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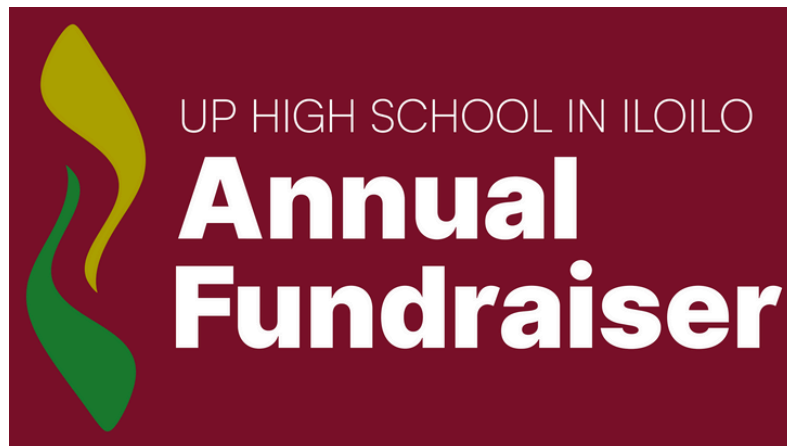
ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The Friends of UP Visayas High School Foundation, Inc. (FUPVHSFI) is a non-profit organization committed to supporting the UP High School in Iloilo. With a mission to enhance opportunities for the students and faculty members, the foundation is mainly driven to contribute to the school's development initiatives.

Central to the foundation's approach is its collaborative relationship with the UP High School administration, UPIC, UPVHS, and UPHSI alumni and friends, ensuring that fund allocation decisions are made jointly to effectively address the school's immediate needs.



INITIATIVES OF THE FOUNDATION



The Annual Fundraiser is a collaboration among the high school alumni, alumni organizations, and friends coming together to raise funds for the foundation's projects.

The primary objective is to extend unrestricted financial assistance and support to the students and faculty of UPHSI, ensuring they have access to necessary resources and opportunities.

Launched on May 28, 2024, the fundraiser started with an initial ₱3,000,000.00 seed fund from the Francis and Chit Jardeleza Foundation, RSA Foundation, and the ICTSI Foundation Inc.

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Particularly important to share is that each student from the Class of 2024 has contributed ₱100.00, opting to forego one cup of coffee or drink as part of their efforts to give back to our university. Additionally, our dedicated faculty members have collectively donated an impressive ₱100,000.00.



With the involvement of various alumni batches and friends of UPHSI, the fundraiser has raised over ₱9,000,000.00 in total as of September 2024.



This initiative showcases how small acts, when combined, can lead to the realization of a much larger vision.

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The UPHSI Annual Fundraiser successfully raised more than 6.5 million during the Alumni Homecoming held on August 17, 2024.

The ceremonial turnover of this amount took place at the UPV Auditorium of the city campus, where the check was received by UPHSI principal Prof. Edelia Braga. Present during the event were representatives of UPIC HS Class '65, UPHSI Class 2024, and the current student council members.

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The Handumanan Project is a response to the need to protect structures of heritage value in the UPV Iloilo City campus.

The Old High School Building, originally called the Home Economics (HE) Building and the Women's Club are iconic buildings that reflect postwar architecture - American Tsalet - that was prevalent in Iloilo during the reconstruction period. The one-story buildings are an amalgamation of Filipino and colonial architecture. These structures are part of the larger history of the city on the one hand, and the internal history of the university on the other.

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On June 5, 2023, a groundbreaking event was held to initiate the renovation of two buildings. The ceremony was attended by former Senate President Franklin Drilon and retired Supreme Court Associate Justice Francis Jardeleza, both who played key roles in the renovation efforts.



The renovation funding was sourced from the General Appropriations Act (GAA) 2022, which Sen. Drilon prioritized during his final term in the Senate.



Additionally, funds for the assessment were gathered from Justice Jardeleza, the UPIC HS class of 1965, and the GAA 2021, which supported the development of UPV's Land Use Development and Infrastructure Plan (LUDIP), managed by the OVCPD.

