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Fostering a culture of achievement among youth

The Henry Sy Foundation Inc. (HSFI) empowers the youth and fosters a culture of achievement and excellence by giving grants to educational institutions to drive Philippine Social Development. The Foundation's projects are undertaken in partnership with the SM group and its foundations to support

educational institutions in promoting academic excellence among the youth.

Through the years, the HSFI established and supported several academic infrastructures, such as the Henry Sy Sr. Primary School Building in Xavier School, Nuvali Laguna; Henry Sy Sr.

Innovation Center in Miriam College, Quezon City; NU Sports Academy in Calamba, Laguna; NU Nazareth School in Manila; and a Henry Sy Sr. Hall each at Immaculate Conception Academy, San Juan City, Assumption College, and the University of the Philippines-Manila.



The Henry
Sy Sr. Hall of
UCPM aims to
encourage medical
students to foster
collaborative
research.



Education

SM group builds new school buildings in Laguna, Batangas

SM Foundation, Inc. (SMFI), SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (SMPHI), and the Department of Education (DepEd) recently collaborated to construct two new school buildings in Laguna and Batangas.

Upon the completion of the joint initiative, two (2) two-story four-classroom school buildings will be donated to Laguna Resettlement Community School in San Pedro City, Laguna and

San Antonio Elementary School in Sto. Tomas City, Batangas.

Each of the school buildings is set to be equipped with learning materials, armchairs, handwashing facilities, emergency equipment, and PWD-friendly facilities to ensure that students, especially from low-income communities, gain access to modern, safe, and conducive learning facilities.



MOA signing for the two school buildings in Laguna and Batangas.

SM Foundation, through its School Building Program, is an active partner of DepEd in various educational programs. This social good initiative aims to promote quality public education by building classrooms nationwide. To date, it has turned over more than 100 school buildings to grassroots communities.



The collab for social good was spearheaded by Linda Atayde, SMFI Executive Director for Education Programs (third from left).

Various stakeholders from SM group, DepEd, and Batangas and Laguna LGUs joined the MOA signing.





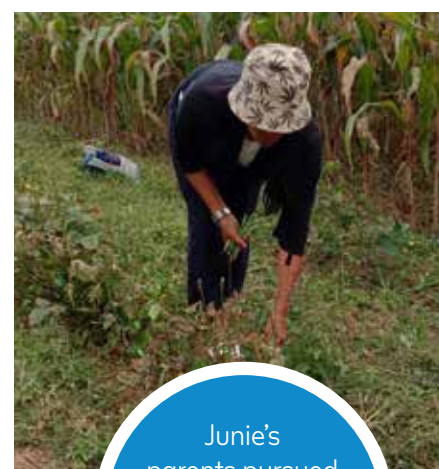
The proud parents attend Junie's graduation

An eager dreamer dares to explore new horizons

SM Foundation welcomed its first batch of scholars three decades ago. Since then, they have welcomed thousands of scholars, giving them the chance to go beyond possibilities—one of them is Junie Anne Mariano.

Believing in the power of education, she took up Secondary Education at a university in Cauayan City, Isabela. But for her, it was just the beginning of a journey that would change the course of her life.

“Hindi lang ako academically na-shape ng SM College Scholarship Program. At the back of my mind, I have set a standard for myself. It made me stronger as I conquered challenges. I made the initiative to study harder and smarter dahil sa panahon ngayon, hindi lang hard work ang kailangan; you need to be intelligent, and you need to be the initiator of the things you want to achieve,” she shared.



Junie's parents pursued farming after losing their jobs as fish vendors.

