

The Padua Charitable Fund



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Helping Filipinos in the slums of the Philippines achieve basic rights to
HOME, HEALTH, EDUCATION and HAPPINESS...

Registered Charity No. 1123426



Urban poverty is a serious global problem. There are 1 billion people living in slums all over the world. In the Philippines, this problem is paramount and urgent. We can all do our bit and make the Philippines and the world an even more beautiful place to live in by helping eradicate the slums of our cities and rehousing poor deprived families in cleaner, safer, self-reliant & happier communities.

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HOME is where the heart is

The Padua Charitable Fund was founded in July 2007 with the conviction that everyone has the basic right to a decent home, good health and education necessary to ensure the continuity of a safe, sound and happy society!

The Padua Charitable Fund is registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales and with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the Philippines. We are organized and operated solely by volunteers. We have a Chairperson, a Secretary and a Treasurer, a Board of Trustees and approximately 30 members. Our members are united by their vision, albeit in their own small way, in helping to create a world devoid of poverty, homelessness, disease, ignorance and illiteracy, injustice and inequality.

Our organisation makes financial contributions towards projects that aim to eradicate the slums of the Philippines by replacing these through the voluntary building of decent homes, to include basic and necessary facilities for homeless families as befit all human beings.

EDUCATE and LIBERATE

We aim to further provide relief of financial hardship among these people and their families in order that their medical and educational needs of their children are attended to. We believe that education is the key ingredient by which the next generation of poor, deprived Filipinos can be liberated from the vicious poverty trap encircling their lives. We are therefore helping to fund the maintenance and operation of a community centre within these new housing developments. The centre will provide classrooms for education, a library and facilities for vocational training, handicrafts and computer studies as well as facilities for regular visiting medical and dental staff. We continually contribute school supplies & various items of clothing.



Before

Street children do not go to school



After

Gawad Kalinga school with pupils

Gawad Kalinga

Gawad Kalinga (GK)/Couples For Christ (CFC) is the foremost non-governmental, voluntary organisation in the Philippines whose main object is the eradication of slums nationwide by the “building of 700,000 houses in 7000 communities in 7 years”.

The project The Padua Charitable Fund currently supports is the building and creation of the Gawad Kalinga/Airlift Asia Inc. Foundation Village in Better Living, Paranaque, Manila.



To date GK has re-built over 900 sites all over the Philippines. The aim is to have empowered communities whose residents are not just receivers but are givers as well. Their work is not about dole-out or charity, but self-reliance and a strong community spirit. It is about uplifting the dignity of the poor by building their capacity to respond to opportunities and enabling them to reach their highest potential. The replacing of the slums by the creation of bright multi-coloured houses is done by the slum-dwellers themselves and volunteers from all walks of life, including overseas. This is based on the Filipino spirit of “bayanihan” (concerted or group effort).

Support Us

The Padua Charitable Fund is happy to receive your support! Perhaps you would like to donate to a specific project? Fund a new school, a field trip for students, a medical centre or a new home and have it named after a loved one? Or, for as little as £20 a month you can provide schooling for 40 children! Let us know where you want your money to go!

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Become A Fundraiser

The Padua Charitable Fund welcomes fundraisers to help promote the charity in a variety of ways. If you have your own ideas and thoughts on helping to raise funds or can suggest other means of financial support then please email us at: info@paduacharitablefund.org

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EALING & ACTON
Gazette

Dance show does good

CHILDREN put on their tutus and danced among paintings on stage as part of an awards evening and charity fundraiser.

More than 100 pupils from the Angela Grant School of Dance, based at the Park Club and St Dunstan's Church in Acton, performed in front of their parents and helped raise £600 for the Padua Charitable Fund, helping homeless people in the Philippines.

Scores of families watched the ballet show which saw children of mixed ages dance around 15 copies of famous paintings by artists including Matisse, Picasso and Van Gogh.

Angela Grant, who runs the dance school, said: "The school opened in January but we put on our first show in December.

"Each dance was inspired by the paintings and it is brilliant for the children to have an opportunity on stage.

"It wasn't just the best dancers.



■ **A GOOD YEAR:** (From left) Tilly Pead, Sydney Stevens (front), dance school owner Angela Grant and Saskia Burnett-Scott

Photo by Norman King

Everyone had their moment to shine and as part of their training, they do this so children and parents can see how the school works, see other dancers, the older pupils perform and what the younger ones can become in a few years' time."

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The Padua Charitable Fund accepts certain goods (used as well as new) including schooling utensils/equipment, children's summer clothes/shoes and mobile phones.

Please email: donate@paduacharitablefund.org if you have goods to donate.



For more information about the work of The Padua Charitable Fund or how you can help or get involved please contact us at:

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"Be the change you want to see in the world".
~ Mahatma Ghandi



If you would like to support us in any other way, or if you are visiting the Philippines, please let us know and we will be glad to hear your ideas, or provide you with suggestions and advice.

The Padua Charitable Fund thanks you!



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