distributed across all 11 regions to support HIV-related outreach. The Foundation conducted capacity-building trainings on mental health case management, self-testing, PrEP, community resiliency, and Crisis Resilience and Institutional Sustainability Planning (CRISP). PSFI also lent technical expertise to national government agencies like the Disease Prevention and Control Bureau (DPCB) and the Philippine National AIDS Council (PNAC) to execute policy initiatives and produce technical documents such as the 7th AIDS Medium Term Plan, human rights roadmap, and national advocacy plan.

HIV PROTECTS bolsters the efforts of local organizations fighting HIV/AIDS at the frontlines. The Family Planning Organization of the Philippines Iloilo Chapter (FPOP-Iloilo) and several organizations in the Davao Region are some of the groups that the program partners with to deliver critical services across the HIV cascade and create safe spaces for Filipinos.



PSFI turns over the Mobile Health CaraVan to DOH - Davao CHD. Its full-clinic setup brings HIV health services closer to communities across the Davao region.

Since 2021, HIV PROTECTS has significantly expanded HIV testing, outreach, and support services in the Davao region. This has led to a better understanding of the local HIV situation and improved access to treatment and prevention. PSFI began extending support to the Department of Health - Davao Center for Health Development (DOH - Davao CHD) in 2021 and partnering with various groups like the Davao Reproductive Health & Wellness Center (RHWC), the Olympus Society of Davao, Dayaw Community Center, Higala Community Center, and Davao Prison and Penal Farm. PSFI has deployed 36 staff to the region, resulting in 22,000 clients being accommodated for HIV testing within three years. To improve the accessibility of health services, the DOH - Davao CHD received a mobile health truck and PrEP to distribute for free in 2023. This became crucial in reaching key populations in other municipalities and far-flung areas. HIV PROTECTS also established the CARE Program to give legal support to clients who experienced HIV-related stigma and discrimination.

Similarly, FPOP-Iloilo has considerably advanced its ability to address the needs of HIV-affected communities in Iloilo City and surrounding areas with support from HIV PROTECTS. Initially, FPOP-Iloilo concentrated on programs centered around family planning, maternal care, and adolescence.

However, upon acknowledging the specific needs of PLHIV, adolescents, key populations, and LGBTQI individuals, FPOP-Iloilo broadened its services. These now encompass HIV screening, self-testing, PrEP initiation and refill, tuberculosis directly observed therapy short-course (TB DOTS), antiretroviral therapy (ART), refill of antiretroviral (ARV) drugs, delivery of medications, door-to-door services during the COVID-19 lockdown, transgender health services, and counseling.



Beneficiaries in Iloilo City gain access to PrEP medication and other related services through the city government, Rajah Community Center, and FPOP-Iloilo.



Balay Ka-alwan treatment facility team in Iloilo City

FPOP-Iloilo also established the Balay Ka-alwan Community Center, a safe space and temporary home for PLHIV to access proper treatment and care. Balay Ka-alwan, located on the third floor of FPOP-Iloilo, often shelters clients living far from the area. Throughout these efforts, PSFI supported FPOP-Iloilo by assigning medical health professionals, physicians, case managers, community center officers, and mental health support officers to their facility. HIV PROTECTS also funded baseline laboratories for PrEP clients and a temporary vehicle to deliver services at the height of the pandemic.

While metrics can reflect the impact of programs like HIV PROTECTS, PSFI's collaborations with local partners show how these efforts change individual lives. This is especially true for PLHIV, as having access to care translates into living healthy and fulfilling lives.

GLOBAL FUND (GF) MOVEMENT AGAINST MALARIA (MAM)

Leveraging the backing of the Global Fund (GF), PSFI continues to extend technical support to the Department of Health (DOH) to achieve the mutual objective of eliminating malaria nationwide by 2030. Through the concerted endeavors and dedication of various local government units (LGUs), the Movement Against Malaria (MAM) has played a pivotal role in substantially reducing the malaria incidence across the country.

Palawan, Sultan Kudarat, and Occidental Mindoro are currently the remaining target provinces. The program aims to reduce the malaria burden in these areas and other affected provinces by strengthening local health systems, personnel capacity, and surveillance structures to prevent the re-establishment of transmission in malaria-free areas. There has been a greater focus on integrating malaria care into mainstream health services and equipping communities with the skills to implement malaria interventions, secure funding, and sustain overall malaria elimination efforts. These strategies involve improving the accessibility of diagnostic, therapeutic, preventive, and promotive services—emphasizing the importance of quality services, early detection and prompt treatment, and evidence-based decision-making.



MAM team and community volunteers during house-to-house testing and treatment

In 2023, MAM aimed to reduce indigenous cases by 75% compared to 2018 (fewer than 1,200 cases), achieve zero local transmission in all provinces except Palawan, and declare 75 provinces malaria-free. However, the program faced a challenging year. Cases increased by 100% compared to previous years, reaching their peak in May. This spread across the province, including previously unaffected areas. While project activities continued, external factors contributed to the outbreak. Relaxed movement restrictions post-COVID and increased mosquito breeding due to irregular rain patterns facilitated transmission. Additionally, budget constraints delayed vector control measures.

The Foundation strives to continuously adapt to on-the-ground circumstances. In response to the surge in malaria cases, PSFI has doubled its efforts in the core malaria activities of surveillance, treatment, and vector control. The increased number of severe cases and incomplete treatments has made it apparent that efforts toward early case detection and adherence to treatment guidelines need improvement. Additionally, implementation strategies, targets, and policies were reviewed and updated. Transitioning responsibilities to local government units (LGUs) for vector control is essential to eliminating malaria in the long term.

PATIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (PAP)

Filipinos battling complex diseases such as cancer can access free medication through the Patient Assistance Program (PAP). PSFI, in collaboration with Takeda Pharmaceuticals (Takeda) and Axios International, introduced the PAP to address the challenges faced by patients who struggle to afford their medicines.

This program equips physicians with a mechanism to assist patients in completing their entire prescribed course of treatment.

PSFI plays a critical role in managing medication stock, approvals, and reporting, while guaranteeing proper distribution of vials to patients. Since the program started in 2017, Takeda has donated PHP 2.7 billion worth of medicines. There are 780 patients enrolled in the PAP, and 50% of them have already completed their treatments.



Debbie Arroz performs microscopy to detect malaria in blood smears.

Volunteer barangay health workers (BHW) and malaria microscopists have been instrumental in identifying and treating malaria patients, each with their own inspiring stories. Deborah "Debbie" Arroz has been a BHW since 1998 and a microscopist for 25 years in Brgy. Irawan, Puerto

Princesa. Having once been a malaria patient herself, Debbie was moved to help others even beyond retirement age.

Lorina Arquo is also a malaria microscopist and is currently a midwife in her community at Brgy. Latud, Rizal, Palawan. When DOH granted her a scholarship to study midwifery, she paused her volunteer work to become a registered rural health midwife. After this accomplishment, she took a refresher course and resumed her work as a microscopist. In remote provincial areas, microscopists like Debbie and Lorina are the unsung heroes, standing at the frontlines where their expertise often means the difference between life and death. Without them, initiatives like MAM would be far less effective.



Xavier University - Ateneo de Cagayan students exercise NX tools and skills during an NXplorers workshop.



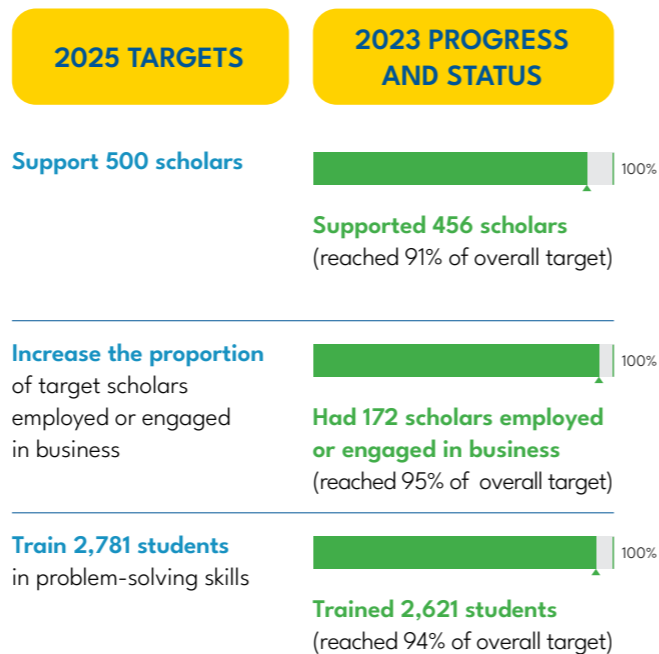
EDUCATION

By extending educational opportunities and resources, PSFI provides learners access to high-quality education, especially in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) and technical-vocational learning. This empowers beneficiaries with the competence and skills that would enable them to thrive and secure a brighter future.

THE PROGRAMS:

- Brigada Eskwela
- Gas Mo, Bukas Ko (GMBK)
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PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS



2023 At a Glance



138 scholars completed technical-vocational courses

13 schools and **1,000** students and teachers supported



8 engineering scholars graduated in 2023

14 scholarship grants awarded to college and high school students



9 schools reached through the STLC program



366 students and **38** teachers trained on NXthinking skills



STEM AND INNOVATION

NXPLORERS

The Shell NXplorers Program endeavors to mold young individuals into future STEM professionals and leaders by nurturing their creative and critical system thinking abilities. The program focuses on addressing complex challenges primarily related to food, water, and energy sustainability.

The NXplorers workshop is a critical component of the program, as it equips students with comprehensive tools and skills that capacitate them to tackle real-world problems. The three-day activity, led by trained facilitators, promotes the NXthinking methodology to design practical solutions and propose projects addressing specific community concerns. This process integrates systems thinking, scenario planning, Theory of Change, and STEM Habits of Mind. NXplorers delivered 11 workshops, which engaged 366 students and 38 teachers in the 2022–2023 academic year, with a final workshop scheduled for early 2024.

To culminate the program, NXplorers hosts The Bright Ideas Challenge (TBIC) competition, which gives students the opportunity to exhibit their projects and win prizes. The participating teams are composed of high school students from Grades 8–12 who joined the program within the year. Out of the 29 entries submitted, 10 projects from different schools were selected as grand finalists to do a live pitch.

Beyond theoretical learning, NXplorers creates tangible impacts on students, educators, and communities. Based on post-workshop surveys and in-person reflections, students and teachers noted significant improvement in creative problem-solving, critical thinking, collaboration, and communication. Participants felt more confident and better prepared to tackle real-world challenges relevant to themselves and their communities.

Driven by the NXplorers experience, TBIC 2023 participants FarmHer Innovators and Team Maomag are taking their innovations to the next level by further developing their projects with their mentors.

FarmHer Innovators, with Alee Pe as a key member, triumphed at TBIC 2023 with their Mark-It System. This agricultural monitoring and inventory tool, designed to aid the DA's Bayanihan Agri Clusters (BAC) program, uses a technology-based approach to bridge the gap between farmers and consumers. Mark-It aims to improve the tracking, distribution, and allocation of produce.

Determined to continue Mark-It's development after her team graduated, Alee further honed her skills by joining her second NXplorers workshop. The team's dedicated mentor, Sir John Noche, supports the students' participation in the program. Sir Noche has coached multiple finalist teams as a certified NXplorers teacher since 2019. He has previously mentored GreenDetect in developing their algae detection system for aquaponics, which is also undergoing development after TBIC. Beyond dedicated mentorship, Sir Noche integrates NXplorers methods into his classes and encourages fellow educators to follow suit.



Team FarmHer's Project Veggie Crate Tracker prototype

The Bright Ideas Challenge 2023: Top 10 Entries

- **Grand Champion:** Mark-It System – Team FarmHer Innovators (Palawan National High School)
- **First Runner-up:** Sawod Lawod – Team Maomag (Tagbilaran City Science High School)
- **Second Runner-up:** Portabio – Team Portabio (Gusa Regional Science High School - X)
- **Merit Awardees**
 - » Seament Cement – Team Thinkerbells (Puerto Princesa City National Science High School)
 - » IntelliOutlet – Team Intellihenyo (Philippine Science High School - Cagayan Valley Campus)
- **Finalists**
 - » NxWave – Team Alontian (Centro de Cultura, Inc.)
 - » ATX-CEALAW – Team Cealaw (Batangas State University – The National Engineering University Integrated School)
 - » AgRoProbe Quadcopter 4.0 – Team E-Tanom (Ateneo de Naga High School)
 - » BacCel Filter – Team Pellicle (Bansud National High School - Regional Science High School for MIMAROPA)
 - » Isda Way – Makers Team (Gusa Regional Science High School - X)

Building on their impressive first runner-up finish at TBIC 2023, Team Maomag also continues to refine their project. Project Sawod Lawod is a solar and wind-powered desalination device that converts seawater into clean drinking water, offering a sustainable solution for communities facing water scarcity in Bohol. Team Maomag has showcased their project at the NXplorers Future Talks, a series of online discussions featuring STEM leaders and educators. Claire Hernando and Ariane Tutor, two of Team Maomag's members, participated as guest panelists, inspiring others by sharing their journey as young innovators tackling local challenges with STEM.



