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**MORE GREAT STORIES
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AS ILOILO'S NEWEST SHELTER SITE RISES, SO DO CONVERSIONS

Written by Nirva Delacruz

Which is more miraculous, the generosity of people half the world away would help build a completely new shelter site in Iloilo or hearts that once rejected God would return to Him? For Larry Orto, Concepcion Head Steward, the answer is doubly extraordinary because the story behind the ANCOP USA and Empire East-funded Immaculate Conception ANCOP Loong shelter site shows God at work both in the physical world as well as in the spiritual one.

Skeptics no more

"The team feels amazed and thankful for the transformation of skeptical applicants during Christian Life Programs (CLP). Most attended just to qualify, but after graduation, their attitude towards faith took a 180 degree turn," Larry shares. Larry's 6-man team has witnessed several conversions among the beneficiaries that of lapsed Catholics who now

have a deep desire to give their lives to God as well as non-Catholics who want to come home to the one true Church." Beneficiaries are very thankful and grateful," Larry adds, "not only will they avail of a decent house, but also their faith and trust in God will become stronger than ever."

The site's own Samahan President, elected to act as a home-owners' association head, experienced a similar faith journey.. He went from being a lukewarm Catholic who did not even go to Sunday Mass to a fervent Catholic and Couples for Christ leader.

Site for sore eyes

A 2.5-hour bus ride from the provincial capital, Immaculate Conception ANCOP Loong enjoys well-paved main roads and is set to be completed on November 15, the World Day of the Poor.

Even in its current "under-construction" state, it has wowed people like Concepcion Mayor Raul Banias who said the government housing agency can pick up a thing or two from the site.

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To date, there are 40 fully completed units that have been raffled to qualified beneficiaries. Another 60 units funded by ANCOP USA are under construction. This is just the beginning.

What other wonders does God have in store for a site named after His Mother's sinless conception? Stay tuned.

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AGW 2020 RECAP

Written by Ghia-Celeste Pineda

2020 has been exceptionally challenging for everyone around the world, marked by the uncertainty brought about by COVID. Around mid-March, Couples for Christ USA suspended all face to face events to ensure everyone's health and safety.

After the initial shock of not being able to hug and shake hands with everyone in the CFC community, along with not being able to enjoy fellowship as one big family, together we moved from confusion to solution to inspiration. Household meetings became Zoom meetings, 3-day conferences became a series of weekend virtual conferences, and ANCOP Walk was no exception.

The 17th annual ANCOP Walk was hosted virtually and started with a virtual kick-off party last August 30.

Movespring app helped participants from all over the US join at their own pace and from the comfort of neighborhood parks and walking trails. Instead of the traditional 1-day event, #avw2020 was initially planned for 4-weeks but was later extended for another 4-weeks as the level of engagement and participation was unprecedented.

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The first ANCOP Virtual Walk ended last October 31 with 625 million steps and raised \$372,800 in donations.

On a year when it is most difficult, we all came together and stepped up for the poor beyond anyone's expectations! This is a testament to our commitment as community to help the poor; to be there for them when they need us the most; and to live by the values that our faith has taught us.

Along with being able to help the poor, the 2020 ANCOP Virtual Walk provided an opportunity for all of us to enjoy some healthy competition.

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The graphic features the ANCOP USA logo in the top left corner. In the center, a smartphone displays the ANCOP Foundation USA Inc. Virtual Walk app interface, showing a circular progress bar and a goal of 10,000 steps. The main text on the right reads "ANCOP USA Virtual Walk 2020" in large green and orange letters, with a yellow banner below it containing the tagline "I'm steppin' up for the poor. Are you with me?". The background is light yellow with decorative circular and dotted patterns.

DEC 2020 | RECENT NEWS/EVENTS

Congratulations to all the winners! Below are some of the winners:



September Competitions

Highest Team Average Steps

- 1 NH-New Hampshire Jun Napuli 18,084
- 2 RI-Rhode Island Norman Mercado 14,392
- 3 DE-Delaware Dodjie Allarey 13,199

Highest Team Total Steps

- 1 VA-Northern VA Rico Villaroman 17,736,575
- 2 NC-Charlotte Manny Arrojado 15,819,754
- 3 PA-EastPA Ricky Makasakit 15,330,838

October Competitions

HEALTHIEST STATES – Average Team Steps

Division A

- 1 New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont 9,906
- 2 Massachusetts 8,943
- 3 Arizona, Hawaii, New Mexico 4,802

Division B

- 1 Florida East Central & North 8,352
- 2 Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Wisconsin 7,025
- 3 Pennsylvania, Ohio 6,609

Division C

- 1 North Carolina 6,921
- 2 Georgia, Alabama 6,020
- 3 Virginia, Washington DC 5,544



GO4GOLD – Total Team Steps

Division A

- 1 New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont 9,430,468
- 2 Massachusetts 4,256,747
- 3 Nevada, Alaska, Utah, Wyoming 3,673,952

Division B

- 1 Florida East Central & North 19,409,912
- 2 Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Wisconsin 11,605,918
- 3 Florida West/Central 11,095,918

Division C

- 1 Virginia, Washington DC 17,386,798
- 2 North Carolina 15,308,641
- 3 Georgia, Alabama 14,326,605



TOP FUNDRAISING TEAMS ANCOP USA MOTHER TERESA CUP

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| FL-Miami-Rey Hondrade | \$23,606 |
| SC-South Carolina-Emil Sarmiento | \$15,837 |
| CFC-National Council-RH-Toffee Jeturian | \$15,686 |



TOP INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISERS

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| Emil Sarmiento | \$11,247 |
| Sally Andraneda | \$7,104 |
| Chay Reandlar | \$5,290 |



2020 has limited us from making new memories with friends and outside our homes, but it gave us an opportunity to have more FUN with our FAMILY, while we put our FAITH in action and tripled our FUNDRAISING efforts for our less fortunate brethren.