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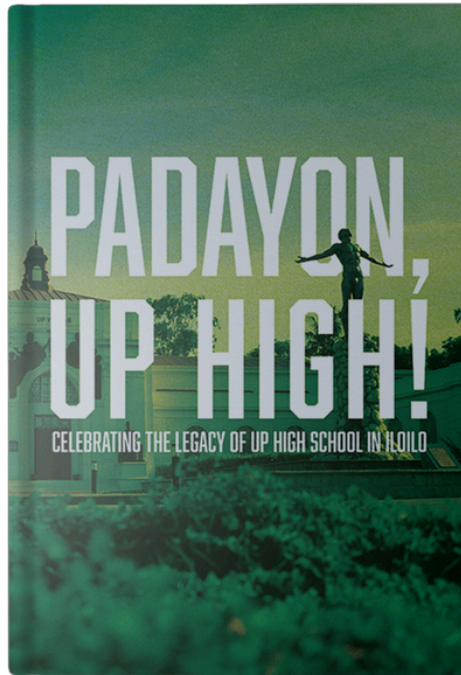
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Beyond recording for future generations, the story of UPV's journey to becoming a fully-autonomous university serving the Visayas region, Padayon nga Maragtas and the Handumanan Project both serve to preserve the past and the unique identity of the University of the Philippines Visayas.



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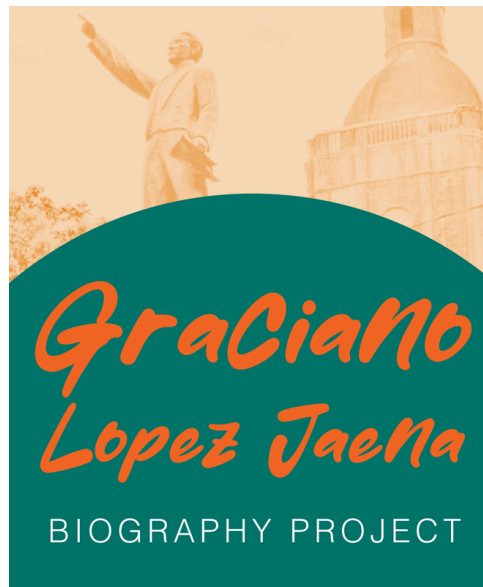


Padayon, UP High! Celebrating the Legacy of UP High School in Iloilo is a coffee table book project that encapsulates the legacy of the UP High School. The book features personal stories from alumni and faculty members spanning generations, alongside archival and contemporary photographs, highlighting the school's significant achievements and memorable events.

Padayon, UP High! serves as a tribute that celebrates the rich heritage of the UP High School in Iloilo.

Proceeds from the book will contribute to the funds of the Friends of UP Visayas High School Foundation, Inc., supporting the needs of its students and faculty members.

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Unlike José Rizal and other Philippine heroes, many of whom were part of the principalia, far fewer works have focused on Graciano López Jaena, the Ilonggo writer, orator, and patriot. While some historians and writers have celebrated their preferred heroes, López Jaena has often been criticized and marginalized. José Alejandrino once described him as “slovenly,” recalling an incident where López Jaena ate sardines with his fingers and wiped them on his already dirty suit. National Artist Nick Joaquin called him “an outsider not only to the colony but also to our history,” claiming he had distanced himself from the Propaganda Movement.

National Artist Resil Mojares similarly portrayed him as “impecunious and ambitious,” dying “embittered and obscure” in Spain. The last biography on López Jaena was published in 1964 by the late Demy Sonza, underscoring the lack of recent scholarly attention on his legacy.

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The Graciano López Jaena Biography Project seeks to challenge these criticisms and reestablish López Jaena as a central figure in the Philippine independence movement, alongside José Rizal and Marcelo del Pilar, forming the original Philippine triumvirate.

Thus far, research has revealed that, unlike other **ilustrados**, López Jaena came from a relatively poor family that was unable to provide him with regular financial support during his time in Spain. Much of the criticism against him can be traced to this financial hardship, as he was often preoccupied with meeting his basic needs, in contrast to his wealthier peers. Additionally, it has been confirmed that López Jaena studied Medicine at the Universidad Central de Madrid after transferring from the Universidad Literaria de Valencia. It has also come to light that he later enrolled in the Law School at the same university.

