## Short Film - Interview RESCUER

## I. How and when did you become a rescuer?

- Started at 2018, 8th grade and school-based DRRM trainings where there were open recruitements for volunteers
- This led to opportunities to participate in municipal-level workshops and seminars
- SHS, Grade 11 motivated to join DRRM training which included camping and military training which led to his opportunity in being a rover scout (highest level of boy scout)
- After then, he became an official member of voluntary rescuers specially trained for water survival and helpers of BFB and Red Cross (admin for communication)
- o Now in standby for disasters, accidents and calamities
- o Can be assigned to different municipalities including Capalonga and Labo.

#### II. What is the the most challenging part of being a rescuer?

- Prioritizing the safety of others over the safety of one's own family and relatives.
- You are aware of the safety of the people you are rescuing but you have no clue of the situation and well-being of your own family back home

#### III. What drives you to be a rescuer? (motivation)

 The satisfaction and fulfillment in serving others which led to his inspiration and skills in public speaking and public service

# IV. What was going through your mind as you risked your own safety to help others?

- Story of how he saved an elderly woman and her grandson which were trapped in a house (August 30, 2024)
  - 1. First, he helped the elderly woman considering her weak health then after that, proceeded to help the 7-year-old boy
  - 2. They stumbled and he accidentally weight down (nadaganan) due to the heavy force of the flood
  - 3. He pulled the boy by the shirt in order for other rescuers to catch him and flee from the house
  - 4. He struggled to follow due to the wound on his hand caused by their fall
  - 5. But managed to escape by pulling the rope wrapped around his waist and other rescuers pulling him to safety.
- He sometimes thinks he may not survive while rescuing others and a part of him regrets prioritizing others' safety instead of his family's.

#### V. As a rescuer who risks his life to save others, who saves you?

 Myself. I can only save and depend on myself if I want to survive while serving other people.

#### VI. Story of How His Uncle and Cousin Died

• While saving the elderly woman and her grandson, he had a premonition and somewhat prediction, that something bad will happen.

#### o September 1, 2024

- 1. After resting from the rescue operation, FB post was seen that the boat used by his uncle and cousins went missing yet they did not feel overly worried because they are aware of their experience at sea.
- 2. 4 people were at the boat: Uncle, Cousin (Paolo), 2 more cousins of Paolo
- 3. They went missing for days. At this time, he and his family coordinated with officials (Airforce, Mayor of Mercedes)

#### September 15 (6am)

1. There was a released photo of an unidentified body close to decomposition with a rope around its waist and a floater nearby. They speculated that Uncle instructed Paolo to flee and try to swim away from the boat around the time they were struggling to survive.

## September 23

- 1. The brother of Paolo confirmed the ownership of the found equipment
- 2. Together with family, they went to Brgy. Talisoy, Jomalig, Quezon by boat (17 hrs travel) in order to inspect the found body.
- 3. Aunt (mother of Paolo) confirmed that it was indeed Paolo's decomposing body based on his clothing.
- 4. It was decided that his body should be buried in Quezon since it is close to decomposition and they wanted him to have a proper burial.

#### Current Time

- 1. Until now, the body of Uncle has not been found.
- 2. The family's wound from the trauma and grief is still fresh.
- 3. They are at a emotional recovery stage
- 4. This traumatic event led to nightmares for the rescuer and depression for the Aunt

#### o Additional Info

1. Cousin (Paolo) was saving for the birthday celebration of his youngest daughter when the tragedy happened.

### STORY FLOW (temporary)

## DALUYONG (The surge)

#### Characters:

#### Gabriel, Anna and Lina, Mang Tony, Thalia, +2

#### Gabriel (The Rescuer)

Gabriel is a volunteer rescuer during the storm (bagyong kristine?).

#### Anna and Lina

These two are the ones who gabriel rescued when they were stranded in their house

#### Mang Tony, Thalia +2

These are the ones who were at the boat

Additionals: adding a timestamp

#### First Scene: Character Introductions

(Camera: inside the locker/wardrobe)

Gab (the rescuer) openes the locker to grab his suits, gray waterproof vests whilst talking to his other rescuers.

Rescuer 1: Gab! Tara na! May training pa tayo!

Gab: Sige, papunta na rin!

(camera: the locker room closes and transitioned to another character)

Anna and lina is staying at their home as they watch tv when a buzz on their phone suddenly halted their watching. A warning that a storm is approaching despite the sunny weather. They disregarded the warning and proceed to watch the show on the TV.

(efx: the tv closes and transitions to tony)

Tony sat on the balcony with his sister/brother talking happily as they talk about the child's birthday

Tony: papalaot ako para makabili tayo ng cake mo sa birthday mo!

