



Children's  
Shelter of  
CEBU

EVERY CHILD DESERVES  
*a family*



## OUR MISSION:

We exist to glorify God by demonstrating His love to the Philippines as we provide a loving, Christ-centered home with comprehensive medical, educational and placement services for homeless Filipino children.

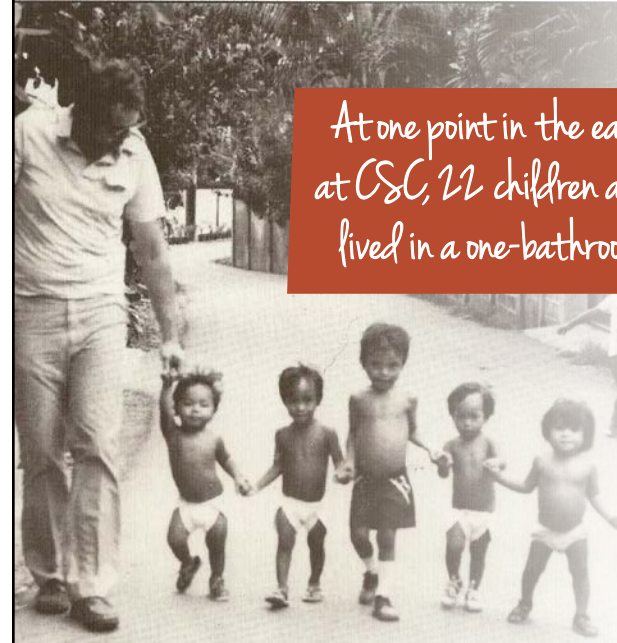
*Children's Shelter of Cebu* (CSC) operates four homes for 90-95 abandoned, neglected and abused children in Cebu City, Philippines. CSC is about restoring lives. We've been doing so since 1979 by ministering to each child holistically. We provide food, shelter and medicine, but also schooling, counseling and relationships that foster healing. CSC is a Christian, interdenominational ministry.

## HISTORY

*At one point in the early days at CSC, 11 children and adults lived in a one-bathroom home!*

CSC started because of one young woman's obedience to God's call. Marlys Danielson visited Cebu in 1978 and

was astounded and deeply touched by the plight of street children there. Compelled to respond, she returned in May 1979 with her new husband, Paul Healy. Many others have since stepped forward in faithfulness.







*Jovan was near death when he arrived at CSC. He is pictured on the right after a year in our care.*



**THE DAY A CHILD ARRIVES AT CSC** changes their world. They are introduced to their loving, attentive House Parents, a safe living environment and all the food they can eat. Many arrive from situations in which they were forced to beg, scavenge through the dump for food or things to sell, or rely on a few grains of uncooked rice as their only nutrition.

Because of the often severe mental, emotional and spiritual anguish children bring when they come to CSC, we provide regular counseling and consistent care.

***New children at CSC often don't know when to stop eating during their first meals. They are accustomed to having so little that they gorge themselves until they begin to trust that meal time is consistent and reliable.***



**OUR CHILDREN** often arrive with little or no formal education. There was a time we used public schools to educate our children. In the late 1990s, without any fundraising, God miraculously provided all the funds needed to build our Children of Hope School with financial gifts from a church in Hong Kong and a family in Manila.



*Children of Hope School* uses an English-based curriculum. The school is one of the primary reasons we are able to place older children in adoptive homes. Our low student-teacher ratios and dedicated approach to academic development allow children to arrive in new schools at or close to their age-appropriate level once they have joined their adoptive families. The Children of Hope School is licensed by the Philippine Board of Education.



## What sets CSC apart...

CSC is committed to caring for  
**children with  
special needs.**

Approximately 15% of our  
children have special needs,  
ranging from blindness to  
developmental disabilities.

CSC is committed to **KEEPING SIBLINGS TOGETHER.**  
Sibling groups of as many as **nine** have been  
adopted into one family.

CSC has served  
**over 900**  
orphaned  
children since  
1979.

**OVER 600**  
**CSC KIDS HAVE**  
**BEEN ADOPTED**  
in 14 countries.



## Every year CSC...

Serves  
**100,700**  
meals.

Makes **700 trips**  
to the doctor.

Changes  
**54,000**  
diapers.

**WASHES 9,000 LOADS OF LAUNDRY.** Four staff  
members wash and fold laundry as their primary job function.



*At what age does a child  
have to leave CSC?*

They don't! If a child is not  
adopted, we continue to help  
them advance their education,  
seek job training and enter  
mainstream life in the Philippines.  
Some with special needs will live  
with us the rest of their lives.





## What can I do?

### PRAY

Visitors to Cebu often comment on how uplifting it is to step on our grounds. They are standing in a place that is prayed for by people across the globe every day. If you are willing to pray for CSC, please visit [cscshelter.org](http://cscshelter.org), select “Get Involved” and then “Pray.”

### GIVE

Lives are changed at CSC, but it can't happen without someone like you.

- You can sponsor a specific child for \$30/month.
- You can sponsor a full day of school in honor of a loved one.
- You can give a monthly gift that enables our consistent care.

Please visit [cscshelter.org](http://cscshelter.org) and choose “Give Today.” It will change a child's life . . . and maybe yours.



## Greeting from Matt

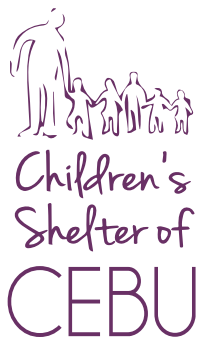
Thanks for reading this far and being interested in the Children's Shelter of Cebu!

I wish I could transport you to Cebu to see how much love is given to our children. What happens for them at CSC is a complete life change. They come in desperate and hurting and become like new children through our consistent love and care. This is all rooted in Jesus, who loves them more than any of us possibly could.

Perhaps you will decide to change lives with us too. Maybe it will be through prayer, giving or advocacy. We'd love to have you join us!

Matt Buley  
President





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