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## **Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide – Organizing & Advocacy Partnership Guidelines & Inquiry Form**

Dear Potential Partner for Organizing and Advocacy,

Maraming salamat po! Thank you for your interest in partnering with the Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide. The foundation aims to develop partnerships and formalized through linkage agreements in organizing and advocacy among Filipino organizations, businesses, governments and other stakeholders to strategically support long-term sustainability and empowerment at the grassroots level in the Philippines. This partnership document clarifies the application process and makes it transparent to all stakeholders.

### **What is the Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide?**

The Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide is a registered 501(c) 3 public charity in the US that aims to promote Filipinos abroad to be involved in youth leadership development and integration; organizing; and advocacy. *The foundation's vision* is a world where Filipinos in the diaspora are integrated in both their host country and are also involved in development of the Philippines. *The foundation's mission* is to enable Filipinos to improve their lives in empowering and sustaining ways. *The foundation's long term goals are:* 1) to build a vibrant network of NEXTGEN Filipino American leaders who will help heal the divide and fragmentation among Filipinos; and 2) to advocate for specific legislation that will help improve the quality of life of Filipinos in the Philippines and abroad that will eventually decrease poverty and the push for migration.

### **What does 'Bayanihan' mean?**

"Bayanihan is the spirit of community and cooperation that enables us to reach a common goal. The foundation anchors its work in 'bayanihan', 'kapwa tao' (helping our fellows), 'damayan' (helping each other) and other traditional Filipino values.

### **What does organizing and advocacy mean to the foundation? How does this affect long-term change?**

The foundation prioritizes partnerships that conducts organizing and advocacy projects as they enhance the community's capacity to find lasting solutions to existing problems. The aim of the foundation's organizing priority is to unite and empower Filipinos; integrate them in their host countries; and help them to also be involved in the development of the Philippines. The foundation's advocacy priority hopes to change vital policies that will decrease poverty and decrease out migration.

The foundation believes organizing and advocacy could affect long term change and contribute to the healing and fragmentation of Filipinos in the diaspora and at home. Investing in organizing and advocacy efforts will also empower communities at the grassroots level and involve the next generation (NEXTGEN) of young Filipino Americans that will address the causes of poverty and forced migration.



**How do I become a partner with the Bayanihan Foundation?**

You can become a partner for long-term development with the Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide by:

- 1) Believing in the foundation’s mission and vision; 2) reading and agreeing with the case statement (see separate attachment); 3) attending a one-on-one social preparation meeting or training; 4) adhering to the foundation’s

partnership values of: a) ‘kabalikat’ (interdependence and shared responsibilities); b) ‘tiwala’ (mutual trust); c) ‘pagkakaisa’ (mutuality); and ‘tradisyon’ (Filipino traditional values of ‘bayanihan’, ‘damayan’, ‘kapwa tao’ and others); 5) practicing principles of open communication, transparency and accountability; 6) agreeing to a long-term partnership of at least three years or longer; and 7) filling out the two page “Organizing and Advocacy Partnership & Linkage Agreement Form.”

**What do I get in becoming a Bayanihan Foundation partner in organizing and advocacy?**

You will receive the following benefits: 1) Sharing of best practices and learning from other diaspora donors and concerned partners from around the world; 2) free or low cost access to trainings, conferences and workshops to support your organizing and advocacy work; 3) **potential matching funds to leverage additional funds for your project**; 4) technical assistance and liaison support in the Philippines; 5) research and information about latest trends; 6) joint fundraising; and 7) long-term support.

**Is there a membership fee? Is there an application fee?** No, there is no membership fee or an application fee.

**Where does Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide get its financial support?** The foundation gets its support from individual donors mainly from Filipino diaspora donors worldwide. It will charge a low 10% administration fee on all donations received for specific development projects to cover research, liaison and administration costs. Costs may be slightly higher to administer advocacy work.

**How long does the application process take?** Your partnership application should be approved no longer than six to eight weeks from the receipt of completed application form and then an authorized person signs the partnership agreement. Then there is a six- month interim partnership period before the official partnership starts.

## Partnership Selection Process

Bayanihan reserves the right to decide on which partnerships to accept based on the following criteria and fit to the: 1) foundation's mission; 2) vision; 3) goals; 4) timeline of activities; 5) availability of funds; and 6) staff capacity.

**Whom do I contact if I have additional questions or concerns?** Please contact Dale Asis, Executive Director email [dale@fdnbayanihan.org](mailto:dale@fdnbayanihan.org) (773) 273-9793 or Myrla Baldonado, Organizing Director email [myrla@fdnbayanihan.org](mailto:myrla@fdnbayanihan.org) (858) 382-4580 or Evelyn Castillo, Philippine Liaison, email [evelyn@fdnbayanihan.org](mailto:evelyn@fdnbayanihan.org)

## Organizing and Advocacy Partnership & Linkage Agreement Form

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name (First & Last Name): \_\_\_\_\_ (Position/ Title): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization (If any, if not, mark INDIVIDUAL DONOR):  
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Is this a registered organization in your country? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No\_\_ don't know

Is this a tax-exempt organization in your country? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No\_\_ don't know

Tax Exempt registration number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Registration authority (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: The foundation plans to work with all organizations, formal or informal or individual donors who want to help in long-term development in the Philippines)

### Mailing address:

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Apt/ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact telephone: Country code \_\_\_\_\_ Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Yahoo chat/ Skype/ Google Voice number \_\_\_\_\_

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION requested (please provide copies):

1. Charter or Articles of Incorporation
2. Organizational By-Laws
3. List of current board members and their contact information
4. State nonprofit registration and 501 (c) 3 letter

### ORGANIZING AND ADVOCACY PROJECT INFORMATION:

**Geographic area of Preference to Help in the Philippines (please identify specific town or geographic area, if any):**

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**What type of project do you plan to partner with the Bayanihan Foundation Worldwide? (Please check all that applies):**

**Organizing on specific issue, population or geographic area** (please describe below. Please attach additional sheet if needed).

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**Advocacy on specific issue, population or geographic area** (please describe below. Please attach additional sheet if needed).

**PAST ORGANIZING & ADVOCACY EXPERIENCE:**

**Please describe briefly similar accomplishments in the past, the results and challenges if any.**

**PROJECT PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION:**

**Please describe in detail the proposed project, its major activities and detailed costs. Please also include your expectations (use additional sheet):**

**Do you have contacts of potential partners abroad?**

No  Yes (If Yes, please provide contact information):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact address abroad: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE & TRAINING:**

**What areas would you like to receive help in order to develop your project? Do you have expertise in these areas and would like to share them?**

**(Please check all that apply and rank them 1,2,3....)**

**Fundraising**

**Project Sustainability**

**Identifying and Prioritizing Needs**

**Financial Administration**

\_\_\_ Leadership Development                      \_\_\_ Technical/ Technology Skills  
\_\_\_ Other / please specify \_\_\_\_\_t

**Do you have additional questions, comments or feedback?**

**The statements and documents attached are complete and accurate.**

**I agree to the publication of this partnership publicly and the release of your organization's name in the foundation's reports and publicity. Yes\_\_ No\_\_**

**Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**