



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

*Breaking Barriers: Overcoming Challenges
and Inspiring Hope Across Borders*

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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER



2024 will be remembered as a dark year for Children's Rights, in the Philippines as well as across the globe. The findings are alarming: worldwide, more than 370 million girls and women - 1 in 8 - report having been raped or sexually assaulted as children. When online or verbal sexual violence is included, the number rises to 650 million, or 1 in 5 women.

Halfway through the 2030 Agenda for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), only 15% of the targets are on track, while troubling setbacks are seen in equality, education, and justice. And yet, positive signals are emerging. In 2024, Colombia hosted the first-ever Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children, an important milestone in bringing this issue to the forefront of political and international agendas.

Given the scale of the challenges and risks, the urgency to act is greater than ever. Comprehensive strategies for prevention and support are needed to effectively combat all forms of sexual violence. Breaking the silence is essential: to remain silent in the face of sexual violence is to be complicit, and in such a context, indifference kills. Every voice matters to protect children and to end impunity.

Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC) is soaring at unprecedented levels: every second, at least two child abuse images or videos are shared online. Recent research warns about the use of generative AI for child abuse purposes, opening the door to new forms of exploitation. This reality demands stronger media and political attention.

Our "MERCI" campaign in France and "BREAK THE SILENCE" campaign in the Philippines, raised public awareness around a clear message: protecting children is everyone's responsibility. More than ever, we must listen to children and young people and place their participation at the center, in line with the spirit of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

In 2024, CAMELEON redoubled its efforts to tirelessly pursue its mission: to heal, protect, prevent, empower and amplify the voices of girl-survivors of sexual violence.

The encouraging results and impact achieved are the fruit of a collective commitment of our teams in France and the Philippines, our volunteers, our partners, and also you, our donors and sponsors, who make our action possible.

In 2025, we must continue and intensify this advocacy and our mission. Together, let us build a more just world where every child can grow up in dignity, safety, and hope.

Laurence Ligier
Founder & Trustee

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



2024 proved to be another challenging year for advocates for children's rights as we were faced with not only delayed regulations but also with logistical concerns in our own center due to personnel issues.

Despite these difficulties, we have also seen leaps and bounds of progress in aiding the victims of sexual abuse in the Philippines. In October 2023, the Philippine Supreme Court affirmed the conviction of a father for qualified rape against his minor daughter even if the victim was unable to testify by invoking the doctrine of unavailable child under the Rule on Examination of a Child Witness.

In this case, the victim was prevented by her mother from testifying against her father by sending her away and ensuring that she was not presented in court. The prosecution instead presented the victim's sworn statement and medical reports together with testimonies from the victim's relatives.

The Supreme Court emphasized that the doctrine of unavailable child seeks to prevent the miscarriage of justice by addressing the unique vulnerabilities of child abuse victims. It recognizes that children may be pressured or intimidated into avoiding court appearances, and it provides a pathway for justice in such circumstances.

This decision shows that the Philippine judiciary is eagerly upholding the rights of all child abuse victims by ensuring that legal processes adapt to the realities faced by vulnerable individuals. (Source: *Daily Tribune*, 27 November 2024, <https://tribune.net.ph/2024/11/27/sc-child-abuse-cases-can-proceed-without-victim-testimony>)

CAMELEON Association Inc. welcomes these challenges and is hoping to find more like-minded individuals willing to stand up for the most vulnerable in our society. We are forever grateful to the countless employees, staff, volunteers, individuals and groups who have dedicated and provided not only financial support to CAMELEON, but who have also donated their time, effort, and skills to help the beneficiaries of CAMELEON.

CAMELEON will not be as effective without a community that supports its endeavors and activities. Again, thank you for all your support, and you can trust that the management and the Board of Trustees remain true to CAMELEON's mission.

Atty. Jose Cochingyan, III
Chairman/President

01 CAMELEON OVERVIEW

OUR STORY



CAMELEON Association Inc. (CAI) was founded in 1997 by French national Laurence Ligier in response to the growing number of exploited and abandoned children in the Philippines. Established as a non-profit organization, CAI opened its first rehabilitation center in Sablogon, Passi City, to protect children from abuse and help them heal from traumatic experiences while reclaiming their childhood. Shortly after its foundation, CAMELEON was accredited by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and began building strong partnerships in France, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Andorra, the United States, and Belgium.

In 2019, CAMELEON reached another milestone with the inauguration of its second rehabilitation center in Silay City, Negros Occidental. The event, held in collaboration with dedicated local and international partners, underscored the organization's commitment to advancing child protection and empowerment.

By 2022, CAMELEON proudly celebrated its 25th anniversary with a dedicated team Filipino staff and employees from France, serving more than 2,800 children and families through its Rehabilitation and Wellbeing and Community Development Programs across Region VI and Negros Island Region.

- Laurence Ligier has received several prestigious awards:
- Knight of the National Order of the Legion d'Honneur by French President François Hollande
- Knight of the National Order of Merit by French President Nicolas Sarkozy
- Philippines Presidential Award by President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo
- Women of Style and Substance - People Asia Award
- Presidential Award for Civic Spirit and Devotion by French President Jacques Chirac
- Clarins' Most Dynamic Woman of the Year Award
- World Class Superhero'- Ladies Of All Nations International

OUR VISION

A nurturing and empowering organization that fight against child sexual abuse and defends children's rights

OUR MISSION

Pursue a holistic and a whole-of-society approach against child sexual abuse.

Protect and support the victims of sexual abuse in the Philippines by accompanying them and their families to resiliency.

Encourage beneficiaries' autonomy, including, the socio-economic development of their families and the communities.

Train the beneficiaries and motivate them to become spokespersons and active supporters of CAI.

Raise awareness among the general public, especially the children and the youth, so that their rights are promoted and their voices are freed from sexual violence.

Advocate for children's rights to overcome physical sexual violence and online abuse in the local, national and international grounds, including, media.

OUR MEANS OF ACTION

- The physical and legal protection, the personal rehabilitation, the reintegration of child victims of sexual violence, and the social support of the families.
- The education, health, professional insertion, the autonomy of underprivileged children and their families.
- The training, mobilization, and promotion of former and actual beneficiaries to become ambassadors and change leaders: models of success, value-sharing, and sustainability.
- The public and media awareness of Children's Rights, and the prevention of sexual violence to shatter taboos and break the silence.
- The advocacy for better protection of children to institutional leaders and politicians.

