
Newsletter Christmas Edition

PUSO SA PUSO EDUKASYON, INC: MOVING FORWARD. SOARING HIGHER. GEARING BEYOND 2020.

----- December, 2020 ----- Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. Articles -----



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Online Teaching Training: The New Normal Teaching Approach

June 18, 2020



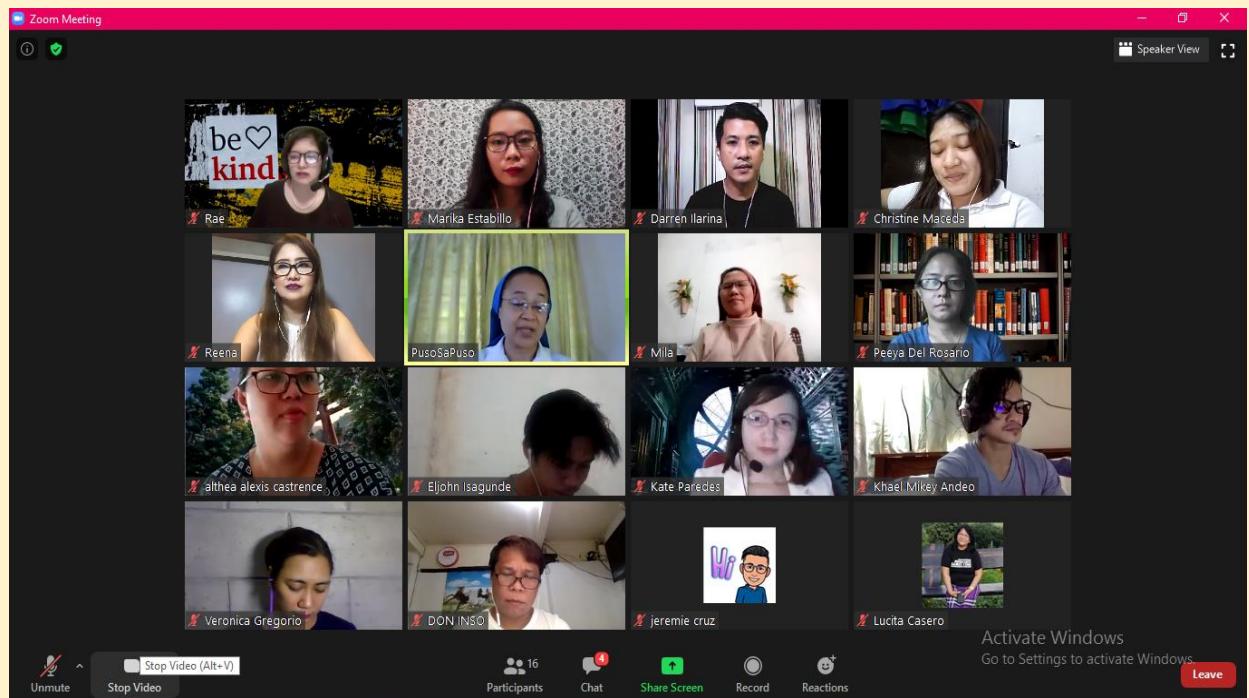
Puso Sa Puso staff together with the English teachers at SLI were invited to attend the training seminar about the New Normal Teaching Approach and adapting the new change in educational set-up of both participants. It was planned and organized by Fr. Artur Chrzanowski, SDS and with the help of the invited speaker Dr. Dindo Inso. The said training seminar was held at Salvatorian Learning Institute and via Zoom Meeting.

In the new educational arrangement in the Philippines, the Online and Modular learning approach is now introduced by the Department of Education as the new learning path for the learners. Online learning means the teachers and learners will be undertaking the learning activities and processes online, and together at the same time, through web conferencing platforms. However, Modular learning means that there will be structured activities that learners have to do at their own pace and time, not simultaneously with the rest of the class.

By embracing this new educational arrangement, Dr. Dindo Inso discussed, taught, and helped everyone on: How to make a module, the important things that should be included in a module. How to navigate online platforms in teaching; Zoom, Google meet, Messenger, the different usage and importance of every button to click on. The netiquette in online teaching, the do's and don'ts in front of the camera. And lastly, the new teaching approach via Online. For the final output of the participants, everyone was asked to do a demonstration teaching of everyone's subject matter masterpieces thru online.

This training seminar was a big help to everyone especially in today's so called the "New Normal" teaching approach. Both participants have a limited knowledge on different online platforms in terms of online teaching. With these takeaway learnings of everyone and the help of the knowledgeable speaker, little by little everyone can embrace the New Change happenings in

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Work from Home: Portfolio Making