High school students from the University of the Philippines Visayas (UPV) Iloilo working on NX tools during an NXplorers workshop

The Foundation takes pride in witnessing young people take their first steps in their transformation from students to confident innovators. Apart from supporting the Filipino youth, NXplorers contributes to the transformation of educators as well.

By equipping them with valuable tools and methodologies, PSFI empowers teachers to advance the quality of education they can impart to their students. Educators from the Palawan National School and Philippine Science High School-Cagayan Valley Campus have remarked on the program's positive impact on students' learning. The overall feedback also suggests that teachers who have seen NXplorers in action are interested in integrating the program's methodology into their curriculum, exhibiting the potential for NXthinking to be cascaded.

NXplorers' implementation in 2023 highlighted vital success factors. Like other PSFI programs, strong collaboration is essential to ensuring the program's smooth delivery. Particularly for NXplorers, aligning with Shell's Global STEM team and closely working with participating schools is crucial. The program will also benefit from expanding the pool of trained facilitators to extend the program's reach. Finally, the Foundation must focus on flexibility and adaptability regarding school schedules, participant selection, approvals of the Department of Education (DepEd), and other factors that are likely to affect the program. Considering the year's experiences, the Foundation intends to strengthen its efforts to advance STEM education in the country.

SHELL-PHILDEV SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In partnership with the Philippine Development Foundation (PhilDev), PSFI supports tertiary-level students in STEM. Since its inception in 2013, the program has enabled over 180 students to complete their studies by providing financial assistance and mentorship. It has also connected scholars with potential employment opportunities within Shell Philippines. The program applies a holistic approach, incorporating activities that foster leadership skills while preparing learners for future career paths. Through these efforts, PSFI hopes to nurture the development of well-rounded professionals who will contribute to the country's sustainable growth.

The Shell-PhilDev Program successfully met its 2023 targets and adapted to the evolving needs of students and schools to support their academic and personal development. Across the nation, the program sponsored 18 scholars, eight of whom were newly admitted into the program and graduated within the same year. Notably, several graduates earned Latin honors, with three achieving cum laude and two achieving magna cum laude distinctions.

Program mentors maintain regular engagement with scholars to provide effective guidance, monitoring their academic performance on a quarterly basis and arranging one-on-one mentoring sessions per semester. This year marked a significant milestone as the program resumed in-person engagement activities for scholars, marking a positive shift since the onset of the pandemic. Partnering with Shell Pilipinas Corporation (SPC), PSFI hosted the Engagement with Young Engineers: Shell-PhilDev Scholars, Shell Mobility Site Immersion, and Shell-PhilDev Leadership Camp for Luzon scholars. Some events, like the Leadership Camp for Visayas and Mindanao scholars, were rescheduled to 2024 to accommodate all scholars.



Shell PhilDev Luzon scholars at the Leadership Camp

The Shell-PhilDev Leadership Camp is a four- to five-day event where participants can interact with fellow scholars, mentors, alumni, and benefactors. All 32 Shell and PhilDev scholars from Luzon participated in the activities, which included inspirational and leadership talks, mentoring circles, and a fellowship night. Among these activities, the Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) Training stands out as a cornerstone in many of PSFI's programs. Designed to foster responsible leadership, LEAD incorporates self-discovery workshops and motivational talks aimed at instilling positive values to equip students for a successful future.

As of 2023, the country's educational system is still adjusting post-COVID. In consideration, the program has remained flexible to changes in school calendars, curriculum offerings, and policies. Mentors closely communicate with scholars to support them amid challenging circumstances. Continuously reviewing the program's processes has become especially crucial in recent years, as this allows PSFI to identify areas for improvement and take measures to ensure its long-term success.

The Shell-PhilDev Program maintains a strong connection with its alumni beyond their scholarship years. In the past three years, 36 graduates have launched successful STEM careers. Shell Pilipinas Corporation (SPC) has been instrumental to the program's success, directly hiring three graduates in 2023. While the program aimed to place 38 additional graduates in STEM fields and five at Shell Philippines, it recognizes that individual career paths can vary due to personal and socioeconomic factors. Ultimately, the Shell-PhilDev Program prioritizes supporting its beneficiaries' journeys toward fulfilling careers.



Leo Villalba presents mHydro at the Top 10 Tech Startups Pitch Day.

The program has produced many leaders and innovators over the years. Among these are the founders of the mHydro startup, selected as one of the nine finalists in Tech Planter and the Top 10 tech startups in the 2023 Shell LiveWIRE Acceleration Program. Leo Villalba, Jession Diwangan, and Ivan Nara were exceptional students who all graduated with Latin honors from Xavier University Ateneo de Cagayan. Though they came from different batches and courses, they worked together to launch mHydro with the goal of enhancing access to clean energy. Their initiative aims to economically and efficiently deploy renewable energy to remote communities by transitioning from lithium-ion batteries to pumped hydro energy storage (PHES), thus reducing electrification costs. Since presenting their startup, Leo, Jession, and Ivan have remained committed to developing mHydro further.

Moving forward, the Shell-PhilDev Program remains steadfast in its mission to support talented young individuals and empower the next generation of STEM leaders.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAM (STEP) SCHOLARSHIP

The STEP Scholarship commenced in November 2023, supporting 50 third year undergraduate students from Colegio ng Lungsod ng Batangas and Batangas State University (The National Engineering University), taking up Bachelor of Technology and Livelihood Education and STEM-focused degree programs, respectively. This higher education scholarship program aims to further support students residing in Batangas City, where the Shell Import Facility Tabangao (SHIFT) is located. The selected students will be supported for two academic years until graduation.

TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

UNLAD SA PASADA (USP)

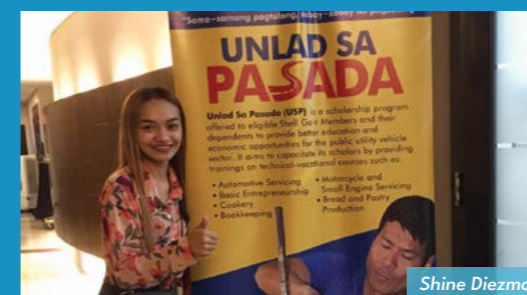


USP scholars at Don Bosco Tondo finish three of five mandatory National Certifications (NC) ahead of schedule.

Unlad sa Pasada (USP) is a technical-vocational scholarship program targeted at Shell GO+ customers and their dependents to show appreciation for Shell's loyal customers. Although it is primarily a loyalty reward program under Shell's Mobility Marketing, USP transcends this initiative by providing Filipinos with more access to better education and economic opportunities.

USP operates nationwide and offers four courses: Basic Entrepreneurship, Bookkeeping, Automotive, and Motorcycle and Small Engine Servicing. PSFI is committed to advancing the success of Filipino scholars by providing comprehensive support that includes constant monitoring, coaching, and mentoring throughout the program. Additionally, the Foundation conducts Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) Workshops to further equip scholars with the skills and mindset needed for leadership and personal growth.

The program has been empowering scholars since 2011 and has contributed to the capacity-building and personal growth of 539 individuals. USP currently has 68 enrolled scholars nationwide, exceeding the 2023 target of 60 scholars.



Shine Diezmos

Rodrigo Fernandez and Shine Diezmos are some of the program's most inspiring scholars. Rodrigo is a 71-year-old farmer in Negros who took the Basic Entrepreneurship course in 2022. Overcoming the challenges of allocating time to attend classes and adjusting to online learning tools, he persevered and completed the course. He also developed a business plan with his team, recognized as among the best in their batch. Now, he can utilize his knowledge to venture into agri-entrepreneurship. On the other hand, Shine was initially reserved and hesitant to try the program. USP witnessed her conquer these anxieties and thrive in her Basic Entrepreneurship course. Shine has become more self-assured and is furthering her personal development by taking a second course on Bookkeeping. She is also always ready to help when the program team is in Mindanao, attending and assisting in the workshops and program activities. Shine is grateful to Shell and PSFI for the opportunity and is now willing to give back by volunteering to help new scholars on their way forward.

By empowering its scholars with high-quality education and training, USP allows Shell to cultivate a positive relationship with its customers. Rogelio Bartolaba, for instance, has been a loyal customer for over 10 years and encourages organizations of PUV drivers to switch to Shell. After completing the Automotive course, he also began promoting USP in Cagayan de Oro, where he serves as a pastor. Now, he is assisting with spreading the word that Shell and PSFI are providing the rare opportunity of becoming USP scholars to loyal Shell GO Pro+ members. He also invites his fellow PUV drivers who are not yet aware of the scholarship program to become Shell GO Pro+ members and eventually be eligible to become USP scholars.

These achievements and stories of change were made possible by Shell Mobility-Marketing (Payment and Loyalty and Customer Service Experience), the Association of Pilipinas Shell Dealers Inc. (APSDI), and the program's tech-voc training partners. Don Bosco Makati, Don Bosco Tondo, Don Bosco Legazpi, Don Bosco Naga, BCYF-Saint Mutien College, Cebu Technological University, Crossroads Technical Institute, and Vineyard International Polytechnic College enable USP to reach more beneficiaries each year. By collaborating with such institutions, PSFI intends to continue capacitating beneficiaries with valuable skills and knowledge to empower them in the long term.

GAS MO, BUKAS KO (GMBK)

Gas Mo, Bukas Ko (GMBK) is a longstanding collaboration between Shell Mobility-Retail and APSDI, empowering forecourt service champions. The program has made a significant impact since 2007, having supported 2,521 scholars by December 2023. GMBK provides better education and economic opportunities and opens the doors for Shell Mobility staff to create a brighter future for themselves.

The program is currently being implemented in NCR, Calabarzon, Bicol, Central Visayas, and Northern Mindanao. Scholars can choose among six courses: Bread and Pastry, Cookery, Basic Entrepreneurship, Bookkeeping, Automotive Servicing, and Motorcycle Small Engine Servicing. PSFI collaborates with technical-vocational partner learning institutions to deliver their high-quality training program. These schools include Don Bosco-One TVET (Technical Vocational Education and Training), with its participating training institutions in Tondo, Manila, Makati, and Legazpi City; the Vineyard International Polytechnic College and Crossroads Technical Institute in Cagayan de Oro; and the College of Technological Sciences in Cebu. Like in USP, GMBK also integrates LEAD Workshops into the program to prepare employees for future leadership roles. For this program, PSFI conducted seven LEAD workshops nationwide in 2023, which provided coaching, mentoring, and "life-changing" and "once in a lifetime" experiences to scholars. After the LEAD Workshop, scholars are closely monitored, coached, and mentored to ensure that they will succeed in completing their courses while balancing their work and life responsibilities.



GMBK NCR and CALABARZON scholars accomplish the LEAD workshop with an integrated advanced course on Adaptive Leadership and Gender, Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity (GEDSI).

GMBK surpassed its goal of awarding scholarships to 112 individuals, welcoming instead a total of 174 scholars into the program, with 146 completing their enrolled courses. The number of scholars who received promotions also surpassed the year's target number of employees, with 38 GMBK scholars moving up to more senior roles with bigger responsibilities in their sites.

Program scholars have leveraged this newfound expertise for career advancement by taking on leadership roles within Shell or pursuing other opportunities. Throughout the years, their stories affirm the capability of GMBK to transform the lives of individuals. For instance, Mary Rose Anarayngay and Richard Sazon represent the success stories of Shell's forecourt service champions.

From her beginnings as a dedicated forecourt service champion, Rose has risen to become a thriving site manager. Following her completion of a GMBK tech-voc course in computer servicing at STI College in 2017 and active involvement in PSFI's workshops like LEAD, Rose has consistently excelled in her career. She now heads a team at Terawalth Gasoline Station-Shell in Quezon City. Meanwhile, Richard Sazon began as a Shell forecourt pump attendant. He joined the GMBK program 10 years ago and took up automotive servicing. Then, his retailer, seeing his potential, encouraged him to pursue a management course and rose through the ranks—propelling him to a management position. Today, he leads not only the Shell stations under his retailer, but Richard also manages all his retailers' other business holdings. Richard attributes much of his success to being a GMBK scholar and the LEAD Workshop, which he says taught him to self-reflect and become a better person and employee of Shell.

GMBK highlights Romina's inspiring story in their workshops as a powerful example of overcoming adversity. Romina grew up in challenging conditions, living on the streets and next to sewers, with parents who were unable to afford her education. Her journey is shared to motivate and demonstrate the transformative power of resilience and support. Romina's journey from hardship to success began in her early years, when she took on various jobs. From selling sampaguita flowers and working as a household helper to waiting tables and cleaning at canteens, she found ways to support her family. Her determination led her to an entry-level position at a Shell site under Magallanes Corporation, managed by retailer Mario Cruz. After being promoted to receptionist, Romina sought further advancement. Eager to deepen her understanding of her work, she successfully applied to become a GMBK scholar and pursued a course in Automotive Servicing, gaining expertise in the technical and mechanical aspects of engine servicing. Since then, Romina has been a model of consistency and dedication. She credits her success to the opportunities provided by the GMBK scholarship, which have been pivotal in her career progression. Despite facing numerous challenges, she has continued to advance professionally and now inspires others by sharing her story and giving motivational talks to aspiring scholars at GMBK workshops. Romina's story stands as a testament to the transformative impact of perseverance and education.

