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# FOREWORD

Chers volontaires, partenaires et amis de France Volontaires,

It is with great appreciation that I introduce the 2024 annual report of France Volontaires Philippines—a reflection of the ongoing commitment to international solidarity, civic engagement, and the deepening of ties between France and the Philippines.

As Ambassador, I warmly thank France Volontaires Philippines for its unwavering dedication to amplifying the voices and impact of volunteers. Through its dynamic network and strong presence on the ground, France Volontaires Philippines continues to demonstrate how volunteer engagement can contribute to sustainable development, social inclusion, and mutual understanding.

Over the past year, I have witnessed firsthand the valuable contributions of our volunteers—both young and experienced—working across the Philippines in areas such as education, environmental conservation, and community development. Their efforts are a reflection of our nation's shared values and impact of cooperation at the grassroots level.

In 2024, our partnership was further reinforced through the Terre de Jeux program, linked to the Paris Olympic and Paralympic Games. In the Philippines, this spirit of solidarity and inclusion found a resonance through the dedication of nine Filipino volunteers who embarked on a journey to France. There, they contributed to various sports and solidarity projects, embodying the values of the Olympic and Paralympic movements.

With 136 international volunteers deployed in 2024 – the second highest number in Asia – and an increasing number of Filipino youths taking part in reciprocal programs in France, the Philippines remains a vital partner in France's global volunteer mission.

I also wish to highlight the successful organization of two important events this year: the French Volunteering Day in Manila and Cebu, and the International Volunteer Day, which brought together young French and Filipino volunteers from across the country. I thank France Volontaires Philippines and all our partners for their dedication in making these initiatives possible.

As we look ahead to 2025, the Embassy of France will continue to support France Volontaires Philippines in expanding volunteering opportunities and deepening engagement between the youth of our two countries.

To our volunteers, partners, host organizations, and the entire France Volontaires team in the Philippines, I extend my deepest gratitude.

Merci beaucoup !



**H.E MARIE FONTANEL**

*Ambassador of France to the Philippines*

# FOREWORD

It is with great pride and heartfelt gratitude that I present our 2024 Annual Report, a comprehensive reflection of the extraordinary milestones we have achieved together this year. This report is not merely a collection of numbers and narratives; it embodies the passion, resilience, and collaborative spirit that drive our mission forward.

First and foremost, I wish to honor the contributions of over 100 dedicated volunteers who are the true heart and soul of our endeavors. Their willingness to share their time, skills, and unwavering commitment across diverse missions has been nothing short of inspiring. Through their selfless service, these volunteers have turned challenges into opportunities, touched countless lives, and left an impact in the communities they have served. Their contribution not only amplifies the essence of volunteerism but also reinforces the enduring power of solidarity.

This year, we also celebrate a significant achievement with the successful deployment of nine exceptional Filipino volunteers to the Paris Olympics. Their outstanding contributions on this global stage have showcased the very best of Filipino talent, dedication, and spirit. Their efforts have not only earned admiration and respect but have also elevated the presence of the Philippines on the international stage, serving as a testament to the profound impact of volunteerism on fostering unity and mutual understanding.

Our accomplishments this year would not have been possible without the steadfast support of our partners and stakeholders. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for sharing in our vision and amplifying our efforts. A special acknowledgment goes to the Embassy of France to the Philippines and Micronesia, whose unwavering partnership has been instrumental in our success. Your support has empowered us to dream bigger, reach further, and create a more profound impact.

At France Volontaires, our mission to promote international solidarity and commitment remains at the core of all we do. It is this guiding principle that fuels our efforts to bridge cultural divides, foster mutual understanding, and create lasting connections through the power of volunteerism.

As we turn the page to a new chapter, let us continue to embrace the spirit of collaboration and work together towards a future where solidarity knows no boundaries. Let every act of volunteerism inspire hope, ignite change, and contribute to a brighter, more inclusive world for all.



**Ms. NANETTE REPALPA**

*National Representative*

# FOREWORD

The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) joins me in celebrating another productive year for France Volontaires (FV) Philippines, strengthening international cooperation and advancing development through volunteerism.

The steadfast assistance of 109 FV volunteers in 2024 is a powerful testament to their unwavering commitment to addressing the evolving demands of development work. Through their engagement across sectors such as culture and arts, education, environment, health and social services – they have extended valuable support to over 32,000 beneficiaries from the vulnerable and marginalized sectors across the Philippines.

We commend FV's dedication to fostering meaningful people-to-people exchange and strengthening the capacities of 17 local partner institutions. These efforts directly reflect PNVSCA's advocacy to mainstream volunteerism in local governance and across all sectors. By facilitating skills transfer and collaborative initiatives, international volunteers serve as catalysts for deeper local participation and sustainable impact.

Volunteerism through FV transcends national borders. In 2024, 22 Filipino youth volunteers contributed their talents to French organizations and communities, supporting initiatives in education, sports, and social services –

amplifying the spirit of solidarity and global citizenship.

As we look toward 2026, the International Year of Volunteers for Sustainable Development, we are excited to continue our meaningful collaboration with FV. This global milestone offers a unique opportunity to celebrate and elevate the vital role volunteers play in building a more inclusive, resilient, and sustainable future. Together, we will work to ensure that their contributions are not only recognized but also meaningfully measured in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals.

From all of us at PNVSCA, a heartfelt thank you to FV Philippines for your unwavering support and steadfast partnership. Your commitment to impactful volunteering continues to inspire. We're eager to build on this momentum and help make volunteerism not just an act, but a way of life for every Filipino.

Itaguyod natin ang boluntarismo para sa Bagong Pilipinas



**MR. DONALD JAMES GAW**

*Executive Director, PNVSCA*





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## ABCDE

- AIME** – Association Internationale de Mobilisation pour l'Egalité ●  
**ARCSEA** – Association for the Rights of Children in Southeast Asia ●  
**ATD** – All Together in Dignity Fourth World ●  
**BFCI** – Bourgogne-Franche-Comté International ●  
**CAMP** – Culture and Arts Managers of the Philippines ●  
**DCC** – Délégation Catholique pour la Coopération ●  
**EDM** – Enfants du Mékong ●  
**ERDA** – Educational Research and Development Assistance ●  
**ESC** – European Solidarity Corps ●  
**EU** – European Union ●  
**EV** – Espace Volontariats (*Volunteering Center*)

## FGHIJ

- FEF-R** – Fonds Équipe France Rapide  
**Fonjep** – Fonds de coopération de la jeunesse et de l'éducation populaire  
*(Youth and popular education cooperation fund)*  
**FV** – France Volontaires ●  
**GIED** – Global Initiative for Exchange and Development ●  
**GIP** – Groupement d'Intérêt Public (*Public Interest Group*) ●  
**HAV** – Humanitarian Aid Volunteering ●  
**HO** – Host Organisation ●  
**IVSO** – International Volunteer Service Organization ●  
**JET** – Jeune à l'Étranger (*Youth Abroad*) ●  
**JSI** – Jeunesse et Solidarité Internationale (*Youth and International Solidarity*) ●  
**JVF** – Journée du Volontariat Français (*French Volunteering Day*)

## KLMNO

- LPI** – Local Partner Institution ●  
**LP4Y** – Life Project for Youth ●  
**MEP** – Missions Étrangères de Paris ●  
**NEDA** – National Economic and Development Authority ●  
**NGO** – Non-Governmental Organization ●  
**OIF** – Organisation internationale de la Francophonie ●



## PQRST

**PNVSCA** – Philippine **N**ational **V**olunteer **S**ervice and **C**oordinating **A**gency ●

**SC** – **S**ervice **C**ivique (*Civic Service*) ●

**SCI** – **S**ervice **C**ivique **I**nternational (*Civic Service International*) ●

**SC-R** – Service **C**ivique de **R**éciprocité (*Civic Service in Reciprocity*) ●

**SEC** – **S**ecurities and **E**xchange **C**ommission ●

**SDG** – **S**ustainable **D**evelopment **G**oals

**SGDF** – **S**couts et **G**uides **d**e **F**rance ●

**SO** – **S**ending **O**rganisation ●

**TNK** – **T**ulay **n**g **K**abataan ●

## UVWXYZ

**UN** – **U**nited **N**ations ●

**VIES** – **V**olontariat **I**nternational d'Échange et de **S**olidarité ●  
(*Volunteering for International Exchange and Solidarity*)

**VIR** – **V**olontariat **I**nternational de **R**éciprocité ●  
(*International Volunteering in Reciprocity*)

**VISA-AD** – **V**olontariat **I**nternational au **S**ervice des **A**utres – **A**nnée **D**iaconale ●

**VMS** – **V**olontariat **M**ission **S**olidarité ●

**VSI** – **V**olontariat de **S**olidarité **I**nternationale (*International Solidarity Volunteering*) ●

**VSI-R** – **V**olontariat de **S**olidarité **I**nternationale de **R**éciprocité ●  
(*International Solidarity Volunteering*)

**VTJP** – **V**olontaires **T**erre de **J**eux **P**aris ●

**VVV-SI** – **V**ille, **V**ie, **V**acances et **S**olidarité **I**nternationale ●  
(*City, Life, Holidays and International Solidarity*)

● Institution

● Category

● Volunteering Program



# ABOUT US



## our organisation

France Volontaires (FV) is the French platform for international exchange and solidarity volunteering. It was established in 2009 as an association and is now a public interest group known as “GIP France Volontaires”.

As a French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs operator recognised as of France’s public development aid stakeholders by the Law of 4 August 2021, France Volontaires is the result of a shared project that brings together the State, local authorities and associations around a public interest mission: **the development and promotion of international exchange and solidarity volunteering (VIES – volontariat international d’échange et de solidarité).**





The platform relies on representations in France (mainland and overseas territories) and a network of Espace Volontariats - EV (Volunteering Centres) in Africa, Asia, Latin America/Caribbean, the Middle East, and Oceania.