OUR PROMISE

CHANGING COLORS, CHANGING LIVES

- From a hostile environment to a warm and safe life, children change over the years. Like our multi-colored CAMELEON, they move slowly but surely, hesitating, sometimes tumbling but never falling.
- We are building safe structures dedicated to survivors, helping them overcome their trauma and making it into a force for their rehabilitation. We offer a necessary cocoon to prepare for their metamorphosis.
- We aim to change minds and behaviors and are working to change societies and mentalities to protect childhood. Children are at the heart of our actions: changes are made by them, for them, and around them.

OUR EXPERTISE

- An institution for 27 years recognized and accredited by public authorities.
- An organization that encourages local exchanges and relationships with people.
- A geographical basis: the local team, 100% composed of Filipinos, works together with the communities where it intervenes.
- The teams accompany each child in the long term, up until university graduation, while at the same time preparing them for adulthood.
- CAMELEON supports families in becoming more aware of their role as parents and encourages the preservation of family ties.
- Through the practice of circus, an unknown discipline in the Philippines used as an innovative therapeutic tool, the victims reclaim their identity.
- The foundress's energy and determination are transmitted to the teams, the children, and the parents who take ownership of the project bit by bit with audacity, passion, and pride.
- The Association trains and accompanies beneficiaries, children, and adults to become ambassadors of CAMELEON. The virtuous circle is born.
- Individual sponsorship: under its supervision, the Association favors the bond and exchanges between children and their sponsors.
- The awareness-raising in schools with the use of unique pedagogical tools, used during workshops dedicated to children's rights and international solidarity.
- Based in Europe and the Philippines, the Association thrives on intercultural North/South exchanges and favors the sharing of expertise and good practices.

OUR VALUES

DIGNITY

COURAGE

COMMITMENT

RESPONSIBILITY

A YEAR IN REVIEW

CAMELEON proudly marks another successful chapter, extending heartfelt thanks to its donors, sponsors and partners for their steadfast support. Their contributions have been crucial in empowering vulnerable abused young girls and economically challenged youth, enabling them to break free from poverty and abuse. Collectively, these efforts have established a network of compassion and empowerment that cross borders, driving meaningful positive change.

- CAMELEON Passi Center has earned DSWD First Level Accreditation, recognizing its compliance with standards in delivering quality residential care for girl-survivors of sexual abuse and effective community-based programs for children, youth, families, and communities.
- In June 2024, CAMELEON Association welcomed a new Executive Director.
- Creation of Board of Trustees Committees (International, Finance, and HR) - CAMELEON strengthened its governance by creating Board of Trustees committees to enhance oversight, ensure accountability, and support strategic objectives for greater organizational efficiency and effectiveness.
- CAMELEON successfully reintegrated 34 girl-survivors of sexual abuse—22 from Passi Center and 12 from Silay Center—highlighting its commitment to rehabilitation, empowerment, and independence.
- Ten girls in the Aftercare Program completed their chosen courses. Eleven girls have gained employment, 9 in Iloilo and 2 in Silay. Three girls are ready for professional certification, 2 in Iloilo and 1 in Silay. This reflects their growth in their well-being, resilience, autonomy, and responsibility.
- Twenty-one girls from Cirquera de CAMELEON performed at the NuStar New Year's Countdown in Cebu City, showcasing their strength and artistry through the organization's Sports and Circus Program. The event raised 5 million pesos for renovation of the Passi Center gymnasium and the expansion of the CAMELEON Negros dormitory that are essential for rehabilitation and wellbeing-interventions.



MEMBERSHIPS & ACCREDITATIONS WITH PARTNERS



CRC Coalition
CIVIL SOCIETY COALITION ON THE
CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD



**ASSOCIATION OF
FOUNDATIONS**
Foundations Built on Strength



AND WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

City of Passi, Iloilo | Municipality of Bingawan, Iloilo | Municipality of San Enrique, Iloilo |
City of Iloilo, Iloilo | Iloilo Provincial Government | City of Roxas, Capiz |
Capiz Provincial Government | Aklan Provincial Government | City of Silay, Negros Occidental |
Negros Occidental Provincial Government | Guimaras Provincial Government.

02 ACTIONS

CHILD ABUSE IN THE Philippines

Child sexual abuse in the Philippines is a **grave and pervasive issue**, with official reports from the PNP and PSA showing **alarming levels of cases**, many of which still go **unreported due to stigma, lack of awareness, and barriers in the reporting process**. Contributing factors include poverty, social vulnerabilities, and weak enforcement of laws such as the **Anti-Rape Law (RA 8353)** and the **Safe Spaces Act (RA 11313)**. While the government has introduced measures like the **DSWD Child Protection Policy** and **awareness campaigns**, challenges in prosecuting offenders and providing timely support for victims persist. The **COVID-19** pandemic further worsened risks, leading to a **surge in online abuse** as children became more exposed to **digital exploitation at home**.

As of 2024, over **67% of Violence Against Children (VAC) cases involve sexual abuse**, with **online sexual abuse (0.07%)** and **online exploitation (0.11%) emerging as growing concerns** (<https://www.childprotectionnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Women-and-Child-Protection-Units-Statistics-2024-aO-2025-0317.pdf>). Offenders use digital platforms for grooming and exploitation, often escaping accountability due to underreporting. In response, government agencies, NGOs, and international partners are working to strengthen policies, create child-friendly facilities, and promote community-based initiatives. However, experts emphasize the urgent need for stronger reporting mechanisms, wider psychosocial support, and sustained multi-sector collaboration. Combating both traditional and online abuse demands innovative, holistic, and urgent action to safeguard the rights and well-being of Filipino children.



OUR PROGRAMS

CAMELEON's programs are built on three major components: healing, building, and preventing. These programs serve as driving forces to achieve CAMELEON's goal of creating a world free from sexual violence.