June 26, 2020

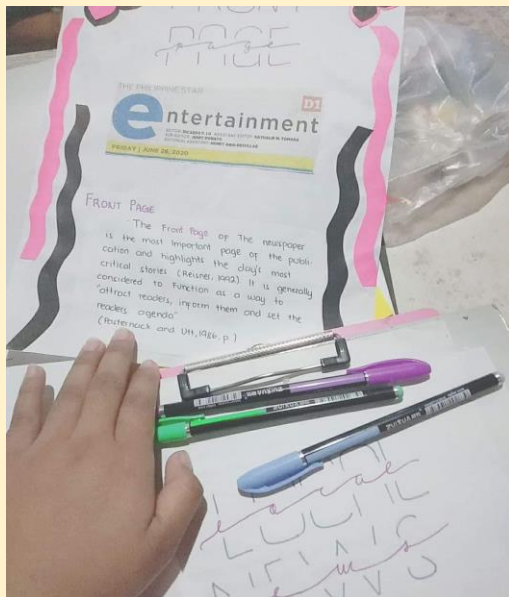
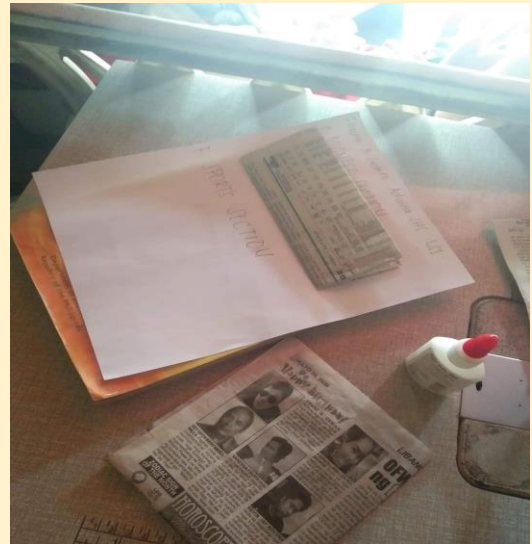
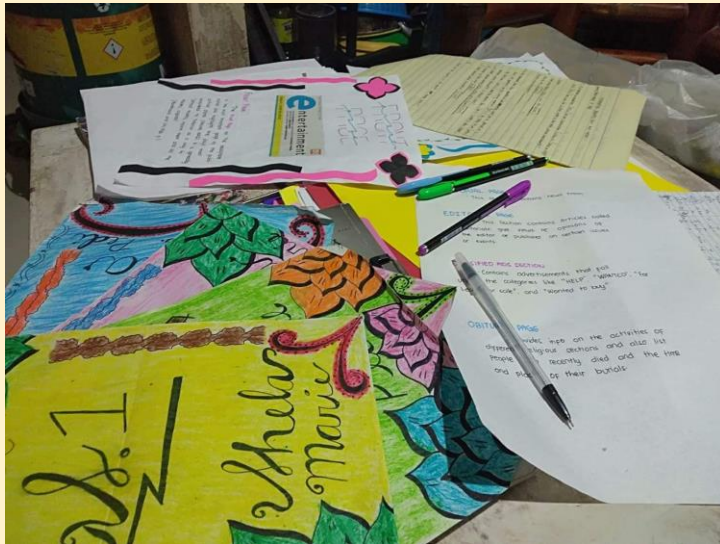


The current COVID 19 pandemic is affecting every dimension of the Philippine education sector and with the consistent Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan, the Department of Education is currently taking measures to ensure that access to basic education services continue in the face of the global pandemic. This includes ensuring that out-of-school youth and adults who have completed ALS learning programs are able to seek certification of their learning through an A&E assessment and certification process.

June 2020, a circulated DepEd memorandum published that the Department of Education through the ALS Task Force announced the administration of Alternative Assessment and certification process comprising an A&E Readiness Test (AERT) supported by a presentation of Portfolio for both elementary and junior high school. ALS Completers are required to prepare a presentation portfolio for evaluation before they register for the AERT as additional evidence of their mastery of competencies in the ALS K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum. The presentation of portfolio is a collection of a learner's achievements, assembled specifically for assessment.

PSPEI staff planned, gathered materials, and disseminated the information to the dearest learners thru online via group chat. In lieu, their IMs sent take home activities to be started at home and to fill the outputs for their portfolio. In response, learners started to continue and prepare their presentation portfolio. Their IMs are responsible for certifying these formal records. The work samples may include a project undertaken by the learner, either individually or as a member of a group, and samples of activities undertaken by the learner that demonstrate learning accomplishments.

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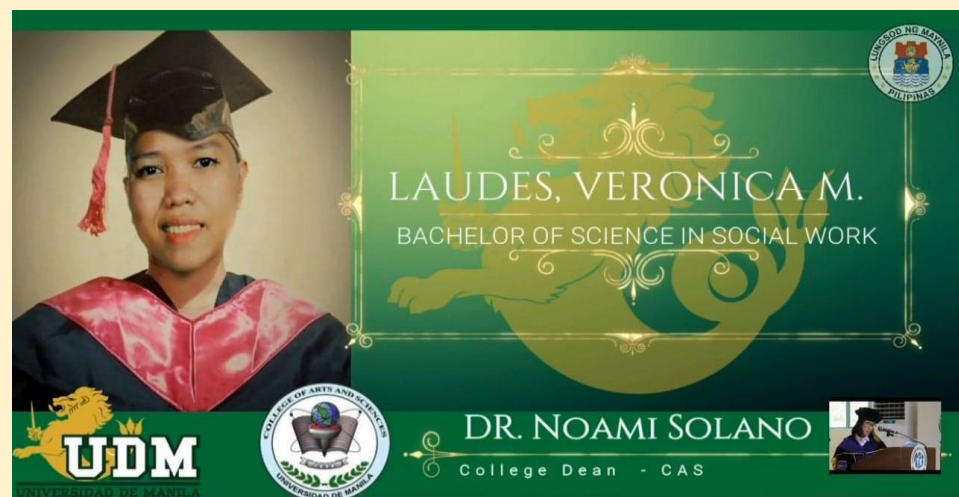
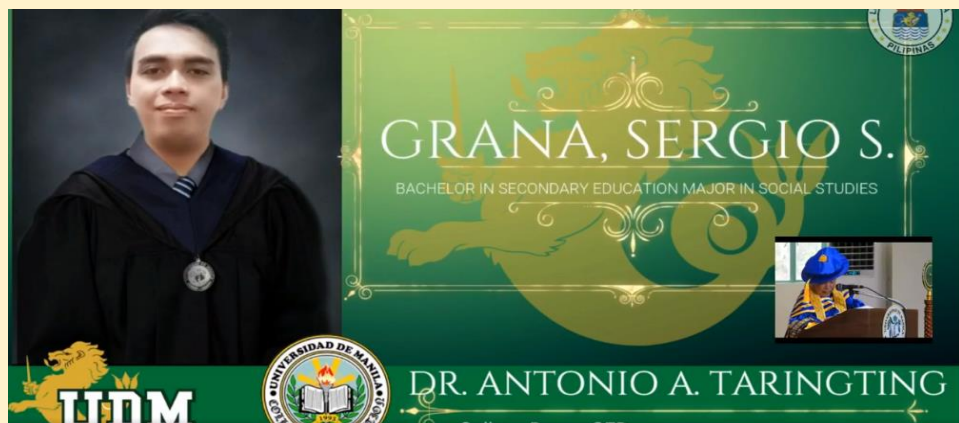
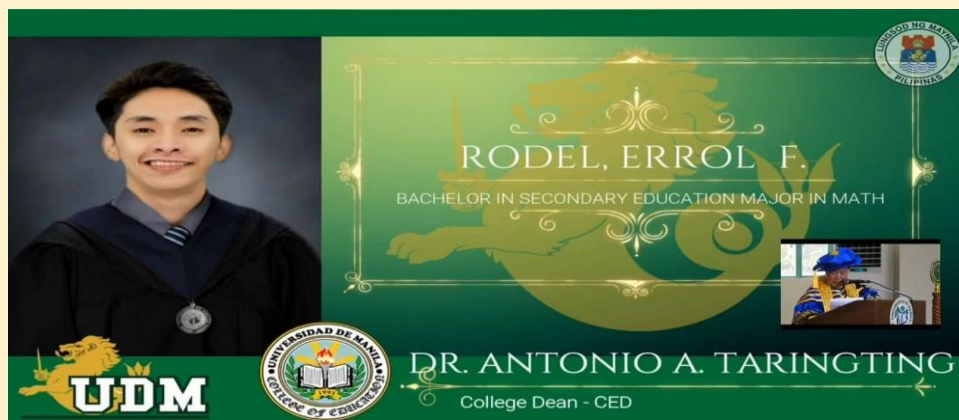
June 29, 2020, the Unibersidad de Manila conferred a virtual graduation ceremony with the theme “UDM BEATS COVID-19 #COVID KA LANG, UDM KAMI”. This virtual graduation happened for the first time in history due to Coronavirus pandemic. The virtual ceremony, participated by 1,306 graduates and streamed in various social media platforms.

