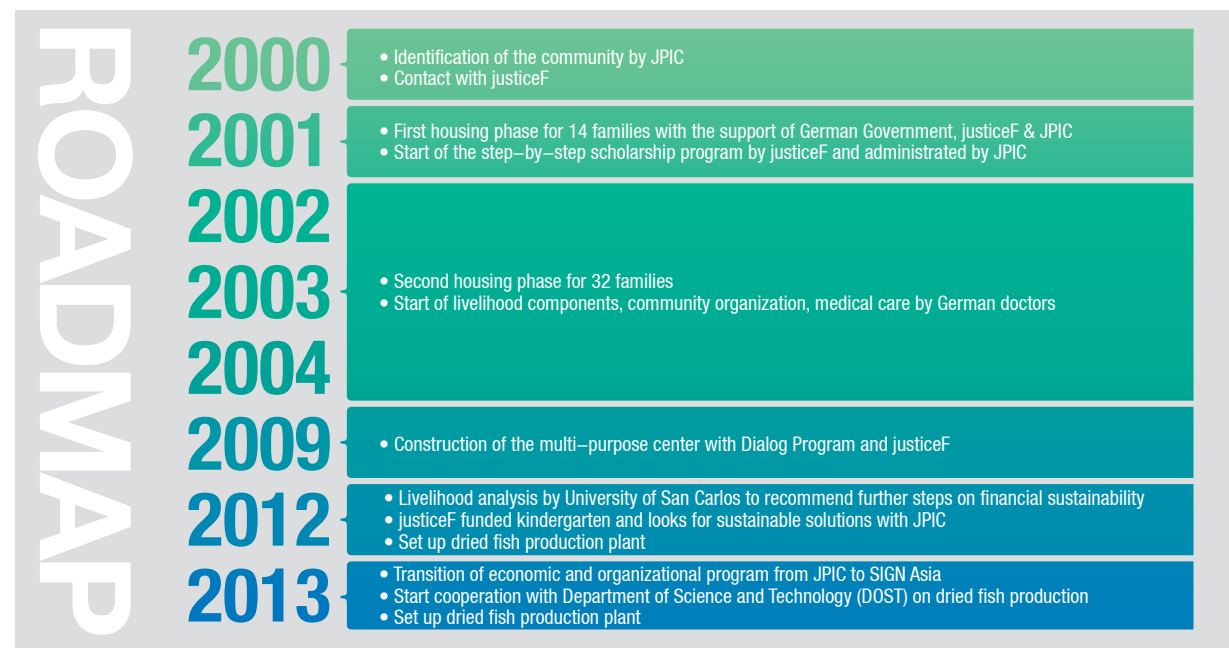


In 2000 a group of friends from different professional backgrounds came out with the idea to streamline their passion for development based on the conviction that empathy is more needed than sympathy and solidarity. The organization that was formed is called **justiceF** for fair projects.

One conviction of the German foundation was to focus on the time factor. Development projects from government and non-government organizations are mostly limited in time - 3, 6 sometimes up to 10 years. **justiceF** assumes that change needs more time. Why? Marginalized communities such as the one in Camolinas have never gotten access to the benefits of civil society. Starting with a lack in education, medical care, social benefits, and stigmatized within the society, poverty reproduces itself.

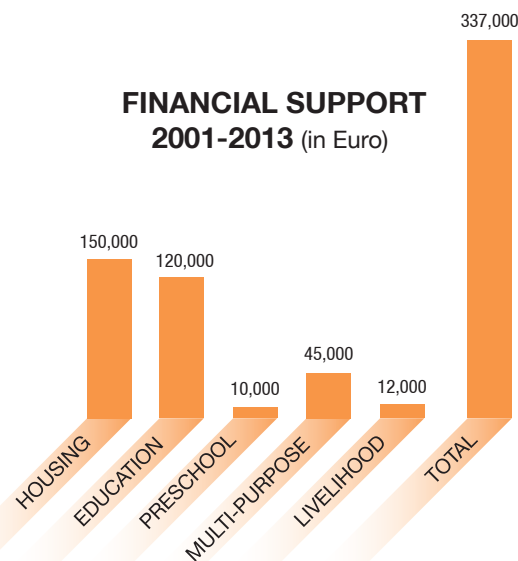
Even if a nation develops growth the inclusive part is mostly lacking despite the political intention. Cooperation with grassroots needs a high level of patience and passion. We cannot feel for the people, but we can listen to their needs, and we can learn to understand where they need suitable support and protection. The mandate of **justiceF** has not changed after the first 15 years: education, qualification, and employment!

justiceF looked into partnership with the local organization JPIC in the Philippines due to historical reasons of the foundation. The organization started to implement the first steps such as housing and education to benefit all groups in the community of Camolinas in Cordova, Cebu, Philippines. The roadmap started in 2000 without indicating the final destination and the final arrival date as long as people showed substantial participation for change.