REHABILITATION AND WELLBEING

CAMELEON primarily focuses on the rehabilitation of young girl-survivors of sexual abuse in Western Visayas. Our Rehabilitation Program consists of two phases: Residential Care (In-House) and Post-Residential Care (After-Care). In addition to addressing their basic needs, each survivor receives psychosocial support and legal assistance, participates in various sports, circus activities, and engages in a range of therapies. After completing their time in our rehabilitation centers, the girls return to their communities, families (when safe), or guardians. While pursuing their education, they may stay at the Iloilo Dormitory or rent a boarding house. The Post-Residential Care Program equips the girls for independent living, fostering their development into active members of society.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Community Development Program aims to support partner-beneficiaries and their families in CAMELEON's target communities by providing assistance in education, skills training, and family strengthening. Acknowledging that the sexual abuse of children is often associated with insufficient education and financial resources within families, the program emphasizes strengthening these foundations at the family level while also extending support to the broader community. The ultimate objective is to empower both children and parents to become agents of change, thereby helping to reduce domestic and sexual violence in families and communities.

ADVOCACY

The Advocacy Program serves as a preventive initiative against child sexual abuse and violence. It organizes advocacy campaigns, information drives in schools, and lectures on topics such as safe and unsafe touches for children, children's rights, and the reporting of sexual abuse. These activities aim to educate parents, teachers, stakeholders, and children themselves, functioning as both prevention and early intervention strategies.

Additionally, the program engages in lobbying efforts at local and national legislative councils to promote child protection laws. This enables the organization to represent the voices of sexual abuse victims and work towards the establishment of laws that safeguard them and ensure justice for the crimes committed against them.



REHABILITATION AND WELLBEING

The Rehabilitation and Wellbeing Program provides **personal reconstruction** of girl-survivors of sexual abuse, **aiding their recovery and journey toward independence**. It focuses on meeting their **basic needs** and **facilitating psychosocial interventions to promote healing**. Additionally, **legal assistance is available** for those who choose to take legal action against their perpetrators.

Upon completing the program, survivors are **reintegrated into their families and communities** when deemed safe. On the other hand, they may be placed with foster families, assigned legal guardians, or prepared for independent living.

The program consists of two phases: **Residential (In-House)** and **Post-Residential Care (After Care)**.



Basic Needs



Educational Support



Psychosocial Intervention



Legal Support



Skills Development & Capability Trainings



Spiritual Development



Health Care



Protection & Safety



Sports & Circus Therapy



Arts & Recreational Activities



Family Atmosphere



Parenting Skills Training to Families



IN-HOUSE

Girls admitted to the In-House program reside in centers located in Passi City, Iloilo, and Silay City, Negros Occidental. They participate in **psychosocial interventions** designed to support their **reintegration into mainstream society**. The centers foster a **nurturing family environment** and address the girls' **fundamental needs for healing from the trauma of sexual abuse**. Referrals are made by the Local Social Welfare and Development Offices in Panay, Guimaras, and Negros Islands. On average, the girls spend about three years in the centers before moving on to the After-Care or Post Residential Care Program.

34 new girls were integrated into the program:
22 in Passi and 12 in Silay

19 girls provided support in their legal cases: 12 in Passi and 7 in Silay

4 girls in Silay have won their cases

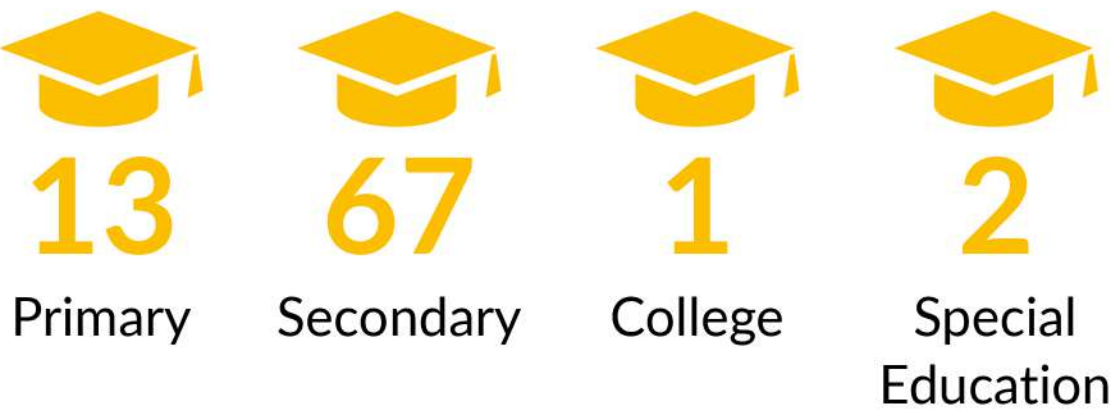
83 girls provided a safe and nurturing environment in the centers: 51 in Passi and 32 in Silay

12 girls were assisted for better professional integration



LEVEL OF EDUCATION

Out of 83 girls who are in school:



100%
5

of the girls are provided educational opportunities through formal schooling and life-skills workshops
externals are hired for tutorial classes in the centers: 2 in Passi & 3 in Silay