## our members



## the volunteering programs

### VIES program is divided into three categories

-  Skills Volunteering
-  Initiation & Exchange Volunteering
-  Expertise Volunteering
-  Other Solidarity Volunteering

### Volontariat de solidarité internationale (VSI)

It is a scheme supported by the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs. Its purpose is "to carry out a mission of general interest abroad in the fields of development cooperation and humanitarian action".

 1 to 6 years  18 yrs old and above

### Projets de solidarité et d'échanges de jeunes

These are projects run by youth groups (between 4 to 16 members) and supported by a French association, in partnership with a foreign association.

 15 days  15 to 25 yrs old

### Service civique international (SCI)

It is designed for French youths allowing them to live an experience of openness to the world, to discover a field of activity, and to develop formal and informal skills.

 6 months to 1 year

### Chantiers internationaux

They are part of a collective approach and the realization of a concrete work & useful to the community, through independent learning of the management of a group life.

 6 months to 1 year


### Congé de Solidarité Internationale

It allows a private-sector employee to participate in a mutual aid mission abroad in the areas of development cooperation and humanitarian action.

 maximum of 6 months


### Congé Solidaire®

The aim is to share and pass on their technical knowledge to meet a specific need expressed by a local partner in Africa, Asia or Latin America.

 2 weeks

### Congé de Solidarité

Its a form of voluntary work resulting from intra-company negotiations. It is exclusively for active employees of companies or local authorities.

 2 to 3 weeks


### Corps européen de solidarité

This program was created by EU to give youth the opportunity to get involved and to help communities or individuals across Europe, through solidarity actions.

 1 to 6 yrs  18 to 30 yrs old

### Volontariat senior

For retirees or early retirees with specific skills linked to the project of the sending organization. Specific conditions of age, preparation and experience vary.

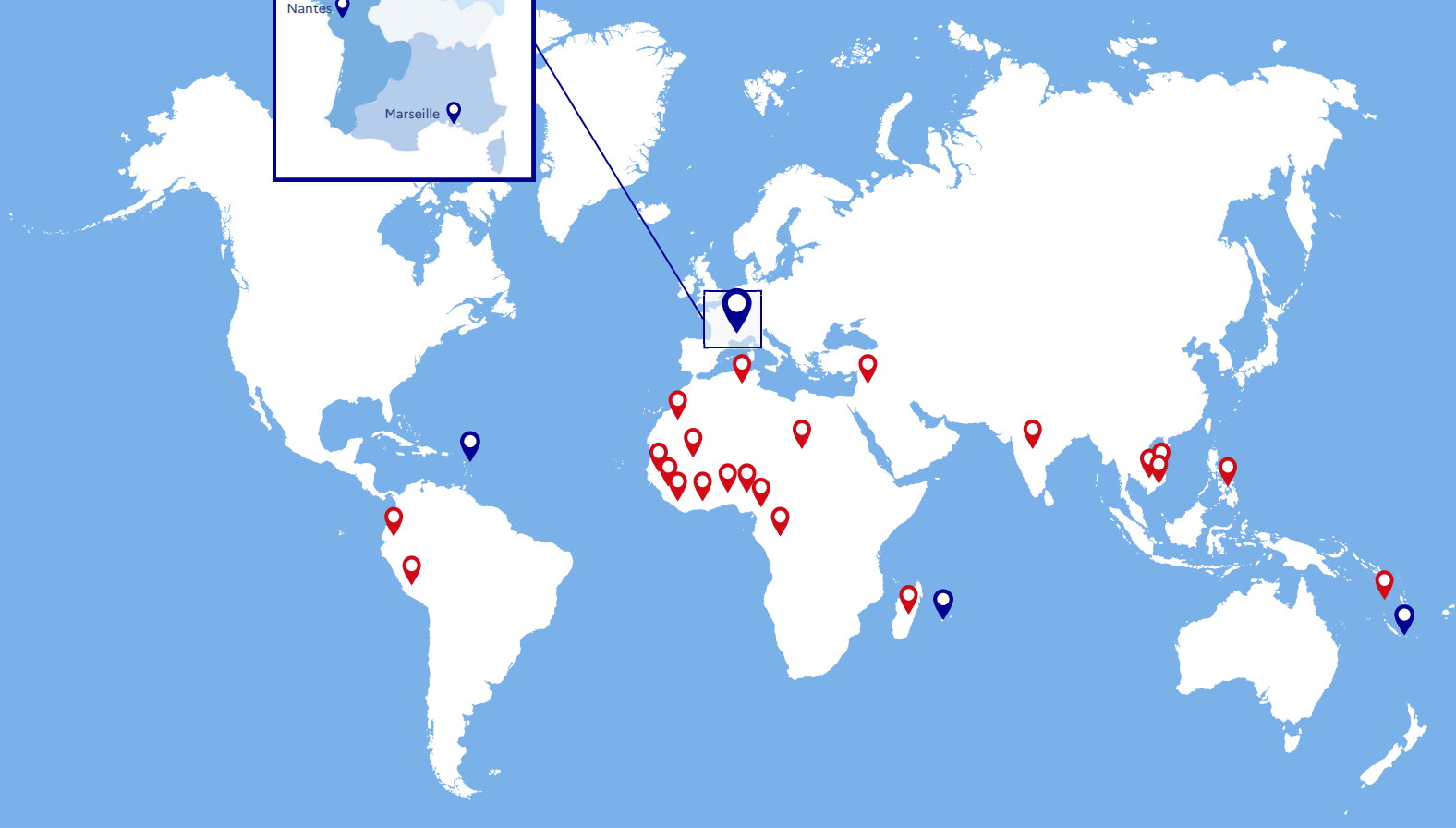
 maximum of 3 months

### Volontariat national

France Volontaires is committed to strengthening these commitment dynamics in partner countries by supporting the development of national volunteering, and its adherence to the principle of reciprocity.



## our offices & volunteering centres



The France Volontaires' international network is based on a Volunteering Center's (Espaces Volontariats) Network, which serves as representation of France Volontaires in the partner country and as a resource center for volunteers.

### France

Ivry-sur-Seine   Ivry-sur-Seine   Marseille   Lille   Nantes   New Caledonia   Guadeloupe   Reunion

### Asia

Cambodia   India   Laos   Lebanon   Philippines   Vietnam

### America

Ecuador   Peru

### Oceania

Vanuatu

### Africa

Benin   Cameroon   Congo   Côte d'Ivoire   Guinea   Morocco   Senegal   Tunisia  
Burkina Faso   Chad   Congo DR   Ghana   Madagascar   Mauritania   Togo

## in the Philippines

In order to support, strengthen and promote French volunteering in the Philippines, France Volontaires set up an espace volontariats - EV (volunteering center) based in Makati thus the creation of France Volontaires Philippines. The establishment of the EV and France Volontaires Philippines institutionalised the international volunteering efforts of different French agencies and NGOs and represent those involved (members, sending organisations, and volunteers) to the national and local authorities in the Philippines. Today, France Volontaires Philippines is considered as one of the top performing International Volunteer Service Organisation (IVSO) in the Philippines - fortifying itself as one of the key actors in promoting international solidarity cooperation between France and the Philippines.

## our accreditations and affiliations



France Volontaires Philippines established its presence in 2013 and was registered under the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in 2015. It was accredited by the Philippine National Volunteers Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) as an IVSO in May 2017. France Volontaires Philippines is an attached agency of the Embassy of France to the Philippines and Micronesia.



France Volontaires Philippines is a member of civil society associations and networks such as the Philippine Coalition on Volunteerism since 2019, National Council of Social Development since 2016, French Chamber of Commerce and Industry Philippines since 2021, iVolunteer since 2025 as well as National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)'s Stakeholders' Chamber on SDGs of the Philippine Government since 2022.

PNVSCA is the government agency mandated to promote and coordinate volunteer programs and services in the Philippines. PNVSCA is an attached agency to the NEDA - the Philippines' premier socioeconomic planning body.

IVSO refers to a foreign government agency, international NGO, international or local organisation that deploys international volunteers in the Philippines.

## Meet the Philippine team



### **Nanette REPLAPA** (*National Representative*)

Nanette hails from Bagacay Gubat Sorsogon and is a registered social worker, and graduate of Bicol University College of Arts and Sciences. A former staff of Virlanie Foundation for almost 19 years. In 2015, she decided to joined FV Philippines and became a key individual in shaping FV Philippines' future and progress.

### **MJ MANGARING** (*Volunteer Development Officer*)

MJ holds a Bachelor's degree in Foreign Service and has been in the field of international relations since 2019. Before joining FV Philippines, MJ used to work at a foreign diplomatic mission in Manila and was assigned in the Public and Cultural Diplomacy department. MJ joined FV Philippines in April 2023.



### **Jeanlyn SAYAGO** (*Administrative Assistant*)

Jeanlyn earned a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Bicol University - Polangui Campus. She served as a Youth Councilor from 2018 to 2023 and worked as a customer service representative in a BPO company to further develop her communication skills. She has been supporting the FV Philippines team as a service provider for the visa application process since September 2023.