In 2013 justiceF decided to start transition in the operational management of the project as it was noted that one organization cannot provide subsidies and require repayment for housing at the same time. In the perception of the Camolinas community, that is contradictory. Furthermore it became obvious that livelihood needs to be market-oriented. Qualification on skills development needs market access for its products such as dried fish. Marketing requires a working network and experience in business that is often not the expertise of a pure socially driven NGO. SIGN Asia is socially driven, but has the expertise in business and relates easily to supporting agencies such as DOST.

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Camolinas and its around 680 inhabitants have achieved social assurance by owning the property. Migration of landless fishers is no longer a topic. But trends in development such as population growth, environmental problems and an increase of market requirements hinder better livelihood stability. Other alternative options are also rare. However the challenge for the next decade is the financial sustainability that has to go along with livelihood. The succeeding SWOT analysis shows certain facts and trends of the project's seven main interrelated development pillars, some of which have been achieved and some, not:

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM			
STRENGTH Extra curricula activities, value formation Parents realize value of education Graduation 95% vs. 60% average Willingness of 350 students Long term benefit	WEAK POINTS Negative influence of parents to go fishing Income support Broken families	OPPORTUNITIES Complete school benefits, school supplies Graduation by long term assurance Recognition by scholarship	THREATS Family background, simple work vs. career Current phenomenon: cyber crime jobs
PRESCHOOL			
STRENGTH Complementary approach Qualified staff & good equipment Parents participate Compliance with DSWD	WEAK POINTS Registration process Requirements such as playing ground No feeding program Financial situation of parents	OPPORTUNITIES Willingness of children Reputation Proper transition to formal education Compliance with K to 12	THREATS Child care of parents Medical situation and malnutrition
LIVELIHOOD			
STRENGTH Participation of Coop by 70% Considered as necessary obligation	WEAK POINTS Bureaucratic Financially weak Frustration in the past Various barriers: attitude, lack of knowledge, mistrust Less success so far	OPPORTUNITIES Local livelihood stabilize life situation	THREATS Weak sustainability Marketing dependence Management skills
ENVIRONMENT			
STRENGTH Toilets for all Veggie-garden Basic sanitation	WEAK POINTS Lacking awareness Effluent treatment plant host dengue No public waste service	OPPORTUNITIES Improvement of entire life-situation Reduction of living costs	THREATS Medical situation Increase of financial costs
HOUSING			
STRENGTH Own property Good living conditions Safety	WEAK POINTS Repayment situation Legal matters Neighborhood issues (noise, attitude) Unallowed extension	OPPORTUNITIES Ownership is life assurance Stabilization of family as no migration	THREATS Eviction due to non-payment
MEDICAL CARE			
STRENGTH Regular schedule (Wednesday & Thursday) Immediate treatment Free service	WEAK POINTS No emergency treatment Only ambulant care	OPPORTUNITIES Relation to additional services (X-ray etc.) Tracing external treatment	THREATS Dependence, no other option
FISHING			
STRENGTH Abundance of fish Island contacts	WEAK POINTS Marketing dried & fresh fish Access to ice, cost for gasoline Long distance to proper fish grounds	OPPORTUNITIES Dried fish plant is big chance 200 kg catch per day for production Fish grounds are sufficient	THREATS Fish grounds might disappear Natural and environmental danger No real ban of dynamite fishing



The Camolinas program has been a challenge. We, the people who have been involved, realize that openness, critical self-assessment and the need for further cooperation with others is a key to achieve inclusive growth among grassroots. We have to consider that we cover various functions of the government. The young generation has a chance to make the difference without leaving the elder ones behind. It can be a combination of traditional family values and modern findings in society to stabilize life in dignity and in more fairness.



“ **FACT SHEET ON PROGRAM FOR INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT AT CAMOLINAS FISHERFOLKS**



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