

ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

June 2024-July 2025



A. SMALL ISLANDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

I. COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH PROGRAM

Annual Medical Mission

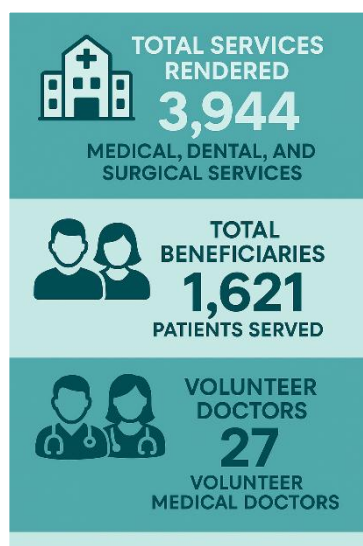
16th Annual Health Caravan Report

Municipalities of Agutaya and Cuyo, Palawan | May 21–23, 2024

To help bridge the gap in access to essential healthcare services in geographically isolated island communities, the Foundation successfully conducted its 16th Annual Health Caravan across three island barangays: Algeciras and Concepcion in Agutaya, and Manamoc in Cuyo, Palawan.

Key Accomplishments:

- **Total Services Rendered:** 3,944 medical, dental, and surgical services
- **Total Beneficiaries:** At least 1,621 patients served
- **Participating Professionals:** 27 volunteer medical doctors and non-medical personnel, including Mr. ASIV and Ms. Sandra Soriano



Services Provided:

- **Laboratory Tests:** Urinalysis, blood tests for cholesterol, blood sugar, and uric acid levels
- **Oral Health:** Preventive dental care and tooth extractions
- **Dermatology:** Treatment for common skin conditions among adults and children
- **Diagnostic Procedures:** Electrocardiogram (ECG) and general ultrasound
- **Women's Health:** Prenatal check-ups and ultrasound, Pap smears
- **Minor Surgeries:** Lump removal and circumcision
- **ENT Services:** Consultations and treatment for ear infections; earwax removal
- **Eye Care:** Ophthalmologic consultations, minor surgery (pterygium removal), visual acuity testing, and distribution of reading and corrective eyeglasses
- **Adult Medicine:** Consultations and treatment for joint pain and heart-related concerns
- **Pediatrics:** General pediatric consultations
- **Mental Health:** Psychiatric consultations
- **Pharmaceutical Support:** Free prescription and over-the-counter medicines

Community and Partner Support:

- **Host Barangays:** Provided daily lunch and snacks for volunteer doctors and staff
- **Department of Health – CHD MIMAROPA:** Donated essential medicines valued at approximately PHP 1.8 million
- **Share Foundation, Inc. and Prof. Ludwig (Amanpulo Guest):** Contributed additional funds for eye and ear medications, eyeglasses, and medical kits

- **Island Aviation, Inc., West Villa, and PRI:** Supported logistics, including air transport for doctors, accommodations, meals (breakfast, dinner and snacks), and speedboat transfers between Pamalican and the island barangays
- **Villa Owners (through the initiative of Mr. ASIV):** Lent two additional speedboats to support transport requirements



Volunteer Doctors with the ASF Team during the Medical Mission in Brgy. Concepcion, Agutaya, Palawan



Mr. Andrés IV and Dr. Rom Gumabon (Amanpulo Resort's in-house physician) performing laboratory tests to a patient in Brgy. Algeciras



Dra. Grace Gabriel, volunteer DOH Dentist



Dr. Mario Baquilod, former DOH Regional Director, checks a patient from Brgy. Concepcion.



Dr. Noel Ibay, volunteer ENT Doctor checks the ear of a pedia patient in Brgy. Manamoc.



Dr. Noel Cruz, volunteer Surgeon performs a minor-surgery to a patient in Brgy. Algeciras.



Dr. Gary Mercado, volunteer Ophthalmologist performs Tyregium removal to a patient from Brgy. Manamoc.

Supplementary Feeding Program

As part of the Foundation's continuing commitment to sustain access to basic healthcare in small island communities, the **Supplementary Feeding Program** is implemented in partnership with Local Government Units (LGUs) and Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs). The program specifically aims to reduce the prevalence of malnutrition among children aged 2 to 6 years in the Quiniluban Islands. The Foundation prepares a **monthly meal plan** in collaboration with DOH-trained Barangay Nutrition Volunteers. Hot meals are **home-cooked** and prepared by mothers, ensuring active community participation and sustainability. While most of the ingredients are **locally sourced** using fresh, raw food supplies available in the islands, the Foundation partnered with DOST as a source to supply vitamins-fortified, packaged snacks.

Feeding Strategies					
Site	Strategy	Result in %			Observation
		School-based	Community-based	Overall	
Algeciras (Sitio Islands)	Two Food Packs of Ready-to-Eat fortified snacks	100%	77%	86%	Most effective strategy due to convenience, consistency, and high nutritional value—best suited for remote areas.
Algeciras & Concepcion (Central Areas)	Hot Meals + of Ready-to-Eat fortified snack	74%	65%	69%	Moderately effective; success depended on community kitchen support and initial malnutrition severity.
Manamoc	Family-initiated cooked meal based on meal plan provided	82%	25%	64%	Less effective for low-income families who struggled to meet meal requirements without added support.