### **Axel PEYNAUD** (*Communications Officer, VSI*)

Axel, holds a Master's in Green, Social, and Digital Management. He has experience in renewable energy recruitment, civic service volunteer with the World Scouts Bureau in Kuala Lumpur, and corporate social responsibility in IT infrastructure. An entrepreneur by heart, Axel joined FV as a Communications and Partnerships Officer in December 2023



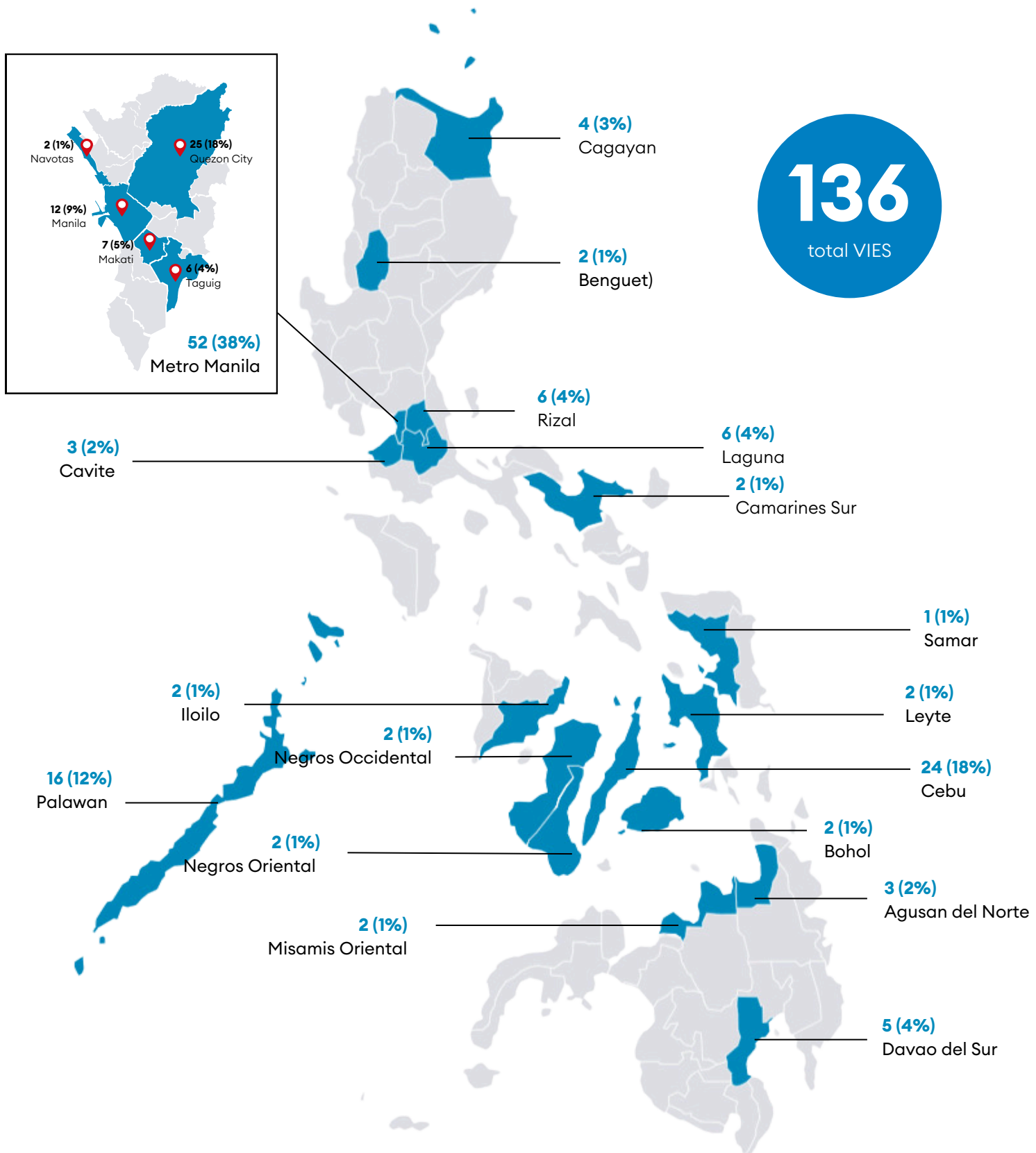




## STATE OF VIES IN THE PHILIPPINES

# VIES AT A GLANCE

by area of deployment



# VIES AT A GLANCE

## in numbers

### RESULTS

In 2024, a total of **136** VIES in the Philippines were recorded.

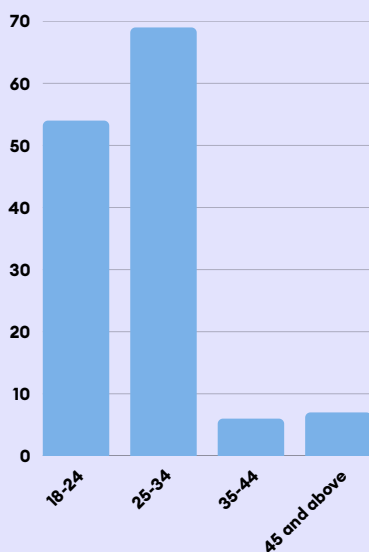
### FIELDS OF ACTION

55% Education  
19% Social Services  
12% Workcamps  
7% Environment  
7% Health  
1% Culture

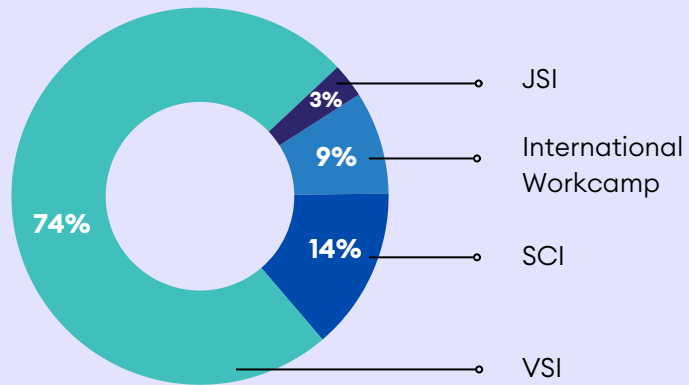
### BY NATIONALITIES

132 French  
1 Belgian  
1 Italian  
1 Swiss  
1 Filipino

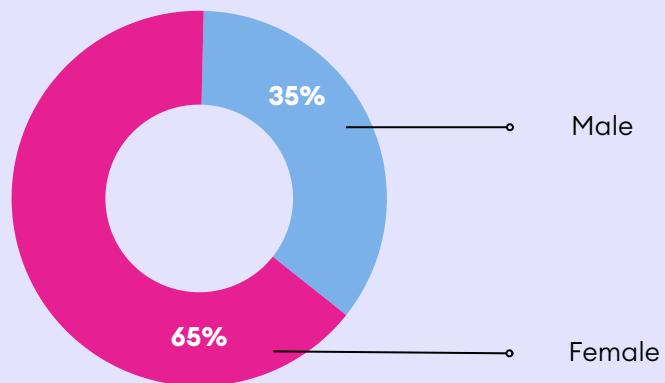
### VIES BY AGE GROUP



### VIES BY SCHEMES



### VIES BY GENDER



### VIES STATUS



**72**

Arrival



**72**

Completed



**60**

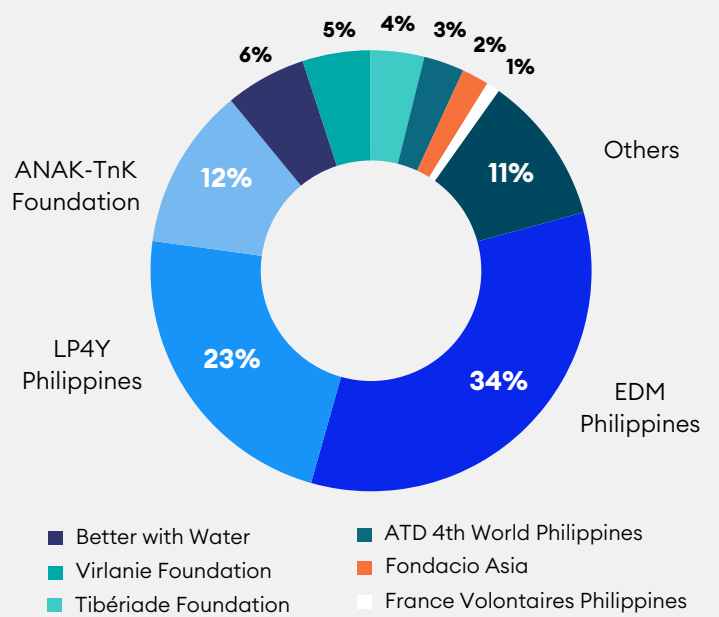
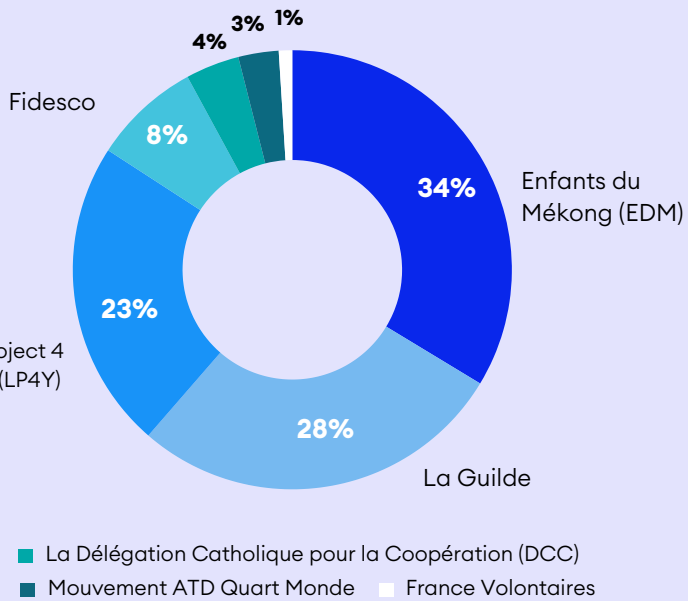
In-service



