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UPDATE FROM THE FIELD

Dear NEW Pathways Supporter,

Thanks to your generosity, I am delighted to share with you this update from the field, detailing some of our accomplishments over the first half of 2018. None of this would be possible without your belief and investment in our organization. I hope you enjoy reading about what your support has helped us to achieve!

- Over 270 women and their families benefited from our *Learning to Livelihood (L2L)* program during January – April 2018.
- 115 participants in L2L Level 4: Business Start-Up received business consulting services for agriculture, loom weaving, luxury items, macramé, sandal-making, and soap-selling.
 - 30 participants graduated from the L2L IdeaShop series, Levels 1-3.
 - 53 families whose homes were ravaged by two typhoons and massive flooding received 5 kilos of rice and 47 participants in our program received new macramé supplies.
 - 23 women participated in a NEW Pathways' L2L orientation and planning session.
 - 22 members of the United Women of Mawacat celebrated a ribbon-cutting to kick-off construction of the Women's Bakery and Sewing Center.
 - 29 members of the United Women of Danao-1 (NAKADA) held a ground-breaking and ribbon-cutting for the Livestock Integrated Food Enterprise (LIFE) Training Center.

Christine S. Nielsen
President

FEATURED PROJECT

LIFE Training Center



Since January we've celebrated the launch of the Livestock Integrated Food Enterprise (LIFE) program with a ribbon-cutting on the newly purchased land, and opened the LIFE Training Center providing participants with 49 days of training, including best practices in vegetable production, poultry and hog-raising, business development, marketing and management. We've constructed two food houses fully stocked with 100 chicks and vegetable plants, a multipurpose facility with brooding area for chicks, and two sow pens with exercise yard and farrowing areas for piglets. Our new composting shed, water pump, and septic tank offer important environmental improvements.

Our objectives:

- Enable women through innovative farming opportunities.
- Provide employment opportunities for local women
- Develop a small-scale integrated farming system for vegetables, chickens, and pigs.
- Establish a reputation for humane treatment of animals, and a healthy environment, including waste management and recycling, and production minimizing inorganic chemicals.
- Develop a sustainable business model, including market entry and expansion plans to reach the market of 36,000 households in Calbayog City.

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“I would like to thank how they never get tired of helping us build our dreams piece by piece. How they guide us, how to step each stone properly towards the success we've been impatiently waiting to have...”

Henelyn Oben
President, United Women of Danao-I, Samar;

OUR TEAM IN ACTION

NEW Pathways welcomes Joan Tanteras, Negros Women for Tomorrow (NWTF), as our full-time local manager for 2018. Joan's expertise in women's training programs, bookkeeping and marketing will strengthen our L2L program delivery.



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GOAL: Successfully matriculate 30 women through our L2L



30 women in Masaling completed NEW Pathways' *Learning to Livelihood* (L2L) IdeaShop series, graduating with the full set of skills required to start their businesses of soap-selling and macramé.



GOAL: Provide model housing for sows and piglets



Henelyn Oben in Danao-1 has moved her two sows into new housing that is humane, healthy, and environmentally responsible, with exercise yard and a safe farrowing area for piglets.



GOAL: Complete bakery training in Mawacat



A group of 18 aspiring bakers received technical training, including safe food storage and preparation, baking, and packaging, in accordance with health regulations, so they are prepared to open and operate the Women's Bakery of Mawacat.



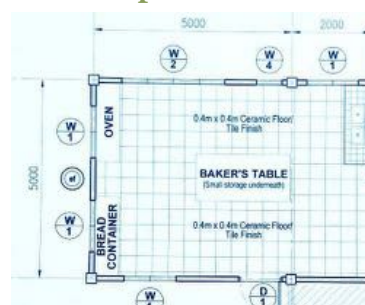
GOAL: Open LIFE Training Center for integrated farming



The Livestock Integrated Food Enterprise (LIFE) Training Center is underway with the completion of the first two LIFE food houses for vegetables and chickens, creating a "hands-on" learning environment for small scale integrated farming for the 29 members of United Women of Danao 1.



GOAL: Open Women's Bakery and Sewing Center



The BUILD construction project for 22 participants in Mawacat had a ribbon-cutting ceremony in January. The next steps are to organize the women into a livelihood association or cooperative, and to select a site for the Center. Then we will renovate or construct the facility and install necessary equipment.



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