Key Accomplishments:

Total Undernourished Children served for 180 days: **162**

- All children showed weight improvement
 - Over-all, 119 or 73% out of 162 successfully reached normal weight and height or improved BMI for their age by the end of the intervention
 - 59 out of 79 school-based students achieved normal height and weight
 - 60 out of 83 community-based individuals achieved a normal height and weight
 - Ave. weight gain: 2 kg in 180 days
 - *AveImprovement in nutritional status based on the strategy implemented*



ASF's Supplementary Feeding Program has demonstrated significant progress in improving the nutritional status of children in the Quiniluban Islands. It remains committed to strengthening its community-based interventions through collaborative partnerships and sustained grassroots involvement.

First 1000 Days of a Baby

The *First 1000 Days of a Baby Project* continues to be a vital intervention to ensure healthy pregnancy outcomes and the optimal growth and development of infants and young children.

For FY 2024–2025, ASF sustained the support and monitoring of the assisted pregnant and postpartum women across the Quiniluban Islands, with a focus on improving maternal and child nutrition and access to essential pre- and post-natal health services.

Key Accomplishments

Maternal Monitoring

- Total pregnant women monitored: 41
- Pregnancy Outcomes (22 women who have given birth):
 - 19 babies born healthy and with normal weight
 - 3 babies born underweight
 - 3 miscarriages, including 1 case of teenage pregnancy



Period Covered	2025			2024		
Project Site	Alge	Concep	Manamoc	Alge	Concep	Manamoc
Basic Information						
· No. of Pregnant Mothers (enrolled to the program)	6	3	7	4	8	13
· No. of Pregnant Mothers Delivered to Date	-	-	1	2	7	12
· No. of Newborn	-	-	1	2	7	12
· No. of Maternal Death	-	-	0	-	-	0
· No. of Stillbirth	-	-	0	-	-	0
· No. of Miscarriage	-	-	1	2	-	0
· No. of Underweight Newborn	-	-	0	-	-	3

Infant Monitoring

- Total babies currently monitored: 28
 - 22 newborns for this FY
 - 6 infants under 2 years old carried over from 2023
- Health and Nutrition Status:
 - All 28 children received regular vaccinations and prenatal care
 - 21 babies are being exclusively breastfed
 - 3 babies are currently malnourished and under close monitoring
 - These infants are being provided with Rice-Mongo food packs by the Barangay Health Station (BHS)

Capacity Building

To promote holistic maternal and child care, ASF partnered with Adarna Group Foundation, Inc. to launch a program in the Small Islands focused on healthcare and early literacy.

It included *Unang Isang Libong Araw* training for 19 Barangay Health Workers on infant stimulation, and a session on early learning for 23 pregnant women, mothers, and their husbands. The initiative empowers caregivers to support mothers and give children a healthy start.

- Support Provided:
 - Free educational books were distributed to pregnant women
 - Training materials for use by the BHS
 - Unang Isang Libong Araw Kits with booklets distributed to recipients of the First 1000 Days program



ASF's continued implementation of the First 1000 Days Project in the Quiniluban Islands underscores its commitment to reducing maternal and child malnutrition, improving health outcomes, and building capacity at the grassroots level. Through consistent monitoring, nutritional support, and targeted education, the program has made measurable progress toward securing healthier starts for mothers and their children.

These efforts contribute to reducing risks of early childhood malnutrition and enhancing maternal well-being, supporting a healthier start for babies within their first 1,000 days.

Food Always in the Home (FAITH)

The FAITH Program complements the First 1000 Days and SFP by promoting backyard gardening to help small island families address health and economic challenges. Orientations for new beneficiaries focused on home-based food production, seed management, and water conservation.

Key Accomplishments:

Backyard Gardening for Nutrition and Income

ASF supported 159 SFP and First 1000 Days beneficiaries from three partner communities in establishing backyard gardens receiving orientations, technical support, seeds and seedlings of various vegetables, however, due to lack of enough space for backyard gardening, some of the First 1000 Days of A Baby program beneficiaries were not able to set-up theirs.

A total harvest of 172 kg of various vegetables:

- **Nutrition impact:**
 - 121 children gained height and weight
 - 88 the reached a normal height and weight
- **Income impact:**
 - 12 households sold excess harvest, earning ₱500–₱4,000

The FAITH Program has demonstrated its value in enhancing household food security, promoting healthy eating, and fostering self-reliance among families. By integrating agricultural support into health initiatives, the Foundation continues to create sustainable solutions that improve both the **nutritional status** and **resilience** of vulnerable communities.



Use of Safe Delivery App Report

In line with the Foundation's commitment to improving **maternal and newborn care** in geographically isolated communities, ASF continues to implement the use of the **Safe Delivery App** as a digital tool to support midwives in performing safer and more informed deliveries even offline. This equips midwives assigned in remote barangays with **real-time, evidence-based guidance** and decision-making support during childbirth through a mobile health application.

Magsaysay	Agutaya	Cuyo
Alcoba Balaguen Bisucay Island Caponayan Canipo Cocoro	Algeciras Concepcion Diit	Manamoc

Key Accomplishments:

- **Total Midwives Provided with Cellphones (with Safe Delivery App): 13**
 - 10 New cellphones units donated by Ms. Mariana Zobel Aboitiz through the efforts of Mr. & Mrs. ASIV were distributed to 10 midwives assigned in the following sites while 3 cellphones units were initially distributed in 2023 to Brgys. Lucbuan, Alcoba, Cocoro

Community-Based Water Systems Progress Report

The Foundation continues its commitment to provide access to potable water by supporting the community-managed water systems in remote island communities through sustained technical assistance, capacity building, and infrastructure development.