This pandemic would not stop the University to conduct a virtual graduation rites and make the graduates witnessed the journey they waited for, though this year was a big different. Among the graduates, 18 of them received with Latin honors. Fourteen (14) are Cum Laude and four (4) are Magna Cum Laude. Four of our Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon Inc. and Enfant Du Mekong scholars were among the graduates. Three are from in education field and one is from social work field.

The scholars' journey began year 2016, as an ALS learners. The staff noticed the hardships and difficulties that they have been through. However, through resiliency, determination, and hardwork, they were able to achieve their dreams. These scholars are the first batch of Puso sa Puso, sponsored by Enfant Du Mekong.

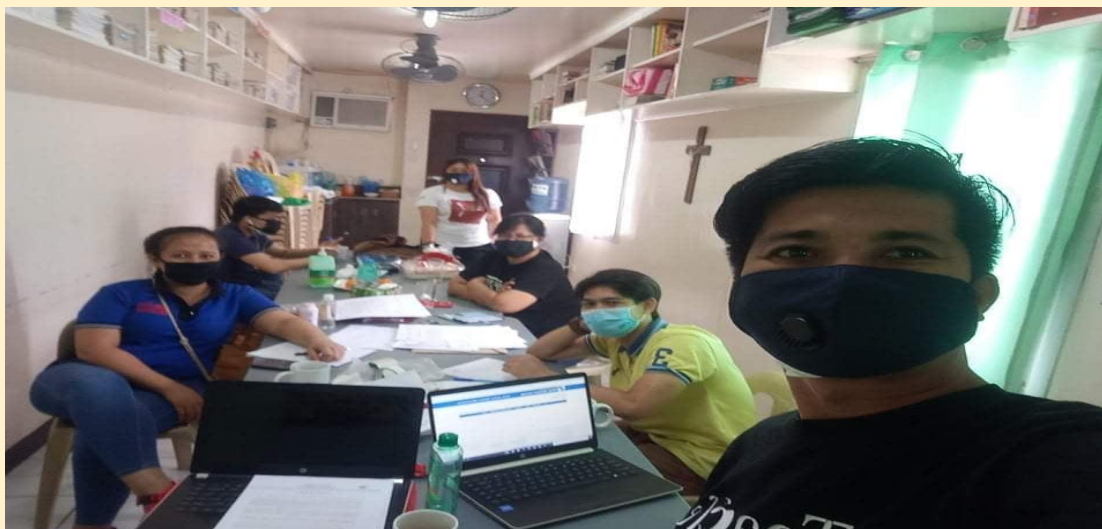
Indeed all of you scholars did a job well done! May our Almighty God bless you in your new endeavor.

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Education in the Midst of Pandemic

August 01, 2020



CoVid – 19 is indeed an international crisis that paralyzes almost all sectors of the society. This health crisis resulted to an economic recession and felt by almost of everyone most especially the marginalize community. It has also affected the annual opening of the education system in the country. Lots of debates and forums occurred regarding on the scheduling of the opening of classes. The health and security of the learners in opening the classes should be the utmost priority. However, DepEd decided to pursue their plans and give comprehensive guidelines and protocols regarding on the opening of the classes.

On this regard, Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon. Inc. decided to continue its services to its partner communities in Tondo and Payatas. It is an answer to the call of mission in the midst of pandemic, the organization came up with a Learning Continuity Plan and health guidelines regarding on how to provide services despite of the situation. Both centers launched their Online Enrollment Campaign for the academic year 2020-2021. It aims to provide quality education in a new normal way of learning to the Out of School Youth and Adult. Google link was given to the partner organizations and former students to be shared to the prospect enrollees.

The enrollment is still going on and accepting new enrollees for the new batch. However, the opening of classes for both centers are still yet to be decided. The organization assures the safety of the learners, IMs and staff in providing the services to our beneficiaries.