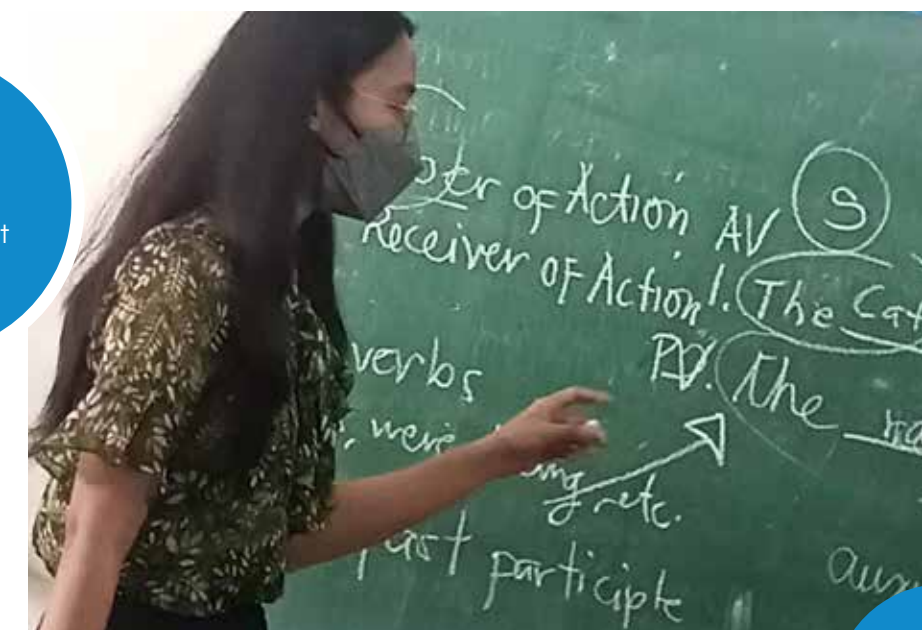
Putting her dreams into action, she took the part-time job opportunities offered to SM scholars at The SM Store in SM City Cauayan. Beyond earning an allowance, the experience exposed her to the realm of business and honed her communication skills. She also shared the money she earned and her monthly allowance from SM Foundation to help support her siblings' education.



“I consider education as a ticket to a better future. If you have an education, you have the chance to land better opportunities. It's like a gateway to various chances—chances that will lead you to achieve your desired life,” she said.

In March 2023, Junie passed the Licensure Examination for Teachers, reaching one of her greatest aspirations. But for her, this only unleashes new horizons

Junie pursues her passion for education right after college.



SM scholar Junie Mariano



to explore, such as pursuing a master's degree to broaden her skillset, become an effective educator, and set an example to fellow dreamers.

“I'm just starting to live the life I've dreamt before,” she said. “Ako ang bubuo ng pangarap para sa pamilya ko. Hindi ako titigil sa kung ano na ang naabot ko ngayon. Gusto kong mag-improve pa para sa ganoon mas marami pa akong ma-achieve. Through these achievements, I can share the blessings that I have with others, most especially my family and students.”

KSK on Sustainable Agriculture





KSK-SAP
Alumna Christina
Pabor joins the SM
Sunday Market at
SM City Calamba.

KSK Farmer: ‘Nasa puso ko ang pagtatanim’

For many, farming is a way of life. They gain a profound sense of purpose when they cultivate the land, plant seeds, and harvest fruits and vegetables that will nourish not just their families but an entire community.

Cristina Lumor-Pabro, a Kabalikat sa Kabuhayan on

Sustainable Agriculture Program (KSK-SAP) farmer, knows just this.

It was In 2019 when she learned about SM Foundation’s KSK-SAP—an opportunity that would soon be her pathway to a fulfilling life. Here, she felt that a career in farming offered her a sense of purpose, community, and fulfillment.



Cristina
and her fellow
farmers with
their harvest.

From a humble backyard planter, she also became an agripreneur equipped with farming and marketing know-how and was empowered to cultivate the small plot of land they owned using her knowledge from the training.

“Mula sa simpleng backyard gardening, nagkaroon ako ng dagdag kaalaman tungkol sa tamang proseso at pamamaraan ng pagtatanim. Dito ko rin mas na-appreciate ang pagpapahalaga sa kalikasan na nagbibigay buhay sa atin kaya’t sinisikap ko po ang pagco-compost upang makagawa ng organic na fertilizer,” she shared.



To ensure
quality of produce,
farmers in the
community inspect
their crops.

KSK-SAP opened more doors for her. It was her pathway to becoming a member of farmers’ associations—groups that later became her family where she shared her farming knowledge. To further support her farming endeavors years after KSK, she also registered with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to become a Barangay Micro Business Enterprise (BMBE).

