



## SWITZERLAND-CEBU SCHOOL HELP

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## **Newsletter Januar 2020**

Dear SWIBU Friends, Donators, Godmothers and Fathers

We hope that you started very good into the new year and wish you good luck and health for all your projects and a joyful life.

With great pleasure we would like to introduce you a young lady, which has visited us and asked us for support, that she can continue her Education for a nurse. This story has touched us, which is why we give this woman a platform here, to tell us about her live. Below the self-written letter from this cheerful, determined young woman, who has a vision. Help us to make her dreams come true. – Thank you very much.



I am Jayce Gyle D. Padilla, 20 years of age, born on December 7, 1999 and raised in Cebu, Philippines.

I am a 1<sup>st</sup> year nursing student in Southwestern University-PHINMA. Our tuition fee is ranging from 50,000-60,000 pesos per semester (5 months). And this amount will go higher as I continue. It is heavy for my mother who is the breadwinner of our family whose salary is of minimum wage only. My parents separated when I was young and my father only supported me very little in financial matters which never came close to enough.

I don't want my mother to pay that amount of money because it hurts me to see her troubled on where or who she could borrow money from. She supported me all throughout my life and already has many debts to pay. Although I am an only child, my 80-year-old grandmother is with us and she has vitamins and medicine to take and maintain. We are currently renting a 4,000 one-bedroom apartment and paying bills for water and electricity consumption. We are renting houses or apartments for almost 16 years now. In addition to that, she is renting a small house for her younger brother who got mentally ill and we have to bring him food every day because he can't cook and can't manage money which is an additional expense and burden to us.

To be a nurse and to help the sick and dying people is my ultimate dream. Though it is a very hard and expensive course, I did not think in taking another course which has many scholarships offered and which is easier to pass. I was inspired to become a nurse when I was 17 in which at that time, I sacrificed my studies because I took care of my grandaunt (now deceased) who had pneumonia and a heart disease. I was inspired of how much a nurse can help a patient! They were not mere assistants to doctors. After a decade or so, I would pursue to become a doctor and establish a big clinic here in the Philippines for the poor.

I was a scholar for 4 years in high school in St. Scholastica's Academy here in Cebu. The scholarship was called PTA (Parents-Teachers Association) scholarship which lets me study for free. Despite the circumstances we have faced, I was able to maintain my grades and graduated which I could've not done without the Lord's grace. I am hoping and praying that you would grant me financial assistance and I assure you that I will not disappoint you.



In the next 40-foot container it still has space for 7 more pallets for good for the schools, which we have listed below. We would like to fill it up with your help, so that we can send this year the first container direction Cebu to the delight and cheer of all concerned.

Our president, Ellen P Ramas was recently in the Canlumampao Elementary School, in the mountains of Toledo, which requested SWIBU for support. The adventures path up to the school she had to make on a motorbike and by walking. Her idealism and joy of an early help for this school were her companions.







The school management told her that many children are suffering from lack of nutrition and the parents do not have money for uniforms and shoes, because they can not afford it. The school would like in cooperation with SWIBU to set up a lunch table for this group of children, so that they can eat properly once a day. However, the lack of infrastructure doesn't allow to prepare a proper meal.

## Like that it looks now:



We, therefore urgently need the following articles for this school and their project, be its new or used in good condition. Perhaps also in your circle of friends such articles are no longer in use. We are very grateful to you, if you are committed to help and ensuring, that such items find the way to us.







**Gas or Electric Cookers** 

**Fridges** 



**Freezers** 







Mixer / Blender



Cooking gear/Knifes

**Pots and Pans** 



**Table wear Cutleries** Glasses

This is just a selection, please ask for the wish list of the schools and children. In addition to all these materials we also need your financial help for the transport of the container to Cebu and afterwards up to the schools in the mountains. We thank you very much in advance for your generosity.

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If you would like to donate for the training of Jayce, please note: JAYCE

We are very happy to report you soon again a lot of joyful and positive news.

Until then, sonny Greetings from Cebu

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