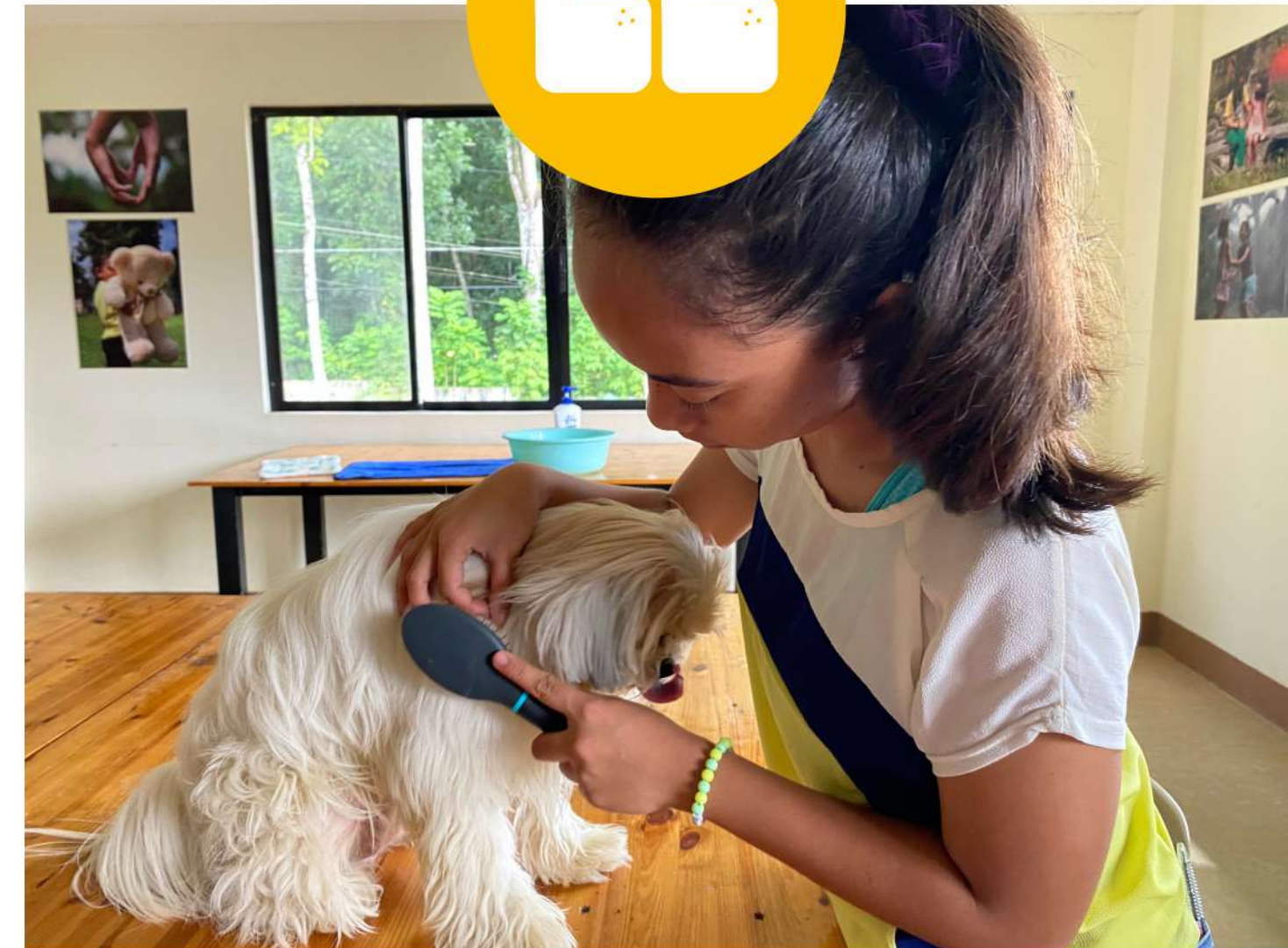


TESTIMONY

Rehabilitation and Wellbeing

Coming home to the center after a stressful day at school feels like a warm embrace, especially with the animals around. The dogs' excited barks as they welcome us instantly lift my spirits, making me feel loved and valued. Their presence, especially during activities in the gym, is very comforting—it's as if they understand and share in our emotions. Hugging them from time to time gives me a sense of peace and reassurance, reminding me that I am never alone and I am enough.

-Yen, 19



AFTERCARE

After completing the In-House Program and being assessed as ready for reintegration, the girls move on to Post-Residential Care. In this phase, they prepare for independent living by staying at the CAMELEON Dormitory in Iloilo City, reuniting with their biological families if it is considered safe, or residing in boarding houses. This process aids their reintegration into society and fosters autonomy. Support continues until they complete their education, whether in college or vocational school (formal or informal). Furthermore, they receive career guidance and professional orientation to help them secure appropriate careers, ensuring self-sustainability after leaving the program.

115

girls are supported: 81 in Iloilo & 34 in Silay

2

girls have active legal cases against their perpetrators: 0 in Iloilo and 2 in Negros

59

girls are living independently in their own boarding houses or in the dormitories

10

girls successfully concluded College or a vocational course

3


girls have won their cases: 3 in Iloilo, 0 in Silay

56

girls are living in with their biological families, foster families, and guardians


LEVEL OF EDUCATION

Out of 115 girls who are in school:




7

Primary




59

Secondary



47

College



2

Special Education

A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY:

Each family shares the responsibility of financing their child's education by contributing 10% of the school tuition fees, This empowers them to actively participate in their child's healing and development.



TESTIMONY

Rehabilitation and Wellbeing

“When I first entered CAMELEON, I was filled with fear, unsure of who I was or where I was headed. I was shy, lacked self-confidence, and was terrified of even standing in front of a crowd. I believed I was trapped in a world where nothing would ever change, and my dreams were forever out of reach.

But today, I stand as a transformed person. CAMELEON has helped me become confident, strong, and ready to face whatever challenges life may bring. Through this incredible journey, I have learned to dream again. I now know that nothing is impossible if I believe in myself. Most importantly, I’ve come to understand that I am not a victim of my circumstances. I am a survivor, and I hold the power to shape my own story of success.

CAMELEON has shaped me into a better version of myself, providing me with the tools and strength to grow, fight, and continue evolving. With each passing day, I am reminded that life never stops teaching, and I never stop learning.

To everyone who has been part of this remarkable journey, thank you. You have all played a vital role in helping me reach this point. You offered me more than just support and care, you gave me the courage to believe in myself.

CAMELEON has truly changed my life. It has helped me find the colors in a world that once seemed dull and hopeless.

Before, I was hopeless. But now, I am a dreamer and a fighter. “

-Arabella, 19

Name was changed to protect the survivor’s identity





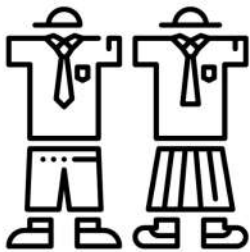
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Community Development Program addresses child abuse by **providing education to underprivileged yet deserving children.**

Through a combination of **education, empowerment, exposure, and leadership training**, both children and their parents become **community leaders and agents of change** in the fight against child sexual abuse.