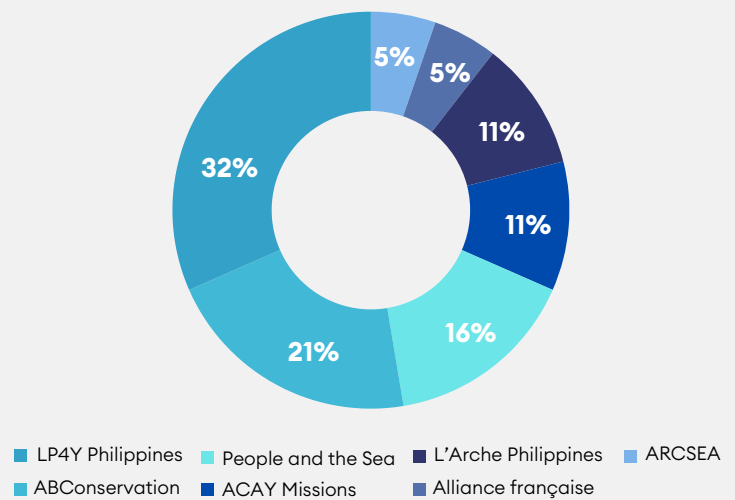
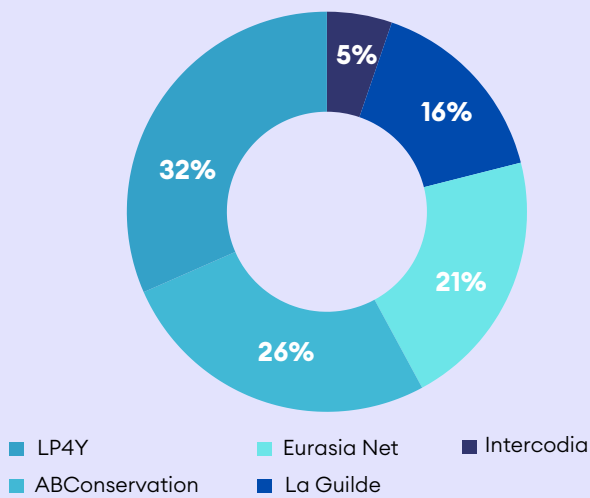
## BY SENDING ORGANISATION

## BY HOST ORGANISATION

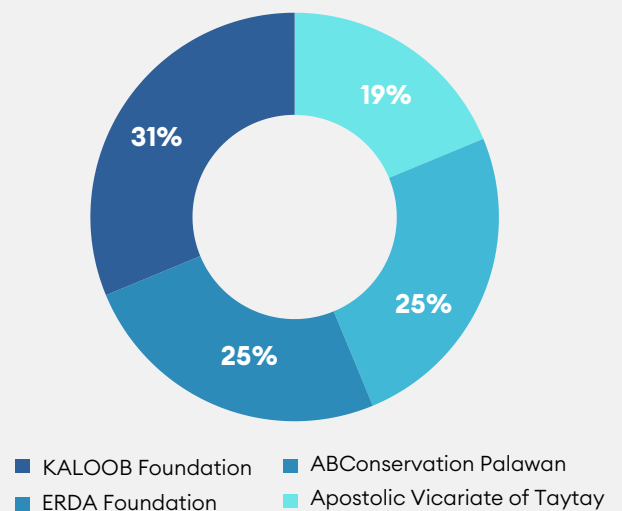
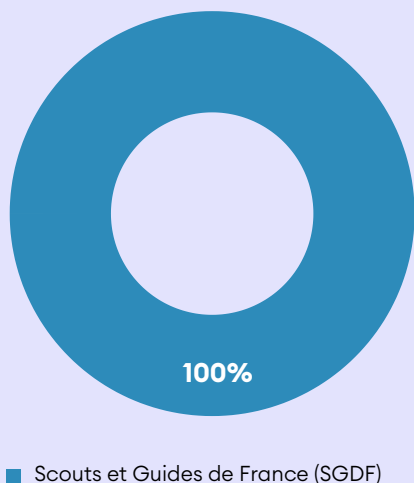
## International Solidarity Volunteers



## Civic Service International Volunteers



## International Workcamp and JSI/VVV-SI Volunteers



# Development of Volunteering

2024 was marked by consistency and improvement in international volunteering in the Philippines. This year, FV Philippines recorded 136 VIES hosted in the Philippines, with the following breakdown: 101 (VSIs), 19 (SCIs), 12 (International Workcamps), and 4 (JSIs).

Thanks to the institutionalised volunteering ecosystem in the Philippines, the presence of PNVSCA, and existing laws relevant to volunteerism in the Philippines, FV Philippines managed to properly account for the volunteers in the platform, most notably the VSIs and SCIs, from their arrivals to their departures.

With this number, the Philippines still remains as one of the top destinations for French volunteers in Asia (next to Cambodia).

This year, 22 institutions hosted VIES, the majority of which are foundations providing childcare. However, volunteers were also placed in organizations focusing on education, environmental protection, community development, and social inclusion, reflecting the diverse range of missions supported by FV Philippines.

New partnerships have been forged with Alliance française de manille and the Apostolic Vicariate of Taytay while organisations such as L'Arche Philippines and Passerelles Numériques

Philippines have decided to open its doors for international volunteers once again after a long hiatus.

FV Philippines also renewed and improved its Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with its partners to further clarify and strengthen its role and services. These updated agreements reinforce FV Philippines' commitment to supporting organizations in hosting international volunteers, ensuring clearer collaboration frameworks and enhanced support for all stakeholders.

In July 2024, FV Philippines conducted a survey among its partner organizations to assess their satisfaction with the support provided and the impact of international volunteers within their structures.

The results highlight the strong partnership and positive experience of our partners:

- 91% of respondents rated their overall satisfaction with FV's support as positive.
- 100% stated their wish to continue welcoming international volunteers from FV and its members.

<b>22</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>11</b>
HO	VIES	SO

# Development of Volunteering

Further, the PNVSCA has extended the IVSO accreditation of FV Philippines, a vital recognition that ensures its continued operations and ability to provide essential services to volunteers in the country.

Additionally, FV Philippines is actively engaging in discussions with the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) of the Philippines to formalize its status as an official operator of the French state within the Philippine government, similar to other members of Team France. The signing of this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is expected to take place in 2025.

In 2024, introduced by the Embassy of France to the Philippines and Micronesia, FV Philippines initiated discussions with the authorities of Palau to explore the deployment of volunteers for the 2025 Pacific Mini Games. These exchanges aim to identify specific volunteer needs and establish a framework for collaboration, ensuring meaningful contributions to this major regional event.

Positive feedback from partners highlights the program's impact, while ongoing discussions with the Philippine government and international stakeholders pave the way for further growth. As we look ahead to 2025, FV Philippines remains committed to fostering meaningful collaborations and enhancing volunteer engagement.





# Volontariat de Solidarité Internationale (VSI)

## *International Solidarity Volunteering*

Majority of the VIES in the Philippines were under the VSI contract/program with 101 or 74% of the volunteers, 2% higher than 2023. Of these, 98 are French citizens while the rest are from Belgium, Italy, and Switzerland.

Education sector dominated the field of intervention of the volunteers with 67% closely working in host organisations' scholarship programs as coordinators or sponsorship officers. Aside from this, majority of the volunteers in this field are assigned at skills development programs as coaches and project coordinators.

Social Services account for 22% of the volunteers and were deployed in foundations catering for abandoned and abused children.

The profiles of the volunteers includes professionals such as doctor, nurses, scientific researcher, managers, entrepreneur, civil servants, and social and development worker among others. Further, few volunteers had already had volunteering experiences most notably as VSI (in Africa, Latin America, and Asia), as *service civique* volunteers (in France and Asia), and as short-term volunteers "*benevoles*".

Of all the sending and hosting organisations for VSI, Enfants du Mékong deployed and hosted the most number of volunteers - 34 in total, while LP4Y has deployed and hosted 23 volunteers.

La Guilde managed to deploy 28 volunteers and were hosted by ABConservation, Better with Water, Fondacio Asia, Passerelles Numériques, Phil'book, Tibériade Foundation, Anak-TNK, Virlanie Foundation, and Children of Asia - where one volunteer was locally hired. Of the 28 volunteers deployed by La Guilde, 12 of them were deployed in partnership with Volontariat Missions Étrangères de Paris (MEP).

Other sending organisations includes Fidesco (hosted by Tibériade and Anak-TNK), la DCC (hosted by Apostolic Vicariate of Taytay and Cameleon Association), Mouvement ATD Quart Monde, and France Volontaires.

67% of the volunteers are females and 33% males. Majority of the volunteers are between the age of 25-34 with 69 volunteers followed by the 18 to 24 age group with 53 volunteers.

41% of the volunteers were deployed in Metro Manila (working in the urban area and in the slums) followed by Cebu with 20%. Other provinces wherein volunteers are deployed are: Palawan, Rizal, Laguna, and Cavite.



Out of 101 volunteers, 89 were registered to PNVSCA. 11 Volunteers extended their volunteering contracts/missions while 5 decided to pre-terminate their contracts. 48 volunteers completed their missions this year and 48 are currently in-service as of December 2024.

FV Philippines met with various institutions to present its volunteering programs and opportunities, most notably the VSI program.

Whilst doing so, we are actively working to expand our areas of intervention, particularly in agriculture, culture and environmental sectors, and to engage a broader range of stakeholders beyond traditional associations.

# 101

volunteers

# 15

host organisations





# Service Civique International (SCI)

*Civic Service International*

In 2024, 19 volunteers under the *Service Civique International (SCI)* Program were deployed in the Philippines compared to 11 from last year, 72% higher. Out of the 19 volunteers, 14 arrived this year while the rest arrived in 2023 and were just completing the remaining months of their respective missions.

Youth-focused programs receive the highest volunteer involvement, accounting for 42% of total deployments, followed by environmental initiatives at 37%.

Majority of the volunteers were deployed by LP4Y with 6 or 32% of the total volunteers serving as Coaches for their Professional Life Skills Program supporting a team of 15 to 20 Young Adults (17 to 25 years old) by developing their soft and technical skills in the different domains.