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Buwan ng Wika 2020:

“Wika ng Kasaysayan, Kasaysayan ng Wika”

Ang mga Katutubong Wika sa Maka-Filipinong Bayanihan Kontra Pandemya

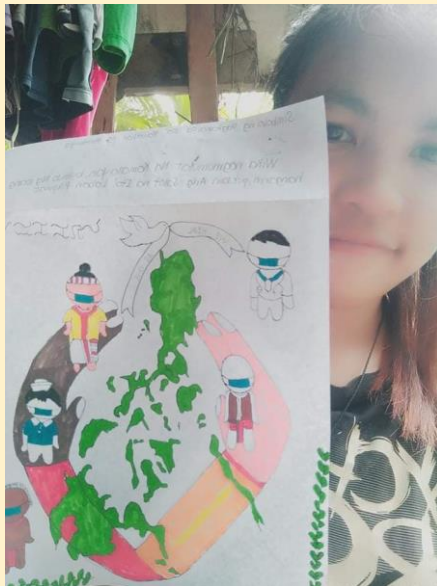
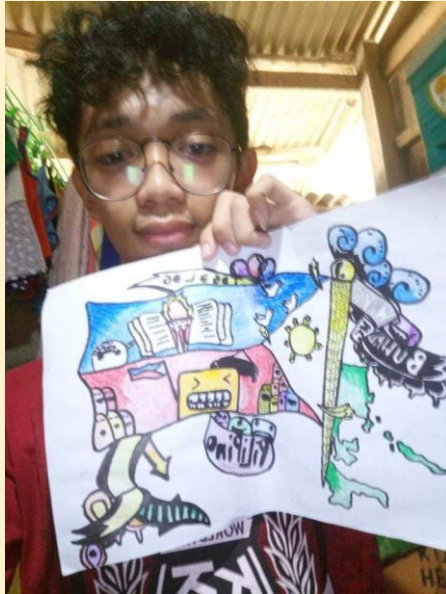
August 28, 2020



In the annual celebration of the Philippine's National Language amid the COVID-19 pandemic, this year's theme “Wika ng Kasaysayan, Kasaysayan ng Wika” – *Ang mga Katutubong Wika sa Maka-Filipinong Bayanihan Kontra Pandemya*”. This is meant to value the Filipino language, as well as other ethnic languages as effective weapons against the pandemic. It also aims to encourage the *Bayanihan* of the Filipino people in order to contain the threat of the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Amidst the Coronavirus pandemic, some Payatas learners participated in a “New Normal” Poster making contest which was conducted online. Participants instructed to make their own poster that is related in today's theme. They will also make a video presentation explaining their masterpieces. This year celebration was a big different, everything happens via online, no face to face activities, no physical contact due to the pandemic. The health and security of the learners and staff are the biggest priority in this time.

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September Articles

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Parola Inter-Agency Network grant agreement signing and turning over of check

September 1, 2020

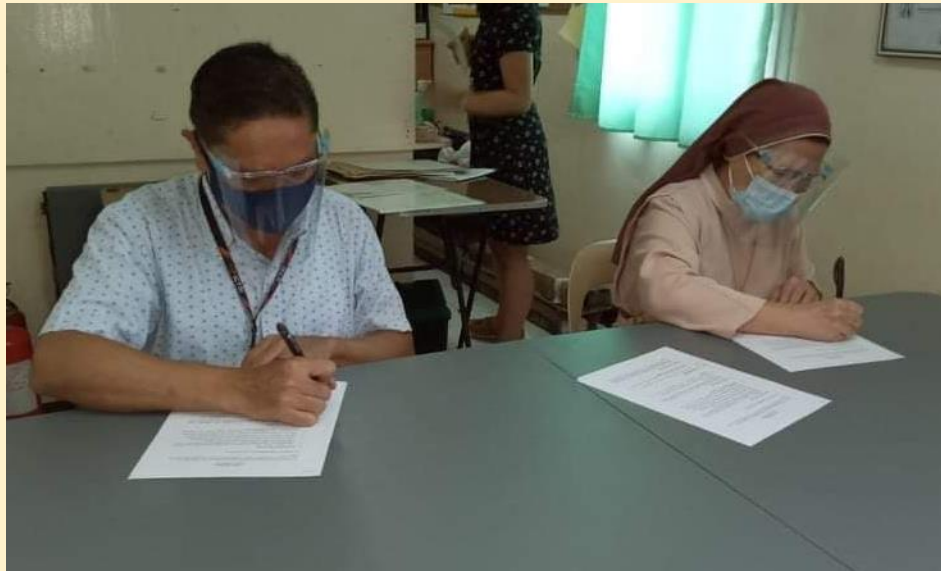


Since year 2016, Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon Inc. continuously receiving fund from *International Container Terminal Services, Inc. (ICTSI)*, this is to support the ALSA BUHAY – ALS Program. Despite the Pandemic that everyone's experiencing, ICTSI continues to support the organization and serves as a blessing to its partner organizations.

September 01, 2020, ICTSI facilitated the formal signing of the Grant Agreement and turnover of Check to Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. and its program Alternative Learning System. The said activity was held at ALSA- BUHAY Learning Center attended by the members of Parola Inter-Agency Network (PIAN) and with the presence of Parola staff led by Sr. Mila Singap, FLP. Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. as partner organization is humbly grateful for continuously supporting the beneficiaries.

May our Almighty God bless us abundantly.

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Distribution of Food Assistance to the Scholars

September 8, 2020



Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon Inc. conducted a virtual *Kumustahan* meeting with the *Enfant Du Mekong* graduates and new scholars of Parola and Payatas center. The purpose of the meeting was to know their current situations, particularly their family life status, plans, and the impact of CoVid-19 pandemic into their lives. The virtual *Kumustuhan* was facilitated by Sr. frances Mangabat, SDS, Program Coordinator, Sr. Mila Singap, FLP, Parola Supervisor, and the undersigned Social Worker, Ms. Jennifer Basconcillo, RSW.