Key Accomplishments:

Manamoc - BAWASA Operation Update

The Barangay Water and Sanitation Association (BAWASA) of Manamoc continues to oversee the operation and maintenance of the island's community-managed water system. This report provides an operational update, highlighting current system status, financial standing, and planned rehabilitation efforts.

Financial Status

- Cash on hand: ₱430,945
- The association maintains a healthy fund balance, that helps support rehabilitation activities and overhead and operational needs.

Water System

- Water Stations (Level II Access Points)
 - **Total number of water stations: 13**
 - 9 functional stations
 - 4 operational – actively used by nearby households
 - 5 closed down – no longer in use as surrounding households now obtained water from Level III connections
 - 1 station near the beachfront was removed by the Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU) with the improvement of the surrounding landscape
 - 2 stations were disconnected due to irregular revenue remittances by water tender

Level III Water Supply

- 118 households are currently connected to the Level III water distribution system. This reflects sustained engagement from the community and preference for in-home water access.

Water System Improvement

- An engineering plan involving the construction one additional concrete water tank has been

- finalized to improve the system's efficiency and coverage.
- A detailed list of construction materials has been prepared and submitted by the engineer/contractor for canvassing and procurement.
 - This includes necessary parts for pipeline upgrades, leak repairs, and replacement of outdated water pump components

Agutaya Water System

The Foundation continued its support on the improvement and sustainability of water services in Agutaya mainland. Efforts focused on system rehabilitation, financial accountability, and organizational strengthening.

Key Accomplishments

- A System Rehabilitation Plan was developed and aligned with a ₱1.3 million LGU allotment to upgrade infrastructure (distribution pipelines) improving water service delivery.
- The reorganization of Agutaya Water Service Association (AWSA) was successfully carried out to strengthen leadership and management structure.
 - Two resolutions were drafted, approved, and distributed to formalize governance improvements.
- Financial Status
 - Demand letters were issued to 20 consumers with unpaid balances, totaling over ₱200,000, to recover revenue and help sustain operations.
 - Cash on hand as of reporting: ₱146,612
- Infrastructure Repair
 - 200 meters of damaged water pipes in Barangay Cambian were repaired after being affected by road construction activities. The repair was undertaken by the LGU.

With active engagement of Agutaya Water Service Association, LGU support, and ASF facilitation, the Agutaya Water System made significant strides in improving service reliability, financial management, and infrastructure readiness. These actions contribute to the goal of ensuring consistent and safe water access for the Agutaya community.

Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

The ASF continued its commitment to improving public health and hygiene conditions in small island communities through its WASH program. This year's efforts focused on sanitation awareness, disease prevention, and safe water access.

Key Accomplishment

Household Sanitation Outreach

- 120 households without toilet facilities were visited and oriented on proper hygiene and sanitation practices.
 - 90 households committed to constructing their own toilets, reflecting increased awareness and initiative.
 - 43 households were referred to the LGU and included in the target list for toilet materials and bowls under the LGU's sanitation support program.

Anti-Dengue Awareness Campaign

- Conducted in targeted communities with a total of 101 participants.
- Focused on prevention measures, early detection, and community-based vector control practices

Oral Hygiene Support

- 963 dental kits were distributed across 7 communities, courtesy of Ms. Holly Soriano.
 - Aimed at promoting oral health, particularly among children and families with limited access to dental care.



IEC on the use of clean, safe drinking Water

- Information and Education Campaign on the use of safe drinking water to food vendors and families of Barangays of Concepcion and Algeciras in collaboration with the Barangay Health Stations.

ASF's WASH activities during the period in review contributed to better hygiene practices, improved sanitation infrastructure, and safer water access in its partner communities. Through targeted education and collaborative efforts with the LGUs and BHS, the Foundation continues to build healthier and more resilient island communities.

II. ENVIRONMENT

Coastal Resource Management

The Foundation continues to work closely with Local Government Units (LGUs) and Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs) to strengthen the protection, management, and rehabilitation of vital marine and coastal ecosystems. This year, concerted efforts were focused on the expansion and monitoring of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), intensified sea patrol and enforcement, technical assistance, and mangrove rehabilitation — all supported by community-based engagement and education initiatives.

Key Accomplishments:

The Foundation continues to support the monitoring of **13 Marine Protected Areas (MPAs)**, alongside efforts to provide technical assistance to two newly established MPAs

MPA Expansion Update:

During the 2023–2024 period, **one additional MPA was officially established**, bringing the total number of monitored areas to 12

Barangay Balading

Significant progress has been made in the establishment and operationalization of the Marine Protected Area (MPA) in Barangay Balading:

- The MPA map, developed by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD), has been reviewed and formally approved by the Barangay Council.
- An MPA Management Board has been organized, and its members have undergone a Management Planning Workshop to build their capacity in site protection and governance.
- A comprehensive MPA Management Plan has been produced, outlining strategies for conservation, enforcement, and community engagement.
- MPA boundary markers have been installed to clearly delineate the protected area.
- A resolution endorsing the incentivization of four Bantay Dagat members was passed and approved. Quarterly incentives are now being regularly disbursed, supporting active surveillance and enforcement efforts.

