

# UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINES PARTNERSHIP



- U.S. companies include the biggest employer and electronics exporters in the Philippines, contributing **\$6.5 billion** in gross value add and employing **296,000 workers** in 2017. U.S. foreign direct investment in the Philippines totaled **\$6.9 billion in 2019, up 0.3% from 2018.**
- Through the 1951 Mutual Defense Treaty, the Philippines is the oldest U.S. treaty ally in Asia, and one of two U.S. alliance partners in ASEAN. Since 2017, the U.S. has provided **\$437.6 million** in military assistance and training.
- Since 2017, USAID has provided approximately **\$354 million** in development aid to the Philippines, including support for education, youth employment, fisheries sustainability, environmental protection, and disaster assistance. To date, U.S. assistance to those affected by the 2017 Marawi Siege totals **\$63.6 million.**



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## SELECT U.S. EMPLOYERS

CISCO	AECOM
ON Semiconductor	Jacobs
Texas Instruments	IBM
Amkor	Pfizer
Semiconductor & Analog Devices	TransUnion
Chevron	Flour Daniel
Proctor & Gamble	Marriott
Coca-Cola	
Cargill	
Concentrix	
Accenture	
Citibank	
Capital One	
MasterCard	
Visa	



## HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT

- The U.S. government is providing more than \$22.6 million in total COVID-19 assistance, including economic grants and skills training to heavily affected sectors and communities, and health assistance to help upgrade laboratories, intensify case-finding and event-based surveillance, support technical experts, and improve community-level preparedness and response.
- Since 2017, the United States has invested \$69 million in the areas of biodiversity conservation and natural resource management, water and sanitation, and clean energy and urban development to enhance natural resource management.
- The United States, through USAID health programs, successfully treated over 1 million Filipinos with tuberculosis over the past five years, helped detect over 7,300 multidrug-resistant tuberculosis cases in 2018, and introduced a rapid-diagnostic test that detects TB in hours instead of weeks.
- The United States has improved the management of more than 800,000 hectares of marine waters in 40 municipalities across the Philippines, promoting marine governance and strengthening capacity of fisherfolk communities to manage fisheries and associated ecosystems that support local economies.

## ECONOMIC COOPERATION

- U.S. initiatives to support greater investment in the Philippines include \$30 million in planned AsiaEDGE funding for energy security and resilience, the Infrastructure Transaction and Assistance Network, the Digital Connectivity and Cybersecurity Partnership, as well as technical assistance and credit guarantees.
- As part of its wider World Without Waste Initiative, Coca-Cola Philippines developed a multi-million-dollar recycling facility to collect, sort, clean, and wash plastic bottles.
- In 2019, U.S. Department of State's Gas Policy Development Project created an investor's guide and provided technical assistance to support the introduction of liquefied natural gas to help the Philippines meet its near-term energy needs and reduce carbon emissions.
- Through NASA's 2019 \$20 million Cloud, Aerosols, and Monsoon Processing Philippines Experiment (CAMP2EX) six-week airborne campaign, NASA and the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory collaborated with the Manila Observatory and other Philippine partners to conduct research on convective cloud systems, with the data made available for free scientific use around the world.

## HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

- The United States strengthens science, technology, research and innovation capacity by working with the private sector to develop career centers, knowledge and technology transfer offices, and professional science master's programs in more than 40 universities nationwide.
- In March 2020, the United States, in partnership with Philippine Business for Education, signed a memorandum of understanding with McDonald's Philippines to train 5,000 unemployed and out-of-school youth.
- The U.S. government has provided \$55.5 million to support education and exchange programs since 2017. More than 30 exchange programs support 400 two-way exchanges, with 9,000 exchange alumni and 21 active U.S. exchange alumni groups.

## SECURITY COOPERATION

- The Philippines is the largest recipient of Foreign Military Financing in ASEAN (\$272.25 million since 2016), building capacity and supporting modernization of the armed forces.
- U.S. special operations forces in **Zamboanga** support counterterrorism efforts through tactical and operational advice and assistance, intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance, and medical evacuation.
- The U.S. Department of State is providing more than \$50 million in training and other support to build the counterterrorism capacity of Philippine law enforcement units, enhance aviation security and soft target protection, investigate and stop terrorist financing, counter violent extremism, and enhance judicial sector capacity for terrorism-related cases.
- The U.S. Departments of State and Defense have collectively invested over \$30 million to develop the Philippines' maritime law enforcement capacity through facilities, training, and equipment for the Philippine Coast Guard and Philippine National Police – Maritime Group.



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