



Sustainable Development Application Form

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Project Name: Sinag Kababaihan Women's Center Local Partner: United Church of Christ in the Philippines (UCCP) Location: Quezon City, Philippines			
Partner's History/Relationship with the Project:			
<p>Created in 1948, the United Church of Christ in the Philippines (UCCP) is a historical partner church of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and an organic union of five protestant denominations. The traditions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the Presbyterians, the Evangelical United Brethren, the Philippine Methodists, and the Congregational Church all contribute to its unique identity. The vision of the UCCP is to be a responsible, empowered, self-reliant, and caring community of Christian believers committed to the pursuit of a transformed church and society towards an abundant and meaningful life for all. In light of such a vision, the UCCP commits itself to the mission of establishing and uniting the community of faith for the proclamation of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ towards the transformation of both church and society.</p> <p>The Sinag Kababaihan Women's Center, (translated is "Cry of the worth and dignity of women") is a ministry of the UCCP that advocates for and supports women who are sex workers as well as children working on the streets. This project cares for women and children by, listening, understanding, empowering, and supporting their transformation. Sinag Kababaihan began in 1990 and has been supported by various ecumenical partners since that time but in recent years has been funded and supported primarily by the UCCP United Metropolis Conference.</p>			
Description of Project			
Name of Project (agricultural, health, water, micro-credit, education, community development, etc.):			
<p>The Sinag Kababaihan Women's Center focuses on interventions with women who are sex workers and survivors of trafficking and/or abuse. As part of this intervention, trained social workers help connect women with health services, housing, psycho-social workshops, and income-generation opportunities. Currently, the UCCP is beginning a skills development portion of this project. This will include the purchase of sewing machines at the center and the course development for learning dressmaking and tailoring. This project includes several other community responses to the root issues of sex exploitation. As an accompanying program, the UCCP provides sex and gender education to women and children, promotes advocacy actions against human and sex trafficking, and carries out research and documentation projects on human and sex trafficking occurring in the Philippines.</p>			
Target Population (children, women, farmers, urban poor, etc.):			
<p>The target population of this project are women and girls who are sex workers, and whom have been trafficked or abused. This includes children working on streets of the business district in Quezon City, Philippines.</p>			
How many persons are/will be served?			
<p>This project will serve between 500 and 800 individuals in the next year.</p>			
Key Objectives:			

1. Provide psycho-social interventions to women and children who are sex workers and who have experienced trafficking or abuse.
2. Expand skills classes to include sewing skills development, providing women with an income-generating opportunity.
3. Strengthen advocacy work to take steps to stop human and sex trafficking in the local community, and to
4. bring awareness in the nation and in the international community
5. Provide referral services for women who have experienced severe cases of sexual violence including medical care and further counseling with professionals

Key Activities:

1. Recruit a staff of social workers and volunteers and provide them with program orientation about the center, the characteristics of the program, and the approaches and methodologies used in this program.
2. Offer immediate relief for women if necessary, and provide scheduled, on-going workshops for women in the program
3. Begin sewing classes for women in employment transition, including purchasing sewing machines and organizing classes for interested women and youth
4. Conduct educational programs on human sexuality and gender
5. Provide pastoral care and counseling services

Duration of Project: One year

Project Budget

Total Budget: \$31,310.00

Amount Requested from Week of Compassion: \$12,000.00

Is this a one-time request or an on-going request? This is an on-going project

Is the project financially supported by ecumenical or outside partners? If so, what percentage does it cover for this project?

The remaining costs of the project will be covered by the UCCP Metropolitan Conference, which has been the primary funding source and facilitator of this project since the project began in the 1990s. This grant would provide an opportunity to expand the services to include an opportunity to learn dressmaking and tailoring as an income-generating opportunity to women from backgrounds of sex-trafficking and abuse. Currently, additional requests for support of this project are in process to the United Evangelical Mission organization and several national organizations with connections to this work.

Please list partners who are funding this project:

This project is supported through local congregations and individual donations, and pending support from the United Evangelical Mission organization and several national organizations with connections to this work.

Does this project/partner receive funding from UCC OGHS, if so, how much?

This project of the UCCP does not receive funds from UCC OGHS.

What is the overall percentage of funds requested that will be used for administration/overhead?

Funds from this grant will not be used for overhead costs of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines.

Please attached a detailed, itemized budget and cost breakdown for the requested funds.

Please find attached program budget.

Dates and project names of previous proposal submissions:

The UCCP central offices received a grant in Fall 2016 for a project to support teachers at UCCP schools across the country. The project was never implemented due to the departure of a critical staff member, and the regulations to wait until the next General Assembly before a new staff member could be placed in this position. The grant funds were returned to Week of Compassion immediately once requested.

This grant will be administered by a conference of the UCCP, the UCCP Metropolitan Conference.

How do you plan to monitor, evaluate, and report back to Week of Compassion? (Please note that future funding is contingent upon reporting. In addition to reporting, please provide stories of transformation and photos.)

The UCCP Metropolitan Conference will monitor and offer leadership to ensure funds are used as designated, and the Global Ministries East Asia and the Pacific Executive will continue to assess the progress of this project through personal visits and ongoing communication with the partner. A narrative and financial report on this project will be submitted to Week of Compassion after one year of receiving the grant funds.

If granted, is there a deadline by which to receive funding?

As soon as funds are available.