Taking inspiration from its scholars, PSFI actively works to improve the program with each year of its implementation. Maintaining strong relations with beneficiaries and management is a central factor in determining the program's success. Given this, the Foundation is committed to sustaining this practice. As GMBK continues to extend its reach, it is essential to enhance the program's support structure by broadening the stakeholder base. This involves implementing rigorous recruitment and selection processes for scholars, providing comprehensive financial support (including full training fees), and offering ongoing coaching and mentoring. Additionally, a robust monitoring and evaluation framework ensures the program's effectiveness and the continued success of its scholars.

Upon completion of their training, all scholars are welcomed into a nationwide network of GMBK alumni. This community serves as a platform for sharing success stories and offering inspiration, fostering a sense of camaraderie and support. As these scholars advance in their careers, whether within Shell or in other sectors, they continue to contribute to the network, inspiring new generations of scholars with their achievements and personal growth. This cycle of empowerment and mentorship is central to the enduring impact of the GMBK program.

PSFI places great importance on cultivating its network and believes it is essential to encourage scholars to establish connections that extend beyond their respective sites and the operational areas of retailers.

MANILA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB (MGCC) FOUNDATION TECH-VOC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



32 caddies were officially onboarded as MGCCFI and PSFI scholars on October 11 after completing online assessments with Talegent and one-on-one interviews.

The Manila Golf and Country Club Tech-Voc Scholarship Program is a revived initiative by the Manila Golf and Country Club Foundation Inc. (MGCCFI). Striving for impactful contributions, MGCCFI partnered with PSFI to empower Manila Golf caddies, outsourced personnel, and their immediate relatives by implementing targeted technical-vocational and livelihood training programs.

PSFI and MGCCFI marked the beginning of their partnership on September 27, 2023, followed a month later with the assessment and onboarding of the initial 30 scholars. The program started with two TESDA courses: Hilot (Wellness Massage) NCII and Bread and Pastry Production (BPP) NCII. After conducting a Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) workshop, the program commenced with training sessions for the 10 Hilot and 20 BPP scholars. The Hilot training sessions were conducted in MGCC, led by a Muntinlupa City Technical Institute (MCTI) trainer, with equipment brought on-site. While the BPP scholars' training took place in the MCTI training center to give them complete access to baking equipment, materials, and kits.



MGCCFI Hilot (wellness massage) scholars participate in a training session at the MGCC Billiards Area.

Before the year ended, the program achieved one of its first milestones when all 10 Hilot scholars completed their Institutional Assessment and the TESDA National Certification Assessment. This accomplishment highlights the program's effectiveness in equipping individuals with valuable skills and qualifications.

In this initial phase of implementation, PSFI and MGCCFI have garnered invaluable insights that will pave the way for the program to achieve its future goals. The program is founded on the Foundation's effective collaboration and coordination with MGCCFI and a TESDA-accredited Tech-Voc Training Center. Partnerships with reputable training hubs ensures that beneficiaries receive top-notch training that adheres to industry standards. As the program restarts this new chapter and once again goes through its different stages, it is crucial that beneficiaries are continuously monitored and assessed to ensure they are continuously able to commit time and effort to undergo training while not affecting their jobs and personal lives. By doing so, PSFI and MGCCFI are able to tailor their approach to meet the specific needs and capacities of beneficiaries.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

SHELL TABANGAO LADIES CIRCLE (STLC)



STLC scholars attend a LEAD workshop

The Shell Tabangao Ladies Circle (STLC) scholarship program empowers high school students from indigent families in TALIM (Tabangao, Ambulong, Libjo, San Isidro, and Malitam) Batangas to overcome financial barriers and achieve their educational goals. This comprehensive program provides monthly allowances and assistance with additional fees while fostering personal development through mentorship and guidance. Ensuring the continuity of education and financial support for students remains STLC's key objective.

STLC scholars flourished in 2023, showcasing remarkable academic accomplishments and fostering a supportive community among fellow scholars. All 31 STLC scholars completed their year levels, maintaining grades ranging from 87% at the lowest to 97% at the highest. Five Grade 12 scholars graduated in July 2023, two of whom achieved high honors with a general average grade of 95%–97%.



Teofy Peñaflor

GMBK scholars inspire others to keep pursuing their aspirations. Teofy Peñaflor and Romina Abad are among the Shell Mobility Staff's shining examples of what PSFI hopes to achieve through its programs—empowering Filipinos to create a ripple and a stream of transformation stories. Teofy had always wanted to finish school, although her circumstances prevented her from doing so. Despite challenges, her love of learning motivated her to grab the chance to enroll during the pandemic in one of the online classes under the GMBK Program. She finished at the top of her Bookkeeping class with a final score of 99% and was awarded a Certificate of Excellence and a Gold Medal. After Bookkeeping, she finished the Basic Entrepreneurship class with a Certificate of Proficiency, and her proposal was among the best and landed on the final list for possible funding. When Teofy took up Bread and Pastry Production, she also excelled in the course. Indeed, Teofy has come a long way since she first started her career with Shell about a decade ago and moved up in steadily progressing roles of responsibility as a Shell Mobility Staff for 27 years. As a way of paying it forward, she always joins the LEAD workshops and other program activities to share her inspiring story with current GMBK scholars. Teofy makes sure to emphasize that the opportunity to learn is the most important aspect of being a GMBK scholar, and other benefits such as allowances are secondary. She consistently encourages them to seize opportunities, particularly ones that foster continuous learning and exploring new perspectives.



Outstanding scholar (SY 2022-2023) Aira Joy Duno (center) with SHIFT Operations Manager Benj Ilagan (left)

Aira Joy Duno is one of the exemplary STLC scholars who graduated with honors after receiving the program's support for the past six years. Aira did not hesitate to take the opportunity when she was selected for the program. She completed her secondary education and pursued her dream of higher education. Now, she is a freshman in BS Chemical Engineering at Westmead International School. Aside from the financial assistance she received, she greatly values the experiences and lessons she gained from STLC.

The program's successful implementation stems from its multifaceted approach to the development of STLC scholars, addressing both financial and individual needs. PSFI uses social media and video conferencing to maintain consistent and open communication with scholars. To monitor their holistic development, program officers hold quarterly mentoring sessions tailored to different academic levels to provide targeted support and guidance. All scholars attended the online mentoring sessions, while 26 actively participated in a Mini-LEAD Workshop, demonstrating their commitment to their academic journey.

The year concluded with the Annual Year-End Thanksgiving, hosted at the Shell Taclobo Main Hall on December 8, 2023. This event provided a platform to celebrate the collective achievements of the scholars and promote camaraderie within the program.

SHELL EMPLOYEES' DEPENDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SEDSP)

The Shell Employees' Dependent Scholarship Program (SEDSP) is a specialized program tailored for Shell employees, allowing their dependents to apply for high school and college scholarship grants. The program currently finances 57 students: 29 in college and 28 in high school. Its impacts extend beyond students, positively influencing the lives of 54 active Shell employees and 15 retirees.

SEDSP marks a significant milestone as 12 college scholars graduate in the second semester of SY2023-2024, underscoring the program's dedication to nurturing academic excellence. Shell Pilipinas Corporation (SPC), through the Foundation, also remains steadfast in its commitment to the well-being of its employees by facilitating access to high-quality education and fostering professional development opportunities for their families.

BRIGADA ESKWELA



Brigada Eskwela for Malitam National High School, Batangas City

Since 2013, PSFI has partnered with the Department of Education (DepEd) to energize communities and prepare schools nationwide for the incoming academic year through the Brigada Eskwela Program. In 2023, volunteers from PSFI and representatives from SPC Mobility and SPC Trading and Supply focused their efforts on eight locations: Batangas, La Union, Calapan, Iloilo, Tacloban, Cagayan de Oro, Tagbilaran, and Palawan.

A total of 189 volunteers dedicated their time and skills to various school improvement activities. These included cleaning and repairing classrooms and beautifying school grounds through gardening. They also facilitated a storytelling activity for students at the Silangan Ibabao Batis Bulihan Araneta Proper (SIBBAP) Learning Center in Batangas.



Brigada Eskwela for Ambulong Elementary School, Tanauan City

With a total in-kind and cash donation worth PHP 315,275, the Foundation allocated resources tailored to the specific needs of each school. Basic supplies such as cleaning materials, paint, and school supplies, along with sports equipment to promote physical activity, were commonly requested items. Additionally, some schools had more unique needs, such as ecobricks for Tabangao Elementary School, a water pressure pump for Booy South Elementary School, and musical instruments for Oriental Mindoro National High School.

Brigada Eskwela illustrates what can be achieved when local governments, communities, and dedicated volunteers mobilize for a shared cause. Through its Education programs, PSFI will sustain its efforts to empower learners and create brighter futures for students across the Philippines.



Clifford Canilla, a Cooperative Development Specialist II from CDA Palawan, discusses the Introduction to Cooperative during the SINAG Electric Association (EA) Summit 2023.



ENERGY

PSFI empowers communities by granting them access to affordable, cleaner, and more efficient energy solutions. It prioritizes serving communities in remote areas with the SINAG project in alignment with SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy.

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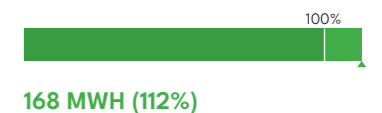
- Save, Invest, Nurture Access to Green Energy and Technologies (SINAG) Project

PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS

2025 TARGETS

Generate 150 MWh annual energy production from renewable resources

2023 PROGRESS AND STATUS



12 communities with access to clean and affordable energy through micro-grids and other sources



No new communities reached in 2023 (currently at 66% of overall target)

2023 At a Glance



6 Electric Associations and 67 individuals completed capacity building trainings



SAVE, INVEST, NURTURE ACCESS TO GREEN ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGIES (SINAG) PROJECT

In a world where access to energy is often taken for granted, the reality is that numerous remote communities are still living in darkness. Recognizing this, PSFI launched the Save, Invest, Nurture Access to Green Energy and Technologies (SINAG) project with the goal of providing clean, reliable, and affordable energy to these underserved locales. The program uses an innovative approach, employing a mix of solar, hydro, wind, and diesel generators to create microgrids—compact, self-sufficient energy-generating systems that supply power to remote communities and improve overall living conditions.

Since its inception in 2014, SINAG project has improved energy access in remote areas of Palawan using renewable energy sources. Powered by Shell's global Access to Energy (A2E) initiative, the program has successfully electrified previously unpowered communities, significantly enhancing local businesses, job opportunities, healthcare services, and educational outcomes. SINAG creates small, self-sufficient energy systems, demonstrating PSFI's commitment to SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy.

Beyond having reliable electricity, PSFI envisions communities empowered by their access to energy. In 2020, the Foundation acquired a grant for the Dunong, Isip, at Galing sa Teknolohiya Alay sa Baras (DIGITAL Baras) project to maximize the local power grid and support communities at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Through DIGITAL Baras, PSFI and a newly-formed local association founded an enterprise learning and development center. This center was designed to generate alternative livelihoods, provide services and products related to renewable energy, and promote environmental conservation and sustainability.



PSFI SINAG team awards Chita Gonzales (center, in striped shirt) and her fellow BESA members for the DIGITAL Baras project.

Chita Gonzales became the first Baras Electric Solar Association (BESA) president in May 2018, when it was established to oversee and maintain the micro-grid project in their community. Several years later, her vibrant community attests to Chita's efficient and strategic leadership. In 2020, she assumed the Chairman position of DIGITAL Baras to take the lead in improving internet connectivity amid the pandemic. Through this project, they also launched the Radio-Based Instruction (RBI) project to support elementary school teachers and students in remote learning, especially during the COVID-19 lockdowns.

BESA also had the most successful fundraising initiative among all SINAG project sites. Like her community, Chita's family enjoys the fruits of the association's efforts in implementing the various activities of SINAG. Chita takes pride in her chick-raising venture, which provides them with food and generates income that she uses to support her children studying in Puerto Princesa. Chita exemplifies an exceptional leader and an inspiring testament, showing the impact empowered Filipinos can make.



Participants of the SINAG EA Summit held on September 23-24 at PEAP

Training plays a vital role in the SINAG project. With support from partner agencies such as the Local Government Units of San Vicente, Taytay, El Nido, and Linapacan, Barangay LGU, Palawan Cooperative Development Authority, and the Municipal Cooperative Office of Taytay, the project has delivered various training sessions. These include capacity-building sessions, EA Summit, and the development of a 5-year sustainability plan.

However, the road to change is not without its challenges. Although the project targeted 110 participants for training, only 67 completed the program, representing just six out of the seven Electrical Associations (EAs). Unfavorable weather conditions and local transport issues further complicated matters, resulting in the cancellation of visits to Linapacan.

Despite these obstacles, SINAG has gleaned key lessons. The importance of conducting refresher courses on electrical installation and maintenance of the micro-grids power house has been noted, as has the need for capability-building training to ensure effective association management. The project also recognized the need for the local governments' support and funding for ongoing project operations, as well as the need for constant monitoring of program implementation within the community.

The SINAG project is a shining beacon of hope for remote communities. Through its innovative approach and commitment to capacity building, it is not just illuminating homes, but also lighting the way to a more sustainable and self-sufficient future.

ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION (EA) SUMMIT 2023

In 2023, El Nido, Palawan, set the stage for the transformative SINAG Electric Associations (EA) Summit. As an integral component of the program, this summit aimed to formulate a 5-Year Sustainability Plan for the seven SINAG sites in Palawan, showcasing a forward-thinking approach to energy resource stewardship. Attended by 35 delegates from six of the seven SINAG sites, the event featured presentations from distinguished speakers like Mr. Clifford A. Canilla from the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) Palawan. The highlight was the creation of the 5-year sustainability plan, outlining the aspirations of the SINAG sites from 2024 to 2028. This plan serves as a roadmap for overseeing each SINAG grid after the program's exit in 2023.

The Summit's significance was highlighted through testimonials from participants like Ms. Edna B. Belarmino, barangay secretary of Barangay Maytegued, Taytay, and Ms. Jaibie F. Sumayo, a teacher and secretary from San Vicente, Palawan. Both expressed appreciation for their invitations to the workshop, finding it enriching and educational for their association's growth. They also recognized the potential need to become cooperative members as SINAG prepares to exit and conveyed gratitude to both the SINAG project and PSFI for their outreach efforts.

Beyond future planning, the Summit serves as a reflection on lessons learned. The nonparticipation of one of the SINAG sites highlighted the necessity of constant communication and inclusivity in the journey towards sustainability. The SINAG Electric Associations Summit 2023 signifies progress towards an energy-efficient future, marking a significant step in the collective journey towards sustainability.



Participants from Pasacao hold miniature replicas of the 30-foot fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP) fishing boats during the Training Cum-Livelihood on the Fabrication, Repair, and Maintenance of FRP Fishing Boats, held on July 11-27. Under Shell LiveWIRE, this event promotes responsible fishing and helps fisherfolk adapt to the impacts of climate change.



LIVELIHOOD

PSFI provides its communities with the resources and skills needed for self-sufficiency. It works with different sectors to maximize the potential and capabilities of Filipinos. The Foundation offers agricultural, technical-vocational, and job-readiness training designed to increase employment opportunities and sustainable livelihoods. This work aligns with SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth.

THE PROGRAMS:

- EcoHub
- Joblink
- Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal (SKIL)
- Shell LiveWIRE

PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS



2023 At a Glance



32 enterprises and 370 individuals participated in Shell LiveWIRE Trainings

92 jobs created through Shell LiveWIRE enterprises



6 community enterprises and 5 tech startups participated in the Innovation Acceleration Program



95 women gained employment through Shell LiveWIRE

230 SKIL scholars completed in-center training

105 graduate SKIL scholars hired or with business ventures matching their skills



14 businesses awarded with startup support fund by Shell LiveWIRE



69 individuals completed the UPSKIL training



LEAD Workshop in Pasacao, Camarines Sur

ECO HUB PROGRAM

The EcoHub initiative aims to repurpose waste plastic into reusable ecobricks, which find utility in infrastructure projects at Shell Mobility Stations and other industries, promoting sustainability. In 2021, the program achieved a milestone in establishing an EcoHub in Brgy. Macabalan, Cagayan de Oro. This EcoHub, developed with Green Antz Builders, manufactures recycled plastic using solar power as an additional energy source. Aside from reducing waste, the facility provided an additional source of livelihood for the Macabalan Wharf Porters Association (MWPA), PSFI's local partner.

In April 2023, Cagayan de Oro City's Office of Building Officials conducted an ocular inspection across various regulatory areas to secure the EcoHub's occupancy permit. Meanwhile, in Tacloban, the EcoHub project was formally transferred to the Habitat Village Homeowners Association. The transition aims to enhance community cleanliness by recycling plastic laminates into eco-products while creating local livelihood opportunities.

In May 2023, a formal agreement was signed to establish the Batangas EcoHub. This initiative is a collaboration between PSFI, Ambulong LGU, SIBBAP MPC, and Green Antz Builders, Inc. Its aim is to address the Philippines' significant contribution to global plastic waste, aligning with PSFI's mission of environmental preservation and economic development.

JOBLINK PROGRAM

The Joblink program aims to assist Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal (SKIL) scholars in finding employment after graduating. In Batangas City, the program upholds Batangas City Ordinance No. 8 by ensuring 75% of industry workers at the Shell Import Facility in Tabangao (SHIFT) come from the local community. Joblink has enhanced the network between employees and employers in host communities. It provides transparent job hiring opportunities for residents of both host and non-host communities, enhancing employability without political favoritism.

In 2023, the program aimed to employ 100 individuals, facilitated by partnerships with local barangays and the Sangguniang Kabataan. Contractors from SHIFT have remained engaged, coordinating workforce needs. Enhancing employee-employer relationships and ensuring fair hiring practices have been prioritized through regular meetings with host communities and labor monitoring bodies like the Public Employment Service Office (PESO) and the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE).

The program's sustainability is evident in the continuous participation of contractors and partner industries, with some extending employment offers to other project sites.

Key takeaways emphasize the importance of expanding networks and benchmarking against industry best practices.



LEAD Workshop in Brgys. Poro and San Agustin, San Fernando City

LEADERSHIP ENHANCEMENT AND ATTITUDE DEVELOPMENT (LEAD) WORKSHOP

PSFI conducts Leadership Enhancement and Attitude Development (LEAD) workshops for trainees. These three-day psycho-social sessions aim to instill appropriate values and work ethics, preparing them for their professional roles. LEAD is not just vital to PSFI programs; it is a catalyst for personal growth and empowerment among various beneficiaries like students, teachers, homemakers, farmers, out-of-school youths, and health workers. During the workshops, previous participants are invited to share their inspiring transformational journeys, igniting the spark of change in others.

For scholars under Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal (SKIL) programs, LEAD is integral to developing leadership potential and positive attitudes that will empower them to excel within the Shell value chain and embark on their journeys.

In 2023, 123 SKIL scholars graduated from the workshop, with many sharing letters and testimonies filled with deep gratitude. They praised their trainers, the opportunities provided by SKIL, and the invaluable life lessons gleaned from the LEAD workshops. This outpouring of appreciation underscores the profound impact that LEAD has had on their lives.

Rochelle Dela Calzada, a scholar from La Union, shares: "Napakalaking blessing po para sa amin na mapasama sa mga ganitong oportunidad at makapag-aral ulit. Salamat po, Shell. Thank you po kina Ma'am Charie at Ma'am Hosanna na, dahil sa kanila, ay natutunan namin kung paano disiplinahin ang aming mga sarili, pakikipagkapwa tao, at pakikibagay. (We consider it a great blessing to be given the opportunity to study again. Thank you, Shell. Thank you to Ma'am Charie and Ma'am Hosanna, who helped us develop discipline, interpersonal skills, and adaptability.)"

The impact of LEAD and their connection with PSFI and fellow scholars has been profound for the beneficiaries. The words of Rubie Nicol echo the sentiments of many other SKIL scholars: "Thank you for inspiring me to believe in myself and to never give up on my dreams. Thank you for challenging me to think critically and encouraging me to pursue my passion."

The Foundation hopes to reach more beneficiaries in the future, emulating the transformative quality of the LEAD workshops throughout all its programs.



LEAD Workshop in Brgys. Mansaya and Obrero, Lapuz District, Iloilo City



LEAD Workshop in San Miguel, Leyte



LEAD Workshop in Tagbilaran City, Bohol



PSFI turns over the EcoHub facility to the Habitat Village Homeowners Association in Tacloban.



A human resources representative from CPM Construction and General Services conducts initial interviews for applicants.

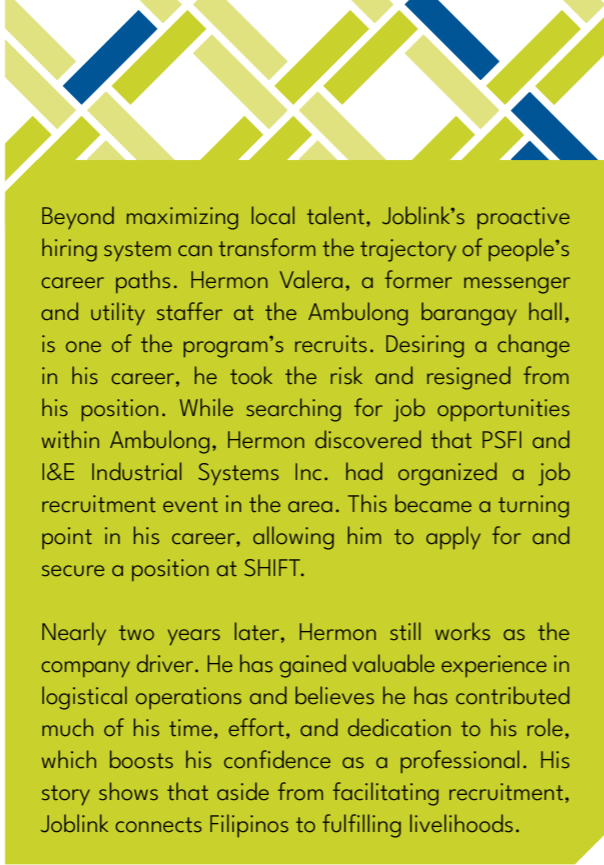
In its next years of implementation, the program should explore more diverse avenues for income enhancement beyond mere employment. Strengthening relationships with existing partners and stakeholders, as well as recognizing active participants, is vital. Additionally, close collaboration with program partners and engagement with government entities are essential to supporting partner contractors effectively.

In response to local content challenges and high unemployment rates, PSFI launched a job fair and local recruitment initiative through the Joblink Program. Participating SHIFT contractors, including CPM Construction and General Services, Inc., RPD Construction Inc., and SafeSeas Shipping Agency Co. Inc., along with long-standing partner EEI Corporation, were invited. Prior to the event, all necessary coordination, document submissions, and preparations were completed, with PESO Batangas City also in attendance. The two-day event catered to 400 applicants from Batangas, facilitating opportunities for employment.



EEI Corporation's recruitment specialist, Aljon Co (left), discusses pre-employment requirements for SKIL scholars during a special screening in Batangas City.

EEI Corporation organized a dedicated screening session for SKIL scholars who had recently finished their training. The event witnessed the submission of pre-employment requirements by 33 scholars, with many now eagerly anticipating deployment. This initiative underscores EEI's dedication to fostering talent and facilitating opportunities for skill development.



Beyond maximizing local talent, Joblink's proactive hiring system can transform the trajectory of people's career paths. Hermon Valera, a former messenger and utility staffer at the Ambulong barangay hall, is one of the program's recruits. Desiring a change in his career, he took the risk and resigned from his position. While searching for job opportunities within Ambulong, Hermon discovered that PSFI and I&E Industrial Systems Inc. had organized a job recruitment event in the area. This became a turning point in his career, allowing him to apply for and secure a position at SHIFT.

Nearly two years later, Hermon still works as the company driver. He has gained valuable experience in logistical operations and believes he has contributed much of his time, effort, and dedication to his role, which boosts his confidence as a professional. His story shows that aside from facilitating recruitment, Joblink connects Filipinos to fulfilling livelihoods.



Shell LiveWIRE Financial Literacy Training in Brgy. 106, Tacloban City (April 26, 2023)

SHELL LIVEWIRE

Shell LiveWIRE is Shell's flagship enterprise development program that aims to bolster local economies by promoting entrepreneurship, propelling innovation, and creating meaningful employment.

ACCELERATION PROGRAM

Shell LiveWIRE's Acceleration Program successfully welcomed its newest cohort of innovation-driven tech startups and community enterprises. Spanning three months, from June to September, this intensive program is designed to foster entrepreneurial growth and development in the sectors of energy, environment, and circular economy. Participants benefit from robust mentorship, equity-free funding, and potential integration opportunities within the Shell value chain.

Mentors provided guidance on improving business operations, understanding financials, marketing strategies, and navigating digital transformation. Tech startups also received additional training on business pivots, public relations and corporate communications, optimizing sales, creating a board of directors, fundraising, and investment strategies.



LIVELIHOOD



Acceleration Program Progress Review and Community Meetup with the 2023 Shell LiveWIRE Cohort and Agro-DigitalPH CEO, Henry Sison on August 19, 2023 at their commissary location in Parañaque



Vincent Mendoza (center), founder of Farmvocacy, receives the Tech Startup award at the Acceleration Program Culminating Event.

The program attracted 219 applications, 141 of which were tech startups. Following a rigorous selection process, four startups and six community enterprises were chosen to participate. The program's tech startups, such as the grand winner, Farmvocacy, Inc., and runners-up, Lycan and LITHOS Manufacturing, focus on diverse areas, from climate-smart farming to smart mobility and mineral utilization. Furthermore, A-Lister Forent is spearheading a peer-to-peer car-sharing platform, while 2023 Benita & Catalino Yap Foundation (BYCF) Innovation Awardee, Universal Structural Health Evaluation and Recording System (USHER), has developed a round-the-clock earthquake and structural health monitoring system.

