

## INTRODUCTION

On its 11<sup>th</sup> year

### NO TURNING BACK FROM A LIFE-CHANGING MISSION

It is said that an annual report is not only a glimpse of a year that is past, but also a springboard of the future. We learn from our accomplishments as well as from our shortcomings. Also, we recognize that “our todays are our children’s tomorrows”. The kind of support we receive, the programs we plan and decisions we make today will affect the type and extent of benefits that our young members could gain in the future.

Year 2017 was more challenging than 2016 insofar as fund-sourcing is concerned. Again, no major fund-raising event or special project was undertaken considering constraints in manpower and other administrative costs. Instead, more intensive direct solicitations and continuing follow-ups of pledges more particularly for educational assistance were pursued. While the overall amount of contributions received, both cash and non-cash, were lower than expected, we did not fail in providing the regular youth for Youth (Y4Y) Program-benefit-package for our target beneficiaries.

With the usual positive outlook and an attitude of gratitude, we continue counting our blessings during the year. For one, we experienced a lasting influence of partnership in JCI Manila that has been supporting, for the past 7 years now, the educational and socio-moral development of 10 to 20 indigent youth, apart from the annual sponsorship of leadership sessions. ACEIPI also found a new partner in Pamana Pinoy Service to Others- a US based civic NGO of Filipinos who strive to help underprivileged families in the Philippines. Initially, Pamana members visited ACEIPI and provided adequate Christmas gift packages to Y4Y families. The group further expressed their willingness to share in our Educational Assistance program.

We are also consoled and inspired by the fact that almost all our past and recent graduates are already employed and all supported reviewees passed their respective board exams. Parent-members and even some graduates willingly volunteer their time and skills during ACEIPI activities. The regular workers continue to be unwavering in helping others and in fulfilling their assigned tasks. As if guided by a Filipino popular colloquial phrase “*push mo yan*”, the entire ACEIPI family continues to step forward, striving to avail of all opportunities that enable young people to improve their lives. It remains committed to the mission. More importantly, it has kept the Faith- in God and in themselves. Indeed.....there is no turning back.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ The Youth for Youth (Y4Y) Program:

Ten (10) monthly Values Reintegration sessions in {Paranaque, Muntinlupa, Batangas, Kalinga and Cagayan de Oro.

### 1. Educational Assistance:

#### ➤ ACCOMPLISHED as targetted:

- Ten (10) monthly Values Reintegration sessions in {Paranaque, Muntinlupa, Batangas, Kalinga and Cagayan de Oro.
- Twenty two (22) Junior High, 26 Senior High, 17 College students from 6 mission areas were continuously were given educational assistance (and school uniform, actual daily fares, allowance for projects, support for tuition and school uniforms as needed
- From among the 2018 college graduates who received school support, 5 were provided with reviewees' fees 3 in Radiology Technology, 1 in Med Tech and 1 in Criminology). Competency Development)
- A total of 30 out of 35 youth member-beneficiaries (Junior, Senior & College students) completed the 12 one-half-day sessions on Youth Empowerment Program primarily aimed at Personality Development and Self-Concept Building Interpersonal Relationship Skills
- 22 Youth completed Leadership Training on Personal Growth and Social Media awareness
- Outreach missions (annual visit and gift giving) catered to 11 Cerebral Palsy children in Alphonso, Cavite; 17 abandoned children in Labac, Taal, Batangas; 60 elderly, indigent and visitorless prisoners in Camp Sampaguita, National Bilibid Prison, Muntinlupa; 125 indigent young kids at Sto. Rosario Nursery in Tala, Kalookan City were provided with raincoats, food items and some school supplies
- Livelihood Project: P 26,860.00 was raised by ACEIPI beneficiaries through the patronage of cleaning aid products they made