In the midst of Pandemic and the unexpected changes of it to everyone's lives and plans, still EDM continuously support the graduates and new scholars. They all received food assistance from EDM for the third time. Two scholars also received employment assistance for the processing of their initial requirements from their work. The distribution of assistance went well and smoothly to everyone and was facilitated by the undersigned social worker Ms. Jennifer Basconcillo, RSW and with the help of the Instructional Managers, Ms. Cristine Maceda, LPT and and Mr. Edwin Guevarra.

If a door closes, always believe and trust another windows will open. God bless everyone!

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Webinar on Comprehensive Sexuality Education and Covid-19 Prevention

September 15-17, 2020



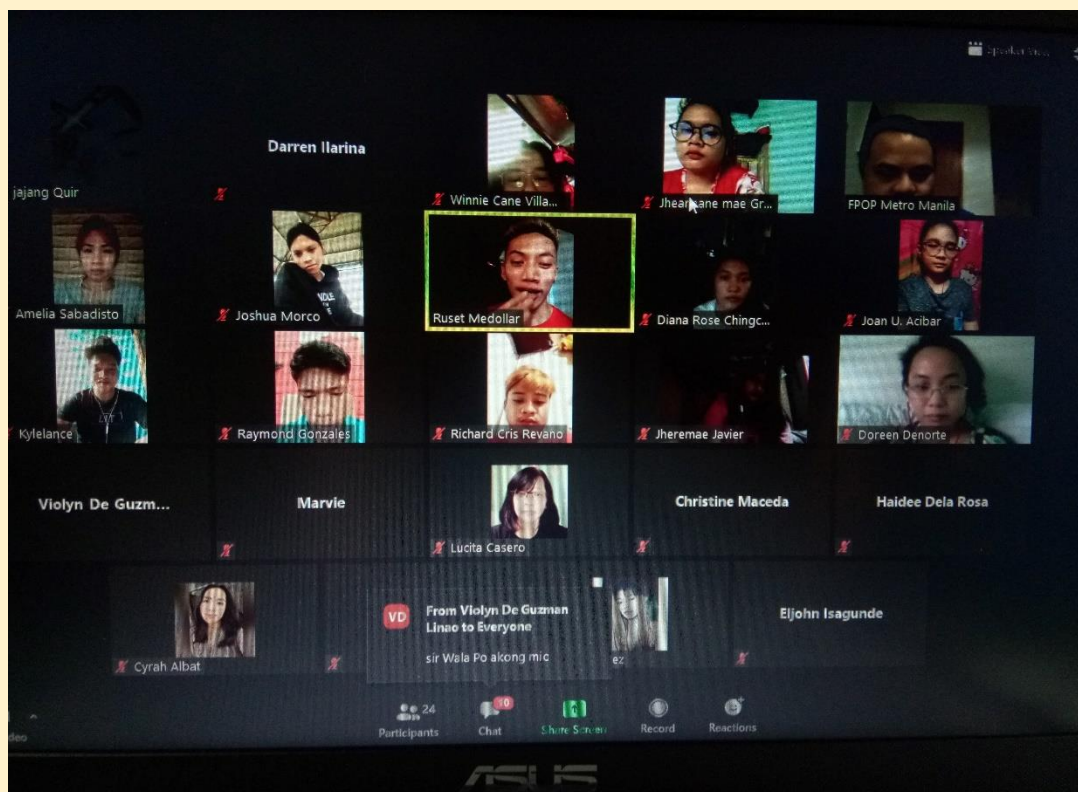
Comprehensive sexuality education is a curriculum-based process of teaching and learning about the cognitive, emotional, physical and social aspects of sexuality. It aims to equip children and young people with knowledge, skills, attitudes and values that will empower them to realize their health, well-being and dignity; develop respectful social and sexual relationships; considering how their choices affect their own well-being.

Learners of ALSA BUHAY Parola Center participated in a 3-day webinar training seminar organized by Philippine Family Organization of the Philippines (FPOP) Community Health Care Clinic. It was entitled Comprehensive Sexuality Education and Covid-19 Prevention and held last September 15- 17, 2020 thru online. It was a free seminar with load allowance, Covid-19 kit, and certificate. It was attended by twenty selected learners from Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon Inc.

Various slides presentation lessons were shown to the participants about Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), HIV/AIDS, and Teenage pregnancy. The current situation of Adolescence Reproductive Health and how everyone can help in the challenges and difficulties of this poor communities as a citizen.

The 3-day training seminar ended interestingly and interactively. After the activity, participants were given time to further discuss, what they had learned and asked questions regarding Comprehensive Sexuality Education and Covid-19 Prevention. After this seminar they can share what they have learned and to become one of the best peer-educators in their community.

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Speaker, Facilitators, and Learners during the online session.



Learners during the training seminars.

Virtual Graduation of 1st Batch of Enfants Du Mekong Payatas Scholars

September 27, 2020



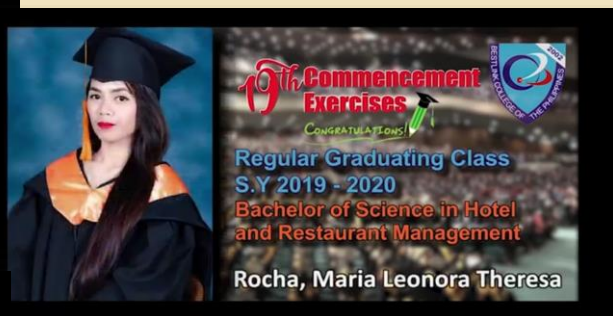
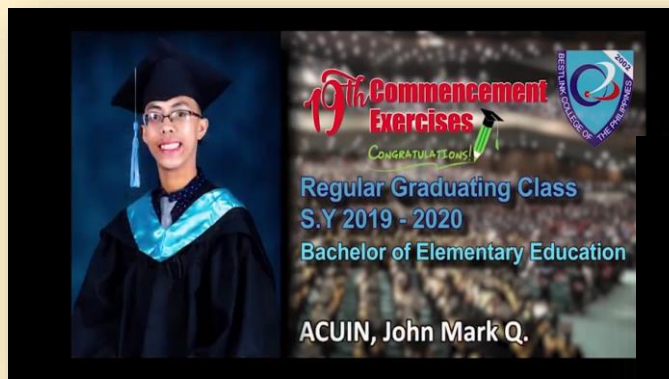
Bestlink College of the Philippines held their first virtual graduation rites last September 27, 2020. The school's representative shared a Youtube link to the graduates where they can freely witness the most awaited juncture of their lives. Three (3) of them graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management and two (2) of them graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Elementary Education and Bachelor of Secondary Education major in English.