Barangay Algeciras

Preparations for the formal establishment of the MPA in Barangay Algeciras are ongoing:

- Coordination meetings with the Barangay Council have been conducted to ensure local support and alignment with community priorities.
- The MPA map, likewise developed by PCSD, has been completed.
- Community consultation meetings are being conducted on a continuing basis, fostering participatory decision-making and building consensus on MPA boundaries, management strategies, and local roles.

These results reflect the strengthened enforcement mechanisms and collaborative monitoring in place within the managed coastal areas.

Sea Patrol and Surveillance

- A total of 23,557 patrol hours were logged by Bantay Dagat members within the 12 MPA sites—a 179% increase from the previous year (14,282 hours).
- 17 illegal activities were recorded, leading to 9 apprehensions, marking a 116% increase in enforcement outcomes due to heightened patrol coverage.

Marker Installation

- 9 MPA boundary markers were installed in 9 partner communities, improving visibility, reinforcing zoning awareness, and aiding in enforcement by the Bantay Dagat.

Coral Reef Check and Fish and Count Survey (CRCFC)

- CRCFC findings were presented to 10 communities, with 726 participants attending.
- Community-led action plans were formulated, which included:
 - Identification of Bantay Dagat
 - Strict enforcement of environmental and barangay ordinances (e.g., prohibition of using poisonous organic material in fishing and use of *sudsud*)

Site Specific Summary				
	MPA	LCC Change	FC Change	Biodiversity Notes
1	Alcoba	+5%	281%	5 new species
2	Balading	+2%	45%	1 new species
3	Balaguen	+12%	13%	1 new species
4	Canipo	+1%	1519%	15 new species
5	Rizal	+3%	20%	2 new species
6	San Carlos	+3%	-1%	2 new species
7	Lucbuan	-3%	9%	8 new species
8	Emilod	+17.5	-30%	status quo
9	Villa Sol	+3%	45%	status quo
10	Manamoc	+4%	6%	status quo
11	Diit	+1%	57%	status quo
12	Algeciras	Newly Established		
13	Cocoro	No RCFC Conducted		

Key Findings

- Live Coral Cover (LCC)
 - 10 MPAs recorded increase in live coral cover, ranging from 1% to 17.5%
 - 1 MPA (Lucbuan) recorded a 3% decrease in coral cover
- Fish Count (FC)
 - 8 MPAs reported increases in fish abundance, with some showing significant gains
 - 2 MPAs (Emilod, San Carlos) reported declines in fish populations

Technical Assistance and Capacity Building

- 57 Bantay Dagat members and barangay functionaries completed a 3-day Fishery Law and Enforcement Training, co-facilitated with three partner LGUs, Provincial Agriculture Office (PAO) and Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) which includes the deputation of Bantay Dagat as Fish Wardens
 - Participants represented 17 communities, including those with active MPAs and priority



enforcement areas.



- The training enhanced participants' legal, logistical, and technical competencies.
- Deputized Fish Wardens can enforce fishery laws and protect marine resources by conducting patrols, apprehending violators, and assisting in legal proceedings related to illegal fishing.
- Results include improved apprehension accuracy, stronger inter-agency coordination, and more robust enforcement on the ground.

- Regular Fisher Folk Organization (FFO) meetings were held in 11 assisted communities, addressing concerns related to MPA and fisheries.
- One (1) Capability Building/Team Building Training was held for FFO and MPA team members in one community, engaging 20 participants to foster stronger teamwork and productivity.
- Reorganization of the FFO and Barangay Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Management Council (BFARMC) was successfully completed in Barangay Algeciras, ensuring continuity in local fishery governance.

Mangrove Rehabilitation and Regeneration

The Foundation continues to advance community-led mangrove rehabilitation as a vital component of its coastal resource management strategy. These efforts aim to restore degraded ecosystems, protect shorelines from erosion, support biodiversity, and build climate resilience in partner communities.

Key Accomplishments

Mangrove Nursery Development and Maintenance

- A total of seven (7) mangrove nurseries have been established and actively maintained across assisted communities.
- These nurseries serve as sustainable sources of propagules for continuous rehabilitation and community planting activities.

Propagation and Planting

- 3,753 mangrove propagules were potted and regularly monitored in the nurseries.
- 5,863 propagules were planted across six (6) coastal communities, engaging residents in direct environmental action and awareness.



Survival Rate Monitoring

- Survival monitoring was conducted in three (3) selected communities. Results showed a **25% survival rate**, with **532 surviving out of 2,150 propagules** from the previous year's planting activities.

Coastal and Mangrove Clean-Up Activities

- Bi-annual clean-up drives were conducted across twelve (12) barangays, emphasizing community involvement in environmental stewardship and waste reduction.
 - Total participants: 1,379 individuals
 - Total non-biodegradable waste collected: 3,557.5 kilograms
 - Total coastal area covered: 12.4 kilometers

Information, Education, and Communication (IEC)

- IEC sessions on Environmental Protection, Conservation, and Solid Waste Management (SWM) were held in five communities, reaching 1,534 attendees.
 - Topics covered included reef conservation, waste segregation, sustainable fishing, and community stewardship.