These findings underscore López Jaena's intellectual ambition and his desire to contribute to society not only as a writer but also as a professional. Furthermore, new research reveals that López Jaena did not die of tuberculosis in a hospital, as commonly believed, but rather of arteriosclerosis, alone in his apartment. This discovery significantly revises the accepted narrative of his final days and provides a more nuanced understanding of his legacy.

The project has gathered materials from various archives, including the National Library, National Archives, UP Diliman Library, Ateneo de Manila Library, and Filipinas Heritage Library. Unpublished documents from the Universidad de Valencia and the Archivo Histórico Nacional in Spain have also been retrieved.

An upcoming research trip to Spain aims to uncover additional primary sources, further illuminating López Jaena's significant role in the fight for the Philippine nation and, eventually, independence.

2024 PROJECTS FOR UPHSI

Pag-ulikid: No Student Left Behind

The No Student Left Behind is an assistance program that supports deserving and in-need students of UP High School in Iloilo by providing a Php 20,000 annual allowance. This initiative aims to alleviate the financial challenges students face, enabling them to focus on their academic and personal growth.

Additionally, the project includes a monthly food allowance, inspired by the efforts of Class 1983 under the leadership of Atty. Nellie Jo Aujero Regalado. This component ensures that students have access to their basic needs.

With a budget of two million pesos this year, the goal of this assistance program is to reduce financial stress and encourage students to fully engage in their education.



2024 PROJECTS FOR UPHSI

Electrification Project

In partnership with MORE Electric and Power Corporation, this project focuses on the electrification of the new high school building, ensuring a reliable power supply. With a total cost of 3,000,000 pesos, and a total amount of 971,694.57 pesos generously donated by MORE Power, this initiative addresses the urgent need for a more conducive learning and working environment for the high school students, faculty members, and staff.

By providing sufficient electricity, this project will enable the installation of much-needed air conditioning units in the high school buildings. This is also going to be beneficial for future structural projects that will be requiring enough power supply.

The project covers the labor and materials for the installation of the new electric service connection and the main distribution panel.



2024 PROJECTS FOR UPHSI

UPHSI Emerging Needs Fund

Allocating at least 1,000,000 pesos, this fund is designed to address the evolving needs of UPHSI. With the guidance of the high school principal, assigned committee members, and the members of the alumni community, appropriation of funds are allocated to various activities, conferences, and other emerging needs of the high school throughout the school year.

To date, a portion of the funds has been utilized through a diverse range of activities, including the UPHSI Open House, Student Council projects, and research conferences in Baguio and Malaysia. Moreover, this added assistance for the Faculty Development Fund for a research paper presentation in Thailand. Other activities that were able to tap into this fund are Pahampang 2024, CAS Week 2024, RCY summer camp, rifles for the UPHSI Colors, food assistance for the Christmas Party, and snacks for enrollment volunteers.



2024 PROJECTS FOR UPHSI



Wellness Initiative

This project provides health insurance coverage to tenured faculty members and staff of UPHSI, ensuring they have reliable healthcare assistance when needed. A budget of 13,400 pesos per employee each year is allocated to fund the initiative, totaling to around 400,000 pesos annually.

Through Aon's Benefits Care Program, each member will have a coverage of 175,000 pesos Maximum Benefit Limit (MBL) per illness annually, with regular private room accommodation in major hospitals.

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Legacy Yearbook Assistance Program

This project subsidizes a portion of the publication costs of the yearbook for graduating students. It ensures that each graduating class has a keepsake of their time at UPHSI. One hundred fifty thousand (150,000) pesos has been set aside for this program.

Support for Iloilo Community Orchestra

This program provides a support fund of 100,000 pesos for the Iloilo Community Orchestra (ICO). Starting with a 20,000 scholarship this year, students from UPHSI who are accepted into ICO will receive support from the foundation. As a community-based music collective, the Iloilo Community Orchestra recently made its debut, offering Ilonggos an opportunity for homegrown talents to showcase and harness their musical skills.

Through this initiative, the foundation aims to empower students to pursue their passion for music while they continue their academic endeavors.



REPORT OF DONATIONS

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WANT TO HELP?

Every donation, whether small or large, has fueled our shared mission and reminds us that every peso truly counts. Each contribution plays a vital role in driving change and creating impactful outcomes. With your continued support, we can transform lives.

Thank you for believing in our cause and for being a crucial part of this endeavor.

Padayon, UP High!

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