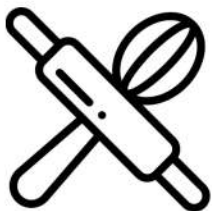
Educational Support



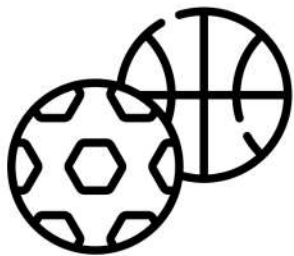
School Uniforms & Supplies



Career Guidance & Job Placement



Skills Development & Leadership Trainings



Sports & Recreation



Emergency Assistance



Health Care



Family Development Center

EDUCATION

Every year, over 330 children aged 15-22 from San Enrique, Bingawan, Passi, Sagay and Silay are granted the chance to pursue education. Each child is paired with a Sponsor who supports their financial needs until they graduate and find employment.

384

children/youths supported in the program

54

new children/youths were admitted in the program

50

beneficiaries have graduated in college in Iloilo

156

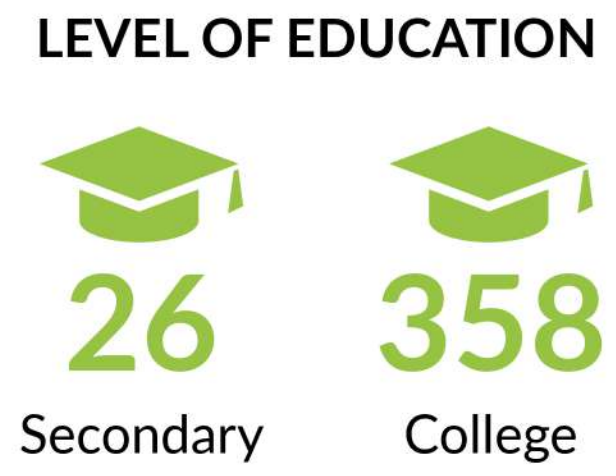
beneficiaries received academic awards (16 Cum Laude, 2 Magna Cum Laude)

15

passed Professional Licensure examinations

329

beneficiaries provided access to life-skills & personality development, employability skills training





TESTIMONY

Community Development

“From being a shy, quiet dreamer to becoming an advocate for children’s rights, teenage pregnancy prevention, and reproductive health, my journey has been life-changing. With CAMELEON’s support, I’ve faced fears, grown stronger, and found my voice to inspire change.

Together, we’ve educated communities, influenced policies, and empowered girls to heal and thrive. Our mission continues—to break barriers, stand up for children’s rights, and build safer, brighter communities for every child.

To everyone who contributes to this shared mission—thank you for being part of this transformative journey. Let’s keep pushing forward, creating change, and proving that we are all limitless.”

-Haiza, Partner-Beneficiary



FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

The CAMELEON Family Development Center is committed to **empowering partner families** in nurturing and caring for their children. By assisting parents in enhancing their abilities to fulfill their roles, the center **strengthens family bonds and fosters support systems** among family members.

Recognizing the vital role of the Family Development Center in **complementing the services of the Community Development Program**, collaboration with the program team has been intensified to create a unified approach and operational plans.

Launched in 2021 with support from Fondation Apprentis d'Auteuil (France), the center provides a **safe space for families** to learn and interact, **promoting personal and parental competence**. It offers developmental activities such as **parenting and family-building workshops, life skills training, and alternative livelihood programs**.

Following the operational model of Apprentis d'Auteuil's House of Families, the center has been operational for nearly two years and is managed by Project Staff with assistance from **groups of Parent Champions**. This nurturing environment encourages **connections, relationships, and reflections on parenting experiences** for partner families. The center also conducts community sensitization efforts to reach more families in CAMELEON program areas. Initiatives to engage local partners and stakeholders ensure the project's effectiveness and sustainability.

384 partner families have participated regularly in various empowerment sessions

86 parent leaders are active in supporting CAMELEON's programs in the communities

5 Parent Champions committed to volunteer work in the Family Development Center

196 parenting sessions facilitated across all CAMELEON programs





OUR ACTIONS



TESTIMONIES

Community Development

“I am Necitas Prequenza, a single mother and beneficiary of CAMELEON since 2010. I want to share how this organization has profoundly transformed my family’s life. With my limited income as a sugarcane laborer, I struggled to support my four children’s education. However, CAMELEON’s support enabled my son, Ian Jay, to graduate with a degree in Criminology. Through CAMELEON’s livelihood programs, training, and empowerment sessions, I gained confidence and became an active community leader. My son, Ian Jay, grew into a responsible young man; he is now working as a Corrections Officer and supporting his siblings. The organization’s holistic approach not only helped us achieve our educational and career goals but also fostered personal growth, responsibility, and family unity. I am deeply grateful to the staff, mentors, and sponsors who provided guidance, love, and opportunities. Their support has been instrumental in giving my family hope, empowerment, and a brighter future. I truly believe that CAMELEON’s programs change lives by nurturing potential and inspiring community transformation. I remain forever thankful for the life-changing impact we have experienced.”

-Necitas, Parent-beneficiary





SUPPORT PROGRAM

HEALTH

The Health Program at CAMELEON guarantees that all beneficiaries have **access to healthcare services**, which include **vaccinations, hospitalization, dental care, medical consultations, and psychological support**. The aim is to promote **overall well-being** for both **physical and mental health**.

To foster a healthy community, the program trains young members, referred to as CAMELEON Youth Health Advocates (CYHA), on various health topics that they can present in public lectures.



Medical Care



Dental Care



Psychological Care



Hospitalization



Vaccination



Emergency
Aid



First Aid



Prevention



76 beneficiaries received vaccinations

16 girls diagnosed with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

99 received dental care

2 Medical missions organized: 1 in Passi & 1 in Silay

138 girls supported in their medical or specialist treatment.





SUPPORT PROGRAM

SPORTS AND CIRCUS

Sport and Circus therapy provides unique interventions that support the development of beneficiaries in both the Rehabilitation and Community Development Programs. These activities help enhance self-confidence, character, and athletic skills while promoting values such as respect, discipline, perseverance, self-esteem, trust, and teamwork.

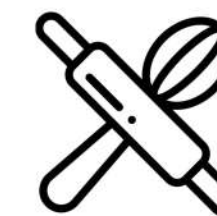
Social Circus and circus therapy are particularly important for improving the physical and mental health of girl-survivors of sexual abuse. As an innovative intervention for the in-house girls of CAMELEON and a creative tool used in its advocacy campaigns, Social Circus fosters healing and self-expression through art and movement. Ongoing engagement and participation empower them to realize their potential, experience personal freedom, and cultivate a sense of empowerment—essential aspects for their growth and overall well-being.