These activities continue to raise public awareness on proper waste disposal while directly contributing to the cleanliness and ecological health of coastal and mangrove ecosystems. Through the successful formulation and adoption of SWMPs and sustained community-driven clean-up efforts, the Foundation and its partners demonstrate a strong commitment to integrated solid waste management. With both technical and material support from government stakeholders, these initiatives lay the groundwork for long-term behavioral change, environmental sustainability, and cleaner, more resilient coastal communities.

Solid Waste Management

As part of its commitment to environmental protection and community sustainability, the Foundation has supported the development and implementation of Solid Waste Management Plans (SWMPs) and regular clean-up initiatives in coastal and mangrove areas. These efforts contribute to improved waste reduction practices, strengthened barangay-level governance, and enhanced ecosystem health across partner communities.

Support in the Development and Implementation of Solid Waste Management Plans (SWMPs)

- A total of seven (7) SWMPs have been finalized and adopted by partner barangays.
- Each plan is backed by an official Barangay Resolution and has been formally approved by the Sangguniang Bayan, reflecting strong local government support and policy alignment.
- The Barangay of Manamoc received ₱5.5 million in financial assistance from the Provincial Government, including the provision of a garbage collection vehicle, significantly boosting its capacity to implement and sustain its SWMP.

War on Plastic

The *War on Plastic* initiative continued to support community-based efforts to reduce plastic waste and promote recycling through education campaign and plastic recovery technologies. It has strengthened local capacity to manage plastic waste, reduce environmental impact, and create reusable materials such as eco-bricks.

Key Accomplishments

- **Operator Training Conducted**
 - Three (3) new machine operators from Manamoc and Algeciras were trained in the operation and maintenance of plastic densifiers to support localized waste management.
- **Eco-brick Production**
 - A total of 271 eco-bricks were produced from plastic waste collected in Cuyo mainland and Manamoc.
- **Plastic Waste Processed**
 - 374.5 kg of plastic waste shredded
 - 160.5 kg of plastic waste densified
 - 282 kg of plastic bottles recovered and shredded

III. SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD AND ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT

Handicraft Production

The Foundation continues to strengthen its efforts creating opportunities to improve livelihood incomes through the expansion of its handicraft production program. With enhanced facilities, capacity-building trainings, and new equipment support from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the project aims to provide alternative income sources while preserving local craftsmanship and engaging more community members—particularly women and youth.

Key Accomplishments:

Handicraft Production

- **Total number of produced and delivered products to Amanpulo:**
 - 4,400 woven items
 - 150 pcs assorted buri products along with an Amanpulo logo engraved in small wood
- **Total Sales:** ₱531,372

Product development efforts resulted in the introduction of a new bag variant, now available alongside the original design. A total of 35 wood-handled woven bags were successfully produced and delivered.

Handicraft Production by Municipality and Project Site

The Foundation's livelihood initiatives continue to support diverse community-based handicraft production across various municipalities and islands. This report outlines the current product lines being developed in each partner site, showcasing the ingenuity and traditional skills of local artisans while contributing to sustainable income generation.

Municipality	Project Site	Product
Cuyo	Mainland	Bamboo Chopsticks Coco Shell dipper
	Manamoc	Picnic Box Door Mat Jewelry Case Baygon Case Hair Brush Kit "Go To" Samples of New Items
	Lubid	Pandan Bed Mats Pillow Case Yoga Mats
	Caponayan	Adult Male Buri Hats Picnic Box
Agutaya	Diit	Adult Male and Female Buri Hats Picnic Box
	Villa Sol	Kids' Buri Hats
Magsaysay	Canipo	Picnic Box Purses as key case and soap case Pandan Bag Beach Mat Case

Product Development and Facility Enhancement

To support the growth of the handicraft enterprise, improvements in physical infrastructure and equipment were prioritized:

- **Housing Facilities Construction**
 - Completed construction of a dedicated facility to house the equipment from DTI through a Usufruct Agreement

- Constructed an extension (structure) of the existing livelihood facility to accommodate engraving tools and heavy-duty sewing machines
- **DTI Partnership and Launching of New Livelihood Equipment**
 - ASF entered into a Usufruct Agreement with the Department of Industry, having 5 machines for use in the Livelihood and Enterprise Development Program of the Foundation and signing of MOA for the previously donated hat blocking machine.



- The DTI Regional Director – Dir. Mariposque visited Manamoc for the turnover and launching of the new DTI-supported livelihood



Hat Blocking Machine for Kids



Lathe Machine



Band Saw



Heavy Duty Sewing Machines

Capacity Building and Training Activities

Several technical training sessions had been initiated to gradually build local skills and support product diversification:

- Engraving Machine Operations Training (in partnership with DTI):
 - 3 participants (2 youth and 1 woman) completed a 3-day training, followed by advanced training on engraving cylindrical items using rotary tools
 - 38 Grade 12 students participated in an exposure session as part of their Empowering Technology and Contemporary Arts curriculum
- Lathe and Band Saw Machine Training:
 - 5 participants underwent a 3-day workshop covering the basic operation and maintenance of the machines
 - Efforts are ongoing to identify trainers for product development involving the use of lathe and band saw machines.



Market Expansion

Market expansion and product promotion efforts were actively carried out.

