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Volunteer for the Visayans
Lot 63, Cluster 2, Brgy 64
BLISS, Sagkahan
Tacloban City
Philippines

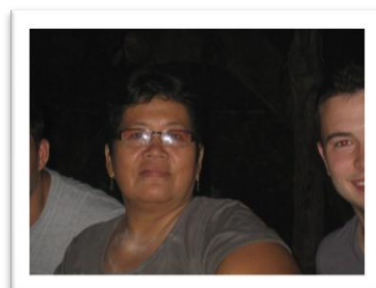
Filipino Family Customs

Filipino's are very respectful people, especially to older family members.

Because of this, younger generations often address older family members or peers with titles.

For example older males will be referred to as 'kuya' and older females will be referred to as 'ate'. Whilst the terms 'nanay' and 'tatay' will be used when referring to mothers and fathers.

During your time as a volunteer, it will also be respectful for you to refer to your homestay family members by using the respective titles.



The Vermug are a traditional sized family living in Barangay 64, BLISS Sagkahan.

The small family live in a semi-concrete, 1 storey building, complete with running water and electricity. The family has one bathroom, which is shared with the family.

Mosquito net, electric fan, bottled war, utensils, blankets, bedding and toilet paper are all provided by the family.

It takes approximately 10-15 minutes to travel to the downtown area from the Vermug homestay.

Family Composition

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relation</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Nickname</u>
Roberto*	Homestay Father	61	
Peregrina	Homestay Mother	58	Pering
Ruperto*	Son	23	
Robylyn	Daughter	21	
John John	Grandson	16	
Ron Ron	Grandson	13	
Alecs Anne	Granddaughter	10	
Melly	Granddaughter	7	

- Family members with * can speak English