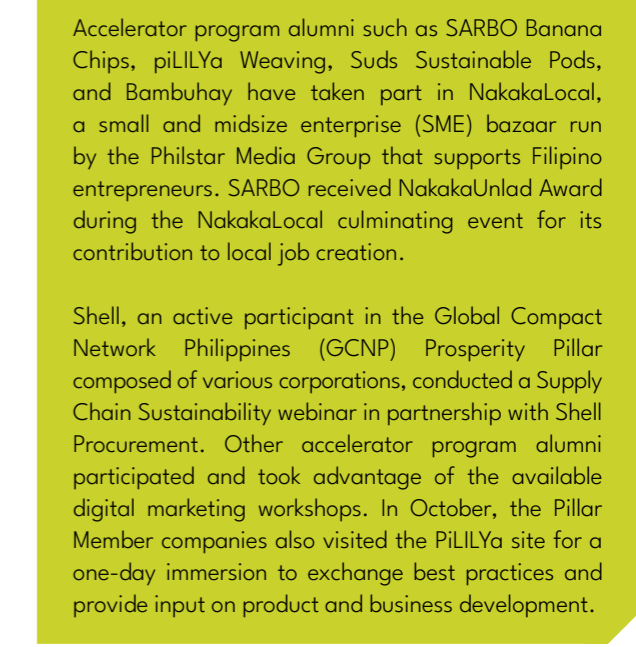
Community enterprises, predominantly in the food and agriculture sectors, are implementing innovative solutions to support local communities. This varied portfolio of enterprises highlights Shell LiveWIRE's commitment to nurturing innovation and positively impacting different economic sectors.

Upon completing the program, the four tech startups selected each received a monthly allowance of PHP 300,000 for product and business development. Additionally, the grand winner was awarded an additional PHP 1 million, while each of the six participating community enterprises received PHP 100,000.

In another significant development, DALI Innovative Solutions from 2021 Cohort installed its Vortex system, a 600-W vertical turbine harnessing wind energy, at the Calapan JO Terminal in October.



SARBO President Helen Volante (fourth from left) receives the Nakakaunlad Award during the NakakaLocal culminating event.



Global Compact Network Philippines (GCNP) Prosperity Pillar visit to PiLILYA

Accelerator program alumni such as SARBO Banana Chips, piLILYA Weaving, Suds Sustainable Pods, and Bambuhay have taken part in NakakaLocal, a small and midsize enterprise (SME) bazaar run by the Philstar Media Group that supports Filipino entrepreneurs. SARBO received NakakaUnlad Award during the NakakaLocal culminating event for its contribution to local job creation.

Shell, an active participant in the Global Compact Network Philippines (GCNP) Prosperity Pillar composed of various corporations, conducted a Supply Chain Sustainability webinar in partnership with Shell Procurement. Other accelerator program alumni participated and took advantage of the available digital marketing workshops. In October, the Pillar Member companies also visited the PiLILYA site for a one-day immersion to exchange best practices and provide input on product and business development.

COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (CED)

The Shell LiveWire initiative in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan, pinpointed promising community and social enterprises across the Circular Economy and Local Development sectors. Through the program, 20 individuals and one group business received training, with a significant portion engaging in mentoring activities. Notably, the group business provided employment for 16 women. The project prioritized sustainability, placing emphasis on community involvement and skill enhancement.



JC Enon showcases his handcrafted miniature motorcycle made from recycled materials.

LiveWIRE's mentorship has empowered creative individuals like JC Enon to establish their own local enterprises. A beneficiary of the program in Palawan, JC now champions a circular economy through his social enterprise, MotoinCan, which he founded in 2022 with LiveWIRE's guidance. He uses recycled tin cans to create handcrafted souvenirs, which are intricate miniature models of motorcycles, tricycles, jeepneys, and boats.

By creatively repurposing waste into art, MotoinCan gained recognition, earning JC a spot among the Top 6 Community Enterprises for the Shell LiveWIRE Final Pitch Day. Today, MotoinCan thrives as a business, demonstrating how innovative approaches to waste management can turn what's perceived as trash into valuable products. JC has made it his mission to inspire his fellow Palaweños, especially the youth, to adopt the same mindset of environmental stewardship and resourcefulness. His journey underscores the transformative impact of capacity building and funding on individuals and communities alike.

Several activities were carried out at different CED sites. In Pasacao, a training program focused on the fabrication, repair, and maintenance of Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) fishing boats to promote sustainable fishing and provide alternative livelihoods. This resulted in the creation of 31 30-foot fiberglass fishing boats. In Calapan, the Kapisanan Alyansang Waging Isda ng Lazareto (KAWIL) fisherfolk organization initiated various programs, including a bakery business, to offer alternative livelihoods. With support from

PESO and DOLE, 25 KAWIL members underwent training, with 22 members successfully passing the NCII training. In Tacloban, 22 individuals received training on financial literacy, and five teams received start-up support funds, leading to the creation of 22 new jobs.



Bread and Pastry Production Training in La Union

Likewise, La Union's programs achieved significant accomplishments, providing training to 79 participants on programs such as Sanayan sa Kakayahang Pangangalakal (SKP), Coffee Drip Processing, Bread and Pastry Production, and Business Planning and Financial Literacy. A startup business initiated by a local women's group received a grant for their Coffee Drip Processing Community Enterprise, along with a kit containing coffee beans, paper sleeves, drips, a coffee grinder, and other materials that would help them start their venture.

Meanwhile, in Batangas, partnerships with various technical training partners led to 98 members of three cooperatives participating in a series of Product Development and Skills Training. Each of the three cooperatives received a start-up support fund worth PHP 200,000, leading to the creation of 12 new jobs.

The Shell LiveWire Training program in Bacolod has provided training to 39 individuals and assisted in establishing two community enterprises. Collaborating with local agencies, such as Barangay 1 in Bacolod City, has been instrumental in the program's success.

SHELL VALUE CHAIN

Participants of the LiveWIRE and LiveWIRE Acceleration programs are also folded into the Shell value chain after they complete the training as part of the end-to-end support provided by the program. This opportunity fosters self-sustaining enterprises within PSFI's communities, ultimately promoting self-reliance.

Products from community enterprises in Rizal, Batangas, Bohol, Cagayan de Oro, Camarines Sur, and Palawan are now regularly included in the Shell line-up for corporate giveaways and are being rolled out in certain Shell Select stores.



Graduation ceremony of SKIL scholars who took the Photovoltaic Systems Installation course in Pasacao

SANAYAN SA KAKAYAHANG INDUSTRIYAL (SKIL)

Established in 1983, the Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal (SKIL) program tackles youth unemployment through technical training for out-of-school youth. Collaborating with educational institutions and industry partners, SKIL offers on-the-job training as well as information and communications technology (ICT) skill development programs, enhancing youth employability in call centers and animation studios. In 2023, 231 individuals from Batangas, Tagbilaran, La Union, Bacolod, Iloilo, Pasacao, and Tagbilaran participated in various trainings.



A SKIL scholar from Tacloban at his Electrical Installation and Maintenance training



Jeffrey Devilles (second from left) at the 3rd Grand Reunion in Visayas for PSFI scholars held in Iloilo City

With four decades of implementation, SKIL has undeniably transformed numerous lives. Jeffrey Devilles stands as a prime example, being one of the program's earliest scholars and showcasing the profound impact of education and determination. From 1985 to 1989, he pursued various courses under SKIL, including SKIL-National Manpower and Youth Council (1985-1986), Farm Mechanics (1985-1986), SKIL-TUP Visayas (1986-1989), and Electronics Technology (1986-1989), paving the way for a successful career.

Jeffrey's journey in the professional world began in 1995, when he joined Shell as a Terminal Operator (Bulk Filler/Warehouseman/Tank Gauger). He was initially assigned to Aparri, Cagayan, which was significantly far from his hometown of Iloilo. Despite this, he embraced the challenges that came with the new opportunities he encountered. After 25 years of dedication and commitment to his work, Jeffrey rose to the position of Facility Manager of the Visayas and Palawan cluster of Shell Terminals. He continues to be an inspiration to PSFI and Shell, as well as to the scholars and other beneficiaries who hear his story during LEAD workshops.



Gina Aguil delivers her graduation speech at the Batangas Social Programs Closing Ceremony

In the face of adversity, achieving one's dreams may seem impossible. At one point, Gina Aguil shared the same sentiment. Due to financial constraints, she set aside her aspirations of becoming an electrical engineer to help provide for her family. She discovered the program in 2023 and joined as a scholar from Batangas, rekindling her passion to learn and build her skills. Gina used this opportunity to enroll in two courses throughout the year: Electrical Installation and Maintenance and Instrumentation and Control Servicing NC II. Despite facing challenges, she completed these courses with remarkable determination and emerged triumphant. Presently, she serves as a part-time instructor at the Concept Institute for Career Enhancement, Inc. for the same courses she took. Beyond fulfilling her career goals, Gina now shares her knowledge and inspires her students to pursue the careers they want.

PSFI hopes that stories like Jeffrey's and Gina's will continue to encourage scholars to seize opportunities, strive for excellence, and embrace lifelong learning.



Volunteers at the Mangrove Planting and Coastal Cleanup event at the Mangrove Reserve Area in Brgy. Bonbon, Cagayan de Oro



ENVIRONMENT

PSFI is dedicated to advancing environmental sustainability and conservation efforts both within its operational sites and across partner communities. Through its initiatives, PSFI strives to bolster community resilience against climate change impacts while fostering a culture of environmental stewardship, in line with SDG 13: Climate Action.

THE PROGRAMS:

- Coastal and Marine Protection
- Tubbataha Program
- Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN (TANDIKAN)

PROGRESS TO 2025 TARGETS



2023 At a Glance

60
individuals trained on biodiversity conservation and protection and climate change

2
World Heritage Sites supported

800
meters covered in coastal clean-up activities

6,035
individuals trained on environmental conservation awareness

4
nurseries supported

7,460
individuals participated in various environmental awareness activities

3 schools and **5,700** students trained on Environmental Conservation Awareness

125
patrols conducted

13
units of research equipment, supplies, and computer software procured

2,725
trees planted

9
community-based sustainable tourism (CBST) groups supported

20,440
kgs of waste collected through International Coastal Clean-up activities
92.7% of which are plastics

230 kg of plastic collected for the EcoHub

21
individuals trained on financial management

110
kg of plastic recycled for the EcoHub



Coastal clean-up activities implemented across various sites (from left to right: Bacolod, Batangas and Calapan)



Coastal clean-up and mangrove-planting activities implemented across various sites (from left to right: Cagayan de Oro, Iloilo and Puerto Princesa)

COASTAL AND MARINE PROTECTION

PSFI began adopting the Ridge-to-Reef approach in 2018 at a pilot area in Cagayan de Oro. This focuses on environmental initiatives that protect and rehabilitate forests, wetlands, and coastal and marine ecosystems.

PSFI's program objectives align with the Sustainable Development Goals and support environmental initiatives with program partners in fenceline areas. In 2023, the Foundation implemented a series of small initiatives such as capacity training and awareness education, supported the implementation of existing environmental policies and mechanisms, and provided necessary materials, equipment, and technology to community partners. These initiatives aim to increase the number of well-informed environmental advocates, protect selected conservation sites, and promote collaborative efforts in implementing environmental initiatives.

Currently, PSFI is exploring ways to increase the recycling of plastic waste and provide livelihood opportunities by establishing EcoHubs, currently implemented in CDO and Tacloban, and in the early stages in Batangas. With Palawan widely regarded as the last ecological frontier, the Foundation collaborates with local partners and the provincial government in its advocacy to conserve the environment. These initiatives include banning single-use plastics to reduce pollution and promoting reusable and compostable alternatives.

The Foundation and SPC terminals closely coordinated to organize nine coastal cleanups in September for the International Coastal Cleanup (ICC)—the world's most extensive volunteer effort for the ocean's health. This commitment extended beyond ICC, with several additional beach cleanups conducted from March to October. The concerted efforts of over 2,000 volunteers in 2023 led to the collection of approximately 20,440.2 kg of waste, with plastic making up a staggering 92.7% (18,939.2 kg).

CAGAYAN DE ORO: A RIDGE-TO-REEF APPROACH



Mangrove planting at the Mangrove Reserve Area in Brgy. Bonbon, Cagayan de Oro

The program's training initiatives have seen significant participation. In CDO, 63 individuals were trained on Biodiversity Conservation and Protection and Climate Change and 65 participants attended the Environmental Conservation Awareness Session. The program reached three schools, four barangays, and seven groups in CDO.

The Foundation's conservation efforts have resulted in the production and dissemination of IEC materials in CDO, an improvement in tree growing sites in Tacloban, a 100% survival rate (500 trees) from tree planting activities, and the establishment of a functional nursery in Bonbon, CDO. PSFI's initiatives also supported a tree growing site in Calapan and established a nursery in the Bonbon Mangrove Reserve Area.

In collaboration with SPC North Mindanao Import Facility (NMIF) and 15 Shell Mobility Stations, PSFI undertook a significant mangrove planting initiative in the Bonbon Mangrove Reserve Area as part of the Foundation's commitment to environmental conservation. A total of 162 volunteers participated in the activity, composed of representatives from different groups: 49 from NMIF, 91 from 15 Shell Mobility Stations, 6 from the City Local Environment and Natural Resources Office (CLENRO), 3 from the Sari-Sari Fishermen Association (SSFA), 9 from the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMO), and 4 from the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)

City Action Team (CAT). This concerted effort resulted in the planting of 500 mangroves in the Bonbon Mangrove Reserve Area, contributing to the enhancement of the reserve.

