

## What is International Aid?



The "21st Century Association" was established in 1990, to send scholarship to children in the Philippines, as well as to help the agricultural community with agricultural assistance.

There is no such thing as individual happiness. If you want to become happy, you have to make all others happy too. The globe can no more afford to support selfish people. I am very much aware that I cannot make everyone happy, but I believe that my contribution is a small step toward a world where no one suffers of hunger and unhappiness. I do wish the first world, in their affluence, to know that half of the world is still suffering from hunger.

**21stCenturyAssociation**

## Education for All

So far, we have sent children of the minority (the Mangyan tribe) to school, held literacy classes in places too remote for their children to go to school, and planned livelihood projects to help the people stand on their own. Education is a very basic need. We certainly can live without education, but without education, we cannot make true decisions of our own. Uneducated people are easy to control.

4 years ago, we sent an agriculturist to a very remote village, and started teaching agriculture, as part of our education program. In the beginning, this never seemed to work; ag-

riculture was something foreign to the very primitive people who were used to collect food from the forest, which is now almost extinct because of illegal logging. But, with the great effort and dedication of our agriculturist, little by little, the people started to imitate him. Within 3 years they were producing rice and vegetables, and seemed less starving. All other villages were amazed at the development, and one after another, came to us to ask for help. Now, we are planning an "Agriculture School Complex" where we can keep the children in the dormitory so that they can go to school in town, where people can come and study agriculture as well as raise food for the children in the dormitory, and act as the center of our operation in the area.

## How can you help?

Become a member

Full membership : Yen 10,000/year

Foster parent member : Yen 20,000/year  
(Scholarship of a highschool student

You can also exchange letters.)

Temporal donation : Any amount is welcome

Staff member : People who can help our activity

Collect Things

Collect and send used clothes and stationery for the children;

Collect unused postcards so that we can change them to money for our operation expense.

Spread word that we need donation for our projects (scholarship project, wholistic farming project, community organizing project, Agricultural School Complex project, etc.)



## *From our Beneficiaries:*



### **Question :**

*What's so good in being able to read and write?*

**Ome** “*When we can read and write, we can get better jobs. We can also judge for ourselves, what is right and wrong. We don't know what is right or wrong without education.*”

**Rizal** “*When you find someone's belonging left behind, you don't know who's that is if you cannot read. You also can't understand the significance of important papers.*”

**Dangding** “*Unlike the other Mangyans, we can read and write, so we don't have difficulty in elections. The politicians cannot make selfish use of our polls any more.*”

**Tome** “*Unlike many Mangyans that cannot read or write, we can judge what is right for us. School teaches us what is important to improve our lives.*”

**Victor** ” *With the help of the 21st Century Association, children are able to go to school. This changed the people of this village very much. We would like to continue our cooperation with the 21st Century Association*”



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