

Philanthropist Johnny Gaw Yu to Receive Outstanding Filipino Luminary Award 2021



Metropolitan Manila Area, Philippines Nov 7, 2021 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Filipino Philanthropist Johnny Gaw Yu is awarded the Outstanding Filipino Luminary Award 2021 (Private Citizen) for his contribution to society. This was announced by EspiCom Group, organizer of the awards ceremony. The prestigious award is given annually to a select few who have made great contributions to the country as private citizens.

Johnny has lived a life of kindness, great generosity, and public service. He is a seasoned and successful business entrepreneur as well as an indefatigable civic leader.

Even during his college years, Johnny's business acumen was obvious. He remembers, "When I was in college, I tried to sell my friends and classmates Philippines-made customized tees. It turned out to be a successful business venture, so I expanded my operations to include Laguna, Quezon, Batangas, Bulacan, and Baguio before becoming its primary distributor."

Johnny's desire to serve his fellow men is matched by his ability to run a business. Johnny was raised seeing his father give financial help to those in need, and as a youngster, he recognized what charity, pakikipag-kapwa, and malasakit meant. But these terms began to have greater significance when he began volunteer work as a young man. He started out providing humanitarian assistance as part of a Civic Action Group before moving on to more significant ventures.

Johnny's life has several events that appear to be linked to humanitarian activities, such as firefighting and rescue services. He successfully extinguished his own home from a fire by putting it out quickly before it could spread, resulting in second-degree burns. At age 17, Johnny had received rescue training after determining that previous experience was insufficient.

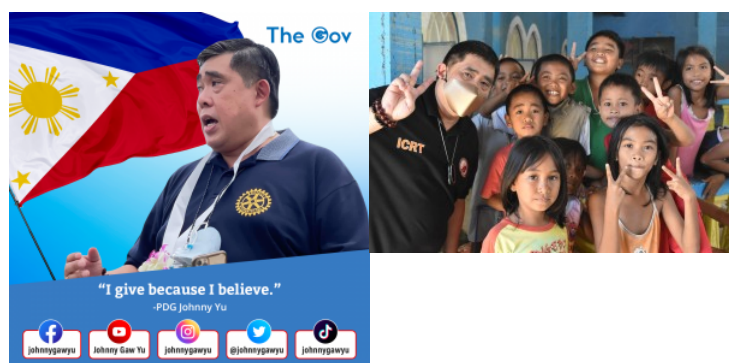
When he was in college, Johnny joined the Rotary Club. In 1989, as a charter member of the Rotaract Club of PSBA Manila under Rotary Club of University District R.I 3810, he was recruited to be the club's president. During his term, he served as President of RAC PSBA and received accolades for being the best club in the District.

Johnny has a unique combination of business acumen and a strong desire to help people. In 2017, he gave the Rotary Club of Cubao Center for Excellence in Lanzas Street, Project 2, Anonas, Quezon City a four-story building that is now known as the Johnny Loves Charity Building.

This structure was built to provide the club with a long-term youth development program, including industrial service and leadership training programs. It's also a venue for disaster management courses and other activities. He has vehicles and equipment that are lent out and put to use by volunteers in times of crisis.

Johnny has donated \$250,000 to the Rotary Foundation, making him the first Arch Klump Society member in District 3780 to do so. Not only did he receive a more prestigious honour for himself and the district, but he also received a plaque honouring his donation.

Johnny will receive his award on November 19, 2021, at Conrad Manila Hotel.





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