Eurasia Net managed to deploy 4 volunteers particularly to ACAY Missions with 2 volunteers empowering youths in conflict with the law, Alliance française de Manille with 1 volunteer promoting French culture and language, and 1 (Filipino) volunteer at Association for the Rights of Children in Southeast Asia (ARCSEA) advocating and developing advocacy programs for children. 1 partner of Eurasia Net namely the Center for Environmental Concerns wasn't able to host

volunteers this year although missions were opened to the public.

4 volunteers were deployed by ABConservation in their Palawan office to serve as communications officers and as support staff to their partner - Palawan Wildlife Rescue and Conservation Center, particularly in the renovation of new enclosures to improve the well-being of the rescued animals at the center, and for developing the vegetable garden and insect breeding.

La Guilde was able to deploy 3 volunteers at People and the Sea for their Marine & Biodiversity Protection program as well as Sustainable Fisheries program and a volunteer at L'Arche Philippines replacing the previous volunteer deployed by Interocodia. The volunteers deployed at L'Arche Philippines were assigned as workshop support officer for their beneficiaries with intellectual disabilities.

Majority of the volunteers were deployed in Metro Manila (7) followed by the provinces of Palawan (4), Laguna (3), Cebu (3), and Rizal (2). Majority of the volunteers are females with 74% whilst males are composed of 26% only. Of 19 volunteers, 3 volunteers (from ARCSEA, L'Arche, and LP4Y) weren't registered to the PNVSCA.



Two members of the FV platform namely: Bourgogne-Franche-Comté International (BFCI) and Association Internationale de Mobilisation pour l'Egalité (AIME) were able to identify potential partners in the Philippines to host volunteers.

BFCI on its part managed to have a partnership with Ecoliers des Philippines to deploy a volunteer at the latter's partner - Canlunasan Elementary School based in Bohol and was supposed to host one in November but unfortunately didn't push through. The volunteer was supposed to help in the promotion of international solidarity and awareness to the Sustainable Development Goals.

AIME has identified Culture and Arts Managers of the Philippines (CAMP) Pag-Ayo, Inc., as a potential partner and is closed to deploying volunteers to help in HIV/AIDS and mental health awareness programs.

As of December 2024, 11 volunteers are currently in-service.

**19**

volunteers

**7**

host organisations



# International Workcamps & JSI

*Chantiers internationaux et Jeunesse Solidarité Internationale (JSI)*



Greensparks (SGDF)



Les Compadecidé (SGDF)

In 2024, FV recorded 16 International Solidarity Workcamps Volunteers divided into 4 groups - all members of the Scouts et Guides de France (SGDF). The said volunteers aged from 18-20 prepared for their respective projects for almost two years and stayed in the Philippines for almost a month to successfully implement their projects.

The first group of scouts Les Compartiastes - Companions from SGDF Carpentras arrived on the last week of June and conducted their workcamp at Apostolic Vicariate of Taytay in Palawan where they helped in their organic farm and training center.

Greensparks - Companions from SGDF 4 Châteaux arrived on the last week of July and partnered with ABConservation in Palawan to help in the reconstruction of an enclosure and maintenance of the vegetable garden at the Palawan Wildlife Rescue and Conservation Center. They are the only group (for the Philippines) to receive a grant from Fonjep under JSI program.

Les Compadecidé - Companions from SGDF Saint-Martin de Savigny-sur-Orge arrived on the first week of August and collaborated with KALOOB Foundation to help in the renovation of two chapels in Davao Region. They also had the opportunity to join a Special Outfit Camp organised by the Boy Scouts of the Philippines - Davao del Sur Council.

The last group to arrive was Les Compavupaspris - Companions from St Médard, Paris V on the 2nd week of August partnering with ERDA Foundation to have intercultural exchange with the children in the slums of Tondo, Manila. The group was also visited by team FV Philippines to conduct an on-site visit.

During their first weeks, FV Philippines organised orientation to all the groups through (online and on-site) to introduce them to the platform and to have a glimpse of the Filipino culture and working ethics. Prior to these, most of the groups had already reached out to FV Philippines to connect them with potential host organisations.



# Other Forms of Solidarity Volunteering

*Les autres formes de volontariats*

Aside from the volunteers under the framework of VIES and the platform of France Volontaires, other forms of volunteering are also offered and available to French nationals and are regularly hosted in the Philippines.

As most of these volunteering programs doesn't need coordination within the platform, data and statistics are often not available and inaccurate. Although, not included or recognised by the platform, external volunteers are also provided by services by FV such as networking, invitations to events, and even assistance in obtaining the visa.

## Jeune à l'ÉTranger (JET)

In 2021 Chemin Neuf Community partnered with FV Philippines in assisting and accompanying their volunteers under JET - Jeune à l'ÉTranger (Youth Abroad) program. This year, 4 JET volunteers were assisted and supported by FV. The JET Volunteers were assigned to outreach program of the Community including feeding and basic literacy programs.

## Volontariat Mission Solidarité (VMS)

Aside from the VSI's deployed by Volontariat MEP in partnership with La Guilde, 3 volunteers under Volontariat Mission Solidarité (VMS) particularly in Phil'book and Little Sisters of the Poor working on literacy programs to the children in the slums of Caloocan and care for the elderlies respectively.

## Humanitarian Aid Volunteering (HAV)

This year, FV recorded 1 French volunteer under European Solidarity Corps' Humanitarian Aid Volunteering of EU at Action Against Hunger Philippines. Along the French HAV were two more volunteers from Ireland and Spain. The French HAV arrived in September 2023 and served as the Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability, and Learning (MEAL) Officer.

## "Benevolat"

Other short-term volunteers are also hosted by FV Philippines' partners, notably ERDA Foundation, Virlanie Foundation, ACAY Missions, ABConservation Palawan, MakeSense, and GIED Inc. Most cover their own expenses and have no formal contract or sending organization.

Some are students, young professionals completing internships, such as those from Upskills+ Foundation in Tondo.



# Services to the Volunteers

## Visa and Immigration Services

As an accredited IVSO to PNVSCA, FV Philippines secures the proper registration and issuance of the special visa to the mid to long-term volunteers. Philippines as a nation that has institutionalised volunteerism requires volunteers to be properly documented and registered with the Philippine government to assure their welfare and to recognise their contribution to nation's development.

**113**  
volunteers  
assisted

## On-site visits

Team FV Philippines conducted 20 on-site visits and monitoring to volunteers to document their missions and check their welfare. It also an opportunity to connect with their beneficiaries, colleagues, and the local community they involved with.

## Psychological Counselling

Recognising the importance of the mental wellbeing of the volunteers, FV Philippines provided 1 online counselling to the volunteers. The session is a platform for the volunteers to voice out their challenges and seek guidance to overcome these.

## Orientations

Weeks after their arrival in the Philippines, team FV Philippines invite volunteers for cultural and institutional orientation at the EV or online.

## Language Classes

This year, FV Philippines with the support of 5 volunteer teachers organised Tagalog and Cebuano language classes online to support the volunteers in their journey learning the Filipino culture and languages. The classes received positive response and participation from the volunteers.





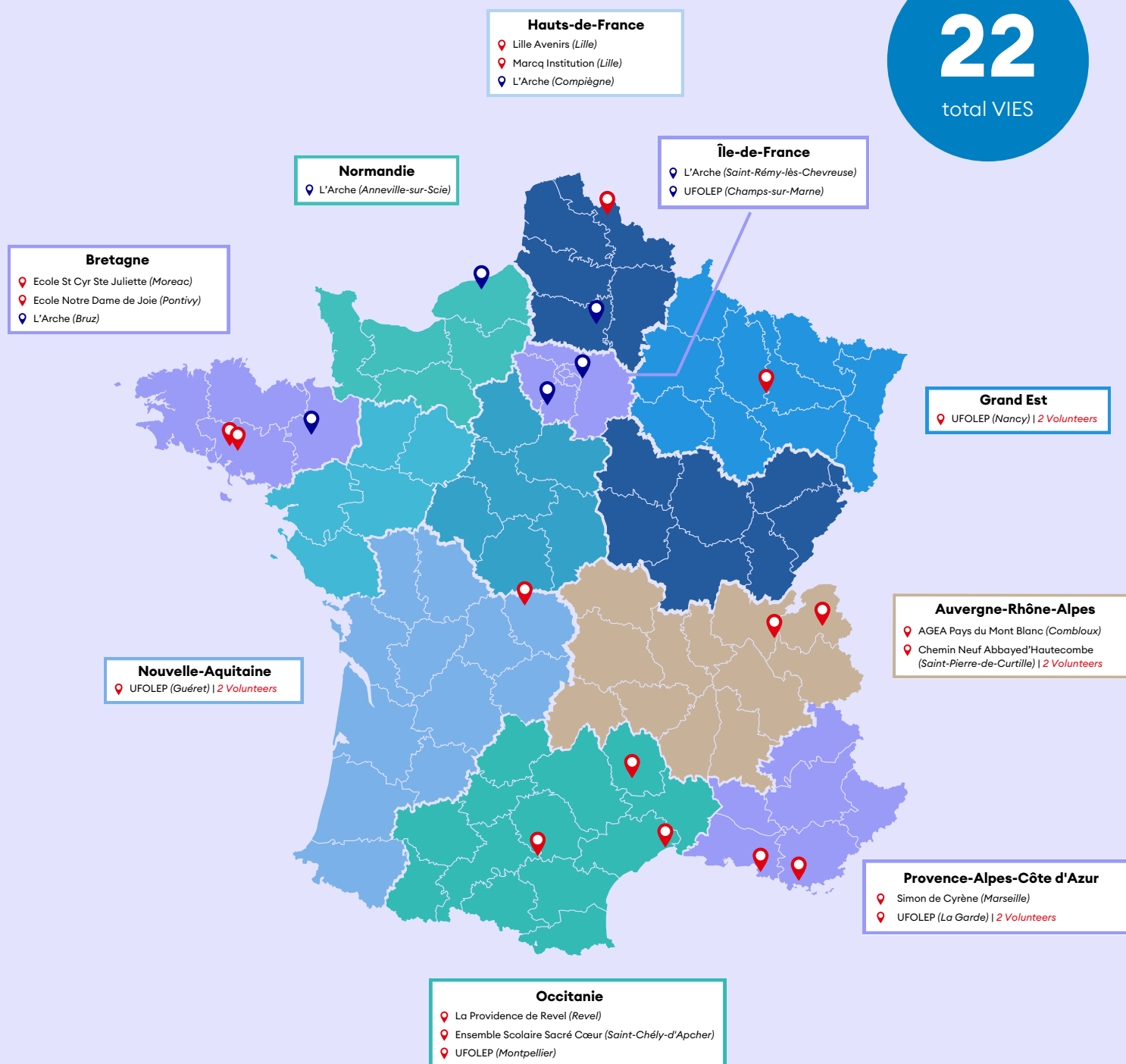
## STATE OF FILIPINO VIES ABROAD

# Filipino VIRs at a glance

by area of deployment

22

total VIES



## LEGEND

- International Solidarity Volunteer
- Civic Service Volunteer

\*Filipino VIES in the France (as on 31 December 2024)

# Filipino VIRs at a glance

## in numbers

### RESULTS

In 2024, a total of **22** Filipino VIES in France under the Reciprocity scheme were recorded.

