

• Seeing Ourselves in a Different Light •

- to some Politicians, we are viewed upon at times, only as --- Voters.
- to some in the Government, we are viewed upon at times, only as --- Taxpayers.
- to some Technocrats, we are treated at times as --- Ciphers & Inputs in a grand plan.
- to the Marketing & Advertising Industry, we are viewed upon as --- Targets in Consumption & Sales Campaigns.

After All ---

- Our Voices are Seldom Heard.
- We are Perceived to Be Passive, Indifferent, Reluctant to Be Involved.
- We are Thought to Be All Too Willing to Cede the Common Public Good Solely in the Hands of Policy & Executive Decision Makers.

- to some Politicians, we are Visible only --- during Elections.
- to some in the Government, we are Visible only --- during Tax Payment deadlines.
- to the Marketing & Advertising Industry, we are Visible only as Objects of Interest --- for Our Purchasing Power.

• In Our Own Eyes, •

• We See Ourselves In A Significantly Different Light •

• We Are Citizens •

Cognizant of our Civic Duties & Responsibilities ---

- Willing to Contribute to the Common Good.
- Willing to Undertake Private Initiatives.
- Willing to Give Back to Our Communities.

• in this issue •

- we focus Private Initiatives ---
- on high-impact societal issues such as :

- Our Out-of-School Youth •
- we propose two specific venues :

Support for
'Balik-Iskwela' Test Takers

- Form a Team at the neighbourhood level.
- Survey the Barangay to locate & identify out-of-school youth (OSY).
- Motivate & encourage OSY's to take the Accreditation & Equivalency (A & E) Tests conducted by Dep-Ed.
- Pre-test willing test takers to determine cognitive level.
- Actively assist candidates in filling up, in completing requirements & in filing application forms for registration at the A & E Dep-Ed tests.
- Orient candidates on the process, schedule the tutorials & assign tutors & venues.
- Act as a big brother or sister to continuously motivate candidates to finish the process.
- Conduct mock examinations, final briefings.
- Launch Operation 'Alalay' to render test site assistance to candidates.
- Actively assist test passers in seeking scholarships, working student positions in institutions of their choice.
- Establish a tracking system to monitor test passers until their course completion.

Note : If the UC assessment group is able to determine that your team has the capability to sustain the support needed by OSY candidates to return to school, UC is willing to render technical consultation assistance from pre-testing to Operation 'Alalay' test-day activities.

• 'To Assist OSYs In Transforming Their Lives' •



Target : Livelihood Skills for 100 OSYs
A New Public Sector-Private Sector Pilot Project

- A Partnership of :
• UC • DOLE • TESDA • BCPO •
• (Principal Partners) •
- with the technical support of :
• Baguio College of Technology •
• Golden Master Cellphone Repair & Tutorials •
- Project :
• 'Sagip-Kabataan' •
• Cell Phone Repair Skills Training for 'OSYs' •
• Target : 100 OSY Trainees •
• Recommended by : Participant-Barangays & BCPO •
- Support by the : • Principal Partners • :
• Fund Grants, Venues, General Management, Trainers, Course Materials, Meals •
- First Batch • • 11 Trainees • completed the 5-Sundays all-day course • meals, repair kits, course materials : were provided free to the trainees for 5 successive sundays • January 11 to February 8, 2009 • Venue : UC laboratory training center •
- Second Batch • • 22 OSY Trainees • All members of the BCPO-organized : • 'Brotherhood for Peace' • February 21 to March 21, 2009 • Venue : BCPO Conference Hall, BCPO Building •
- Instructors provided by : • TESDA •
• Also provided by : • BCT • Instructors Glenn C. Prestoza & Allan G. Argel • BCT President Wilfredo R. Abad Jr •
- Post-Training Tutorials & 'On the Job Training' at :
• Golden Master Cell Phone Repair & Tutorials •
• Proprietor : • Michael Abadayan •



Testimonials:



- "It (my new skill to repair cellphones) helped me gain my parents trust..." - Jessie Salvador O. Bandiola, City Camp Central
- "...kahit hindi kami nakapag-aral... makakatulong kami sa aming mga magulang." - Charles Chandler Q. Amoranto, Camp Allen
- "May naayos na akong cp... nagkapera pa ako ng hindi ko inaasahan." - Laarni C. Boado, City Camp Central
- "Malaki ang pasasalamat ko sa bumubuo ng programang ito. Sana marami pa kayong matulungan... .Salamat..." - Harvey Jay P. Bolido, Camp Allen
- "Malaking Naitulong Po Saamin ng cellphone repair." - Leonard P. Bolido, Camp Allen
- "Daming Foods sumasakit nga panga ko eh, he he he..." - Analyn B. Casillan, Chamomille Sunny Side Tacay Rd.
- "Maraming salamat po at di ko po kayo makakalimutan..." - Renmark P. Enriquez, Lourdes Ex. Queen of Peace.
- "Grabe, ang saya talaga, enjoy!" - Ericson Lopez, Chamomille Sunny Side Tacay Rd.
- "Nalaman naming... kung pano mag-build ng relationship between customer and technician." - Joseph S. Ventura, Lourdes Ext. Queen of Peace
- "Masaya ako na may ganitong programa... di ka na magbabayad ng tuition... lahat pati pagkain." - Aprilyn L. Sebastian, City Camp Central



BCT Instructor/Trainer Glenn C. Prestoza demonstrates the use of an electronic tester.



'It Works !' --- A Wave of Euphoria Sweeps the Training Room --- as a 'dead' cell phone is revived & suddenly comes to 'life' --- in the hands of the Instructor --- who subjects the repair work of a trainee to the ultimate test --- 'ay! nabuhay ang sirang cell phone.'



Busy --- Busy --- Busy. --- Full-Time-Focus. --- All-Out-Effort. --- in a UC laboratory training room. --- All Day Sunday --- for 5 Sundays. --- A New Direction. --- A New Path. --- New Hope in the Life of an OSY-Trainee.

Citizen Action -
A Powerful Force
In Society.



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• Citizens Who Give Back To Their Communities •

• Citizens Who Apply Civic Action to Societal Issues •

• Are A Powerful Force In Society --- Far Beyond the Stereotype Characterizations •