Aside from allowing her to do what her heart desires, the opportunity paved by KSK-SAP provided her a reliable, additional income. She now actively joins local trade fairs and SM’s farmer’s market initiatives, including the SM Sunday Market. The money she earns from selling fruits and vegetables goes beyond sustaining the needs of her family—she utilizes it to support and improve her farm.



Christina
and her fellow
farmers prepare
to sell their newly
harvest.

Vital lifelines for low-income families

SM Foundation recognizes that medical missions have become an increasingly vital source of support for low-income communities. It has made its mission to travel from Luzon to Mindanao to provide free medical care and services to thousands of patients from various hard-pressed communities, including some in Tuguegarao and Cauayan.

Two of their patients were Roland Bariuan and Angeline Cacanindin.

Two years ago, Roland suddenly felt weak and had to spend money on medical consultations and examinations.

“Nalaman ko na may diabetes po ako. Pero hindi pwedeng pabayaang ko ang sarili ko. Hindi pwedeng maging tamad ako dahil may sakit ako. Kung tamad po ako mamasada, wala kaming pangaraw-araw at gagastushin pambili ng gamot,” he shared.

Through his determination to care for his health, he goes to the city health office for his routine checkups. The same drive to boost his health is also what led him to SM group’s medical mission.

Through the medical mission, he received free consultation, blood tests, x-ray, and medicines—services that would break the bank if he had it done elsewhere.

“Malaking tulong ang libreng check-up sa ang libreng gamot mula sa SM Foundation. Malaking tulong ito dahil kahit papaano, hindi ko muna iisipin ang pang gamot ko,” he said.

Roland Bariuan takes home free medicines after his medical check-up



Making quality healthcare attainable

Roland’s fellow resident from Cagayan Valley, Angeline Cacanindin. Her youngest daughter has been complaining about a toothache, which was already interfering with her nutrition and attendance in school.

At the SMFI medical mission in SM City Cauayan, her daughter’s tooth was extracted. They received free paracetamol, antibiotics, vitamins apt for her child’s age.

“Ang medical mission na ito ay malaking tulong kasi libre po serbisyo pati ang mga gamot. Ngayon po, makakapagsimula muli kaming subaybayan ang kalusugan ng aming anak para maganda po ang kinabukasan niya,” she said.

Angeline Cacanindin (rightmost) assists her daughter during the tooth extraction.

Through ongoing medical missions of the SM Foundation, many economically disadvantaged individuals like Roland and Angeline get lifelines—an intervention that

provides immediate relief to those in need and a chance to access medical care and resources that are often unavailable or unattainable.



SMFI mobile clinic at SM City Cauayan



From delivery to postpartum care

One of the patients staying at WVSUMC Pediatric Ward was first-time mother, Ednalyn Valdez.

“Sa ganitong ambiance at environment, nababawasan ang stress. Komportable ang mga upuan kung saan ako nagpapa-breastfeed. Hindi ko na kailangan lumakad pa ng malayo para mag-CR dahil mayroon na ditong malinis na banyo. Hindi rin namin kailangan magdala ng mga unan. Ang mga cribs, very secured. Kaya’t napapanatag ang loob ko dahil tiyak ang kaligtasan ko, lalo na ng anak ko,” she said about the renovated ward.

Another mother staying in the new pediatric ward was Virgie Columna, a mother of a cancer patient. She and her daughter first saw the ward in 2017. “Kahit laging nililinis, luma na talaga ang ward. Kailangan rin naming magdala ng mga unan at bedsheets noon, lalo na dahil nadudumi sa kama ang aking anak,” Vergie shared her previous experiences in the ward.



First-time mother Ednalyn Valdez

SMFI equips the WVSUMC with hospital beds, pediatric cribs, breastfeeding chairs, and consultation areas.



The daughter of Ednalyn completes her medication.

“Pag balik namin dito, nagulat kami dahil renovated na ang lahat. Komportable na at maaliwalas ang paligid. Noong nakita ng anak ko ang bagong ward, ikot siya ng ikot, magaan ang pakiramdam niya, at natuwa siya sa mga laruan,” she added pointing at the Mobile Play Cabinet.



