



# The UCMPFI newsletter

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## November 2018 medical outreach

# Health matters!

### Child Education and Nutrition Enhancement Program (CENEP)

Fulfilling on the goal of carrying out bi-annual medical outreaches, UCMPFI held medical and dental missions in its three CENEP sites.

On November 16, 2018, a total of 146 persons benefitted from the outreach held in Village East Executive Homes, Brgy. Sto. Domingo, Cainta, Rizal. UCMPFI expresses gratitude for the continued

support and dedication of volunteers from Union Church of Manila and health workers from Cainta Municipal Health Unit. The medical outreach was also supported by Cainta staff and CENEP partner Indigent Community Empowerment Project, Inc. (Intercept).

Another health mission was held on November 21, 2018 in Sitio Militar, Brgy. Bahay Toro, Project 8, Quezon

City. A total of 187 persons were served. UCMPFI is grateful for the services given by the 12 doctors from the Quezon City General Hospital and the local health unit of Brgy. Bahay Toro. As always, the volunteers from Union Church of Manila, CENEP staff, and the SDA Sitio Militar were there to lend a helping hand. *(CENEP...continued on page 2)*



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In Mandaluyong City, the medical and dental mission was held on November 29, 2018 at Brgy. Highway Hills. There were 152 persons who availed of the services. This would not have been possible without the help of the doctors and

dentists from Mandaluyong City Health Department and Brgy. Highway Hills health workers. UCMPTI is grateful for the continued commitment of the volunteers from Union Church of Manila, Harvesters Christian Ministries, Inc, and the CENEP Mandaluyong staff. ■





## AND THAT'S A WRAP!

### CENEP Christmas Party Events

To wrap up the year, Christmas parties were held at the different project sites. The CENEP children in all three sites received gift boxes from Metrobank Retail Banking Sector-People Management Division under their Shoebox Giftbox Project.

**CENEP Soledad S. Griño site.** The party was held on December 18, 2018 at the multi-purpose hall of Brgy. Bahay Toro, Project 8, Quezon City. Aside from the gifts received, food for the children was prepared by the CENEP staff. The students' parents brought food too. Food, fun,

and fellowship highlighted this event.

**CENEP Mandaluyong.** This party was held at the multi-purpose hall of the Barangay Hall, Brgy. Highway Hills, Mandaluyong City, on December 18, 2018. Jollibee meals for the children were sponsored by Amalgamated Investment Bancorporation for the second year now. Parents brought food to share too. The children ate well and had fun.

**CENEP Cainta.** A Jollibee party was held at Karangalan, Brgy. Kaginhawagan, Cainta, Rizal on December 19, 2018. The children and their families, as well as the CENEP staff, enjoyed not only their favorite food but also the fun games hosted by Jollibee party crew. ■



## SCHOLARS IN FOCUS!

### Grace Enough to Ensure Secondary Education (GEESE)

UCMPFI is supporting 25 GEESE scholars for this school year. As part of the foundation's Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) for this project, interview dates were arranged based on the scholars' class sessions so as not to disrupt their attendance.

UCMPFI volunteers interview the scholars and their teacher-foster parents to understand each situation and challenge they face in school and at home.

The foundation recognizes that some scholars live under very challenging circumstances that at times put them at risk academically. It is of primary importance that they are monitored closely to provide a timely intervention in abating or resolving critical situations. UCMPFI, together with its

partners and volunteers, do its best to assist by giving advice and moral support. Prayers and spiritual counseling are also offered, and when necessary, scholars are referred to health professionals.

The M&E interview can be a learning experience especially for new scholars. Students are encouraged to express themselves candidly and trust that the volunteers have their best interest and welfare in their heart and mind.

It is the program's ultimate goal for these students to complete their education with believing that they have a brighter future ahead of them.

The monitoring and evaluation of GEESE scholars for the second quarter of academic year 2018-2019 was held on December 05 and 07, 2018, at the Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino High School. ■



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