- Negotiations are underway with West Town Hotel in Coron for a potential product supply partnership

- Participation in OBRA MIMAROPA 2024 (DTI Fair):
 - 145 items sold, totaling ₱8,025 in sales
 - Participation allowed the group to gain valuable market insights, design inspirations, and exposure to a broader audience



The Handicraft Production continues to demonstrate strong potential for rural enterprise development through product innovation, training, and market linkage.

Agri and Poultry Farming

Demo Farm Development and Management

The Foundation's Demo Farm continues to serve as a model for sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture, promotes organic and diversified farming practices to help empower farmers through hands-on learning, technical assistance, and market integration leading to enhanced local food security and increase income.

Key Accomplishments:

Farm Maintenance and Repair

- Regular upkeep and enhancement of the farm's physical assets were carried out to ensure continued productivity and security:
 - Farm maintenance included clearing coconut debris, weeding the growing areas, and repairing perimeter fences to strengthen farm security.
 - The nursery area and seedling boxes were repaired, improving functionality and seedling survival rates.

Organic Fertilizer Production

The Foundation continues to integrate natural farming inputs to improve soil fertility and promote sustainability:

- Vermicomposting activities were sustained, also introduced mixing of madre cacao leaves with topsoil and wood chips creating an organic soil composting material.
- Application of wood mulch to plot beds offers several benefits, including moisture retention, weed suppression, and improved soil health. Mulching helps conserve water, which is particularly valuable in the islands' climate, and reduces the need for frequent watering
- Washed out seagrasses, a nutrient-rich material was collected and utilized as a natural fertilizer

Research and Demonstration

The demo farm has been used as a learning site for practical innovation and experimentation:

- Ongoing trials examined challenges in cultivating patola, tomato, eggplant, bell pepper, and sitaw, helping identify adaptable techniques.
- A comparative study was conducted on plastic mulching (per East-West Seed training) vs. wood mulching, assessing efficiency and crop performance.
- Pilot planting of high-value crops—cabbage, carrots, lettuce, broccoli, and cauliflower—was initiated.

Assistance to Manamoc Farmers' Association

Egg Laying Chicken (Rhode Island Breed) Project

To diversify livelihood sources and promote integrated farming:

- The Foundation has identified an interested farmer beneficiary-adaptor who received 7 hens and 2 roosters, along with essential supplies necessary for propagation/breeding of chicken with the aimed of producing eggs when the desired number of layers (for egg production) is achieved.

Community's Food Security, Marketing, and Sales

The products of assisted farmers in Manamoc are continuously linked with the local marketing cooperative that markets the produce of farmers to Amanpulo Resort, enhancing farmers' income and supporting local food systems:

- 5,260.20 kg of produce from 19 crop varieties were sold to Amanpulo (via MMC) and new buyers Maglantong and Monterola, marking a 125% increase in volume from the previous year.
- These sales generated ₱387,396.26 in income among farmers, a 72% increase in earnings compared to the last fiscal year.

Community Organizing

The Manamoc Farmers' Association continues to be active with the Foundation's efforts to strengthen the association's operations.

- 36 active farmers are now actively engaged with the association, representing a 38% increase in membership from the previous year.
- Regular meetings foster shared learning and strengthen coordination.
- Adoption of improved practices:
 - 24 farmers implemented recommended planting distances
 - 13 farmers adopted top pruning
 - 13 farmers utilized nylon trellises
 - 18 farmers applied proper farming layout techniques
- Project Proposal Development
 - Assisted and facilitated the preparation and presentation of a project proposal of the Manamoc Cooperative to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in acquiring meat processing equipment, aligning with future value-added production goals and enterprise development.

This integrated and sustainable agricultural development initiative helped improve farmers' lives. This effort, which combined innovation, capacity building, and community participation, resulted in strong farmer engagement and a marked increase in income. It also helped to improve market access and led to continuous enhancements in farming practices.

IV. EDUCATION

Adopt-A-School Program

- SHS TVL Infrastructure Repairs and Maintenance Support
 - ASF extended support for the repair and maintenance of key infrastructure areas used in the Senior High School's Technical-Vocational-Livelihood (TVL) program. The following improvements were successfully completed:
 - Cookery Area
 - Bread and Pastry Area
 - Food & Beverage Area
 - Housekeeping Area (Casita Replica)



- Repairs included multiple structural and utility components such as:
 - Windows and doors
 - Front and back walls
 - Flooring
 - Faucets and plumbing fixtures
 - Washbowls
 - Other minor fixtures and finishes



These enhancements aim to ensure a more conducive learning environment for hands-on TVL training.

- **TVL Students Work Immersion & Support**
 - ASF also supported the implementation of the **Work Immersion Program** for Grade 12 TVL students, a key component of the K-12 curriculum that bridges academic learning with real-world experience.
 - A total of 43 TVL students, divided into four (4) batches, successfully completed their Work Immersion Program at Amanpulo Resort. All participating students passed their immersion requirements, gaining valuable industry experience in hospitality and culinary operations.

- **Installation of Solar Panel in Manamoc National HS TVL**

- ASF successfully facilitated a partnership among the Upgrade Energy Philippines (**UGE**P), **Barangay Council of Manamoc**, and the **Manamoc National High School** resulting in the installation of **solar panels** in key community facilities.

Project Highlights:

- Solar panels installed provide power to the Manamoc National High School Tech-Voc Lab, Barangay Health Station and the Community Gymnasium.



