

FAMILY INTRODUCTION SHEET from THE PHILIPPINES



Date: September 12, 2024

Area: 14-03-8115

Province: Zambales
District: Olongapo

Community: Olongapo City Wide

Nationality: Filipino

Dear Sponsor,

On behalf of the Pearl S. Buck Foundation-Philippines, Inc. (PSBP), I am thrilled to introduce John C. Cortes, Jr. and his remarkable family. Affectionately known as Jan-Jan, he is a bright 9-year-old boy born on April 7, 2015. Standing 4 feet 6 inches tall and weighing 29 kilograms, Jan-Jan has a fair complexion and a small scar near his left eyebrow. He is a baptized Born-Again Christian.

Jan-Jan is currently in the 4th grade at Boton Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year. With his school just 400 meters from home, he enjoys the short walk each day. Passionate about Science and proud to be a Boy Scout, Jan-Jan aspires to become a policeman one day.

In his free time, Jan-Jan is enthusiastic about various activities, including basketball, hacky sack, tumbang preso, mobile games, hide and seek, racing games, patintero, and piko. He also loves drawing, singing Hev Abi's songs, watching cartoons and anime, reading his school books, and planting vegetables. At home, Jan-Jan is an invaluable helper, assisting with chores such as washing clothes and dishes, fetching water, babysitting, cleaning the house, sweeping the backyard, cooking, and running errands.

Jan-Jan lives with his dedicated mother, Rosemarie Cuanico, who is 45 years old and works as a laundry washer, earning \$100 a month. Their income plays a crucial role in meeting essential needs, including education, food, utilities, and medical expenses.

I would like to introduce you to the other member of the family.

Name	Sex	Age	Relation to SC	Current Activity	Health Condition
Arjune Menegildo	Male	22	Brother	-	Good Health

Jhanna Cortes Female	7	Sister	Grade 2 Student	Good Health
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The Cortes family has made their current house a home for over 9 years. Their residence, with walls made of cement and tarpaulin, an earthen and cement floor, and a roof of G.I. sheets and tarpaulin, is in need of some repairs but has been a steadfast shelter. It features two bedrooms but lacks windows. Despite these challenges, the family enjoys essential amenities like electricity and piped water. They cook using a small electric stove and have a water-sealed toilet. The government's waste disposal system helps manage household waste effectively.

Like many Filipino families, the Cortes family values their children's education, good health, a clean and organized home, and improving their financial stability. They have access to community programs that support health, education, and psychosocial development, and we encourage them to take full advantage of these opportunities to pave the way for a brighter future.

Your sponsorship of Jan-Jan and his family would make a remarkable difference in their journey toward sustainable progress. They are eager to connect with you in English and share updates on their family's significant events and achievements. Supporting families like the Cortes will greatly improve their quality of life, and we are confident that this partnership will be mutually rewarding. Your thoughtful consideration and support are deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Executive Director