Child: sige kuya, aasahan ko yan ha!

(efx: Shows the clouds and the storm approaching, the sunny day leaving replaced by the clouds, stroms and strong winds)

Timestamps: 11 am

Second Scene: Storm Approaching

Third Scene: Tony with his family conversation

Fourth Scene: Rescuer rescuing stranded people

Fifth Scene: Tony going to the boat

Sixth Scene: Rescuer Going home

Seventh Scene: Rescuer going to the shore where they drowned

Eight Scene: End of flashback

Ninth Scene: REalization then went back rescuing

#### Prologue: The Storm Approaches

Scene: Dark clouds, dark color grading (gray), effects of thunders and heavy clouds

The Calm Before the Storm The sun shone brightly over Camarines Norte. Children played in the streets, vendors called out their wares, and families went about their day, unaware of the looming danger. The news had mentioned a typhoon, but no one expected it to be severe.

(MAY INSERT A TV NEWS REGARDING THE STORM OR WEATHER)

As the hours passed, clouds gathered, slowly darkening the sky. The winds picked up, rustling the trees. Rain began to drizzle, a quiet warning of what was to come.

[Rescuer Voiceover: Dilim. Ulan. Pagbaha. Delubyong paparating.]

#### INTRODUCE EACH CHARACTER

Gabriel: The Rescuer Amidst the chaos, Gab, 23, adjusted his rescue gear, his uniform drenched from the relentless rain.

Anna and Lina: (Anna paces nervously inside their small apartment. She looks out the window—floodwater is rising fast. Her younger sister, Lina, clutches her locket and watches in silence.)

[Rescuer Voiceover: Kaba. Takot. Alanganin.]

Anna: "Lina, kailangan nating umalis. Baka hindi na tayo makalabas mamaya."

Lina: (whispers) "Pero saan tayo pupunta, Ate?"

Anna: (frustrated, looking at her dying phone) "Wala nang signal... Sana may dumating."

(A loud crash outside startles them—the flood has swept away a parked tricycle. They exchange nervous glances.)

[Rescuer Voiceover: Ang kapalaran ay nakikipaglaro. Ang dagat ay sumusubok. Ang langit ay umiiyak.]

"Doon! May mga nasa loob ng bahay!"

#### Anna & Lina's Rescue

(A rescue boat approaches their building. A megaphone crackles to life.)

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Gab: "Rescue team po ito! May tao pa ba diyan?"

(Anna rushes to the window, banging on it.)

Anna: "Dito kami! Dalawa kami!"

(Gab wades through the water, climbing onto the second-floor ledge. He forces the locked door open and extends a hand to Anna and Lina.)

[Rescuer Voiceover: Pero hanggang saan?]

Gab: "Kaya niyo bang lumabas? Kailangang mabilis tayo!"

(Lina hesitates, clutching her locket.)

Anna: (to Lina) "Lina, halika na!"

(Gab gently pulls Lina out, then helps Anna. As they move through the chest-high floodwaters, Anna holds onto Gab tightly.)

[Rescuer Voiceover: Hanggang saan ko hahayaang maging sukatan ng aking katapangan ang buhay ng iba?]

Anna: "Salamat... Hindi ko alam anong gagawin namin."

Gab: (quietly, eyes scanning the flood) "Wala ka bang ibang kasama?"

Anna: (shakes her head) "Kami lang dalawa ni Lina."

(Gab nods but looks away. His thoughts drift back to his family—where were they now?)

[Rescuer Voiceover: Kung sarill kong pamilya ang di ko maligtas sa gitna ng trahedya]

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#### The Aftermath: Gab Returns Home

(Gab, feeling a sense of accomplishment, walks home after the storm. The flood has started to recede, and he expects to find his family safe inside.)

(But as he turns the corner, his heart stops.)

(His house is gone.)

(Rescuers are pulling bodies from the water. Neighbors whisper to each other. A rescue worker notices Gab and approaches him carefully.)

Rescue Worker: (hesitant) "Ikaw ba si Gab?"

(Gab nods, confused.)

Rescue Worker: (softly) "Pasensya ka na... Hindi sila nakaligtas."

(The words don't register immediately. Gab's body tenses as he looks around—searching, hoping. But there is nothing left.)

(He had been saving others, thinking his family was safe. But they were gone, and he never got to say goodbye.)

(His knees weaken, but he doesn't cry. He just stands there, silent, as the weight of it all crashes down on him.)

**Ending words** 

## CLIP 1

Rescuer 1: Gab! Tara na! May training pa tayo!

Gab: Sige, papunta na rin!