- **Construction of the Manamoc Elementary School Gymnasium**

- The Foundation successfully facilitated the fund management for the construction of the MES Gymnasium through the generous donation from Mr. Thomas Leclercq, a guest of Amanpulo, amounting to P4,811,700.00

Project Highlights:

- Funds were released in tranches through out the construction. The gym is 98% complete as of this report.



Academic and Tech-Vocational Scholarship Support

ASF continues to provide pathways for higher learning and skills training through its scholarship programs, ensuring that deserving youth can pursue education beyond senior high school.

- Academic Scholarships
 - Three (3) students were supported through academic scholarships during this reporting period:
 - 1 Scholar graduated with honors in Culinary Arts, earning an Award of Excellence and a gold medal in Pastry Arts at Atlas Culinary School, Cavite and is now seasonally employed at the Cake and Pastry Section of Amanpulo Resort
 - 1 currently enrolled at Palawan State University, entering 3rd year in Bachelor of Education
 - 1 newly accepted is set to begin studies in BS Social Work at the Philippine Christian University, Cavite.
- Tech-Vocational Scholarships
 - ASF supported 11 Tech-Vocational scholars enrolled at DualTech Training Center:
 - 5 scholars graduated, including 1 bronze medalist
 - 3 scholars are currently undergoing their On-the-Job Training (OJT)
 - 1 scholar is on leave due to health concerns
 - 1 scholar withdrew
 - 1 scholar is on leave due to persistent attitude-related challenges, despite multiple intervention efforts

The initiatives reflect ASF's sustained commitment to education as a key pillar of community development. From rehabilitating essential learning spaces, supporting immersive work experiences, to providing scholarships that open doors to higher education and vocational skills, ASF remains steadfast in its mission to nurture hope and build futures for the youth in underserved island communities.



Khen Cabebe, a Culinary Arts scholar now working in Amanpulo Resort



Edson Tabangay (right), an incoming 3rd year scholar at the Palawan State University

Beyond the Islands

CANCER CARE PROGRAM

As part of its ongoing commitment to improving access to specialized cancer care and professional medical training, the Foundation continued to strengthen its partnership with key stakeholders in the oncology sector. These collaborative efforts are focused on capacity-building, patient support, and cancer awareness.

Medical Oncology Fellowship Training Program

The Foundation has sustained its collaboration with **four pharmaceutical companies** and the **Cancer Institute of the University of the Philippines – Philippine General Hospital (UP-PGH)** to support the **two-year training** of oncology specialists.

- **Total Fellows Supported to Date: 5**
- **Program Status:**
 - **3 Fellow** has completed the program
 - **3 Fellows** are currently undergoing training
 - **2 Fellows** incoming

Chemo Maintenance Medicine Support for Breast Cancer Patients

In partnership with the **Cancer Institute**, the Foundation continues to provide **chemotherapy maintenance medicine** for indigent breast cancer patients.

- **Patients Supported (2025): 203**
- **Referrals for Chemotherapy:**
 - **2 new patients** were referred to the Cancer Institute for treatment during the reporting period

Memorial Lecture Series

Due to the transition of the Cancer Institute's Chairmanship, the Annual Memorial Lecture series was not implemented, however, in October, a lecture series shall be conducted during the World Breast Cancer Month.

DISASTER RESPONSE AND RELIEF

In response to the devastation caused by Typhoon Christine, ASF extended urgent relief support to 200 households in Agoncillo, Batangas, one of the hardest-hit areas. This initiative reflects the Foundation's ongoing commitment to providing immediate assistance to vulnerable communities during times of crisis. This emergency response aimed to help families meet their immediate basic needs while they recovered from the impact of the typhoon. By working closely with the LGU of Agoncillo, ASF ensured the efficient and equitable distribution of essential supplies.

Key Accomplishments:

- **Total Beneficiaries:** 200 affected households
- **Coordinating Partner:** Local Government Unit (LGU) of Agoncillo

Relief Items Distributed per Household:

- 1 gallon of mineral water
- 2.5 kg of rice
- Hygiene Kit, which included:
 - Bath soap
 - Shampoo
 - Toothpaste
 - Sanitary napkins
 - Laundry soap



ASF also donated P100,000 to Angat-Buhay Foundation to help a village in Camarines Sur (Bicol) devastated by the onslaught of Typhoon Christine.

ASF remains committed to being a responsive partner in disaster recovery efforts. Supporting communities in times of hardship is central to the Foundation's mission of promoting resilience, dignity, and well-being across vulnerable areas.

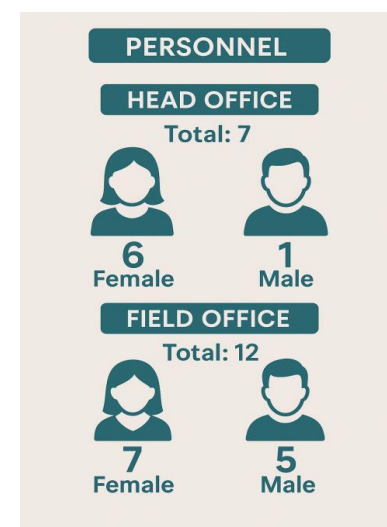
INSTITUTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY

I. Personnel and Staff Overview

As of this reporting period, the Foundation has a total of **19 staff members**, distributed across its operational offices:

Personnel Update:

- Retirement
 - The ASF Executive Director officially retired on May 31, 2025. Ms. Lemia Simbulan, has been retained as ASF Technical Consultant until December 2025
 - 1 Field Office staff expressed intention to retire this coming December 2025 after 36 years of service
 - 1 part-time staff as a cashier will finish his contract due to old age at 73 years old this coming December 2025.
- Officer-In-Charge
 - The ASF Assistant Executive Director was assigned to be the Officer-In-Charge until the Board appoints the AED as ED.



