

Status Report on UAP Emergency Architects Initiatives for Visayas

January 15, 2014

List of all Donors (as of Jan. 15, 2014):

A. International Donors

1. KIRA	US\$ 11,004.24
	US\$ 4,997.00
2. SLIA	PhP 129,918.90
3. ALACE	US\$ 985.00
4. Pei Ing	US\$ 2,963.00

B. Local Donors

5. UAP Kuala Lumpur Chapter	PhP 110,203.07
6. UAP Manila Sta. Mesa Chapter	PhP 10,000.00
7. UAP Barasoain Chapter	PhP 15,000.00
8. UAP Camanava Chapter	PhP 6,400.00
9. UAP QC South Triangle	PhP 11,400.00
10. UAP District A-5	PhP 10,000.00
11. Ar. Yanez – Kalayaan 100 Chapter	PhP 5,000.00
12. UAP Nova Central	PhP 15,400.00

Activities Update:

<i>Activity</i>		<i>Status</i>
1.	Field Assessment - Rapid Needs Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A rapid assessment was undertaken in Western Visayas first week of December, 2013 to identify immediate support to communities and at the same time assess local construction technologies that can be incorporated in the design guidelines to be prepared by the UAP-EA - Another assessment is to be undertaken in Eastern Visayas sometime this month.
IMMEDIATE SUPPORT		
2.	Construction Tool Kits Distribution - 708 sets of construction tool kits for Western Visayas (areas identified during the field assessment; sets of tool kits were identified per baranggay) - Tool kit is budgeted at PhP 950.00 per set consisting of 1 timber saw, one hammer, nails (1-1/2" and 2"), ropes and G.I. tie-wires.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Difficulty in availing tools within the area hampered the distribution last month. Suppliers in Visayas promised to deliver within this week. Planned distribution will take place the following week. - Funds were transferred to local UAP chapters who were tasked to facilitate purchase and distribution of tool kits. - Distribution of tool kits is being coordinated with the UNOCHA (UN Office for the Coordination of

		Humanitarian Affairs) - Next phase of distribution will be undertaken in Eastern Visayas (Samar, Leyte and Cebu). Tacloban is not a priority for the group as international support has been very massive already in the area.
3.	Support to Emergency Architects Foundation (France) efforts	- The local UAP Capiz Chapter was tasked to coordinate and provide support to the rebuilding efforts (for schools) being conducted by the international EA group. - two schoolbuildings are nearing completion.
LONG-TERM SUPPORT		
4.	Encyclopedia of Designs for Temporary Shelter/Facilities and Permanent Shelters/Facilities	- Architects were asked to submit designs to be included in the encyclopedia for reference to agencies/NGOs looking for possible projects to be undertaken. - so far, more than 10 designs were submitted.
5.	Community Center/School for Carles, Iloilo	- A design charette was conducted by UAP-EA and UAP Atelier for the proposed facility last January 9, 2013. - Design to be finalized within the next two weeks. - Funding for the construction will come from the Forbes Park community.
6.	Emergency Evacuation Center/School	- Negotiation is underway for the delivery of 100 evacuation centers/schools throughout Visayas identified by the donor (multinational company) - Designs for the evacuation center is being developed by the UAP-EA group
7.	Permanent Public Housing	- The UAP-EA group attended the coordination meetings with the National Housing Authority for disaster-resilient designs. Ideas were presented to the NHA for upgrade of their existing designs. - A Memorandum of Understanding is being prepared between the UAP-EA and the NHA for the provisions of designs to some of their proposed housing projects to be undertaken in Visayas.
8.	UAP Village	- Arrangements with NHA is being undertaken for a small community which UAP shall build using UAP designs for permanent shelter and facilities. - Funding might be quite expensive but possibilities for international donors and local companies may be sourced.
9.	Mobile Day-care Center/library	- Design is being prepared for a mobile day-care center/library. Books are to be donated by a childrens book supplier.
CAPABILITY-BUILDING		
10.	Illustrated Design Guidelines (Comics)	- Talks between the group of cartoonists is to take

		place next week for a collaboration between the UAP-EA and the cartoonists for a proposed illustrated version of disaster-resilient design guidelines that will be distributed to communities to have better knowledge on proper construction techniques and design strategies. The guide will be prepared in the local dialect.
11.	Collaboration with Government Disaster Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The UAP-EA group attended the initial meeting with the PARR (Presidential Assistant for Rehabilitation and Recovery) - UAP-EA is also invited to attend the Experts Forum on Rebuilding Communities to be conducted by the OML Foundation and the PARR on Jan. 23 that will focus on disaster-resilient designs
12.	Design Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A design forum was conducted on Dec. 7, 2013 to generate ideas and share with architects designs for safer communities
13.	One Mission, One UAP: Rising from the Ruins – the Architects Role in Rebuilding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A seminar was conducted on Nov. 30, 2013 in partnership with the UAP Committee on Media Affairs to bring forth the role of architects in developing resilient communities.
14.	Seminar/Workshop on Bamboo Construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In partnership with UAP Diliman and District B-1, the seminar/workshop will feature Ar. Ning Encarnacion-Tan and Hilti Foundation to teach architects new techniques in bamboo construction. Seminar is proposed on the last week of January or first week of February.

Additional possible undertaking:

- a. The Polish Humanitarian Action also contacted me for possible collaboration in their building of temporary shelters in Bantayan, Cebu. Meeting is to be set possibly next week.
- b. An international group of experts on reconstruction is to arrive in Manila to help in the Bohol reconstruction. Meeting is also to be set for possible collaboration. The local UAP Bohol Chapter will also be involved in the project.

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