## CLIP 2

maipapakita yung mga clip na before mag bagyo.

naglalaro na mga bata, tas mga vendors, tas biglang garo magdidilim ang kalangitan na garo uulan.

## CLIP 3

- -nag babalita tungkol sa bagyo
- -Nanunuod sila anna at lina

#### CLIP 4

\*tumataas ang tubig baha

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#### CLIP 7

\*timestamp nung sa bangka na nag laot

#### CLIP 8

bumalik mga rescuer sa quarters hanggang sa mag umaga or tumigil ang bagyo.

#### CLIP 9

\*pauwi si gab sa kanila

habang nag lalakad may makakasabay itong kakilala

**boy 1:** uy gab kamusta? Nabalitaan mo na ba, na may nakitang bangkay sa gantong lugar daw pero di pa kilala kung sino.

*tiningnan ang hawak na phone ni boy 1 at yung post na may nakitang bangkay.
CLIP 10
*nakauwi na ng Bahay habang nakitang nag titipon tipon iba nyang kamag anak.
Kapatid 1: Kuya, Nalaman mo na ba yung balita?
Gab: Alin?
<b>Kapatid 1</b> : May natagpuang bangkay sa isla, hindi pa alam kung sino yung bangkay. Tapos kuya, hindi pa kasi umuuwi si kapatid 2.
Gab: San nag punta?
Kapatid 3: May nakakita daw sakanya na nagpalaot sa dagat bago pa pumasok ang bagyo.
*tas biglang papakita ni kapatid 1 yung update na balita na kilala na yung bangkay.
Kapatid 1: Kuya tingnan mo oh!
*napanuod nila yung vid na yung kapatid pala nilang isa ang Nakita sa kabilang isla na patay na.
CLIP 11 (Optional)
(backflash)
*nahulog sa bangka yung kapatid tas naluod
CLIP 12
*drama/iyakan

**Gab**: Sure ba yang balita na yan? Hindi yan totoo.(habang naiiyak, balisa at di mapakali)

Kapatid 3: Kuya...

**Gab**: Patingin nga!, di yan si kapatid 2, pinag loloko lang tayo nyang balita na yan.

Kapatid 1: kuya si kapatid 2 nga yan, yan yung bracelate/necklace nya oh.

**Gab**: Patingin nga ulit!, Hindi, di yan totoo. (umiiyak)

Kapatid 3: kuya... si kapatid 2 talaga eh.

\*nagwawala/nagagalit/umiiyak

Gab: Bakit?? Hindi pwede. Di yan kapatid 2.

kapatid 1: kuya tama na

Kapatid 3: tanggapin nalang natin kuya.

Gab: Hindi.

\*grabeng iyakan yan bahala na HAHAAH

#### **CLIP 13: Remorse**

\*nakatingin sa picture ni kapatid 2 si gab

(REMORSE ni gab at kapatid 2)

\*Magkatabi sa tabing dagat

\*pupuntahan ni gab si kapatid 2

Gab: Uy, Kapatid 2, anong ginagawa mo dito?

Kapatid 2: papahangin lang kuya.

Gab: malapit na birthday mo ah, sa birthday mo reregaluhan ka ni kuya gab.

**Kapatid 2:** ng ano naman kuya (naka smile)

**Gab**: diba gusto mo ng motor? yun bibigay ko sayo, kasi sabi mo pinangarap mo din ang maging rescuer katulad ng kuya gab mo diba?

Kapatid 2: Opo nga kuya, idol kita eh. Pag butihin mo pa kuya pag tulong sa iba, tas galingan mo kuya mag rescue pa. para pag kami naman irerescue mo safe kaagad agad diba? HAHHAHA

Gab: Syempre naman alam mong mahal mahal ko kayo eh.

#### **CLIP 14**

\*then babalik sa clip na tinitingnan ng picture ni kapatid 2

\*lalapit si kapatid 1

Kapatid 1: kuya ayos ka lang?

Gab: Ang saya dito ni kapatid 2 nu? (nakatitig sa picture) sana buhay pa sya ngayon.

**Kapatid 1**: siguro proud na proud yun sayo kuya kasi andami dami mong tinutulungan na tao kasi diba idol ka nun. (nakangiti)

**Gab**: oo HAHHAHA

\*phone ring

Rescuer 1: Hello Gab? Pre, need ka daw dito sa brgy. \_\_\_\_\_ may irerescue tayo pre.

Gab: Sige pre papunta na.

\*end call

\*Nag mamadaling umalis si gab papunta sa irerescue na lugar

*Gab*: Oh pano ba yan, alis muna ako ah.

## Kapatid 1: Ingat kuya ah. byeee

**Gab**: Byeee

ending...