Graduation is the chance to reflect on all challenges surpassed and accomplishments made as a student. It is a time to celebrate another unlocked journey with the family members and friends. With courage, dedication, and hard work five (5) Payatas scholars successfully finished their chosen course and finally with a degree. Despite of many life challenges and struggles, they chose to fight for their dreams and firmly continued what they have started.

Now, the graduates are busy looking for a job while waiting for their review on Licensure Examination for Teachers Test. Meanwhile, the Hotel and Restaurant Management graduates enrolled themselves in a short online course which is inline to their course.

Congratulations to all of you! May our Almighty God, guide and lead you to your new endeavor!

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October Articles

First Day of ALSA BUHAY Learners

October 5, 2020



As we celebrate the World Teacher's Day, the Department of Education also set the opening of classes for the country on this day. It will be noted that due to current situation and pandemic, the classes were delayed for almost 4 months. The usual face to face learning modality is set aside and new and blended approach becoming the trend across all the levels of education.

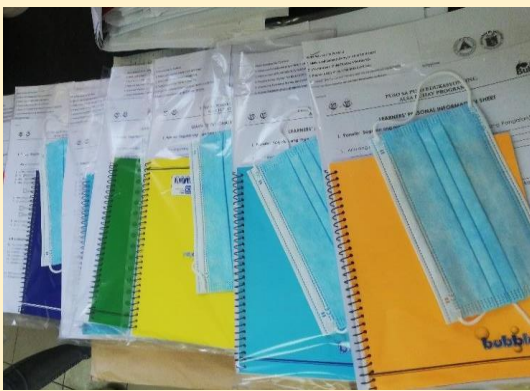
Unlike the usual first day where learners and PSPEI staff of both centers are excited in this new chapter, a rare sighting is observed. There were limited interactions, each were cautious wearing personal protective masks and face shield, and the transactions were direct and at the minimum.

In order for safe opening of schools, health and safety protocols are observed. And because of ongoing city ordinance, only parents/guardians and learners above 21 years old are allowed to go outside. Contact tracing form is also used and asked visitors to sign before making interactions with the staff. Scheduling and social distancing is strictly observed.

For each learner, a 'learning kit' is given. It consists of disposable mask, notebook, pen, Modified Functional Literacy Test (MFLT) and Portfolio forms. A short instructions were given after they got their respective learning kits.

For this month, enrollment is still open. Those who already enlisted, fulfilment of various forms and documentation are required for submission. Life skill modules, as ordered by DepEd-ALS will follow thru blended learning.

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New Batch Learners' Online Orientation

(7th Batch)

October 12, 2020

In every sectors around the world private or public offices, they are starting to embrace the "New Normal" approaches on now a day's era of Pandemic. Everything happens via online – Online classes, Online meetings, Online trainings, and Online Orientations. Little by little everyone is used to do "Online" to reach people everywhere that face to face scenarios are not yet possible this time.

Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. is also starting to embrace the New Normal approaches in education sector just to reach and contact the learners. By means of technology and resources of the staff of PSPEI, the impossible things can be made possible. Last October 12, 2020 at Payatas center happened the very first time "Learners' Online Orientation". The said activity was led by the Instructional Managers and Social Worker. It lasted for one hour for the discussion about Introduction of the staff of PSPEI, Portfolio forms, Life Skills Module, and the differences between Modular and Online approach -- just to give the new learners a gist of New Norms in this time of Pandemic and about Puso Sa Puso edukasyon, Inc.

The said activity was smoothly and interestingly done. For the new batch learners who were not able to attend the Online Orientation, Payatas center will give a flyer to all learners about PSPEI.

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New Normal Learners' Orientation via Google meet



November Articles

Livelihood Program: Bubble Mix Production

November, 2020



ALSA BUHAY Essential Products

Due to the high demand of hygiene essentials amidst the pandemic, livelihood program extended its activity for the safety of its beneficiaries and other customers. From solely dishwashing liquid, another product was released to Bubble mix production wherein all products to be produced were essentials. In partnership with PIAN (Parola Inter-Agency Network), together with the livelihood cluster, and the grant funded from ICTSI this program was successfully become possible.

The new products produced and released were; dishwashing liquid, hand soap, bleach and hand sanitizer and named after ALSA BUHAY Essentials. Parents from the area and learners who are already parents involved in the said production of the products. Safety protocol was strictly implemented during production and the number of parents was limited into two (2) to five (5).

The production of ALSA BUHAY Essentials was done in both centers – Payatas and Parola.

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Preparation for A&E Registration Test

November 20, 2020



The most awaited event of the year for all the ALS Completers is the Accreditation and Equivalency Test – A&E Test. This examination will determine the capacity and ability of the learners to apply what they have learned during their stay in ALSA BUHAY centers. The Computer-Based A & E Test will be conducted this month of December according to the guidelines released by the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA). Furthermore, the examination this year is considered phenomenal because of the pandemic. Learners are going to use a computer instead of pen and paper in taking the examination.

Both centers, Payatas and Parola prepared the forms needed for the learners to be filled out. Portfolio outputs were already submitted and checked by their Instructional Managers as one of the requirements in taking A&E Test. Everyone is indeed excited to take another journey of their lives. Pandemic is everywhere yet, it won't stop the journey and dreams of ALSA BUHAY learners. Considering the pandemic, health protocols were strictly implemented in the center wearing face mask and face shield while the learners fill-out their forms.