Psychological Intervention



Sports & Circus Therapy



Skills Development & Capability Trainings



Health Care



Sports & Recreation Activities



Social Circus & Advocacy

SPORTS

- 127 girls participated in Sports activities
- 1 Summer Camp activity was organized attended by at least 600 program beneficiaries, staff, volunteers and partners
- 10 various sports activities facilitated: basketball, volleyball, badminton, rugby, wall climbing, bicycling, swimming, dance, capoeira, yoga, jiu jitsu

CIRCUS

- 127 girls actively participated in circus trainings and sports activities
- 65 are members of Cirquera de CAMELEON (CDC)
- 23 circus performances/shows were organized: 16 in the centers & 7 outside the centers
- 15,000 audience reached by the circus shows
- 10 Social Circus activities conducted across Panay & Negros islands
- 1,042 youth and children participated in Social Circus activities





90

girls participated in
Animal-Assisted Therapy
(AAT)



80

therapy sessions were
facilitated

8

unique animals used for
the therapy (Guinea Pigs,
Dogs, Rabbits, Turtles,
Cats, Monkey, Chicken,
Horses)



3

trained AAT
facilitators/supervisors

SUPPORT PROGRAM

ANIMAL ASSISTED THERAPY

Animal Mediation focuses on deliberately promoting positive interactions between humans and animals across different domains, including education, social engagement, therapy, and research. One specific application is Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT), which aims to improve the cognitive, physical, psychological, and social health of children who have faced traumatic events, such as survivors of sexual abuse.

In this therapeutic method, girls who interact with carefully chosen animals receive support to enhance their overall well-being and are given a chance to heal and reconstruct their lives following trauma.



Therapeutic
Intervention



Educational
Intervention



Security &
Hygiene



Social
Intervention



Animal Rights &
Protection



Professional AAT
Training of Local Staff

SUPPORT PROGRAM

JOB PLACEMENT

The Job Placement Program aims to provide guidance and professional training to youth beneficiaries. Its objective is to assist them in obtaining internships with CAMELEON's placement partners, ultimately leading to sustainable employment after they finish their basic and tertiary education



Partnerships with agencies/employers



Job Placement



Exposure



Career Guidance



Skills Development & Capability Trainings



On-the-job trainings (OJT)

61

beneficiaries have completed various training courses for their professional and career development

5

established networks for placement and professional exhibitions





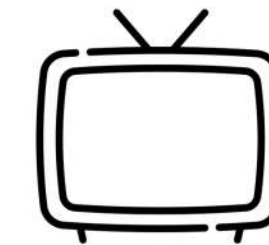
ADVOCACY

CAMELEON's Advocacy Program conducts information campaigns aimed at raising awareness and educating the public about children's rights and child sexual abuse, with the primary goal of preventing these issues. The program serves as an early intervention and prevention tool against child sexual abuse for the organization. Its advocacy campaigns target a diverse audience, including parents, children, teachers, community and political leaders, and professionals.

Additionally, the program engages in lobbying activities at both local and national legislative levels to promote child protection laws and policies. The CAMELEON Youth Advocate play an active role in these initiatives by advocating for children's rights and youth reproductive health through lectures and workshops in various communities.



Advocacy Lectures
& Workshops



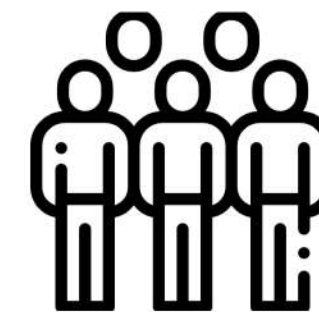
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through Media



Partnerships &
Memberships with
Children's Rights
Networks
& Alliances



Lobbying in local and
national legislative
levels



Advocacy Events and
Conferences



Mobilization and training
of CAMELEON Youth
Organizations





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OUR ACTIONS

CAMELEON's programs was founded on three major components: healing, building, and preventing. Working together, these programs serve as catalysts for CAMELEON to continuously realize its vision of a world without sexual violence.



CAMELEON ASPIRES TO A WORLD WITHOUT SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN



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YOUTH ADVOCATES

20,711

children and youths were informed on Reproductive health, Teenage Pregnancy and HIV/ Aids Awareness and related topics through the lectures spearheaded by CAMELEON Youth Advocates

20

communities reached through awareness campaigns

95

Youth Advocates

550

parents reached by Youth Advocates interventions

46

Youth Advocates trained in public speaking, health, first aid, and children's rights

162

government officials administrators and community leaders raised awareness

03 RESOURCES MOBILIZATION & EXPENSES



WORKING TOGETHER

FRANCE and LUXEMBOURG

From September to October 2024, Shaline Gamala, Donor Relations Officer at CAMELEON, undertook a mission in Europe to enhance international partnerships, mobilize resources, and support child sponsorship initiatives. This mission fostered the exchange of best practices between CAMELEON France and CAMELEON Philippines.

Shaline engaged with CAMELEON France's staff, Board members, and volunteers, participating in donor meetings and events to raise awareness. She shared impactful testimonies at fundraising events, including a piano concert by CAMELEON Godmother Laure Favre-Kahn.

The mission involved meetings with partners and donors in France and Luxembourg, focusing on children's rights and preventing sexual violence. As a result, critical funds were raised, new child sponsors recruited, and international partnerships strengthened, significantly enhancing CAMELEON's global visibility and support for projects benefiting girl-survivors of sexual abuse and disadvantaged youth in the Philippines.



PHILIPPINES

On July 6, 2024, the inaugural **NUSTAR Ball** was held at the Fili Hotel Grand Ballroom in Cebu, in partnership with Tatler Philippines. The black-tie gala gathered 340 philanthropists, business leaders, and advocates from Cebu and Manila, united in supporting CAMELEON's mission to protect and empower survivors of sexual abuse and disadvantaged children in Western Visayas.

The evening, highlighted by heartfelt remarks from CAMELEON founder Laurence Ligier, successfully raised ₱4.5 million for programs providing safe spaces, education, psychosocial support, and life skills training for children in Iloilo and Negros. Guests also enjoyed curated experiences at NUSTAR Resort & Casino and from Tatler's 2024 Dining Guide.