### FIELDS OF ACTION

41% Sports  
36% Education & Culture  
23% Social Services

### VIES BY AGE GROUP



### VIES BY STATUS PRIOR TO VOLUNTEERING

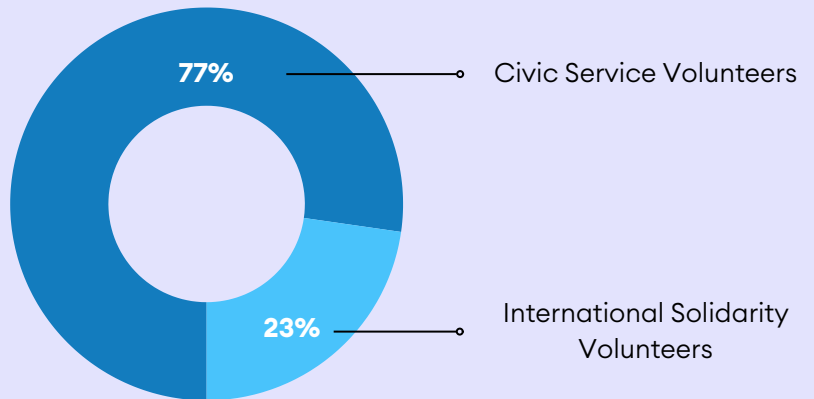


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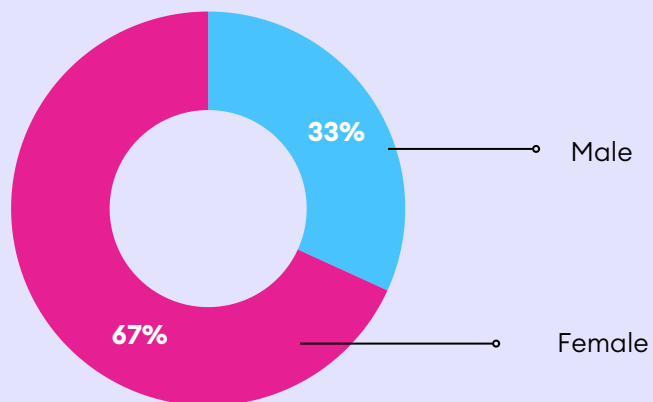


**13 (59%)**  
Student / Recent  
Graduates

### VIES BY SCHEMES



### VIES BY GENDER



### VIES STATUS



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Arrival

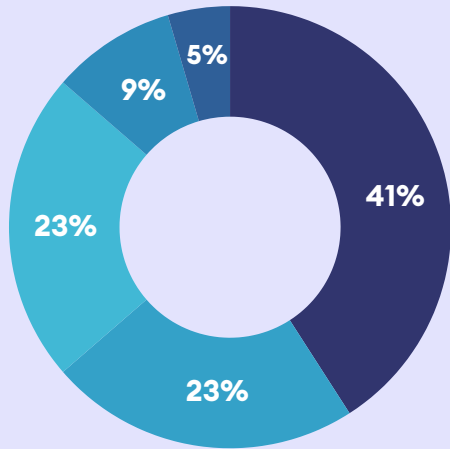


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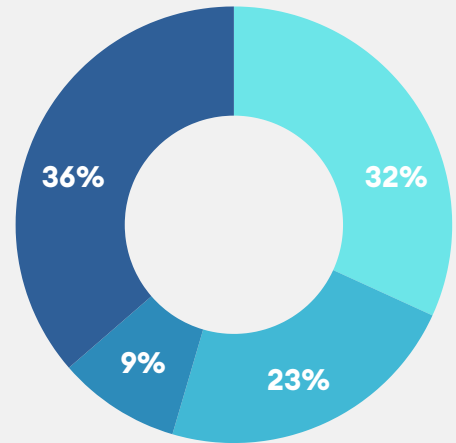
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## BY SENDING ORGANIZATION



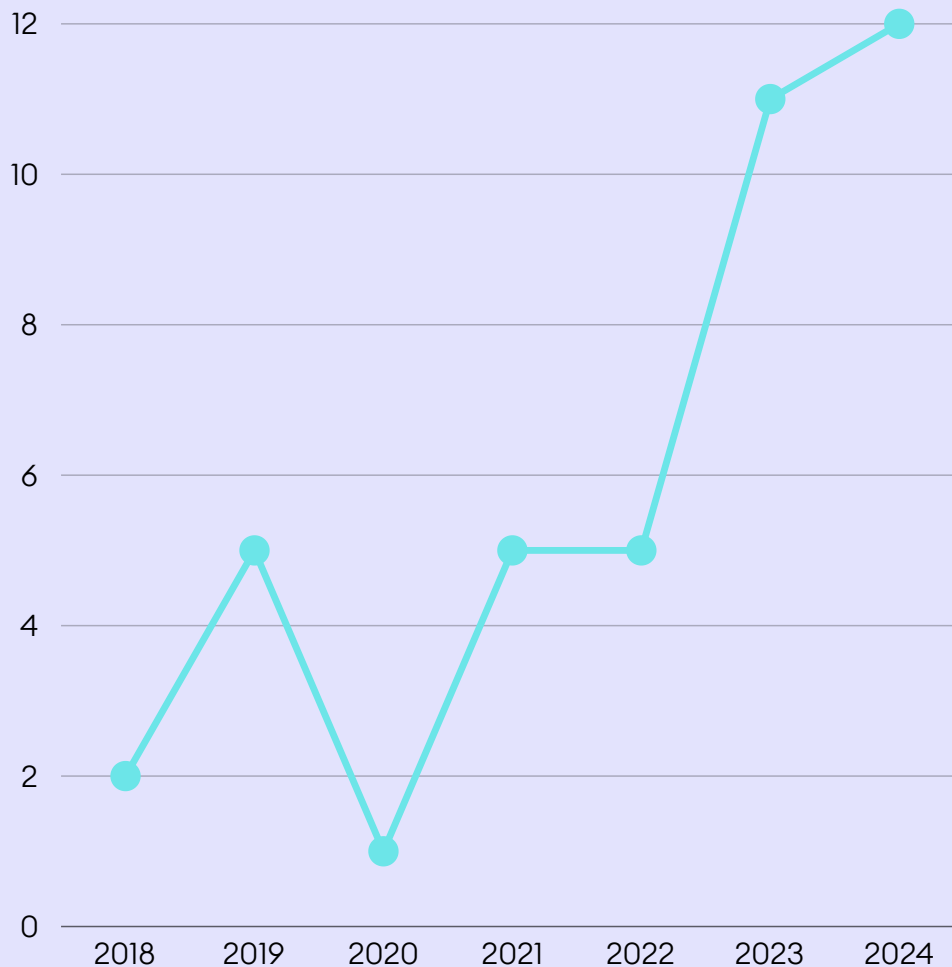
VISA-AD    La DCC    Volontaires Terre de Jeux Paris 2024 (VTJP)  
Dom&Go    Ecoles et Lycees

## BY HOST ORGANIZATION



Sports Institutions    Social Centers  
Educational Institutions    Religious Organizations

## DEPLOYMENT OF FILIPINO VIES IN FRANCE SINCE 2018





# Volontariat International de Réciprocité (VIR)

*International Volunteering in Reciprocity*

Since 2018, FV Philippines has been consistent in sending Filipinos to volunteer in France within the reciprocal volunteering initiative of France Volontaires platform. Since its inception, 39 Filipinos had already volunteer in France and this year, 22 volunteers were hosted, 9 of which partake in the Volontaires - Terre de Jeux Program as part of the Paris 2024 Games (see next page).

4 volunteers who completed their respective missions returned to France. 2 of them decided to pursue their higher education and were successfully admitted to Sciences Po (Paris and Toulouse). Moreover, 1 decided to join a spiritual “formation” for spiritual growth, while the other 1 opted to reside in France.

## **Volontariat de Solidarité Internationale in Reciprocity (VSI-R)**

4 VSI-Rs were hosted in France and was deployed by La DCC to different L'Arche Centers (Bruz, Anneville-sur-Scie, Compiègne, and Saint-Rémy-lès-Chevreuse) to accompany persons with intellectual disabilities. The volunteers arrived on September 2023 for a 1 year mission. 3 Volunteers decided to extend their mission for one more year, therefore, currently in service. 2 of the volunteers had already experience as SC-R Volunteers.

