

THREADS OF HOPE

PHILIPPINES

In the Philippines, an entire commercial flight may enter the country solely for sexual tourism. Yet our faithful partners are determined to stem the tide of trafficking. They now employ an entire at-risk community—700 female artisans from an impoverished coastal village. Parents now can feed and look after their little ones, no longer fearing they might disappear to the local beaches known for prostitution. Through their thriving micro-enterprise, this village has built a school and community center, bringing medical care, child care, and education to their people. As families weave these bracelets, they form circles of protection around the innocent, preventing the further spread of trafficking, and creating sustainability for their whole community. By investing in this village, you provide safety for the little ones and empower entire Filipino families to work with dignity.



STORIES OF RESCUE & EMPOWERMENT

COUNTRY: PHILIPPINES • PROGRAM: MICRO-ENTERPRISE



Jenny

Jenny knew of other mothers who had sold their children out of desperation, sending them to the beaches known for prostitution. Though Jenny had no money, no husband, and four children, she walked the hot sand instead, selling souvenirs to tourists. But she grew anxious—the money

was not enough. She could not rely on her elderly parents' support for long. But when our partners offered Jenny employment, she found a new hope for her family. Now she earns a steady income, owns her own home, and works while watching her children, though now they attend school and their local church. As Jenny's two grown children make bracelets alongside their mother, they carry on a legacy of safety and sustainability. When you buy their bracelets, you offer dignity and protection to families previously clinging to a thread of hope.

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