More than a celebration, the NUSTAR Ball was a powerful demonstration of how generosity and community can transform lives. CAMELEON expressed gratitude to Tatler Philippines, Irene Francisco, NUSTAR leadership, and all generous donors who contributed to making this event a meaningful success.

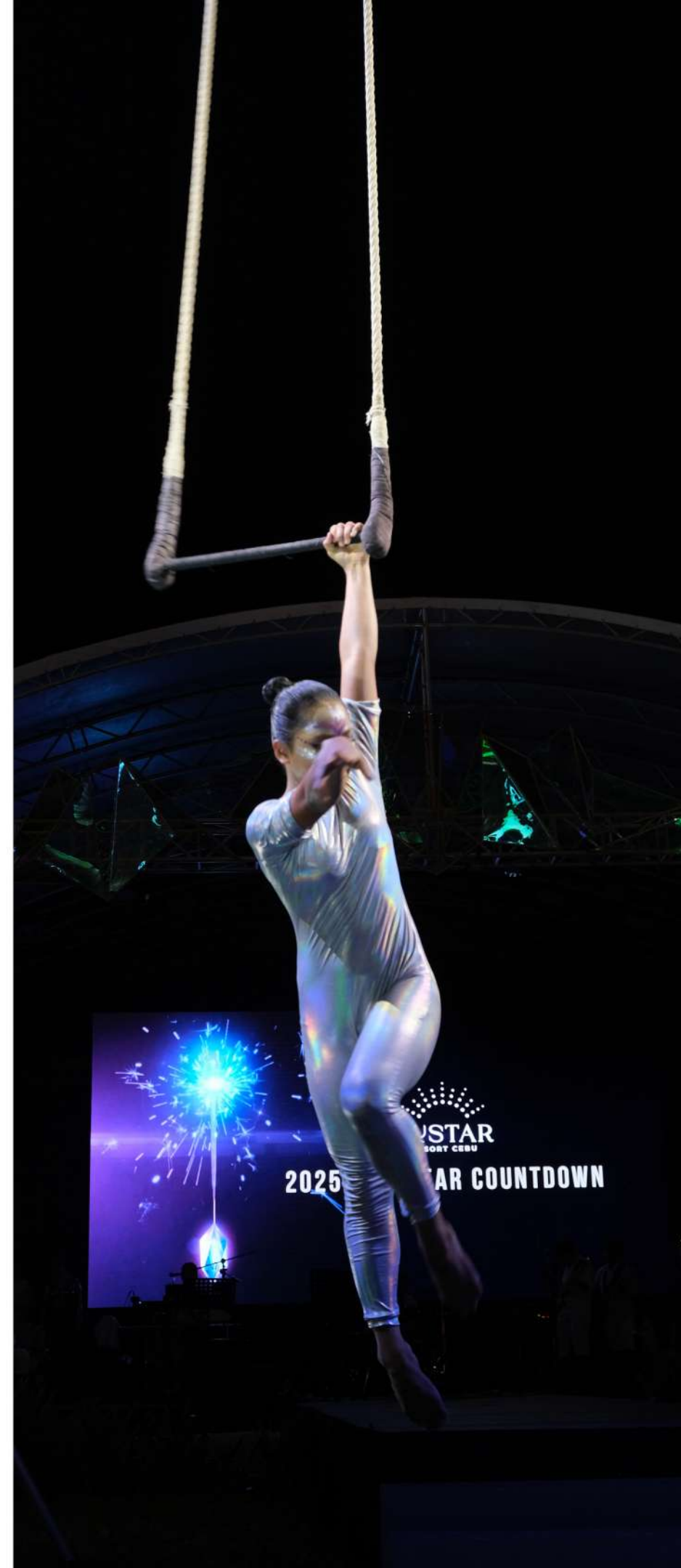


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On December 31, 2024, twenty-one girls from Cirquera de CAMELEON performed at the NuStar New Year's Countdown in Cebu City, supported by four staff members and professional floor director Luc Richard from Cambodia. Their performance highlighted the strength, discipline, and artistry cultivated through CAMELEON's Sports and Circus Program, which aids girl-survivors of sexual abuse and disadvantaged youth.

The event successfully raised 3.7 million pesos in donations for CAMELEON. These funds will be used for the renovation of the Passi Center gymnasium and the expansion of the CAMELEON Negros dormitory, both of which are vital for providing safe, functional, and enhanced spaces for rehabilitation and empowerment programs.

This collaboration with NuStar not only showcased the talents of CAMELEON beneficiaries but also reinforced the organization's ability to provide long-term support to vulnerable girls and youth in the Philippines.