In September, a two-day Capability Training on Environmental Conservation and Protection was effectively conducted. Tailored to acquaint participants with PSFI's environmental initiatives, the workshop aimed to achieve four main objectives: heighten awareness regarding the adverse impacts of marine litter, mobilize participants as community-based champions for environmental preservation, establish strategies for mitigating plastic waste in oceans, and encourage the development of marketable products using recycled plastic. These products are envisioned to support community-based enterprises and promote the long-term sustainability of PSFI's efforts.



Capability Training on Environmental Conservation and Protection in Cagayan de Oro

The training program saw the enthusiastic participation of 39 individuals, including representatives from the Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) Coastal Community Auxiliary Division (CCAD), the DSWD Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), the Macajalar Wharf Porters' Association (MWPA), the City Inter-agency Committee (CIAC), DSWD City Links, and CDO CLENRO. Participants unanimously agreed to form a community-based environmental conservation advocacy group, with most members hailing from DSWD-4Ps. This group has been named the Macabalan 4Ps Eco-Warriors Association.

After the activity, participants expressed a keen interest in becoming community educators, though they requested additional training and awareness to ensure they are adequately equipped with knowledge on topics of environmental conservation and protection. These types of feedback become instrumental in shaping future PSFI programs and training sessions.



Environmental Conservation and Protection awareness session at St. John Elementary School in Cagayan de Oro

As part of ongoing outreach activities, PSFI also conducted an awareness session at St. John Elementary School, focusing on Environmental Conservation and Protection, particularly regarding Marine Litter and Plastic Waste Management. This session was strategically aligned with the school's National Science Club Month Celebration, providing pupils with a profound understanding of the effects of plastic waste on the environment and marine biodiversity.

The session was facilitated in collaboration with the school's leadership, spearheaded by the new school principal, Elena Pacamo, and CLENRO. The event was well-attended, with a total of 124 pupils (from grades 4 to 6), 17 teachers, and 2 representatives from CLENRO. This collaborative effort underscores PSFI's commitment to continue raising environmental awareness and promoting sustainable practices within communities.



PROTECTING PALAWAN

TURISMO AT NEGOSYO DULOT NG INGAT KALIKASAN (TANDIKAN)

Launched in 2015 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan, the TANDIKAN program has been instrumental in combating environmental degradation while fostering employment opportunities. This community-driven initiative is dedicated to promoting sustainable tourism and preserving Palawan’s rich biodiversity, especially its UNESCO World Heritage sites. The program has facilitated livelihood and income avenues, assisting the existing nine CBST groups and training 211 individuals in financial management this year. Additionally, it established three nurseries and engaged 5,438 individuals in environmental activities, indicating a notable increase in community capacity and project sustainability.

A Mid-Year Evaluation and Planning Workshop was held for the CBST sites of Northwest Cluster to enhance organizational resiliency and marketability amidst global disruptions. The workshop involved thirty members from six CBST associations and aimed to devise a short-term strategic plan.

Juanita Combinido at the CBST Northwest Cluster Mid-Year Evaluation and Planning Workshop held February 21–22, 2023

The Nagkakaisang Samahan ng Isla Felomina Snorkeling and Dive Site is among the CBST groups in Puerto Princesa. As association president, Juanita Combinido, has been a driving force behind the resilience and restoration of their tourism site. Since joining TANDIKAN in 2016, Juanita has actively participated in capacity-building, environmental education, and alternative livelihood initiatives. Her leadership, marked by improvements implemented since assuming the presidency in 2018, proved pivotal during the pandemic and Typhoon Odette’s aftermath, ensuring the association’s stability.

Dedicated to enhancing Isla Felomina’s management, Juanita’s commitment extends to environmental stewardship, evidenced by her involvement in community clean-ups, tree planting, and marine sanctuary protection efforts. Her presidency exemplifies a profound impact on environmental awareness and community empowerment through CBST.

Looking ahead, PSFI and the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park (PPSRNP) remain committed to supporting Juanita’s group and other communities in their ongoing progress. Valuable insights gathered underscore the importance of ongoing skills development, vigilant program monitoring, and unwavering community backing. Notably, TANDIKAN received several accolades in 2023. The program’s significant impact was acknowledged when it was nominated in the prestigious League of Corporate Foundations’ (LCF) Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Guild Awards for the Environment Category. This recognition was further reinforced by the Puerto Princesa’s Tourism Office and Youth Development Office, who commended TANDIKAN’s influence in three city events.



TUBBATAHA PROGRAM

The enduring partnership between the Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park Management Office (TMO) and PSFI continues to thrive through the “Sustaining Conservation Gains Through Public-Private Partnership” project. Building upon a decade-long collaboration, this initiative remains dedicated to preserving the integrity of the natural ecosystem.

Significant progress has been achieved in three key areas: enforcement, research, and Communication, Education, and Public Awareness (CEPA). Through PSFI’s persistent efforts, enforcement measures have been strengthened with increased patrols and the acquisition of new equipment to deter illegal activities, safeguarding the park’s exceptional universal value. Furthermore, successful prosecutions of illegal fishers have set crucial precedents and bolstered park protection efforts.



The Tubbataha Marine Park Rangers, led by the TMO and supported by PSFI through the provision of essential materials like new engines, conduct patrols to safeguard the marine park. This collaboration, known as Intensifying Enforcement to Support Conservation, commenced in 2011 to combat illegal activities. Over a decade later, the program has expanded its reach and gained support from various government agencies, including the Philippine Navy, Philippine Coast Guard, and LGU of Cagayancillo.

Four core rangers rotate service in Tubbataha on a 60-day cycle. Segundo Conales, Noel Bundal, Cresencio Caranay, and Jeffrey David are heroes who have dedicated years to protecting Tubbataha. Despite facing challenges like typhoons, injuries, and engine failures, they persist in their mission, even if it entails spending months at sea away from loved ones. Recognizing their invaluable contribution, the International Union for Conservation of Nature-World Commission on Protected Areas (IUCN-WCPA) honored them with the prestigious 2023 International Ranger Award.



Furthermore, research efforts have deepened understanding of the Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park (TRNP) ecosystem, aided by new dive equipment and software for data collection. These findings not only benefit TRNP conservation but also contribute to global marine ecosystem knowledge, enriching conservation efforts worldwide.

Under CEPA, PSFI has also increased awareness through school campaigns, social media, events, and exhibits, reaching thousands of individuals and fostering an understanding of Tubbataha and marine conservation. These educational initiatives have cultivated environmental responsibility among students and the public. Additionally, collaborations with various institutions and agencies have leveraged resources and expertise for optimal conservation efforts.

The Tubbataha Program’s holistic approach, integrating enforcement, research, and CEPA, has proven successful, pointing towards a sustainable impact over time. PSFI’s commitment to resource investment, such as equipment, technology, and legal expertise, has optimized project effectiveness. Moreover, the robust partnerships with academic institutions, government agencies, and private entities have amplified the project’s reach and impact, securing its long-term sustainability.

Key lessons from this project include the effectiveness of a holistic approach combining enforcement, research, and CEPA; the importance of targeted resource investment to support project goals; and the crucial role of strong partnerships in amplifying impact and ensuring sustainability.

The project has received a Certificate of Appreciation from Surigao State University, Mainit Campus, underscoring its significant contributions to environmental conservation.



On January 6, 2023, PSFI delivered relief packs and bed matting to families affected by flooding in Palawan.

DISASTER RESPONSE

Given the frequent occurrence of natural disasters such as typhoons and earthquakes, the Philippines requires robust disaster response strategies to effectively mitigate their impact. PSFI is committed to playing an active role in these interventions, not only to improve lives post-disaster but also to enhance community safety and resilience, fostering hope amidst adversity.

Leading these efforts is Shell's Project Shelter, an ongoing initiative dedicated to aiding the most affected communities. Furthermore, the Disaster Response Network (DRN) program provides continuous assistance to those affected by typhoons and other calamities throughout the year. Shell Mobility and Association of Philippine Shell Dealers, Inc. (APSDI) provided crucial support in some efforts such as during Typhoon Egay and the Cebu fire incident. By collaborating and forming strategic partnerships across all sectors of society, the DRN program can promptly respond to and address the needs of those impacted by disasters, whether natural or man-made.

2023 At a Glance



Relief efforts delivered on November 30–December 1, 2023, during the flooding in Eastern Samar



8,205 families or 32,825 individuals supported in various relief operations



PSFI support during an oil spill in Calapan, Mindoro

OIL SPILL RESPONSE

On March 24, 2023, PSFI initiated a response to deal with an oil spill in Mindoro. The response focused on providing aid to Naujan and Calapan City, with the main objective being to contain the spread of black fuel to the coastal communities in Mindoro by providing materials for an improvised oil spill boom and relief goods. The response was successful and offered support to at least 200 fisherfolk in Barangays Lazareto, Maidlang, and Silonay.

FLOOD AND TYPHOON RESPONSE

The Philippines faces recurrent challenges from devastating floods and extreme weather events. In Brooke's Point, Palawan, a significant flooding event occurred on January 6, 2023. The Foundation responded by providing relief packs and bed mats to 100 affected families.

Typhoon Egay hit Northern Luzon in July, causing substantial agricultural damage. It affected a total of 44,356 families, or 180,439 individuals, across 8 regions, 21 provinces, 65 municipalities, and 261 barangays. In partnership with local dealers and their staff, the Foundation extended aid to at least 3,000 affected families in Bulacan, La Union, Cagayan, Ilocos, and Tarlac.

Later in the year, PSFI responded to severe flooding in Eastern Samar. The province declared a state of calamity following incessant rains caused by a low-pressure area, which hit the municipality of Jipapad the hardest. Collaborative efforts involving Shell, Metrobank, and Radio Mindanao Network facilitated assistance to Jipapad and Arteche, benefiting 1,500 families, or 6,000 individuals, affected by the flooding.

BATAAN RELIEF SUPPORT

On April 1, 2023, as part of PSFI's ongoing commitment to community support and collaboration, the DRN program extended its assistance to an Indigenous People (IP) community in Abucay, Bataan, adopted by our DRN network partner, Bataan Peninsula State University (BPSU). The goals were to broaden outreach and foster partnerships with various organizations. Contributions to the effort included providing Disaster Risk Reduction and Response (DRRR) training, food packs, and mosquito nets, benefiting 100 IP families in the area.



Mayon Volcano pre-emptive evacuation relief operations

ALBAY RELIEF OPERATIONS

In response to the heightened activity of Mayon Volcano on June 26, 2023, a pre-emptive evacuation was initiated for residents within the 6-kilometer radius danger zone. Under the Shell Disaster Response program, PSFI provided immediate relief to approximately 3,000 families in the localities of Camalig, Guinobatan, Daraga, and Malilipot.



Fire relief operations in Brgy. Mandaragat, Puerto Princesa City

FIRE RELIEF OPERATIONS

On February 2, 2023, a fire in Barangay Mandaragat, Puerto Princesa City, destroyed 39 houses and partially damaged 4 others. The PSFI team quickly responded by providing aid to the 100 families affected by this event.

Donations for the fire victims in Cagayan de Oro were distributed on October 10 and 19, 2023. Relief packs were delivered to 33 affected families in Barangay Puntod and 39 families in Barangay Macabalan, respectively.

On December 12, 2023, a massive fire engulfed a densely populated neighborhood in Barangay Pusok, Lapu-Lapu City, Cebu. The fire rapidly spread to neighboring Sitio Seaside, destroying approximately 600 houses. The fire affected an estimated 1,575 families. Temporary shelter at Pusok Elementary School was provided with the help of the local government. Mr. Jonathan Uy and Mrs. Raycia Eullaran of ASPDI Cebu led other dealers, RTMs, and staff in the distribution of 500 relief and food packs to the affected community.



Book donation at North City Central School, Cagayan de Oro



COMMUNITY RELATIONS

As an organization deeply invested in fostering thriving relationships with local communities, PSFI continues to demonstrate its commitment to promoting respect, growth, and development. It has consistently engaged with local governments and communities, extending its impact within and beyond its areas of operation. With a dedicated focus on understanding and addressing the unique needs of each location, PSFI forged new strategic partnerships in 2023. This approach underscores the Foundation's unwavering dedication to community welfare, marking it as a leader in stakeholder relations.

EDUCATION

Brigada Eskwela, an annual initiative led by the Department of Education, is a volunteer-driven activity aimed at preparing schools for the upcoming academic year. In this initiative, community members, parents, students, NGOs, LGUs, and other organizations collaborate to enhance the facilities of public schools and ensure that students have a conducive learning environment to look forward to. In 2023, several groups from Batangas, Cagayan de Oro, Calapan, Iloilo, La Union, and Palawan participated in this nationwide activity as part of PSFI's efforts to address the needs of Filipino students.

Shell ACTS (A Community That Serves) and PSFI in Batangas mobilized 69 Shell volunteers to engage in activities such as cleaning, gardening, and painting classrooms. Their efforts, particularly the donation of cleaning materials and tools, were met with gratitude by school administrators and teachers.

Partnering with PSFI, Ronald McDonald's House of Charities donated storybooks for preschoolers and teachers in the fence-line communities of Cagayan de Oro. Principal Encabo of North City Central School expressed her appreciation for the books, believing they will significantly aid in developing young minds. Approximately 1,000 preschoolers will benefit from these colorful and engaging storybooks. Other contributions include classroom painting at St. John Elementary School and the provision of ecobricks for Macabalan National High School.