For her, the renovation of the pediatric ward was a blessing. With its refreshed look and new child-friendly facilities, her daughter gets to recover in an environment that gives her

a more positive outlook about hospitals, uplifts her mood, and supplements their healing journey—one that lightens the heart.



Dr. Kathlyn Marie Gizella Botin (left) of WVSUMC checks up on the daughter of Virgie

Providing the best start for children through holistic healthcare

SM Foundation, the social good arm of the SM group, has made it its mission to make targeted social investments in health care to help underserved Filipinos improve their well-being.

For years, the foundation has upgraded over 170 health centers and public health facilities in the Philippines. This includes the pediatric ward of the West Visayas State University Medical Center (WVSUMC) in Iloilo City.

With many relying on the services of the ward, SM Foundation upgraded the WVSUMC's step-down NICU, pediatric ward for non-infectious cases, treatment room, hallway, toilet, and hand washing areas.

New step-down NICU of West Visayas State University Medical Center (WVSUMC)

To ensure a therapeutic environment that promotes healing, SMFI equipped the area with specialized medical appliances and devices, such as pediatric cribs, bassinets, treatment beds, nebulizers, gun thermometers, a mini refrigerator for vaccines, breastfeeding and divan chairs, office tables and chairs, beddings, pillows, TV, water dispenser, ceiling fans, and a Mobile Play Cabinet.



SM Foundation installed a Mobile Play Cabinet to provide a child-friendly environment for the children.



Health and Wellness



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Bright new rays

“Indeed, there was *sunshine*,” Mr. Raul Manaligod said, narrating how he became an Art student at Sunshine Place through Maestro Fidel Sarmiento, who teaches at the center.

Manaligod shared that he had always been an art aficionado, but he wanted to deepen his knowledge about the arts. Little did he know that his classes would pave new bright rays in his life.

“I see to it that I paint one piece every session and when I do, I enter into a different world. It broadens my horizons. It feels as if you get to understand the intricacies of life and you get to understand more about yourself,” he said.

Spearheading several businesses in his 60s, he said: “In here, I forget about work. It soothes not just the emotions, but also the soul.”

“Some people feel down when they reach their senior years. But for those who come here, we feel as if we have entered a new world. Altogether, you feel that you have become young again and you get to rediscover the beauty of life once more. It’s not merely about appreciating life; you experience the sort of beauty where you want to paint about life,” he smiled, adding that he looks forward to having more classes at Sunshine Place.

Businessman and art aficionado Raul Manaligod rediscovers the beauty of life through the art classes.



Physical, Musical Therapy

Providing a well-rounded experience, Sunshine Place is steadily building up its physical and music therapy.

Czarina Cruel, one of the music therapists at the center, explained that music is used beyond the realm of entertainment. It harmoniously blends art and science by using melodies, rhythms, and harmonies to stimulate neural pathways, offer solace, alleviate stress, and enhance communication.

With music therapy, Cruel hopes to help address a wide array of emotional and cognitive challenges in older adults, including regaining motor skills through rhythmic rehabilitation and fostering emotional expression.



Sunshine Place offers activities where young and young at heart can bond.

At Sunshine Place, the rays of the sun touch the lives of its members. Each passing year here unfolds how holistic care can rekindle hope and vitality one step, stretch, harmony, stroke, and smile at a time.

To learn more about Sunshine Place, visit www.sunshineplaceph.com.

Greeting seniors is the vibrant Happy Garden Cafe at the first floor of the Sunshine Place.



Music therapist Czarina Cruel passionately harnesses the power of music to empower her students.

Sunshine Place: Where the golden years shine the brightest

Every sunrise is a new chapter in one's life waiting to be written.

Nestled amidst the vibrant, bustling city is the Sunshine Place, a senior recreation center in Jupiter St., Makati.

For almost a decade now, it has stood as more than just a facility but a second home where the radiance of life's later years comes to life.