HOLD ADOPT A SCHOLAR (HAS) PROJECT

Written by Lorna Lindsey

Mother Teresa once said, "Spread love everywhere you go, let no one ever come to you without leaving happier". This is what ANCOP stands for, to shape the future of young minds, getting them ready to spread their wings and be the future of the world.

Subsumed under the Educational Sponsorship Program (ESP), formerly called the Child Sponsorship Program, the Hold Adopt a Scholar project (HAS) is a rebirth.

The premise of the program is HOLD members provide educational support to a son or daughter of underprivileged HOLD members. It opens otherwise inaccessible opportunities for them, to take college courses as well as Technical Vocational Education Training (TVET).



ST. MOTHER TERESA

PATRON SAINT OF ANCOP USA

As a pre-requisite, the applicant's mother must be a HOLD member whose monthly income is P18,000 and below. The applicant's Grade Point Average should be 83% or higher for college courses, and 82.99% and lower for TVET. College applicants can choose from state colleges and universities, while TVET applicants can select from state colleges and universities like Don Bosco, TESDA, or TESDA-accredited schools. The age requirement for the College applicants is up to 23 years and for the TVET applicants, up to 30 years old.

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Priority courses for college include Accountancy & Financial Management, Agriculture & other Agri-based courses, Community Development & Social Work, Computer Science & Information Technology, Education, Engineering, and Multi-Media Arts. The priority courses for college TVET are the following: Shielded Metal Arc Welding; Automotive Servicing; Computer Technology', Electro-Mechanical Technology, Fitter Machinist, Refrigeration & Aircon Technician, Motorcycle Servicing and Sewing.

Since 2012 H-A-S has sponsored 269 students of which 162 have graduated and now employed as Teachers, IT experts, Engineers, HR practitioners, accountants, in private companies, government offices, and some as overseas workers.

Further, HAS does not only empower and transform lives on the college level but broadens the impact of sponsorship among high school and elementary.

Currently, there are 47 HAS sponsorships of which 17 scholars have graduated. As in all other projects, implementation can sometimes face unforeseen circumstances that challenge the human resolve. But with the deep commitment, a loving heart, and staunch faith of everyone involved, roadblocks are traversed, and goals are fulfilled. To quote Mother Teresa again, "Intense love does not measure, it just gives".

Amazingly, love pervades throughout the year and onwards. HAS is on fire!



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AUSA, INC. 4-YEAR COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ANCOP FOUNDATION (USA), INC STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

2016-2019 Figures are Based on Audited Financial Statements

Particulars	2016	2017	2018	2019	YTD Nov'20
REVENUES					
Contributions ¹	465,012	496,364	571,703	725,247	595,407
In-Kind Contributions ²	-	-	-	416,146	-
Special Events ³	213,940	423,753	295,746	350,485	537,492
Interest and Other Income	2,843	22,381	80,202	5,092	4,252
Total Revenues	681,795	942,498	947,651	1,496,970	1,137,151
EXPENSES					
Program Services ⁴					
Educational Assistance	405,347	549,986	492,010	397,969	497,017
Community Development	88,695	49,311	47,256	417,949	90,005
Health	34,557	39,212	51,964	503,734	28,129
Disaster Relief	-	-	-	-	31,572
General & Administrative Expenses	14,897	27,464	26,174	25,506	27,347
Miscellaneous	25,920	25,529	27,626	47,850	9,598
Total Expenses	569,416	691,502	645,030	1,393,008	683,668
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	112,379	250,996	302,621	103,962	453,483

NOTES:

1. Includes Corporate Matching, Individual Sponsorships, Amazon Smile, Facebook Fundraising, BofA Rewards, Used-Car Donations, etc.
2. Medicines for Medical Missions
3. Special Events includes funds from Ancop Walk, Calamity Relief Drive, Love & Mercy Fund Campaign and revenues from other national- and regional-level fundraising events
4. Additional expenses for new CSP scholars will reflect in December 2020

ANCOP FOUNDATION (USA), INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Particulars	2016	2017	2018	2019	YTD Nov'20
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Cash in Banks	1,102,585	1,267,081	1,481,826	1,372,808	1,831,231
Accounts Receables	-	-	-	16,461	15,014
Prepaid Items and Other current Assets	78,012	164,086	261,289	2,133	9,720
Total Current Assets	1,180,597	1,431,167	1,743,115	1,391,402	1,855,965
Property and Equipment -at Cost (net of Accumulated Depreciation)	6,691	5,709	4,033	-	860
TOTAL ASSETS	1,187,288	1,436,876	1,747,148	1,391,402	1,856,825
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	5,906	4,498	12,149	38,527	3,358
Net Assets					
Unrestricted	468,754	489,533	679,778	501,583	-
Temporarily Restricted	712,528	942,845	1,055,221	851,292	-
Total Net Assets	1,181,282	1,432,378	1,734,999	1,352,875	1,853,467
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