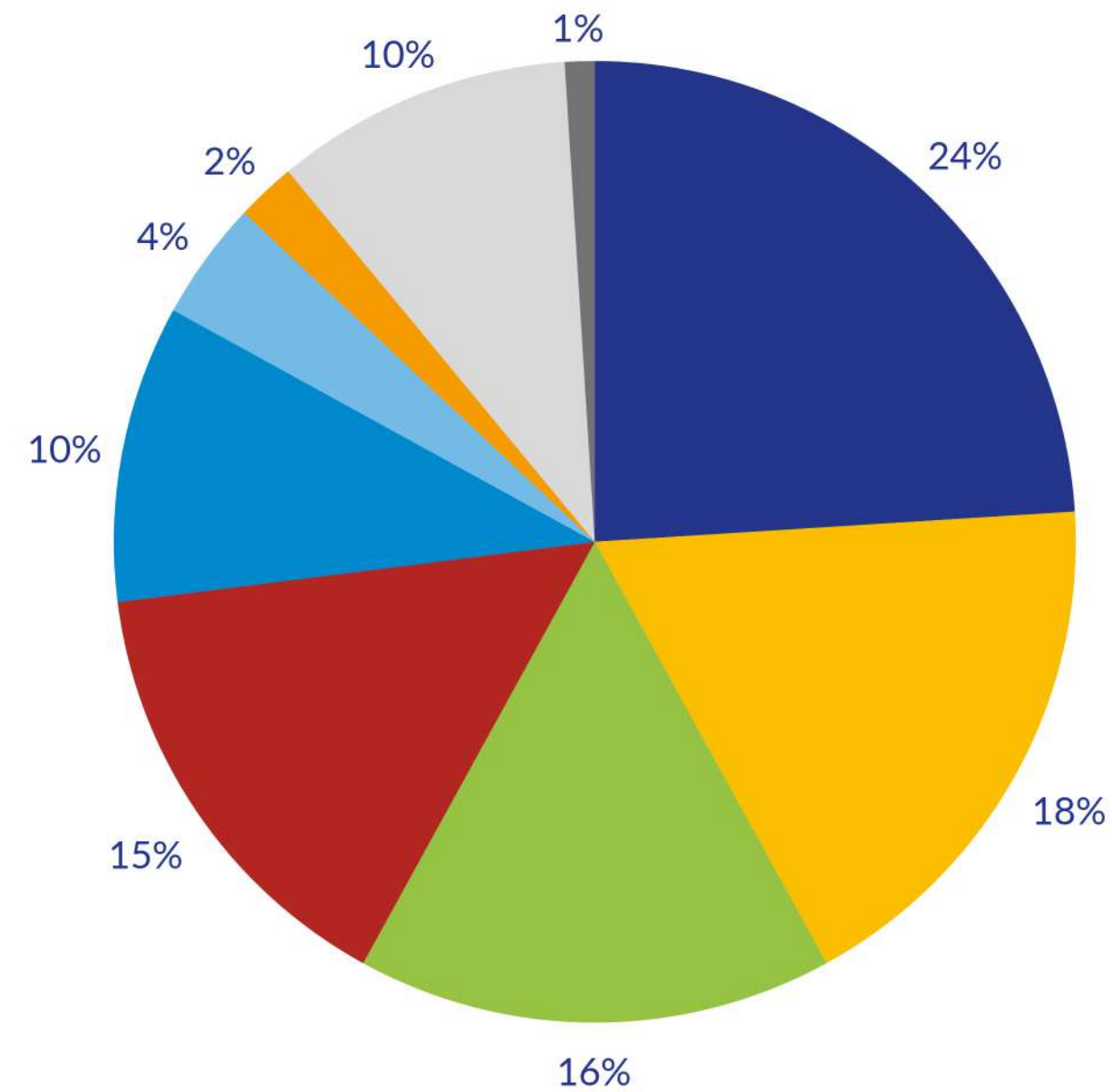
VOLUNTEERS

The local and foreign volunteers of CAMELEON, through their selflessness and dedication, have been instrumental in expanding the association and training its workforce. These volunteers, deployed by CAMELEON France, hail from various parts of the world and different regions of the Philippines. Together with the local CAMELEON team, they work diligently to achieve the association's mission.

8 local volunteers shared their expertise

12 foreign volunteers accomplished their missions in the Philippines





Expenses Chart

- 24% Administrative Costs
- 18% Rehabilitation (In-house)
- 16% Community Development
- 15% Negros Center expenses
- 10% Rehabilitation (Aftercare)
- 4% Sports & Circus
- 2% Advocacy Program
- 1% Resource Mobilization Program
- 10% Depreciation (Program Expense)

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Program Expenses Php 64,883,331

Administrative Expenses Php 20,968,586

TOTAL **Php 85,851,917**

Foreign Donations Php 75,841,326

Local Donations Php 8,979,208

TOTAL **Php 84, 820,534**

04 SPECIAL THANKS

PARTNERS & DONORS

CAMELEON TEAM

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OUR PARTNERS AND DONORS

- ABSNet (Area-based Standard Network) DSWD
- Agence Francaise de Developpement
- Antonietta Chan
- Antonio Dadvivas
- ARC (Agora Refuge Center) Bacolod
- Assumption College High School Class 1988
- Aurelio Montinola Sr. Foundation, Inc.
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- Boysen (Partner sponsor of UAF-MK)
- Brotherhood of Christian Businessmen
- Carelou Global Solution Iloilo
- Carmel Martin
- Carolina S. Uy
- Central Azucarera de San Antonio (CASA)
- Celina Dadvivas
- Chicken Essential Philippines Inc.
- City of Bacolod, Negros Occidental
- City of Cadiz, Negros Occidental
- City of Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental
- City of Iloilo, Iloilo
- City of La Carlota, Negros Occidental
- City of Passi, Iloilo
- City of Silay, Negros Occidental
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- Clarisse V. Emilia
- Commission on Higher Education - Region VI
- Commission on Elections (COMELEC) - VI
- Connie Haw
- Connie Tingson Gatuz
- Decathlon
- Department of Education - Division of Passi
- Department of Interior & Local Government VI
- Desire Amojedo
- Department of Transportation
- DPWH – Negros Occidental 1st District
- DSWD Hinobaan
- Elizabeth Sy
- Elvira L Yulo or Jose Ramon Yulo
- Enrique and Mercedes Laurel Marquez
- Expertise
- Fatima Agabe Harder
- Gabrielle Cecilia Magsaysay
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- High Five Dining Group Corporation
- Iloilo City Treasurer's Office
- Iloilo Child Protection Council
- Iloilo Code of NGOs
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- Monica Louise "Nikki" Prieto Teodoro
- Municipality of Banga, Aklan
- Municipality of Batad, Iloilo
- Municipality of Bingawan, Iloilo
- Municipality of Candoni, Negros Occidental
- Municipality of Carles, Iloilo
- Municipality of Cuartero, Capiz
- Municipality of Dao, Capiz
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- Municipality of Igbaras, Iloilo
- Municipality of Jamindan, Capiz
- Municipality of Janiuay, Iloilo
- Municipality of Lambunao, Iloilo
- Municipality of Leganes, Iloilo
- Municipality of Lemery, Iloilo
- Municipality of Moises Padilla, Negros Occidental
- Municipality of Murcia, Negros Occidental
- Municipality of Nabas, Aklan
- Municipality of Panay, Capiz
- Municipality of Pilar, Capiz
- Municipality of Pototan, Iloilo
- Municipality of San Lorenzo, Guimaras
- Municipality of San Rafael, Iloilo
- Municipality of Sara, Iloilo
- Municipality of Sibalom, Antique
- Municipality of Sigma, Capiz
- Municipality of Sipalay, Negros Occidental
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- Philippine National Red Cross - Passi Chapter
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