

National Taiwan University (NTU) Pasay Field Study

Capability-building / Training services

Location : Malibay, Pasay City;

Date : September 3-13, 2008

Project partners

- National Taiwan University (NTU) Graduate Institute of Building and Planning
- University of the Philippines College of Architecture (UPCA)
- St. Hannibal Empowerment Center (SHEC)

Community partner

- St. Hannibal Christian Community (SHaCC)

Contract / agreement value

- PHP

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Project brief

A multi-stakeholder collaboration among TAO-Pilipinas, the Graduate Institute of Building and Planning of the National Taiwan University (NTU), and the University of the Philippines College of Architecture (UPCA) forged in May 2008 during the International Training Workshop for Typhoon and Flood Disaster Reduction in Taipei led to a short community-based research activity with a team of faculty and students from NTU. Coordinated by TAO-Pilipinas, NTU students went on field study in Manila from September 3 to 13, 2008 to conduct community visits and validation workshops in SHEC-assisted areas in barangays 165 and 156 in Malibay, Pasay City.

The research aimed to learn how NGOs in the Philippines work with communities on issues related to land and creating sustainable communities. The research identified four issues: disaster management practices of communities living at river or creek side; recycling of water and solid waste; greening of buildings and interconnectivity of open spaces; and participation in community development.

TAO-Pilipinas facilitated the NTU team's community integration and exchange in close coordination with SHEC and its people's organization SHaCC. They assisted the NTU team in data gathering and interviews. In the research validation workshop with the communities, NTU also shared their own local good practices in rainwater harvesting, recycling and community greening initiatives. UPCA, on the other hand, hosted a discussion-sharing on disaster risk reduction.

Project outputs

- Research study findings

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