II. NGO Network Affiliations, Certifications, and Government Accreditations

The Foundation continues to maintain strong affiliations and accreditations with key networks and regulatory bodies, ensuring transparency, compliance, and trustworthiness in its operations.

Network Affiliations

- **Association of Foundations (AF):**
 - ASF remains an active member, recently awarded a certificate for 50 years of continuous membership.
- **League of Corporate Foundations (LCF):**
 - Active member supporting collaborative and sectoral initiatives. Attended the 29th Corporate Social Responsibility Expo featuring Diversity, Equity, Inclusion for Shared Responsibility.



Certifications and Accreditations

- **Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC):**
 - Recognized as a **Certified Donee Institution** with validity for **5 years**.
- **Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD):**
 - Renewed license granted in December 2025 and accreditation granted in March 2025.
- **Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR):**
 - Recognized as an Active Donee Institution, with a 2-year extension granted in June 2025, valid until 2028.
- **Municipal Accreditations:**
 - Accredited with the Municipal Councils of Agutaya, Magsaysay, and Cuyo, supporting its ongoing community-based programs in Palawan.

ASF's team and sustained affiliations reflect its organizational maturity and operational credibility. These partnerships and accreditations enable the Foundation to deliver impactful programs with accountability, in alignment with national and local development goals.

Staff Development Activities

As part of its commitment to holistic staff growth and professional development, the Foundation ensures that its personnel are emotionally, mentally, and technically equipped to carry out their community development responsibilities. Staff development initiatives are guided by both expressed needs and results of training needs assessments.

Key Activities and Participation:

- **Organization-wide Training (Virtual)**
 - Gender Sensitivity and Development Seminar
 - DSWD Assessment Tool Orientation with a review of the Client Protection Policy
 - Attended by all staff via Zoom
- **Specialized Trainings**
 - Basic Program Management Course for the Civil Society Sector
 - Attended by the AED and the AOM (organized by the Association of Foundations, Inc.)
 - Organic Farming Seminar and Farm Exposure in Batangas
 - Attended by the Agri-Technical Staff (organized by TESDA; the staff earned and NC 2 Certificate in Agriculture
 - Environmental Fishery Laws and Deputization
 - 7 from the ASF Team attended the Environmental Fishery Laws seminar conducted by the Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries (BFAR) and have passed the pre- and post-tests for deputization as Fish Wardens.
 - Unang Isang Libong Araw
 - 5 ASF staff attended a seminar that focuses on early stimulation learning, recognizing the critical importance of a child's first 1000 days in cognitive and emotional development in partnership with Adarna Group Foundation, Inc.
- **Network Engagement and Collaboration**
 - **DSWD–ABSNET Meeting** - Active participation by the Executive Director (ED) and the Assistant Executive Director (AED), focused on updates and compliance with new DSWD standards via the HELPS platform
- **Network Assemblies and Conferences**
 - AED attended various network general assemblies, strengthening partnerships and collaborations with fellow NGOs
- **Recognitions**
 - ASF has been nominated by DSWD Region 4-B to the National Search for Outstanding Resource Social Welfare and Development Agency.
 - At the same time, its Good Practice Documentation entitled Kabui-Puri: Live Weaves from the Island – A Social Enterprise Rooted in Culture, Sustained by Nature, and Empowered by Women, has been considered as a nominated entry for Social Welfare and Development Agency (SWDA) with Exemplary Practices or Good Practice.

ASF's continuous investment in staff development not only strengthens internal capacity but also ensures that its team remains competent, relevant, and aligned with sectoral standards in delivering meaningful service to the communities it serves.

ASF Manamoc Property Development and Improvement

As part of the Foundation's ongoing commitment to maintaining safe, functional, and efficient facilities for its field-based operations, several improvements were implemented at the **ASF Manamoc Field Office** during the reporting period.

Repair and Renovation of the Field Office Back of House

The renovation aimed to improve the functionality, cleanliness, and overall working environment for staff. Upgrades included improved storage, and better layout for efficiency.

Installation of Window Blinds

To enhance privacy, comfort, and energy efficiency in the Field Office, **window blinds** were installed in the porch, which serves as the meeting area of the staff and reception area for visitors and beneficiaries, contributing to a more professional and conducive workspace for both staff and visitors. The pre-loved window blinds were given by Anscor when it renovated its office last year.

Construction of Motor and Bicycle Parking Shed

A **motorcycle shed** was constructed to provide secure and weather-protected parking for the Foundation's service (and staff-owned) motorcycles and bicycles. This ensures the longevity and safety of vital field transportation assets, especially during inclement weather conditions.

These developments reflect ASF's proactive approach to maintaining its facilities and supporting its field operations. By continuously improving its infrastructure, the Foundation enhances staff efficiency, asset protection, and service delivery in Manamoc and neighboring island communities.