



Housing Microfinance Forum Session 2

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Elevating lives and the dignity of Filipino Microentrepreneurs

Our Vision

Empowered entrepreneurs achieving sustainability and growth with dignity

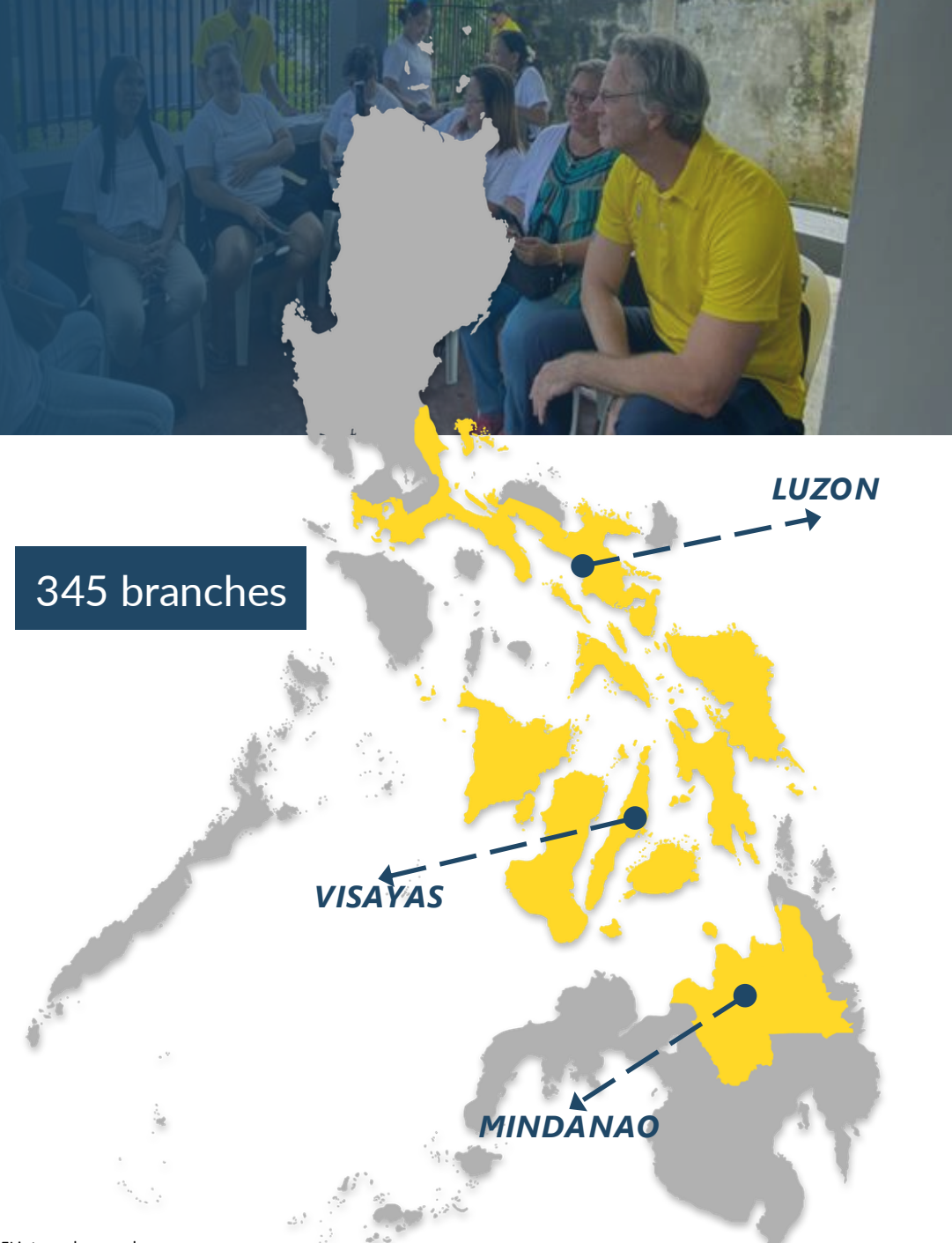
Our Mission

We are social entrepreneurs providing financial and non-financial services to empower the poor and elevate their lives.

Our Company

RAFI Microfinance, Inc., a leading microfinance institution in the Philippines, was established in 1998 and is duly accredited by the Microfinance NGO Regulatory Commission. It has since been recognized for its commitment to financial inclusion and community empowerment.

*We serve under the Economic Wellbeing Cluster of the **Ramon Aboitiz Foundation Inc. (RAFI)** with a mission to uplift communities through holistic microfinance services. As a social enterprise, it empowers underprivileged entrepreneurs by providing access to financial tools, capacity-building, and livelihood support across 300+ branches nationwide.*