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Virtual Graduation of Bosconian Students

November 27, 2020



November 27, 2020, Friday, was the most awaited Virtual Graduation Ceremony of Don Bosco Youth Center – Tondo Batch 2020. It was their 103rd Commencement Exercises with the theme “Grad-Waiting No More”. This year, situations may be different due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but that does not mean the graduation festivities can be canceled even through online.

Among the graduates of Don Bosco Youth Center Tondo- TVET, PSPEI would like to congratulate the four (4) ALSA BUHAY graduates who successfully finished their courses with their courage, determination, and hard work despite the pandemic and life struggles they experienced.

Mayril Ebarle and Arvin Duran from ALSA BUHAY 6th batch graduated with a course of Office System and Management. Joven Delos Santos completed the Automotive Servicing NC II. Carlo Asuncion, Enfant Du Mekong scholar (ALSA BUHAY 7th batch) completed the course General Maintenance Technician course.

Congratulations, Graduates! Best wishes for a bright journey and future ahead.

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 DON BOSCO YOUTH CENTER TONDO-TVET

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December Articles

Mindfulness: The Road to Mental Health

December 12, 2020



"Pandemic has given us negative thoughts of uncertainties threats, doubts".

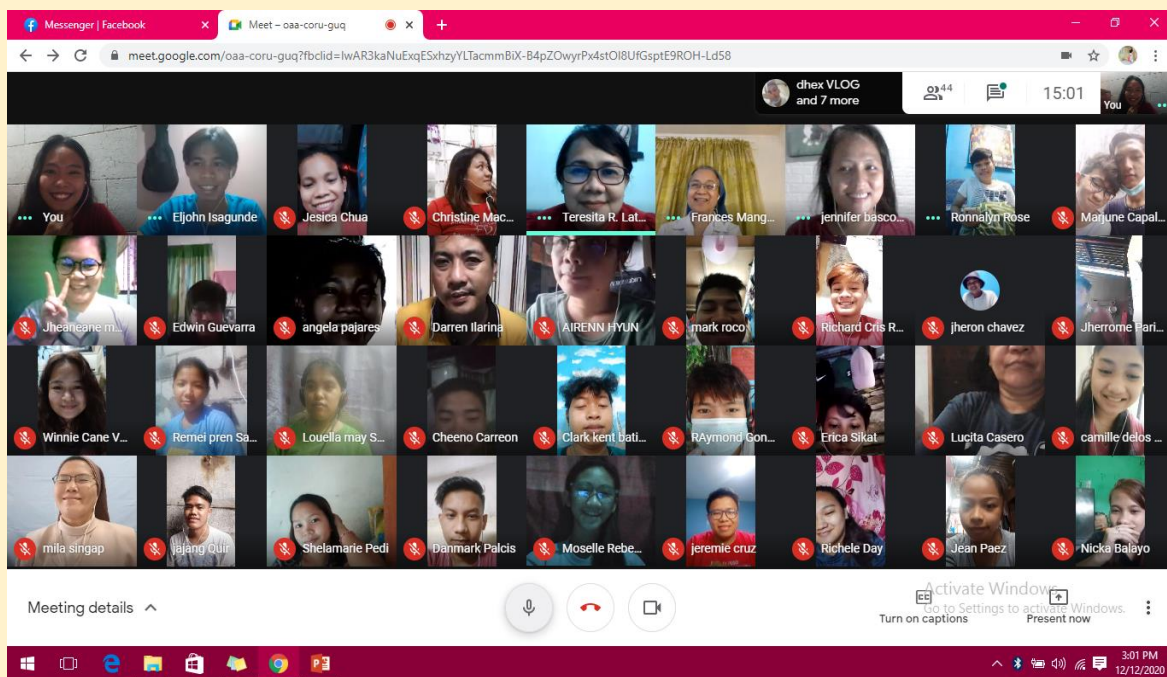
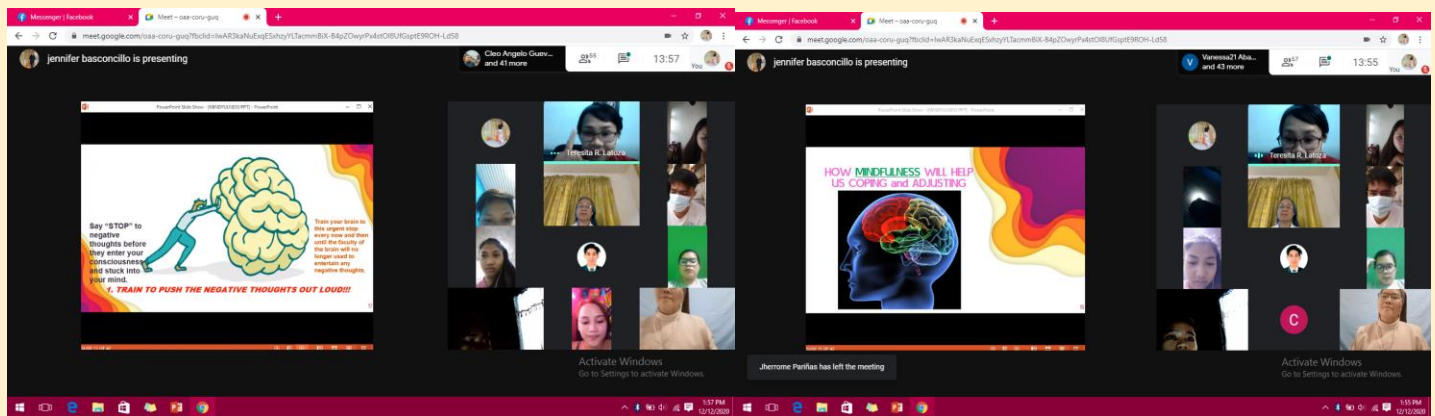
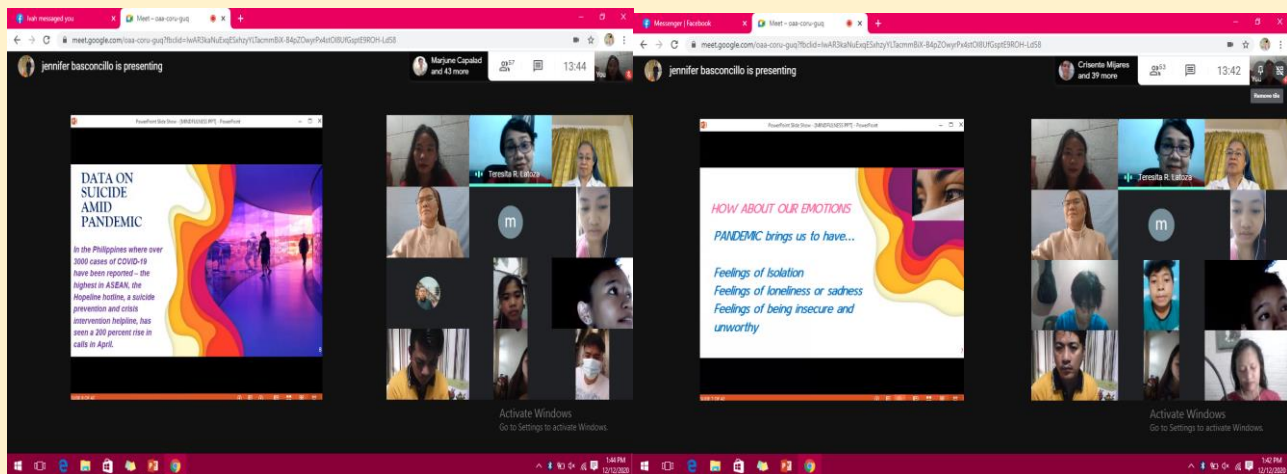
Mental health is fundamental collective and individual ability as humans to think, emote, interact with each other, earn a living and enjoy life. Mental Health awareness is one of the main concerns nowadays, especially in this time of pandemic when everything is uncertain. Thus, as a part of the Advocacy program of Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc., Ms. Jeniffer Basconcillo, RSW, social worker of both centers organized a webinar on Mental Health Awareness for the ALSA BUHAY learners and staff entitled "Mindfulness: The Road to Mental Health".