For every hue

The heart of Sunshine Place lies in its spectrum of activities tailored to suit the multifaceted needs and wants of its students.

They offer Physical Therapy, Fitness Training, and Mindful Movement classes, like Tai Chi. Putting its client in mind, they ensure that each physical programs are age-appropriate and responds to one's individual

needs to help promote a healthier lifestyle.

They also have scheduled classes in ballroom, chair dancing, and tap dancing. Adding groove to its lineup are themed dance classes such as *yeba indak*, a gentle dance workout inspired by Philippine folk dance, and *dekada*, another dance workout inspired by tunes of '60s-'90s that will take them back in time.



Sunshine Place students enjoy variety of classes, including tap dance.

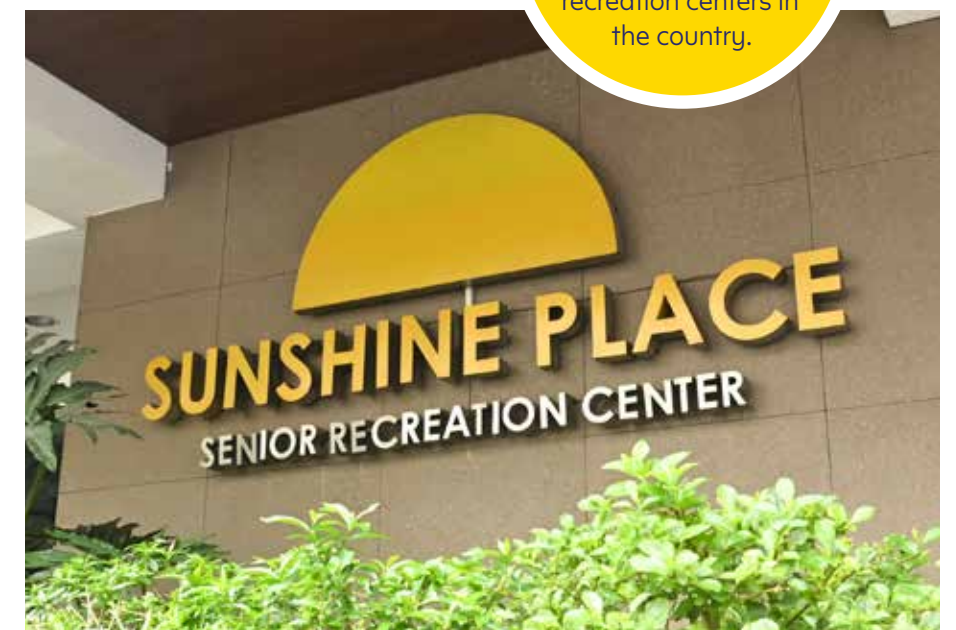
Along the same vein, Sunshine Place also offers music classes focused on piano and voice. To further sharpen the mind, they schedule Foreign Language classes online and conduct Writing classes.

Believing that there's an artist in everyone waiting to be discovered, they harness the timelessness of crafts classes via the *Ikebana Sogetsu*. Also enhancing cognitive function and springing forth life is their Art classes in acrylic and oil, porcelain, wearable art, and beginner's art class for those wanting to dip into this colorful world.

One of the unique features of Sunshine Place is its annual art exhibits, where students can showcase their artistic creations

to the public. These exhibits are more than just displays; they're a celebration of the human spirit. The senior artists have the chance to monetize their works, giving them a newfound sense of purpose and recognition.

Nestled amidst the vibrant, bustling Makati City is the Sunshine Place, one of the few senior recreation centers in the country.



SM
Retail VP for
Controllership Connie
Cadelina shows her
painting.





