



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT

**LINGAP CENTER
ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT**

For Year: 2022

I. INTRODUCTION:

The Lingap Center for Street children is a 24-hour residential facility that continuously reaching out and provides social work interventions to victims of neglect, abandonment, maltreatment and street children. It provides protection and rehabilitation services through temporary residential care. The Center has been on operation for twenty-two (22) years now under the Provincial Government of Isabela since its turnover in year 2000.

It aims to provide programs and services geared towards the total development of the children meeting their basic rights on survival, development and participation preparing them become productive citizens of the community. The center may not be a replacement of the family but in time of crisis where there are no available relatives to accommodate the child, it is still the best alternative placement while working out or exploring other possible placement.

The Center is continuously providing substitute parental care to the children. These children are given opportunities to continue their studies as well as providing them with the basic needs and helping them function normally. In the center, they are trained for practical skills and do household chores to prepare them in their adult lives and become disciplined and responsible persons. These children are provided with tender loving care which they mostly need while growing up.

Further, Lingap works at developing competence and effectiveness of the Center's staff and service providers in the management of cases through proper placement and other rehabilitation services for children. Meetings, case conferences, and home visits are conducted for proper coordination and linkages to the family, community, Local Government Unit (LGU) through their respective City/Municipal Social Welfare & Development (MSWD) Office.

Their families are assisted by C/MSWDO for provision of the social services with the end goal of reintegration as the family is still the best place and best people to take care of their children. Maintaining the parent-child relationship and to minimize homesickness among the children, family members are advised to visit their children to the Center at least once a month.

The center management is doing its best in providing a family-like experience and continuously preparing Lingap children to become productive, law-abiding and self-reliant citizens of the community.

II. SALIENT ACCOMPLISHMENT

- SUMMARY OF CASES**

CLIENTELE CATEGORY	CASES SERVED						DISCHARGED										STILL AT CENTER						
	Carry over		NEW		TOTAL		FAMILIES		RELATIVES		Transferred to other institution		Left w/out permission		Foster Family		TOTAL		Under Assessment		Hard to Place	With Court Cases	Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Hard to Place	With Court Cases	Total
ABANDONED																							
MALTREATED																							
CHILD LABOR																							
NEGLECTED	4	9	6	5	10	14	1	2									1	2	9	12			21
STREET CHILD																							
SUBTOTAL	4	9	6	5	10	14	1	2									1	2	9	12			21
GRAND TOTAL	24																						

The above data shows that the center was able to serve 24 children for the year 2022 of which 13 are carried over from year 2021 and 11 admitted this year 2022. Out of the 24 children served, 3 were already discharged back to their parents after a thorough preparation and assessment of their parental capability to ensure the safety and development of the children under their care. At present there are twenty-one (21) children left in the center. These children came from the different municipalities of the province. An after-care plan is prepared and signed by all parties for monitoring and proper turn-over of the minor.

The LGU Social Workers were active partners in preparing for the return of children to their families and relatives as they would be monitoring the family and provide needed support services. An assessment report will be submitted after six (6) months of child’s reintegration to the community.

- PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:**

- 1. SOCIAL SERVICES:**

The social services are focused on case management processes for all clients admitted to the centers. These include a collaborative process of assessment, planning, facilitation, care, coordination, evaluation, and advocacy for options to meet the needs of the clients. Case Management is the lifeblood of the center. All children have individual folders which contain all their recording like Social Case Study Report, Helping plans, Progress Reports, Psychological Evaluations, Health records, etc.

The Center Social workers updates all recordings, schedule case conferences with the rehabilitation team, conduct home visit, collateral interview and other activities that would fast track the rehabilitation of every child. All activities conducted are properly documented.



2. HOMELIFE (RESIDENTIAL CARE)

The center provides homelife services to meet the basic needs of each resident such as food, clothing, and toiletries with well-balanced and organized activities providing a wholesome family experience to meet their physical, emotional, mental and social needs. It is a second home to the children operating on a 24/7. The center staff's functions as parents giving directions, guidance, and tender loving care to the children. They are guided in doing their task as well as with their dealings with co- children. They are treated equally and with respect.

A planned menu is followed in preparing for their daily meals following the basic food groups on go, grow and glow. Monthly health check is done to monitor their weights and height progress. Based on the latest weighing for the month of December most of them have increased in weight. There are two (2) children who are still underweight while another two (2) are overweight.

Children are provided with their supply of clothing at least twice a year. Every month of June, they are issued with school uniforms, bags and shoes and during December casual dresses, pants and other undergarments are provided. Their toiletries (bath soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.) are given on a weekly basis every Friday after the conduct of Homelife meeting for maintenance of their personal hygiene. Giving and teaching the child daily chores and work assignments according to one's capability and readiness aimed at providing semblance of normal family life.



3. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES:

Education is one of the component services of the Lingap Center wherein the children are enrolled in public school for them to continue their studies. Since the start of pandemic, the children studied on a modular basis, wherein the center staff get the modules in the school and submit after the children have accomplished including the summative examinations. Since the children are on modular basis, the Provincial Government of Isabela provided tablets to all the children to help them in research work. The balcony of the center was converted as a classroom where the children do their modules, projects, assignments and other school- related activities such as flag raising, morning exercises etc.

During the school year 2021-2022, two (2) children graduated in Kinder and one (1) in Elementary through virtual. Some of them excelled in their class and were given certificates of Academic Excellence.

This school year 2022-2023, limited face to face classes started on August 2022 hence they were able to attend physically in their school and on October 2022 full face to face classes started.

KINDER	3
ELEMENTARY	9
HIGH SCHOOL	8
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1
TOTAL	21

The above data shows that all the children are in school. Elementary level has the highest in number. Of the twenty-one (21) children served, three (3) are in Kindergarten, nine (9) children are elementary level enrolled at the Alibagu Elementary School, eight (8) are enrolled in High School at Alibagu National High School while one (1) enrolled as Senior High School at Isabela Sports High School. Under these programs, the children are provided with their school needs like school uniforms, bags, shoes, and school supplies like notebooks, papers, pen, and pencil.

Few of the children who could hardly read are being assisted on tutorial basis while most of them are assisted in accomplishing their modules as well as in their summative examination. Library room is available in the Center to utilize the area for reviewing and library needs.



4. SPIRITUAL ENHANCEMENT AND VALUES INCULCATION:

Spiritual enrichment is an important intervention to transform the total person of a child giving due respect to his/her religious beliefs to become a God-fearing person. The center designs activities that will help enrich spiritual development of the child. They attend fellowship and bible studies in the center conducted by houseparent/Pastor Mario Valdez. Worship is being done every Sunday at 6:30 in the morning.

The staff emphasizes the importance of establishing a closer relationship with the Lord especially at all times. They were taught and encouraged to pray, read the bible and reflect and follow the Ten commandments. The group prays before taking their daily meals and going to bed time. During the advent masses at the sky park, the children with the center staff attended the Misa de Gallo.



5. RECREATIONAL, SPORTS /SOCIO-CULTURAL SERVICES:

Sports, recreational and other socio-cultural activities are essential elements of human biology and psychology. It is a method of promoting camaraderie, unity, active and healthy being, character building, and physical fitness. Recreation & sports are program of the center which all the children enjoy most as part of their physical education and development. These activities develop sportsmanship among the children learning to accept loss and failures. The children play basketball, badminton, and volley ball games. When not busy with their modules, the children play scrabble, snakes and ladders and chess. These games help them improve their vocabulary and planning.

The center staff continue to celebrate annual events as part of socio-cultural activities namely:

1. Valentine's Day – the staff together with the children celebrated Valentine Day with a simple program and a ballroom dancing contest. There were four (4) pairs who participated and have shown their talents in dancing. The Isabela Police Provincial Office also celebrated Valentine's Day through serenading, lectures on Child's Rights and provision of snacks.



2. Nutrition Month & Buwan ng Wika - The center celebrated nutrition Month, and Buwan ng Wika as one. This is to emphasize the importance of Nutrition in a life of a child and being a proud Filipino. It was celebrated with a cooking contest, nutri-jingle, poster and slogan contest. As part of the Buwan ng Wika celebration, there was a contest on Tula wherein the contestants are in Filipino attire.



3. Family Day Celebration- The center celebrated family day by a simple dinner with all the staff despite of the absence of their parents due to pandemic. It was emphasized to them the importance of love and care of a family.



4. United Nation Celebration- This is one of the activities of the Center that creates awareness on the promotion and developing friendly relations among other nations/countries. It is celebrated in all schools as well as being observed in the Center. All children were asked to wear costume representing different countries and present themselves. This somehow developed the self-confidence of the children. One was chosen as Mr. & Ms. UNO.



5. Children's Month Celebration- The children had the opportunity to attend the Children's Month Celebration spearheaded by the PSWD Office. They were able to attend the two (2) Saturdays, one for the Mental Health Awareness that include discussions and lectures, while another day was for games and talent competition from the different school representatives.



6. Halloween Night- Children dressed-up for fun during the night of October 31, 2022. They were all in costumes of vampires, witches, ghosts, white ladies and wore scariest masks.