## **Service Civique in Reciprocity (SC-R)**

9 SC-R volunteers were on mission in France wherein majority were deployed in academic institutions as English Language Teaching Assistants. The volunteers main role were to assist teachers in implementing programs that would allow learners to improve their English language skills and be aware of Filipino culture. 2 volunteers deployed by VISA-AD were assigned at Chemin Neuf Abbaye d'Hautecombe where they were tasked to assist tourists and maintenance chores. Further, 1 volunteer was deployed by La DCC to Simon de Cyrene to accompany the center for their programs such as workshops for people with disabilities. 6 of these volunteers were deployed in 2023, while 3 were deployed in 2024. As on December 2024, 2 SC-R volunteers are currently in service.



# Volontaires - Terre de Jeux

## *Paris 2024 Olympics and Paralympics Volunteering Program*

France Volontaires in partnership with the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organizing Committee and the French Civic Service Agency, and with the support of the French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, developed the “Volontaires Terre de Jeux Paris (VTJP) 2024” program, which aims to mobilize some 80 international volunteers from Benin, Cambodia, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Lebanon, Peru, Philippines, and Chad.

The program is based on volunteer missions organized in 2 parts:

- A Service Civique or VSI mission in France, on the theme of "sport and development" in the context of “Generation 2024” program supported by the French Civic Service Agency.
- A volunteer mission during the Olympic and Paralympic Games through the Paris 2024 Volunteer Program of the Games Organizing Committee.

9 Filipino youths were selected were deployed under the VTJP 2024 Program. 8 of them are under Service Civique contracts while 1 is under VSI contract. Deployment commenced in May with last deployment in June. The volunteers are on mission until January 2025 for SC and June for the VSI.

Prior to their departures, FV Philippines in partnership with the Philippine Sports Commission organised a 2-day pre-departure training wherein they had the chance to interact with former Filipino Olympians and volunteer. The Embassy in partnership with Alliance française de Manille also provided basic French language classes to the volunteers.

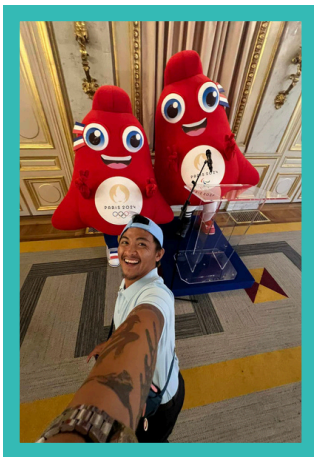
Majority of the volunteers were deployed in Union française des œuvres laïques d'éducation physique (UFOLEP) as sports facilitators. 1 volunteer on the other hand was deployed in Lille Avenir.

Few weeks upon their commencement of their missions, the volunteers received training from their host organisations. Trainings and orientations were also provided by the Olympic and Paralympic Committee prior to their assumption of assignments.

For the Olympics, 5 volunteers were assigned at the Village as National Olympic Committee Assistants, 1 in South Paris as part of the ticketing and events services, and 1 volunteer deployed in Nice for the football matches. For the Paralympics, 3 volunteers were assigned at the Village, 1 in ticketing and events services and 1 in Southern Paris.

# Volontaires - Terre de Jeux

*Paris 2024 Olympics and Paralympics Volunteering Program*





# International Solidarity Volunteering

(outside France)



## Republic of Zambia

Capital: Lusaka

Located in the Southern Africa Sub-region, Zambia is a land locked country covering an area of 752,614 sq. km and shares its borders with 8 countries. The country has an estimated population of 18.4 million (2020) comprising 73 ethnic groups, and has an annual population growth rate of about 3.1 percent.

Although Zambia has made significant progress in improving access to primary education, the percentage of children who are illiterate remains high. Based on the Early Grade Reading Assessment (EGRA) among grade 2 students in 2015, 65% of Zambian school children scored zero, indicating that they could not read any of the words provided. Similarly, in the most recent study of 2018, the World Development report found that only 55% of grade 2 children in Zambia could not read a single word of a text. (Source: *World Vision Zambia*)



## Freddie Bernardino

*Volontariat de Solidarité Internationale (VSI)*  
Zambia (2022-2024)

Freddie, a Filipino national was deployed by FIDESCO to Chikowa Youth Development Center, Mfuwe, Zambia as a VSI for 2 years. He volunteered as a Human Formation Lecturer teaching vocational skills to the youth. He also served as the center's guidance counsellor.

Freddie returned to the Philippines on August 2024 and visited our EV to share his experiences. On October 2024, he returned to France for his assessment and restitution session with FIDESCO. Freddie is the first Filipino VSI to serve outside France recorded by FV Philippines.



# Activities with the Volunteers

## Online “Kumustahan”

Online “Kumustahan” was organised on 8 May to catch up with the volunteers and to introduce them with their co-volunteers. During the session, the volunteers highlighted their challenges and achievements throughout their volunteering missions in the past months as well as their future plans upon the culmination of their respective missions and return to the Philippines. The session was also attended by the Program Coordination, Monitoring and Evaluation Division PNVSCA to assess the volunteers’ mission and welfare, and shared their sentiments towards the growing spirit of Filipino volunteerism in France.

## Debriefing Sessions

In 2024, team FV organised two debriefing sessions one on 9 August for 5 SC-Rs and on 21 August for 1 VSI-R who finished their respective missions.

During this sessions, the volunteers shared the high points and difficult experiences they had experienced along the way, and reminisced about their memories. Team FV Philippines congratulated the volunteers on their achievements.

2

sessions organised

## Orientations

Weeks before their departure from the Philippines, team FV Philippines invited volunteers for cultural and institutional orientation at the EV.

## Personal Visits

During their personal trips in Paris, FV Philippines’ National Representative and Communications officer (*last August and November 2024*) took the opportunity to meet and catch up with the VTJPs



## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



## International Women's Day

In celebration of the International Women's Day, France Volontaires Philippines in partnership with Alliance française de Manille organised “Women: We Mean” an event highlighting the role of women in volunteerism and volunteering for gender equality.

The event includes presentations from representatives of various organisations, experts, and advocates promoting women's rights and gender equality. Further, H.E. Marie Fontanel highlighted France's feminist diplomacy.

The event continued with a panel discussion with all the presenters with the addition of two volunteers - Ms. Clotilde Donnio (Tibériade Foundation) and Ms. Enrica Klumper (LP4Y). The panel discussion highlighted how volunteerism empowers women in community, men's role in violence against women, laws about women protection among other things.

The event concluded with a trivia game and networking session and musical presentation. The event was livestreamed on FV Philippines' Facebook page and covered by media outlet - Daily Tribune.

Prior to the celebration, testimonies from two VSIs - Enrica (from LP4Y) and Gaëtane (from Anak-TNK) were posted on the FV Philippines Facebook page.



# French Volunteering Day

French Volunteering Day (Journée du Volontariat Français / JVF) was organised in Metro Manila and Cebu City on October 4 and 11 respectively.

In Metro Manila, the celebration commenced with the launching of a photo contest inviting all Filipinos and Francophonies residing in the Philippines to submit entries highlighting Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)'s missions and relation to volunteerism last 20 August in which over 50 entries were received.

On 1 October, a special exhibition featuring the 12 finalist, selected by independent judges, were showcased at the Alliance française de Manille's Gallery which was attended by Francophone communities including French volunteers, teachers, students, and the general public.

On the eve of the JVF celebration, the Rizal National Monument was illuminated into the colours of the French flag: blue, white, and red; while a special lights and sound show transformed the Musical Dancing Fountain in Rizal Park into the colours of France and the OIF flags accompanied by selected Francophonie music on the background.

The main celebration was organised on 4 October at the IBG-KAL Theatre of the University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City, Metro Manila.

The event was graced by H.E. Marie Fontanel, French Ambassador to the Philippines who delivered the welcoming remarks and Ms. Cristina Ortega, former Philippine Ambassador to France (2011-2014) who gave a special message.

As part of the program, francophone volunteers presented their volunteering missions and their experiences as international volunteers in the Philippines, and how they contribute to the missions of OIF.

In Cebu City, JVF was organised at the Cebu City Hall on 11 October and was graced by Mr. Joel Garganera, Cebu City Councilor where he underlined the power of solidarity and international cooperation through volunteerism.

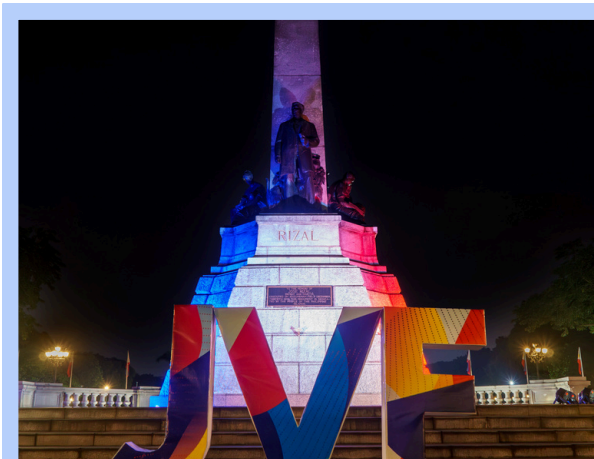
Among the highlights of the program is the roundtable discussion which includes French volunteers from Better with Water, LP4Y, Passerelles Numériques, EDM, and GIED. The roundtable discussion became an avenue to the volunteers to discuss their missions and organisations as well as their achievements and struggles as a volunteer in the Philippines.

Francophone refers to a person who speaks French.  
Francophonie refers to the countries and territories which use the French language.



# French Volunteering Day

300+  
ATTENDEES



Supported by:



## National Volunteer Month

Every December, the Philippines observed December as the National Volunteer Month. Events and activities in celebration of the observance were spearheaded by the PNVSCA and participated by FV Philippines and partners.

On 5 December in celebration of the International Volunteer Day, team FV Philippines participated in a forum organised by the University of Makati and PNVSCA. In the forum, Manon (VSI from LP4Y), Rose Camille (former SC-R) presented their volunteering missions and experiences to the audiences and joined the other international volunteers in roundtable discussion. VSIs from LP4Y, ATD 4th World, Virlanie Foundation, and former SC-Rs also attended the event.