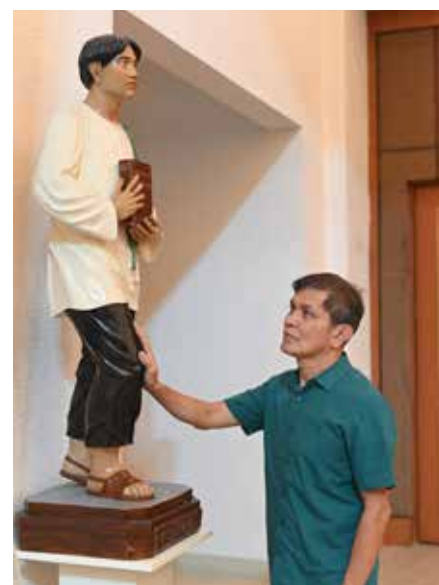
The Shrine of Jesus – the Way, the Truth, and the Life

A legacy of devotion and support

Inspired by the quiet devotion to the Catholic faith of its founder and matriarch, Nanang Felicidad T. Sy, our programs support the restoration and building of Catholic churches, provide spiritual programs to SM employees, and care for church leaders and ministers through various special projects.

Some of the chapels and churches that were built through and supported by FTSFI

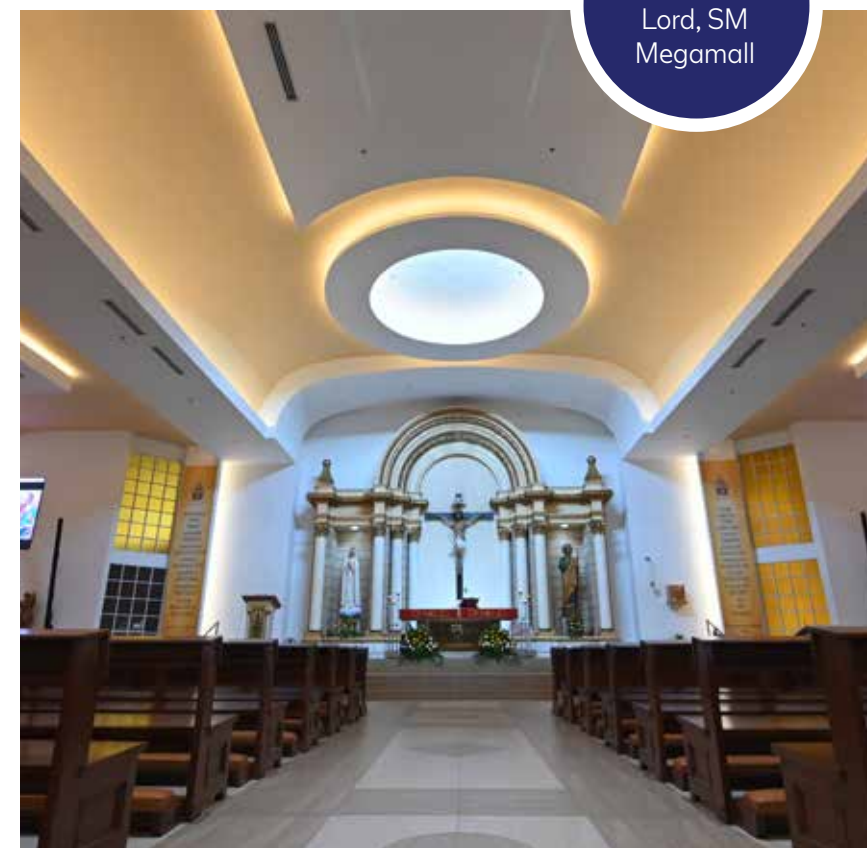
are the Shrine of Jesus, The Way, The Truth, and The Life, MOA Complex; Chapel of the Eucharistic Lord, SM Megamall; Chapel of San Pedro Calungsod, SM Aura; San Pedro Calungsod, Cebu; Mary the Queen Chapel, Iloilo; Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Gen. Uno, Cavite City; Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, SM North EDSA; Holy Family of Nazareth School, National University; Cross Tower, Cebu.



Nanang Felicidad Sy at the Chapel of San Pedro Calungsod in SM Aura



A deacon prays the Holy Rosary at the Our Lady of The Most Holy Rosary Chapel at SM City North EDSA.



Chapel of the Eucharistic Lord, SM Megamall



Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Chapel, SM Makati

A photograph of three individuals—two young men and one adult man—standing in a church and praying with their hands clasped. They are wearing white t-shirts with a religious graphic. The church interior features wooden pews, stained glass windows, and modern lighting. A dark blue circle with white text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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