The Arturo Arce Ignacio Integrated School in Calapan also benefited from Brigada Eskwela initiatives, receiving a donation of paint supplies to refresh its school facilities for the upcoming school year. Further support was provided to the Gov. Arturo Arce Ignacio Sr. Foundation Inc. through the donation of reading books for kindergarten to Grade 6 students, benefiting 15 schools in the city.

In Iloilo, the SPC-Lapus Terminal and PSFI joined forces to contribute to the Brigada Eskwela at BO Obrero Elementary School. The team, led by Terminal Operations Supervisor Darby Angeles and Facility Manager Jeffrey Devilles, supplied tools, materials, and labor for the repair and installation of water lines and electricity.

In the Brigada Eskwela initiative in La Union, a significant contribution was made to San Fernando South Central Integrated School through a donation of 128 reference and fictional books. Such endeavors underscore a steadfast commitment to bolstering community bonds and investing in education.



SPC-Lapus Terminal and PSFI team up to repair facilities at BO Obrero Elementary School in Iloilo City during Brigada Eskwela.



August 5, 2023, coastal cleanup in Bacolod City

ENVIRONMENT

Throughout 2023, PSFI continued its environmental initiatives across multiple locations, maintaining an unwavering commitment to environmental preservation and protection. The Foundation's efforts in Bacolod, Calapan City, Iloilo City, La Union, and Palawan serve as a testament to its dedication.

Two coastal cleanups were conducted in Bacolod through the efforts of Shell Pilipinas Corporation-Bacolod Terminal, Barangay 1, and the local Department of Public Service-Environment and Natural Resources. These cleanups resulted in a total collection of over 11 metric tons of plastic waste. Other partners involved in these initiatives were Pepsi, Breadbites, the Philippine Coast Guard, the Philippine National Police, McDonald's, and Merzci.

In Calapan City, PSFI provided vital support to three communities affected by an oil spill incident. Barangays Lazareto, Silonay, and Navotas received materials and equipment for making improvised oil spill booms. These floating barriers help to contain the spills and protect the coastal areas of the affected communities.

94 volunteers gathered in Iloilo City at Barangay Mansaya-Lapuz for International Coastal Cleanup Day. The event resulted in the collection of 880 kilograms of various types of plastic waste. Partners for this event included Barangay Mansaya-Lapuz, DENR, the Philippine Coast Guard, and the City Government of Iloilo, along with SPC-Lapus Terminal.

A coastal cleanup was organized in La Union in cooperation with the Philippine Coast Guard, inviting industry partners such as Shell Pilipinas Corporation, Chevron, Petron, and Poro Point Industrial Corporation (PPIC) to the event. The cleanup resulted in the collection of 181 kilograms of non-biodegradable waste.



Mangrove planting in Brgy. WaWa, Calapan City

In Palawan, PSFI's goal was to restore balance to the marine ecosystem through various community programs. These included coastal clean-ups, mangrove restoration efforts, and environmental education in communities such as Barangay Bagong Silang. These activities engaged 184 individuals and were supported by partners including Shell Pilipinas Corporation (SPC), City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO), Alpha Phi Omega-Theta Gamma Chapter, and Brgy. Bagong Silang as the host community.

Overall, these efforts demonstrate PSFI's commitment to environmental sustainability and community engagement as it continues to work towards a cleaner, greener future.



2023 Medical and Dental Missions in Batangas (Brgys. Libjo, Ambulong, Tabangao, San Isidro and Malitam)

HEALTH AND SAFETY

In 2023, PSFI executed numerous successful health projects, including a medical and dental mission in Batangas and a blood donation event in Cagayan de Oro City. Collaborations with volunteers and partners facilitated the delivery of essential medical services to these communities.

The medical and dental mission in Batangas served an impressive 1,800 patients, thanks to the dedicated assistance of nearly 300 volunteers. The beneficiaries received comprehensive medical and dental check-ups, fasting blood sugar (FBS) laboratory services, and free medication. Generous contributions from PSFI's event partners, including medicines, medical equipment, and tools, and their time, were pivotal to its success. The mission was effectively coordinated and announced to the local community, surpassing the patient turnout of previous years.

A blood-letting activity in Barangay Macabalan, Cagayan de Oro City, was held with the support of the Barangay Local Government Unit of Macabalan, the Red Cross, the Women's Association of Macabalan, the Department of Trade and Industry, and the City Government of Cagayan de Oro. PSFI CDO team and SPC NMIF Terminal Manager Rommel Guevarra, played a significant role in collaborating with partners and communities during the Araw ng Macabalan celebration. A substantial number of community members participated in the blood donation, and in appreciation of their contribution, PSFI distributed 100 food packs to the donors. This event reinforced the Foundation's commitment to health and community engagement.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

PSFI aims to maintain its contributions towards community development and sustainability across various regions, including Palawan, Cagayan de Oro, Calapan, and Iloilo.

In Palawan, the Barangay Council was actively involved in coordinating a range of community programs. These initiatives included BiyaHero, RESCUE, LiveWire, coastal cleanup, and mangrove planting. The council's insights, especially on how to better support women, out-of-school youth, and environmental programs, were instrumental in the success of these ventures.

Another notable community initiative was sponsoring and contributing to the Stella Maris-Apostleship of the Sea poster-making contest in Cagayan de Oro. As part of the Maritime Week celebration, this contest was a joint venture involving CDO Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, PSFI, and the Philippine Liner Shipping Association (PLSA). The event attracted a diverse range of participants, including maritime school students, seafarers' children, maritime industry employees, and porters. The participants were provided with art materials and food packs. The event also welcomed 21 students from maritime schools and an additional 21 guests from partners such as PPA, MARINA, Stella Maris, and others.

In Calapan, support was provided to the Black Nazarene Chapel through the donation of paint materials. This initiative contributed to creating a safe environment for the community during mass gatherings.

In Barangay Mansaya Lapuz, Iloilo, PSFI aided in the creation of a community garden. This involved facilitating the procurement of essential items such as garden tools, bamboo, soil, and other materials to build and enhance the community garden. Barangay Captain Enrico Hortillosa expressed appreciation for the assistance on behalf of the barangay.



A COMMUNITY THAT SERVES (ACTS)



A Community That Serves (ACTS) is a volunteer initiative at Shell companies in the Philippines (SciP) that aligns with the company's global theme of social investment. Shell ACTS offers a platform to connect staff and contractors to volunteer opportunities in community programs and activities. This initiative has seen over 1,200 instances of service from staff, reflecting the employees' commitment to community outreach.

Several programs have been introduced through a collaboration with PSFI and were warmly welcomed by SciP personnel. Despite challenges such as travel and distance, employees remained committed to volunteering and serving more. Many have expressed joy in their service, seeing it as a way to give back, learn, and experience new things.

In 2023, several outreach and social investment initiatives were successfully completed, showcasing notable achievements. Areas of service included: Shell NXplorers: The Bright Ideas Challenge, Shell LiveWIRE, six medical missions in Batangas, Brigada Eskwela, tree and mangrove planting, coastal cleanups, book reading, art activities and games with street children.

On reflecting upon the year's accomplishments, Shell ACTS takes great pride in the commitment and dedication of its volunteers. Their selfless service has not only had a profound impact on the communities that they served, but it has also strengthened the unity and collaboration within the organization itself.



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



AWARDS

Bronze Stevie® Award for Innovation in Community Relations or Public Service Communications
40 Stories in 40 Years: How Pilipinas Shell Foundation Touched the Lives of 12 Million Filipinos
 2023 Asia-Pacific Stevie® Awards

Outstanding CSR Project in Enterprise Development
(Palawan Eco-Agro Park El Nido Food Terminal Project)
Nominee for Health Category
(Roots to Shoots)
Nominee for Education Category
(Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal)
Nominee for Environment Category
(Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN)
 2023 League of Corporate Foundations (LCF) Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Guild Awards

Gold *(Global Fund HIV Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment and Sustainability)*
 2023 DOH Healthy Pilipinas Awards

Madaydayaw Awards
(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Center for Health Development - Ilocos

Most Valuable Partners in EBT Programs-Batangas
(Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal)
 TESDA Regional Industry Forum

Most Valuable Partners in TVET Programs-Batangas
(Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal)
 TESDA Regional Training Center

Nakakaunlad Award for SARBO
(Shell LiveWIRE Acceleration Program)
 PhilStar NakakaLocal Awards

Nominee for Best Recruitment Innovation for Young Talent
(Sanayan sa Kakayahang Industriyal)
 TalentView People Insight Awards

RECOGNITIONS

Certificate of Recognition for Best Project Implementor
(Future Filipino Farmer Project)
 First DA Bicol Civil Society Organization Summit

Certificate of Recognition for the Exemplary and Commendable Efforts in Continuous Provision of Effective Technical Assistance Leading to the Declaration of CALABARZON as a Malaria Free Region
(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Center for Health Development - CALABARZON

Plaque of Recognition as one of the Major Stakeholders for 2022 *(BiyaHero and Brigada Eskwela)*
 Regional Stakeholder's Summit, Department of Education - CALABARZON

Plaque of Recognition for the Invaluable Partnership of our National Malaria Control and Elimination Program
(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Province of Sultan Kudarat-Provincial Health Office

Recognition *(Global Fund HIV Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment and Sustainability and Movement Against Malaria)*
 Center for Health Development-Western Visayas



Recognition (Global Fund HIV Philippine Response to Optimize Testing, Empowered Communities, Treatment and Sustainability)

Advocates and Health Adolescents and Save the Children
 AFP Health Service Command
 Australian Aid
 Barangay Kabatangan
 BJMP Regional Office VI
 BJMP Region X
 Bureau of Corrections Davao Prison and Penal Farm
 Center for Health Development-MIMAROPA
 Center for Health Development Northern Mindanao
 Center for Health Development of Central Visayas
 City Health Office of Gen. Santos City
 City Health Office of Tagum City, Davao del Norte
 City Health Services Department of Laguna
 Cordillera Center for Health Development
 Iloilo Provincial Government
 Iloilo Provincial Health Office
 Manila Doctors Hospital, Tondo Medical Center, and the
 Philippine Society of Venereology
 Municipal Health Office of Taytay
 Municipality of Monkayo, Davao de Oro
 Navotas City Health Department
 Olongapo City Health Office
 Peace Corps Philippines
 Provincial Health Office of Tarlac
 Rotaract of Zamboanga City
 TESDA Calabarzon
 Western Visayas Center for Health Development
 Zamboanga City Health Office

Recognition as Partner (Shell LiveWIRE Acceleration)

United Nations Global Compact Network Philippines
 (UN GCNP) Digital Marketing Workshop Series

Recognition as a Partner during the 2023 Philippine Startup Week (Shell LiveWIRE Acceleration)

Department of Science and Technology (DOST),
 Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and
 Department of Information and Communications
 Technology (DICT)

Certificate of Recognition

(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Municipality of Brooke's Point-Municipal Health Office

Certificate of Recognition for Brigada Eskwela (Community Activity Support)

San Fernando South Central Integrated School, La Union

APPRECIATION

Certificate of Appreciation

(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Center for Health Development-SOCKSARGEN

Certificate of Appreciation

(Research and Development for Agriculture)
 Department of Agriculture Provincial Office of Rizal

Certificate of Appreciation

(Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN)
 City Tourism Office of Puerto Princesa, during the
 1st Mr. and Ms. Canigaran Tourism Puerto Princesa City

Certificate of Appreciation

(Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN)
 City Tourism Office of Puerto Princesa, during the
 celebration of SUBARAW Festival

Certificate of Appreciation

(Turismo At Negosyo Dulot ng Ingat KALikasaN)
 City Youth Development Office of Puerto Princesa, during
 the 2nd Puerto Princesa City Young Leader's Assembly

Certificate of Appreciation (Tubbataha Program)

Surigao State University, Mainit Campus

Certificate of Appreciation for Brigada Eskwela Participation (Community Activity Support)

Ambulong Elementary School, Batangas City
 BO Obrero Elementary School, Iloilo City
 DEPED, Region VIII, Nulatula Elementary School, Tacloban City
 Libjo Elementary School, Batangas
 Libjo National High School, Batangas City
 Malitam Elementary School, Batangas City
 Malitam National High School, Batangas City
 San Isidro Elementary School, Batangas City
 Silangan Ibabao Batis Bulihan Araneta Proper Learning
 Center, Batangas City
 Tabangao Elementary School, Batangas City
 Tabangao Integrated School, Batangas City

Certificate of Appreciation for International Coastal Clean-Up Participation (Community Activity Support)

MENRO Pasacao

Plaque of Appreciation

(Global Fund Movement Against Malaria)
 Province of Occidental Mindoro-Provincial Health Office

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BiyaHero turns over road safety signages during the La Union Social Programs Year-End Ceremony.