7. OTHERS: Outing for sight-seeing and swimming

- May 5, 2022– The children went to the Bonsai No Sato for an outing as they have not been going on outing for the past 2 years. The children were allowed to go around the garden looking at the beautiful bonsai plants, play ed games and rides for free sponsorship by the owner, Ms. Jocel Gambarda.



- June 23, 2022- The children and staff had a swimming at the Mt. Claramuel Resort, Marana City of Ilagan, Isabela enjoying a whole day swimming and food sponsored by center staff Ms. Rufina Gatering who celebrated her birthday. It was a day full of fun since everybody enjoyed the games and swimming.



- December 15, 2022- The children accompanied by Houseparent on-duty and staff joined in the opening of Paskuhan Village, particularly in the lighting of lanterns in the Queen Isabela Park, Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela. All children enjoyed the night by watching the lights, Christmas lanterns and life-size decors within the park.



6. PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION & PLAY THERAPY:

Psychological intervention is undertaken to help clients cope with emotional stress or problems as a result of the psycho-social problems encountered. The clients are subjected to undergo periodic psychological assessment to determine their social functioning and development. For this year thirteen (13) children underwent psychological evaluation under Dr. Kathreen Joson at OJ Psychological Services. The result of their evaluation would guide Center social workers on how to deal and help the children become a better and functioning individual.

The Psychometrician, Ms. Alliana Dawn Salmos, together with our Psychology graduate staff Mr. Mc John Villanueva conducts games/play as a therapy to the children.



7. MEDICAL/DENTAL SERVICES:

All children were administered with two-dose of Covid-19 vaccination for protection. Since the start of pandemic, all the children were kept safe. No one was inflicted of COVID 19. They were often advised to comply with the health protocols; of wearing facemasks, use of alcohol, maintain social distancing and were always reminded to stay home (center) During the first quarter of the year, visitation was not yet allowed in the Center to avoid getting in contact with COVID positive.

In August 02, 2022, the Dental Unit of the Isabela Provincial Health Office headed by Dr. Arsen Benozza conducted dental check-up to all children. Children who have tooth decay had tooth extraction. All of them were given fluoride to protect their teeth. One child was given one tooth (denture) for free by Dr. Joy Lauzon Balayan. All the children are given their daily dose of vitamin C to keep them strong and safe from sickness. They too are provided with facemasks and alcohol.



8. GENDER and DEVELOPMENT FUNDED ACTIVITIES

- a. Provision of Capital Seed Assistance to seven family / mother of residents in Lingap Center at ₱10,000 each



- b. Children were provided with Psychological Services from January to December 2022.



- c. Skills Training on Cosmetology and Massage Therapy provided to children and parents of Lingap Center



- d. Provision of sewing machines and materials to be utilized by the residents in the Center.



- e. Cosmetology training was conducted and purchase of materials



- f. Transportation allowance to children and their parents to attend the skills training



- g. Provision of Honoraria to trainers on Cosmetology, Wellness Massage and Hair & Foot Spa.



9. OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The center staffs continue to attend seminars/training to equipped themselves with the knowledge, attitude, and skills (KAS) to be able to serve the children under their care better and for upgrading delivery of services.

For this year the center staffs were able to attend the following seminars/trainings:

- June 9, 2022- Participation of staff and children on simultaneous earthquake drill



- April 28, 2022- Gender and Development Seminar among staff at Lingap Center



- May 25-26, 2022 - Accreditation of DSWD Central Office of Lingap Center
- May 31- June 3, 2022 – Attendance of HP Castro on Refresher Course on Basic Safety Course
- June 6, 2022- Orientation on Earthquake Drill
- December 20, 2022- Participation on “One Million Bamboos in One Day Project” at Brgy. Fugu, Tumauni, Isabela



- December 27, 2022- Performance Review and Evaluation Workshop of all Lingap staff held at Piazza Hotel, Upi, Gamu, Isabela



- December 28, 2022 – ISO Final Validation at Provincial Capitol, Alibagu, City of Ilagan Isabela.



- Regular meeting among staff and children for updates and concerns



- October 18, 2022- Project Teach Program of Isabela State University (ISU) (baking, gardening, Math, English, Science Tutorial, Physical Fitness etc.)



III. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE AGENCY:

1. Newly constructed boys' comfort room
2. Installation of tiles in both girls' and boys' rooms
3. Availability of internet and cable
4. Equipped with cabinet-type of Airconditioning unit at living area
5. Newly assigned nurse (contractual)

IV. CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED:

1. Limited workforce

V. PLANS FOR 2023

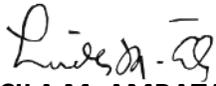
1. Repair of children's cabinets
2. Repair of girls' comfort room
3. Construction of Laundry sink
4. Purchase of Generation Set
5. Repair of Drainage and installation of faucet in common rest room

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