December 12, 2020, the webinar was held thru google meet online attended by the selected learners and PSPEI staff. It was facilitated and discussed by the guest speaker Ms. Teresita Robarios-Latoza, a registered social worker and a part-time lecturer at Quezon City University. She is also a family life Child and Youth, Mental health advocate.

In the webinar, the facilitator highlighted the importance of mindfulness, how the mind play a big role to the human behavior and thinking. It also discussed how to cope with and adjust in the midst of crises. In the concluding part of webinar, the guest speaker offered herself for any concern that needs someone to talk to. And the best weapon as she uttered; Prayer is the most powerful weapon when the mind is uncertain.

The said webinar made possible with the monetary support of Parola Inter-Agency Network (PIAN) under International Container Terminal Services, Inc. (ICTSI) by giving load allowance to learners' participants.

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Christmas Gift Giving to Puso Sa Puso Scholars

December 14 and 16, 2020



Still in the midst of uncertainties, *Enfant Du Mekong* continuously spreading love, giving hope, putting joy, and supporting to the Puso Sa Puso scholars both Payatas and Parola. Pandemic is still in the midst and the support given by EDM to its Puso Sa Puso scholars is undeniably worthy in these tough times. The gift-giving activity was spearheaded by the Puso staff under the supervision of Sr. Frances R. Mangabat, SDS, Puso Sa Puso Program Coordinator, and Sr. Mila P. Singap, FLP, Puso sa Puso Parola Supervisor.

December 14 and 16, 2020, the beneficiaries of *Enfant Du Mekong* under the Scholarship program of Puso sa Puso Edukasyon Inc. received their Christmas gifts, which included a Noche Buena package and a sack of rice. Everyone went home with smile and joy as they presented their Christmas package to their own families.

Indeed, everyone can bring joy and share even in a small act of kindness.

SENDING LOVE!

Have a merry holiday!

PUSO & EDM SCHOLARS (PAYATAS & PAROLA)



Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc.: Gift Giving in the Midst of Pandemic

December 17-18, 2020



Every year Puso Sa Puso planned, organized, and prepared different memorable games, and shows to its chosen beneficiaries around Metro Manila. Also, invited professionals acrobatic, magician, and dancer just to give unending happiness and laughters to the beneficiaries. This year, 2020, in the midst of Pandemic, Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. still celebrated and continued its 12th year Mission of annual gift giving to the needy ones. This time is undeniably different than the usual set-up of giving happiness, sharing laughters, and giving gifts.

In partnership with Alpha Phi Beta Fraternity – San Beda University and the initiative of Mr. Thirbee Barretto, the impossible annual gift giving of Puso Sa Puso was made possible due to their help and their driven generosity to give and share what they have to the needy ones who truly were affected by the pandemic. Different private and public sectors and individuals donated and exerted effort to help PSP for their annual Charity Christmas event. 200 gift bags with different stuff inside was donated and given to its beneficiaries.

On the 17th of December, the gift bags were distributed to the learners of PSPEI from Payatas and Parola centers. It brought smiles and touched hearts as they received their unexpected gift bag. On the 18th of December, the other gift bags were distributed to the homeless street dwellers around Quezon City and Manila. PSPEI staff and supervisors rented a van to load the excess gift bags and randomly distributed to the street dwellers. This scenario, was able to give hope and light to their darkness scene in life. Since pandemic is around the corner, everyone observed safety protocols --- wearing face mask and face shield.

To everyone who donated, gave what they have, and exerted effort for the gift giving, May our Almighty God bless, guide, and protect all of you! Thank you very much!

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Merry Christmas And Happy New Year!

May the year ahead brings joy, love,
compassion, and blessings to
everyone!

Thank you very much for your
unending support to Puso Sa Puso!
Cheers for more!