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Together
we're making the world a better place for children!

Information about Philippines

Holt International began working in the Philippines in 1976. Today, we serve nearly 2,600 children in the region annually. Some of the greatest threats to the health and wellbeing of children in the Philippines are chronic poverty, insufficient social services and high rates of child neglect and labor.

How we report to you

Every child and family in our programs is matched with an advocate — a highly trained social worker, teacher, caregiver or Holt staff member — who helps set goals for lasting stability. This advocate also works with your sponsored child and their family to write your sponsored child's updates. Sometimes these updates are translated multiple times before they reach you. Holt International does not edit the content of the update, in order to preserve its authenticity. However, if you have questions about your child's update, please call us at 1-800-451-0732.

Thank you for...
Transforming the world for this child

This update has been carefully written by our partners in Philippines, for Tristan's sponsor,

Mr. Matthew Gose

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Child Update
Tristan
Gender: **Male**
Birthday: **5/11/2016**
Country: **Philippines**

About Your Sponsored Child:

First Name: Tristan
Gender: Male
Last Name: Masbate
Birthday: 5/11/2016
Child I.D.: PHRCA17-0008
Country: Philippines

Reporting from: Kaisahang Buhay Foundation

Children in the Philippines are placed in orphanages because of abandonment in hospitals or public places, or birth families' relinquishment. Children are also temporarily placed in orphanages because their birth families face economic, health, or other forms of crisis. Holt partners with Kaisahang Buhay Foundation to provide support to sixteen Governmental and private orphanages to improve nutrition, medical care, other basic needs of the children including social workers and caregivers. This sustained basic needs support allows many children to grow and develop age-appropriately waiting to be reunified with their birth families, or adopted by a local or international adoptive family.

Child's Background:

On May 18, 2016 Tristan was referred by a Social Worker of the Local Government Unit to Reception and Study Center for Children (RSCC) for temporary shelter. On the same day, she was admitted in RSCC. On April 27, 2017, he was presented in Regional Matching Conference for foster care and matched to a foster mother. He was entrusted to her foster mother on June 3, 2017. Upon admission at RSCC, he weighed 2.8 kg and his length was 47 cm. He had fair complexion, oblong shaped face. He was diagnosed with seizure, he was sent for EEG and will undergo MRI. Her foster mother provided him Enfra Grow for his daily milk formula. Based on the information gathered by the referring party, the biological mother of Tristan was 19 years old when she gave birth to child, through normal spontaneous delivery. She received complete prenatal service facilitated by the Barangay Health Worker (BWH). The biological mother was observed to have mental problem.

Updated Information:

He had fever due to burn infection. He was submitted for medical check-up and debridement was done to remove the burn tissue. He is presently doing well. He could throw a ball in an upward direction. He could climb in a toy car without assistance. He knows that a wheel is driving a car. He would give smiles and giggles to people, however whenever he does not get what he wants he spanks his caregiver. He likes to play in a playhouse, ride a toy car or take a slide.

Goals:

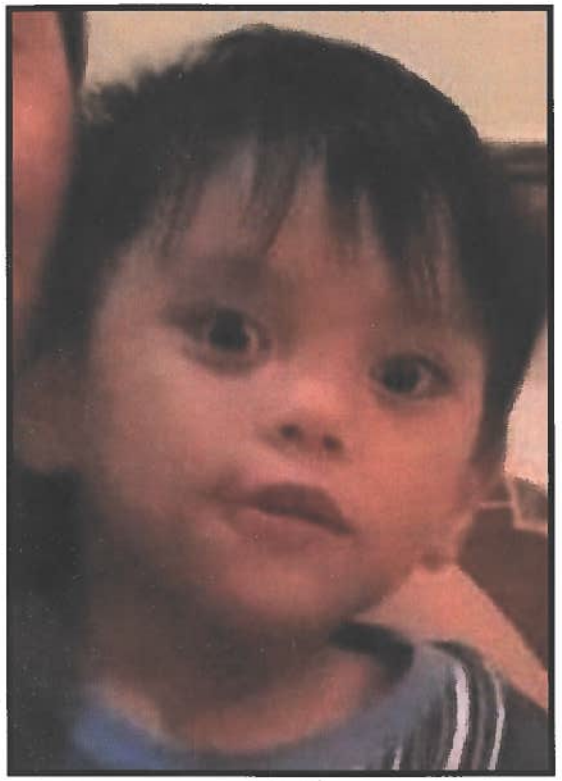
The case of the child is for applying for Certification Declaring the Child Legally Available for Adoption (CDCLAA).

Steps Completed:

Handling Social Worker is on process of writing the Child's Study Report for issuance of CDCLAA.

Next Steps:

The LGU social worker with the assistance of Foster Care Social Worker will prepare necessary documents for CDCLAA.



Use these pictures to remind yourself of Tristan and to keep him in your prayers.

PRAYER REMINDER CARD

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My sponsored child;

Tristan

His Birthday: **5/11/2016**

Living in: **Philippines**

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress...

—James 1:27

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