

Dear Sylff Friends,

I hope this email finds you well. I would like to update you on the relief efforts of the Ateneo de Manila University. Relief operations for those affected by Typhoon Ondoy ended last October 6, 2009. Ateneo Task Force Ondoy will stop receiving donations in kind after today. Rehabilitation activities will commence, and donations received through the channels posted earlier will be diverted to such efforts. See details from Mr. Jun Dalandan's (Director of Alumni Relations of the Ateneo de Manila University) email below.

Dr. Peter Scheid of Ruhr-Universität, Bochum has shared that Gawad Kalinga** accepts donations towards the bigger work of rehabilitation. Donations for rehabilitation are accepted at <http://www.gk1world.com/ketsana-ondoy/>. You might wish to consider this in helping.

(** For Sylff Program Administrators, you might remember your visit to the Gawad Kalinga village last 2005 at the Sylff Program Administrators Meeting in Manila; Dr. Scheid was impressed with a sub-project Gawad Kalinga, 777 (GK777) having the specific goal of building 700,000 homes for the homeless, in 7,000 different regions of the country, within 7 years; After the meeting Dr. Scheid has created a charitable association Gawad Kalinga e.V. to support the activities of Ateneo de Manila in the context of Gawad Kalinga and other social endeavors (<http://www.gawad-kalinga.org/>))

About Gwad Kalinga:

For those who are not familiar yet with Gawad Kalinga, it is a movement that literally means "to bestow care", the goals of which are to provide food for the hungry, land for the landless and homes for the homeless as the main weapons with which to fight the poverty. See <http://www.gk1world.com/> for more information.)

Thank you very much for your concern and involvement across the miles.

Sincerely,

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6 October 2009, Tuesday

To The Ateneo Community:

May I share some updates with the community.

A. Relief Phase

Today, 6 October 2009, is the last day of the relief phase of the Ateneo Task Force (ATF) Ondoy at the LS (college) covered courts. The Ateneo Task Force Ondoy will stop receiving donations in kind after today. Rehabilitation activities will commence. Please see C. below.

Monetary donations for rehabilitation efforts are very much welcome via bank deposits to BPI and BDO and through the Philippine Jesuit Foundation and Ayala Foundation USA. Please see the attached updated primer on "How to Donate."

There will be a thanksgiving Mass for all volunteers at 6pm later today at the college covered courts. All are welcome to attend.

On behalf of the Ateneo Task Force Ondoy and the University, Fr. Ben Nebres, S.J. thanks the Ateneo community from the different parts of the world for your overwhelming generosity, and the continued care, support, and kindness for the thousands of families in various parts of the country.

B. Comprehensive Report

The DReaM Team Ateneo Task Force Ondoy is preparing a comprehensive operations and financial report covering the relief phase which we will send out to the community.

C. Rehabilitation Phase

The Ateneo Task Force Ondoy is now geared for the next phase which is to respond to post-relief needs. On top of the list is assistance for clean up operations.

As reported by Mark Lawrence Cruz, Coordinator, Gawad Kalinga-Ateneo, he has seen the amount of debris and the mess increase as each day passes in affected areas like Provident Village and GK Camacho in Marikina. There is simply so much rehabilitation and restoration that needs to be done to bring back order and cleanliness to their homes and lives. Families cleaning their homes have nowhere to bring mud and trash but on the streets. As a result, the streets get more congested and the stench of decay worsens each day. Without immediate action, their situation will turn from one disaster to the other: from natural to a public health problem. Thus, the urgency of a clean up operations.

So far, here are the broad strokes of the clean up operations:

1) We can assist in two ways: recruitment and deployment of HEAVY EQUIPMENT (payloaders, bobcats, dumptrucks, etc.) to haul out debris and a call again to VOLUNTEERS to help clean up individual homes.

2) We have identified 4 areas to assist: Provident Village in Marikina, GK Camacho in Nangka Marikina, GK Brookside in Brgy.Bagong Silangan QC, and Dela Costa 5 in Montalban. If other communities request, we will conduct an ocular and then line them up for clean up.

3) We will deploy clean up assistance depending on the recruitment of heavy equipment and volunteers.

4) As of today, we project that clean up activities will last until this Sunday, October 11.

The request for now is in recruiting the heavy equipment from our alumni networks. Kindly direct them to Mark Lawrence Cruz for orientation and instructions.

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D. Continued donations are very much needed

Please refer to the "How to Donate" primer for an updated copy below. The Philippine Jesuit Foundation has waived 3% service fee from the start of relief and rehabilitation efforts for typhoon victims on September 28 2009. Ayala Foundation USA has waived 5% service fee for typhoon related donations during the period October 2-31 2009. Banco de Oro has waived all bank charges for all incoming remittances to the Ateneo de Manila University DReaM Teamaccount BDO S/A 3570058713 for typhoon related donations from October 5 to 30 2009. Please refer to the information below for details on how to donate.

Thank you. God bless.

Jun Dalandan

Director for Alumni Relations

Ateneo de Manila University

How to Donate

Should you make a donation through any of the channels below, kindly scan a copy of your bank receipt (with details of when the donation was made, through what account, and the amount) and email it to me, sherilyn3@gmail.com for record and tracking purposes.

