

# Project Completion Report

**Project Title: Kalapnit Student Housing and Livelihood Project**

**Beneficiaries: 23 high school and college students**

**Location: Kalapnit, Aurora, Philippines**

**Project Cost: PHP 418,896 / \$ 7,849.57**

# Project Summary:

The Kalapnit Student Housing and Livelihood Project aimed to address the challenges faced by students from Kalapnit who must travel long distances to attend secondary and tertiary education. The project focused on providing safe and comfortable housing, access to essential resources, and sustainable livelihood opportunities for both the students and their community.



# Key Accomplishments:

## Construction of Dormitory

A new, spacious dormitory was successfully constructed on land generously provided by Pastor Fred. This dormitory serves as a safe haven for students who previously faced challenging commutes or lacked suitable accommodation while pursuing their education. The dormitory's design prioritizes comfort, safety, and functionality.



# Improved Sleeping Arrangements

To maximize the available space and ensure the comfort of the students, the project provided double-deck beds with mattresses for both the new dormitory and the existing housing. This not only improved the quality of sleep for the students but also fostered a sense of camaraderie and community within the living spaces.



# Access to Educational Resources

The installation of four computer sets and solar panels revolutionized the students' access to educational resources. These computers, powered by renewable energy, enable students to conduct research, complete assignments, and participate in online learning activities, bridging the digital divide and enhancing their educational experience.



# Sustainable Livelihood Creation

The establishment of a "bigasan" (rice store) has created a sustainable source of income for the project. The profits generated from the store are used to cover daily expenses such as food, electricity, and internet access for the students, alleviating the financial burden on their families and ensuring their basic needs are met.



# Enhanced Transportation Accessibility

The acquisition of a motorcycle ("kolong-kolong") has significantly improved transportation options for both the students and the wider community. This reliable mode of transport not only reduces travel time and costs for students but also facilitates the transportation of goods to market, boosting economic activity and improving access to essential services for the entire community.



# Challenges and Solutions:

**Limited Space:** The limited living space in Pastor Fred's home was addressed by building a new dormitory and utilizing space-saving solutions like double-deck beds.

**Financial Constraints:** The project's financial needs were met through a combination of fundraising efforts, donations, and community contributions. The bigasan and the motorcycle were also designed to generate income and offset ongoing expenses.

**Logistical Challenges:** The remote location of Kalapnit presented logistical challenges in transporting materials and coordinating construction. These were overcome through careful planning, collaboration with community members, and the generous support of volunteers.



# Overall Impact:

The Kalapnit Student Housing and Livelihood Project has significantly improved the lives of the student beneficiaries and the broader community. By providing housing, resources, and livelihood opportunities, the project has created a supportive environment for education and economic development. The project's impact extends beyond the immediate beneficiaries, as the bigasan and motorcycle serve the entire community.



# Future Recommendations:

- **Maintenance and Upkeep:** Develop a plan for the regular maintenance and upkeep of the dormitory, computer sets, solar panels, and motorcycle to ensure their longevity and continued functionality.
- **Expansion:** Explore the possibility of expanding the dormitory or constructing additional housing units to accommodate future students.
- **Livelihood Diversification:** Consider diversifying the income-generating activities of the bigasan, potentially by offering additional products or services.
- **Community Engagement:** Continue to involve the community in the management and upkeep of the project to foster a sense of ownership and sustainability.

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