Similarly, Isabelle (VSI from Passerelles Numériques) presented her volunteering mission and organisation at the audience at University Carlos in Cebu City.

On the same day, team FV Philippines joined other IVSOs and stakeholders in the main celebration in line with the IVD at the Ayala Museum in Makati. On this occasion, PNVSCA awarded the Outstanding International Volunteers and LPIs wherein Michel (VSI from ATD 4th World) and Better with Water Philippines (formerly E&V Water and Life Philippines) are one of the recipients of the awards respectively.

At the invite of the French Ambassador, H.E. Marie Fontanel invited volunteers of the FV Platform in Metro Manila, former SC-Rs, and team FV at her residence still to celebrate IVD and the Christmas season. On the occasion, Ambassador shared her sentiments to the volunteers and highlighted their international significance.

On 18 December, team FV Philippines participated at the Bayanihang QC: Volunteerism Expo organised by the Quezon City Local Government and PNVSCA. FV Philippines' National Representative also joined in their panel discussion to represent and highlight the international volunteerism sector.





## REVER: South-South Learning Exchange

From 18-20 November, FV Philippines hosted the the Cambodian delegation formed by FV Cambodia for the last phase of the REVER Project financed by the French Embassy in Cambodia through FEF-R.

REVER is a 1-year project aimed to strengthen the volunteering ecosystem in Cambodia. Their visit to the Philippines was to discuss and exchange strategies of volunteering development and to enhance the understanding of volunteering multi-actor organizations and to build the future collaboration amongst them. The delegation was led by the H.E Lim Chek (Deputy Secretary General, and Deputy Director General of Youth) of the Cambodian Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports together with team FV from Cambodia and the Philippines as well as distinguished representatives from Cambodian youth and volunteering sectors.

The delegation engaged in several courtesy calls with key public institutions, including the PNVSCA, ISVSOs, and the National Youth Commission of the Philippines. These meetings provided invaluable insights into the Philippines' strong volunteering ecosystem, highlighting the active role of youth in national development policies at all levels and the significant contributions of international volunteer organizations.

The second day focused on interactions with civil society organizations, such as the National Social Development Council, the Philippines Coalition on Volunteerism, and the National Youth Volunteers Coalition.

Discussions centered on their complementary roles in shaping the volunteerism landscape alongside public institutions. The delegation gained a deeper understanding of the Philippines Standards for Volunteering for Development and the pivotal initiatives of the National Youth Volunteers Coalition, which fosters community-level youth engagement programs.





## Other engagements

### UP Euro Summit

On 25 May, FV Philippines in partnership with UP Euro-Filipino Understanding & Relations Organization organised a talk with the theme “Sailing Forward: Navigating the Filipino Migration Experience in Europe” with esteemed speakers from institutions advocating for migrant welfare and international exchanges. Among the esteemed speakers were FVP's National Representative alongside Ms. Lois Ruth Angel Evardone a former SC-R who highlighted her volunteering experiences in France.

### International Volunteering Forum

On 19 July, Team FV Philippines participated at the 2nd Forum on the International Volunteer Service Program organised by the PNVSCA in partnership with the Pangasinan State University. On its part team FV Philippines underscored its commitment towards partnership with academic institutions through its volunteering programs.

### PhilCV Workshop

On 26 July, team FV Philippines participated in a the Child Protection Policy Workshop organised by PhilCV where the team have gained invaluable insights into the possible integration of a child protection policy within their volunteer management systems.

### Worldskills Philippines Training

On 30 August, team FV Philippines at the invite of Worldskills Philippines talked about French volunteering as well as culture and language to participants at the 2024 WorldSkills Competitions in Lyon.

### KOICA-IVSO Collaboration Activity

On 14 November, at the invite of the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), FV Philippines together with its volunteers alongside other international volunteers from different IVSOs organised a collaboration activity that aims to share current programs, highlight best practices, and strengthen partnerships. Ms. Isabelle (from Passerelles Numériques) shared her volunteering experience and their organisation's best practices in volunteering. Following these sessions, participants engaged with 60 children in street situations through fun games and activities in Manila, in partnership with Childhope Philippines Foundation, Inc. In total, 14 French volunteers participated on the activity.





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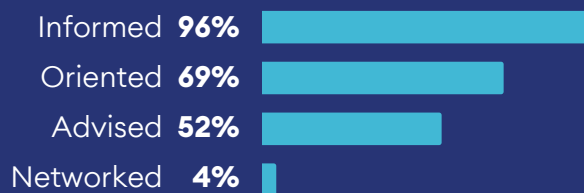


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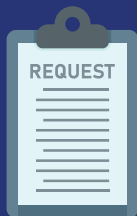
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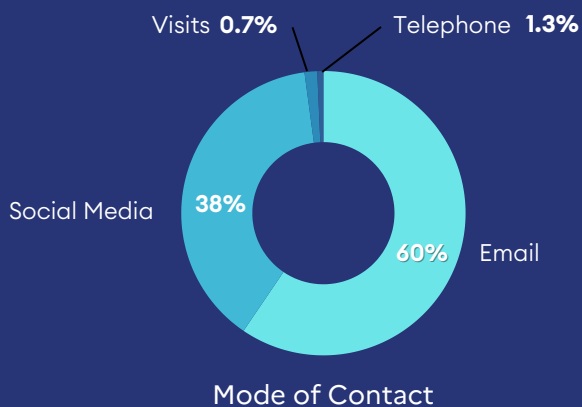
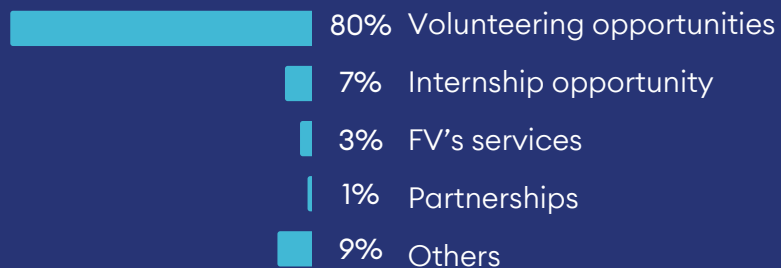


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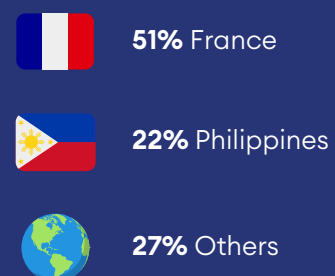
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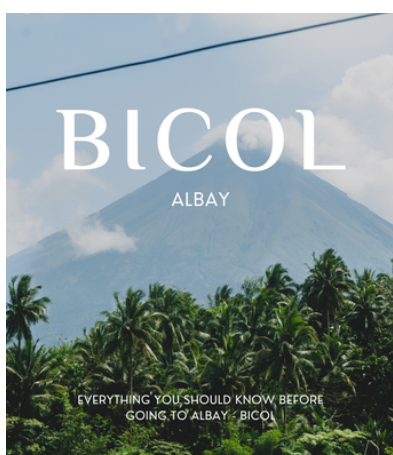
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## PERSPECTIVES & FUTURE PROGRAMS



## FEF-R

In 2025, FV Philippines aims to strengthen its collaboration with the French Embassy and local partners to propose and support projects funded by the Fonds Équipe France (FEF) Rapide. This fund, designed as a catalyst for larger-scale initiatives, serves as a springboard for sustainable and long-term actions.

In this context, France Volontaires Philippines is committed to working closely with the Embassy to structure and implement these initiatives, particularly through the FEF-OSC "Jeunesses & Océans" project, which aims to include the deployment of two reciprocity civic service volunteers and two international civic service volunteers in the Philippines. This project aligns with our mission to promote volunteering as a tool for cooperation and sustainable development.

Beyond this initiative, we will continue to identify and co-develop FEF-R proposals tailored to the needs of local stakeholders, further amplifying the impact of international volunteerism and solidarity efforts in the Philippines.

## Development of new collaborations

FV Philippines looks forward to the development of new volunteering programs and opportunities, most notably: Volontariat Senior (through AGIRabcd), Global Impact Projects (through EDHEC Business School), Humanitarian Aid Volunteering (through the European Union), and Territoires Volontaires - TEVO (through MEAE-DAECT).

Initial exchanges and meetings have already been conducted with the relevant authorities, and the application for accreditation for the EU Humanitarian Aid Volunteering program has been submitted.

Additionally, FV Philippines has reached out to members of the FV platform who have yet to deploy volunteers in the country, such as GESCOD, AIME, and BFCI.

FV Philippines has also engaged with officials from Palau to explore international volunteering collaborations, aiming to deploy skilled volunteers to support local projects in education, health, and sustainable development, as well as the Pacific Mini Games.

As part of the TEVO program, FV Philippines is currently developing a volunteering mission in partnership with the city of Vincennes, which is expected to launch in early 2025.

## Fortifying Team France approach

As a member of Team France—alongside the French Embassy in the Philippines, AFD, Alliance Françaises, Expertise France, Campus France, and the Lycée Français – FV Philippines plays a key role in representing French institutions abroad and fostering cooperation.

In 2025, we aim to strengthen our collaboration with fellow Team France members to provide coordinated and comprehensive solutions to our local partners. As part of this effort, we have actively engaged with these institutions and developed a strategic approach to intensify our exchanges and joint initiatives.

This synergy will enhance the impact and visibility of France's presence in the Philippines, particularly in the fields of education, development, cultural exchange, and international solidarity.

## Institutionalising the network of Reciprocity Alumni

In 2025, FV Philippines looks forward into strengthening its network of VIRs. As of 2024, 39 youths have already participated in this program and are now making progress in their respective fields and careers. The goal of strengthening the network is to establish a community organisation that will be led by the alumni and mobilise programs relevant to the development of volunteerism, understanding of Franco-Philippine culture, and utilise their skills and experiences from their missions in France.



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