

SACHS launched their 5th “Pencil for a Cause Project” last June 8, 2013

SACHS stands for Students Alliance for Community Health Services. It is composed of nursing students in the University of Bohol and Holy Name University. Our partner Dr. Grace Molina served as their medical adviser and Fr. Kiking as their spiritual adviser. Together, they continue their advocacy work to bring students closer to the grassroots and develop their sense of commitment to serve the Filipino people especially the poor. They actively join and help in the medical examinations. This "Pencil for a Cause Project" started in 2008 when some members were able to collect a lot of pencils, ball pens, sharpeners and erasers from other co-examinees. To complete the package, they solicit money from politicians and friends for them to buy other school supplies like papers, notebooks, plastic envelopes, paste, scissors and crayons. This became the heart and legacy of the organization.



The area chosen was our project area in Barangay Tinibgan, Maribojoc (Tinibgan Elementary School) in cooperation with Tinibgan Farmers Organization.



Sir Wilson Vigonte, the head teacher of the school as he delivered his welcome talk and his great appreciation for being chosen as the recipient of the project. According to him, there are many enrollees who are not able to buy some basic school supplies.



Before the distribution of the school supplies, SACHS members provided health education on personal hygiene and proper hand washing to the school children.



The distribution of school supplies was done according to grade and children lined up as their names were being called.



The children as they received their packaged of school supplies.



A grade 1 male child together with his grade 2 sister as they excitedly checked the contents of their school packaged which consist of 2 pencils, 1 ball pen, 1 notebook, 1 pad paper and 1 piece of eraser, sharpener, paste and scissor.



After each of the school children received their packaged, parlor games were offered whom the children enjoyed so much.



At the end of the activity, SACHS members presented a dance number.



Members of Tinibgan Farmers Organization together with the teaching staff of Tinibgan Elementary School prepared lunch that we all happily shared. There were 110 school children beneficiaries of the "Pencil for a Cause Project".