

BATANGAS — Forty (40) employee-volunteers joined Belle Kaagapay's Brigada Eskwela activity on May 23-25, 2017, to repaint some classrooms in three elementary public schools: Suplang Elementary School, Doña Maria Laurel Platon Memorial School and Quiling Elementary School.

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Belle Kaagapay views corporate social responsibility as striving to realize shared aspirations through shared responsibility; an ideal that Kaagapay employee-volunteers also stand for. In pursuit of this ideal, Kaagapay partnered with the communities in Batangas to provide students with a conducive learning environment.

Ms. Yolanda Garcia, the principal of Suplang Elementary School, expresses her gratitude to Belle Kaagapay for helping them accomplish the task. She is certain that her pupils will be delighted when they see the newly-painted classrooms. Furthermore, having a pleasant-looking school encourages the students to attend classes.

Belle Kaagapay employee-volunteers echo Ms. Garcia's sentiments. Jan Cezar of Human Resources Division hopes that a neat classroom would have a positive impact to the students' interest to learn. Ronalyn Soriano of External Relations for Rawland — Corporate and Tagaytay Highlands adds that having clean surroundings is important so the children can study well. Meanwhile, Janette Mendoza from Property Admin. and Maintenance Division is happy that she was able to help the children even in a small way.

Gina Diolina, Senior Budget and Financial Planning Manager, who volunteers regularly for Belle Kaagapay, shares that she uses the experience to teach her daughter to value her education and the privilege that other children her age were not given.

Sheila Marie Recto, also from Human Resources Division, joined Brigada Eskwela to give back to the community. "The experience was tiring yet rewarding, especially when I get to see the results of the efforts and hard work of all volunteers," she recalls.

Gina and Sheila's realizations sum up the Brigada Eskwela 2017 experience. We join to give back, to serve. At the end of the day, however, we are the ones who gained something— a sense of accomplishment, fresh insights, new friendships and a stronger partnership with the communities we serve.

To all our Kaagapay sa Karunungan, THANK YOU.

















SUPLANG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL | May 23, 2017









DOÑA MARIA LAUREL PLATON MEMORIAL SCHOOL | May 24, 2017











QUILING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL | May 25, 2017