I. How to Send Relief for Typhoon Ondoy Victims from the U.S.A.

Donations for typhoon Ondoy victims from Ateneo alumni, friends, and U.S.A. residents may be sent to the Ateneo de Manila University through the Philippine Jesuit

Foundation (PJF) and the Ayala Foundation USA (AF-USA). These two foundations issue U.S. tax deductible receipts. PJF and AF-USA are duly registered and qualified charitable organizations in the U.S.A. Donations to the PJF and to the AF-USA are deductible gifts under the U.S. Tax Code Section 501(c)(3).

Donations through the PJF and the AF-USA are monitored by the Office of University Development and Alumni Relations, Alingal Hall, Ateneo de Manila University.

1. For donations by check

Issue the check to Philippine Jesuit Foundation.

On the memo line please write: "Relief for Ondoy victims"

Send or mail the check with the donor's (1) full name, (2) email address, and (3) postal address to:

Cristina Tabora

Executive Secretary, Philippine Jesuit Foundation

236 West 27th Street, Ninth Floor

New York, NY 10001, U.S.A.

Telephone (212) 627-2788, (212) 233-0888

Downloadable PJF Donation Form available at <http://www.philjesuit.net/illhelp.asp>

Please email Cristina Tabora <taboracom@gmail.com> or <exsec@philjesuit.net> or Julie Calderon<juliecalderon65@gmail.com> to inform them that you have sent or mailed a check to them. The PJF has waived the 3% service fee for all donations toward the relief of typhoon Ondoy victims. Full donation amounts will be remitted by the PJF to the Ateneo for relief as quickly as possible within the week.

2. For donations online

Open the Ayala Foundation USA website http://www.af-usa.org/donate_now.asp

Click on the "donate now" button, click on the credit card icon, and select Ateneo de Manila in the drop down menu. Write "Relief for Ondoy victims" for your choice of beneficiary. Please email Marivic Padilla <marivic@af-usa.org> or <marivi.padilla@gmail.com> or <info@af-usa.org> or call her (+650) 598-3126 for step by step assistance or to inform her that you have made a donation online.

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AF-USA Donation Form available at http://www.af-usa.org/forms/Donation_Form.pdf

Donations through the AF-USA online through credit card will be remitted to the Ateneo for relief as quickly as possible within the week, net of AF-USA 5% service fee and credit card charge.

II. How to Send Relief for Typhoon Ondoy Victims from Asia, Canada, England, and from anywhere in World

1. Online: Please open the Ayala Foundation USA website http://www.af-usa.org/donate_now.asp and follow procedure in number I-2 above.
2. Direct Deposit with any one of the following three banks.

- 2.1. Banco de Oro (BDO) Peso Savings Account 3570058713
Account name: Ateneo de Manila University

With beginnings in 2001, the Ateneo de Manila University Disaster Response and Management Team, or University DReaM Team, was established in Sept 2006 to coordinate the efforts of various units in the Ateneo toward the relief and rehabilitation of disaster victims. The University DReaM Team core group is composed of representatives from the Ateneo de Manila University units: Grade School, High School, Loyola Schools, School of Government, Law School, Graduate School of Business, School of Medicine and Public Health, and Central Administration. The University DReaM Team in partnership with the Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan (SLB) runs Ateneo Task Force Ondoy.

Among the Loyola Schools groups in Ateneo Task Force Ondoy are the Office of Student Activities (OSA), Office for Social Concern and Involvement (OSCI), Office of Administrative Services (OAS), Office of the Associate Dean for Student Affairs (ADSA), Sanggunian ng mga Mag-aaral, Council of Organizations of the Ateneo (COA), the Ateneo Students Residents Association (ARSA), and the ROTC officers and cadets.

Donations for Ondoy victims through the University DReaM Team BDO account are monitored by the Office of the Associate Dean for Student Affairs (ADSA), Loyola Schools, Ateneo de Manila University. Please fax your deposit slip to the office of the ADSA, Fax (632)426-6098, Voice (632)426-6001 local 5021, (632)426-6098 and email rsanandres@ateneo.edu

- 2.2. Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI)

Dollar Savings Account 3084-0420-12

Swift Code BOPIPHMM, Routing No. 021-0000-21
Account name: Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan

2.3. Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI)

Peso Checking Account 3081-1111-61
Account name: Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan

The Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan or SLB is a non-partisan, church-based organization that is concerned primarily with socio-political and economic affairs of the Philippines. It stands for a Filipinonation that celebrates love of country and genuine democracy in the spirit of faith that does justice. As such, the SLB creates ways to foster participation and vigilance among Filipino citizens. The intention of SLB was conceived in 1986, in a little room in the Loyola House of Studies at the Ateneo de Manila University in Loyola Heights where a number of priests were discussing the political and socio-economic situation of the country at that time. From there, SLB traces its beginning to the historical presidential snap elections of 1986. What started as a small organization of religious priests, seminarians, and nuns known as the Namfrel Marines evolved into a non-stock, non-profit organization known as Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan with offices at the Loyola House of Studies, Ateneo Loyola Heights campus.

Donations for Ondoy victims through SLB BPI accounts are monitored by the Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan. Please fax your deposit slip to the SLB, Fax (632)426-5968, Voice (632)426-6101 local 3440 & 3441, and email slb@admu.edu.ph

Thank you for your donations.

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