Book donation at the San Fernando South Central Integrated School in La Union

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The Global Fund to fight AIDS,
Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM)
Bloomberg Cultural Foundation, Inc.
(BCFI)
BPI Foundation (BPIF)
Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI)
Takeda Pharmaceutical Company

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Batangas Press Club (BPC)
GMA Network
Information Office - Batangas City
Manila Broadcasting Company (MBC)
Palawan News
Philippine Star
Radio Mindanao Network

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Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
Anibong, Tacloban City
Barangay 1, Bacolod City
Bagong Silang, Puerto Princesa City
Caranan, Pasacao, Camarines Sur
Cogon, Tagbilaran City
Lazareto, Calapan City, Mindoro
Oriental
Libjo, Batangas City
Macabalan, Cagayan De Oro City
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Puntod, Cagayan De Oro City
San Agustin, San Fernando City,
La Union
San Isidro, Batangas City
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Camarines Sur
Tabangao Ambulong, Batangas City
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Shell Pilipinas Corporation (SPC)
Trading and Supply (Shell
Terminals and Import Facility):
Anibong Terminal
Bacolod JO Terminal
Calapan JO Terminal
Lapus JO Terminal
North Mindanao Import Facility
Pasacao Terminal
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Puerto Princesa Terminal
Shell Import Facility Tabangao
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Shell Business Operations
Shell Health

NUTRITION AND FOOD SECURITY

Angat Buhay Foundation
Ayala Foundation Inc. (AFI)
Central Bicol State University of
Agriculture
Clark Development Corporation
(CDC)
Department of Agrarian Reform -
Provincial Office of Camarines Sur
Department of Agriculture (RFO V)
Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
Bamban, Tarlac
Bombon, Camarines Sur
Bula, Camarines Sur
El Nido, Palawan
Jala, Rizal
Libmanan, Camarines Sur
Mabalacat City, Pampanga
Ocampo, Camarines Sur
Pamplona, Camarines Sur
Pasacao, Camarines Sur
Pili, Camarines Sur
Pililla, Rizal
Sagnay, Camarines Sur
San Fernando, Camarines Sur
Tinambac, Camarines Sur
Municipal Agriculture Office (MAO)
of El Nido
Philippine Coconut Authority -
Region V
Provincial Government of Palawan
Southeast Asian Regional Center
for Graduate Study and Research
in Agriculture (SEARCA)

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Action for Health Initiatives, Inc.
(ACHIEVE)
AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF)
Amos Tara Community Center
Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)
Association of Municipal Health Officers
(AMHOP) - Palawan Chapter
Bagani Community Center
Balay Kaalwan
Balay Marvi by LoveYourself -
Baguio City
Bureau of Fire Protection:
Batangas City
San Fernando City, La Union
Calapan City
Iloilo City
Puerto Princesa City
Pasacao Fire Station
Cebu United Rainbow LGBT Sector,
Inc. (CURLS)
City Engineering Office of San
Fernando City, La Union
City Traffic and Management Office
of Puerto Princesa City
Committee on Children and HIV/AIDS
(ComCHA)
Community and Family Services
International (CFSI)

Council for the Welfare of Children
(CWC)
Courage Care Incorporated
Department of Health:
Central Office
Disease Prevention and Control
Bureau
National AIDS and STI Prevention
and Control Program
Bureau of International Health
Cooperation
Epidemiology Bureau
Center for Health Development -
Regions CAR, NCR, III, IVA,
MIMAROPA, VI, VII, IX, X and XII
Knowledge Management and
Information Technology Service
Research Institute for Tropical
Medicine
Department of Public Works and
Highways - La Union
Disaster Risk Reduction Management
Offices of:
Batangas City
San Fernando City, La Union
Calapan City
Puerto Princesa City
Family Planning Organization of the
Philippines:
Baguio City Chapter
Davao City
NCR
SOCCSARGEN
HERO by LoveYourself
Joint United Nations Programme on
HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)
Kagay-An Plus
Kamini Community Center
Kanlahi Community Center
KAPWERSA sa Malaria Inc.
Knowtell Health and Wellness Lounge
Lakan Community Center - Angeles City
Lakan Community Center - Mabalacat
Land Transportation Office -
Pamplona District Office
Land Transportation Office of San
Fernando City, La Union
LGBT Davao Coalition
Local Disaster Risk Reduction
Management Office - Pasacao
Love Yourself, Inc.
LoveYourself Inc. (TLY) - Anglo
LoveYourself Inc. (TLY) - Victoria
LoveYourself Inc. (TLY) - Welcome
Ministry of Health - BARMM
Mujer Community Center
National Youth Commission (NYC)
Office for Public Safety - San
Fernando City, La Union
Olympus Society of Davao
Palawan Motorcycle Organization (PMO)
Philippine Catholic HIV and AIDS
Network (PhilChan) - Cebu City
Philippine Coast Guard - Southern
Tagalog

Philippine Medical Association
Philippine National AIDS Council (PNAC)
Philippine National Police - Puerto
Princesa City
Pink Mansion
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Spreading Hope)
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Sultan Kudarat and Mindoro
Occidental
Rajah Community Center
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Medicine (RITM)
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School
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Association (DIOSSA) - Paranaque
The Library Foundation
Traffic Development Regulatory
Office of Batangas City
United Nations International
Children's Emergency Fund
(UNICEF)
United Nations Office on Drugs and
Crime (UNODC)
United States Agency for
International Development (USAID)
- Family Health International 360
Meeting Targets and Maintaining
Epidemic Control (FHI360 EpiC)
Usbong ng Bulakenyo, Inc.
Various Local Government Units
(LGUs) of:
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National Capital Region
Region III
Region IV-A
Region IV-B
Region VI
Region VII
Region IX
Region X
Region XII
Region XI
Wagayway Equality inc.
White House Community Center
World Health Organization (WHO)
Youth Center for AIDS Prevention -
San Fernando City

EDUCATION

Association of Pilipinas Shell Dealers
Inc. (APSDI)
Ateneo de Cagayan
Batangas State University High School
Cebu Technical Colleges
Colegio ng Lungsod ng Batangas
Crossroads Technical Institute
Crossroads Technical Institute
Don Bosco-One TVET Philippines, Inc.

Don Bosco Makati, Tondo, Legazpi
Libjo National High School
Macabalan National High School
Muntinlupa City Technical Institute
Office of the Country Chair
Palawan National High School
Philippine Psychological Corporation
(PhilPsyCor)
Philippine S&T Development
Foundation Manila (PhilDev)
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Ramon Magsaysay High School Cubao
Sacred Heart Cebu Ateneo de Cebu
Schools Division Office - Batangas
Shell Global STEM Team
St. Mutien College
Tagbilaran City Science High School
The Manila Golf and Country Club
Foundation, Inc. (MGCCFI)
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University of the Philippines High
School in the Visayas Iloilo
Vinyard International Polytechnic
College
Xavier University High School

ENERGY

Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
Barangay Decabaitot, Linapacan
Barangay Maytegued, Taytay
El Nido, Palawan
Linapacan, Palawan
San Vicente, Palawan
Sitio Albaguen, Barangay Port
Barton, San Vicente
Sitio Binaluan, Barangay Baras,
Taytay
Sitio Binaluan, Barangay
Liminangcong, Taytay
Sitio Casuyan, Barangay
Poblacion, San Vicente
Sitio Ligad, Barangay Tenegiban,
El Nido
Taytay, Palawan
Municipal Cooperative Office of
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LIVELIHOOD

Batangas Federation of Multipurpose
Cooperative (BAFEMPCO)
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Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic
Resources - Pasacao
City Public Employment Service
Office - Iloilo City
City Social Welfare and Development
Office - San Fernando City,
La Union
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Enhancement Inc.

Cooperatives and Livelihood
Development Office of Tanauan City
Cooperative Union of Batangas City
CPM Construction & General
Services Inc.
Department of Education - Libjo
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Employment - Provincial and
Regional Office:
Batangas City
Calapan City
Puerto Princesa City
Department of Science and Technology:
Batangas City
Philippine Council for Industry,
Energy and Emerging
Technology Research and
Development
Puerto Princesa City
Technology Application and
Promotion Institute
Department of Social Welfare and
Development - Pasacao
Department of Trade and Industry:
Batangas City
La Union
Negosyo Center Pasacao
Negros Occidental
Puerto Princesa City
Tacloban
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Global Compact Network Philippines
I&E Industrial Systems Inc.
IdeaSpace Foundation Inc.
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Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
Iloilo City
Pasacao
Local Youth Development Office -
San Fernando City, La Union
Municipal Agriculture Office of Pasacao
Office of the City Veterinarian and
Agricultural Service - Batangas
Philippine Call Center Institute
Philippine Coconut Authority Public
Employment Service Office -
Pasacao
Public Employment Service Office:
Batangas City
Calapan City
San Fernando City, La Union
RPD Construction
Saint John Bosco College of Northern
Luzon, Inc.
Tacloban Institute of Electronics
Tagbilaran City Livelihood and
Community Development Unit
Technical Education And Skills
Development Authority -
Batangas City
Technical Education and Skills
Development Authority - National
and Regional Training Centers
Technical Institute of Iloilo City

ENVIRONMENT

Batak Visitor Center
 Bonbon National High School
 City and Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Offices of:
 Calapan City
 Coastal Resource Management Division - Cagayan de Oro
 Forestry Division - Cagayan de Oro
 El Nido
 Puerto Princesa
 Solid Waste Management Division - Cagayan de Oro
 Taytay
 City Inter-Agency Council for Disaster Preparedness and Climate Action - Cagayan de Oro
 City and Municipal Tourism Offices of:
 El Nido
 Puerto Princesa
 Taytay, Palawan
 Department of Environment and Natural Resources Office - Palawan
 Department of Social Welfare and Development - Pantawid
 Pamilyang Pilipino Program - Cagayan de Oro
 Dewil Eco-Mangrove Association (DEMA)
 Dewil Valley Eco-Adventure Association (DEVEAA)
 DIGICHIVE Philippines, Corp.
 Don Ramon Rocas Elementary School Faculty
 Environmental Management Bureau - Cagayan De Oro
 Forest Foundation Philippines (FFP)
 Friends of Tubbataha, Inc.
 Hundred Caves, Barangay Tagabinet
 Isla Felomina Snorkeling and Diving Site Association
 Kapisanan Alyansang Waging Isda ng Lazareto (KAWIL)
 Lake Manguao Community and Indigenous People Agriculture Cooperative (LMCIPAC)

Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
 Barangay Gusa, Cagayan de Oro
 El Nido
 Ilo-ilo City
 Puerto Princesa
 Taytay, Palawan
 Macabalan National High School
 Magayen It Buenavista Consumer Cooperative
 Palawan State University, College of Sciences
 Philippine Coast Guard - Cagayan De Oro
 Philippine National Police
 Puerto Princesa International Airport
 Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park (PPSRNP)
 Sabang Mangrove Paddle Boat Tour Guide Association
 Saguda Palawan, Inc.
 Sari Sari Fishers Association, Bonbon, Cagayan De Oro
 Simpokan Ecological Adventure Community Association (SEACA)
 SM Puerto Princesa City
 St. John Elementary School
 Surigao State University, Mainit Campus
 Tagabinet Ugong Rock Multipurpose Cooperative (TURMPC)
 Tubbataha Protected Area Management Board (TPMB)
 Youth Ministry of St. Francis of Assisi
 Zoological Society of London (ZSL Palawan)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Alpha Phi Omega - Palawan State University Main Campus
 Ayaw ni Princesa ng Single-Use Plastic
 Barrio Obrero Elementary School
 Batangas Medical Center
 Batangas Medical Society
 Bureau of Fire Protection

Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources - Pasacao
 City Health Office
 City Local Environment and Natural Resources Office - Puerto Princesa
 City of Bacolod Department of Public Service - Environment and Natural Resources
 Department of Education
 Department of Trade in Industry
 Environmental Management Bureau
 Gov. Arturo Arce Ignacio Sr. Foundation Inc.
 La Union Provincial Board
 Local Government Units (LGUs) of:
 Balayan, Batangas
 Barangay Booy, Tagbilaran City
 San Fernando City, La Union
 Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office - Pasacao
 Nulatula Elementary School
 Philippine Air Force
 Philippine Coast Guard - La Union
 Philippine National Police Maritime Group (PNP - MG)
 Philippine Red Cross (PRC)
 Shalom Medical Diagnostic Laboratory
 South Booy Elementary School
 The Project Happiness

DISASTER RESPONSE

Aboitiz Foundation
 Association of Philippine Shell Dealers, Inc.
 Bataan Peninsula State University
 Benita Catalino Yap Foundation
 Cordillera Career Development College
 Puregold
 Robinsons Supermarket
 Save More Market
 St. Mutien College
 University of Cebu

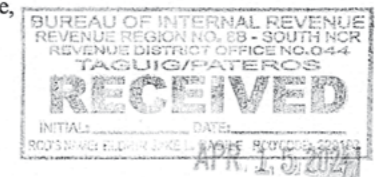
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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation), which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the statements of activities, statements of changes in foundation balances and statements of cash flows for the years then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRSs).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing (PSAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines (Code of Ethics) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the Philippines, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with PFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.



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PSFI donates paint materials to the Black Nazarene Chapel in Calapan.

On October 23, 2023, Visayas Regional Malaria Coordinators led the Pledge of Commitment at the Malaria Partners' Forum in Cebu City.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with PSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with PSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



Report on the Supplementary Information Required Under Revenue Regulations No. 15-2010

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information required under Revenue Regulations No. 15-2010 in Note 19 to the financial statements is presented for purposes of filing with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of the management of Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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