SOCIAL IMPACT

4B+

TOTAL CAPITAL
for micro entrepreneurs

1.6M+

JOBS CREATED

675K+

CLIENTS REACHED

5.5M+

LIVES TOUCHED

26

PROVINCES REACHED

2M+

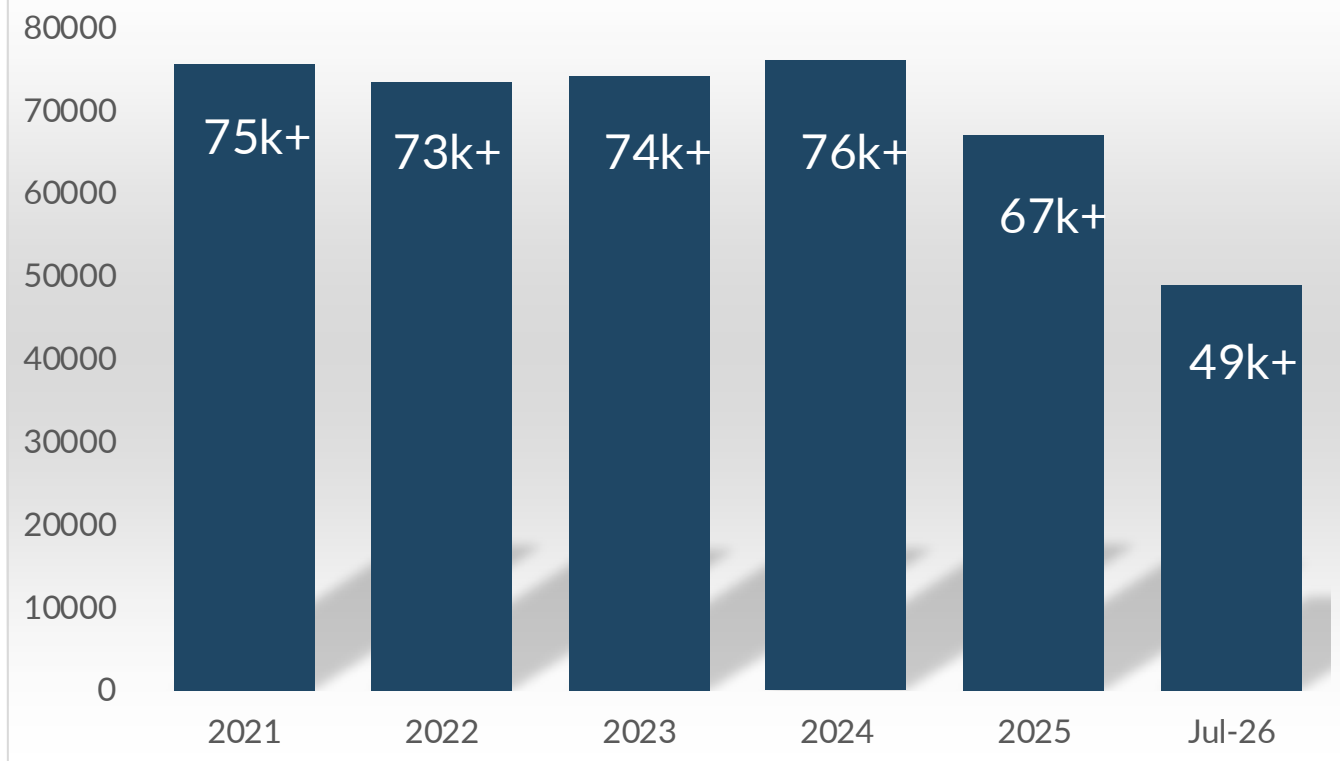
CHILDREN BENEFITED





5-Year Product Performance

Housing Improvement Loan Releases



Over the past 5 years, the HIL portfolio exhibited a stable and resilient performance from 2021 to 2024, followed by a decline in 2025.

However, the 2026 year-to-date results suggest signs of continued market activity and potential recovery, rather than a sustained contraction.

Possible Contributing Factors to 2025 Decline:

- Rising construction and housing material costs.
- Reduced borrower purchasing power due to inflationary pressures.
- Stricter credit policies and risk management measures.
- Increased competition from alternative financing products.
- Lower demand for housing improvement investments amid economic uncertainty.



HOUSING
IMPROVEMENT
LOAN

PRODUCT FEATURES



Loan Amount

- ✓ P3,000 – P25,000
- ✓ *The HIL loan amount shall not exceed the active production loan amount*



Loan Term

- ✓ 3 and 6 months



Repayment Frequency

- ✓ Attached to Production Loan



Micro-Insurance Product Bundle

- ✓ Loan Redemption Fund

CLIENT ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ At least 2 completed production loan cycles
- ✓ Active production loan (3rd cycle onward)
- ✓ Sufficient repayment capacity
- ✓ Minimum 80% on-time payment record
- ✓ Previous production loan fully paid
- ✓ Existing house/water/toilet facility to improve (with photo documentation)

HOUSING IMPROVEMENT LOAN (HIL) JOURNEY



2016

Supplemental
Loan Product
Development
(HoPE – Housing
Improvement,
Philhealth &
Education)

2019

Expanded
Product
Development
Team & Product
Reviews

2023

Housing
Improvement
Loan (HIL)
Product Review

2017

Product
Development
Team installed,
HoPE Awards &
Water.org
Partnership

2020

Integrated
WASH into
Housing Loan

2026

Strengthen
Housing Resiliency
Program & Solar
Loan
Implementation
with UNEP & HSSI



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Best Practices & Challenges

Our Best Practices

Market-based
Product
Development

HIL Product
Reviews

Integrated WASH
Loan in HIL

WASH Education
campaigns and
Housing resiliency
programs

Product Refresher
Orientation to
branches

Word of Mouth
Marketing from
satisfied clients

Strong Inter-
departmental
Collaboration

Loan Utilization
Checks & Controls
(Moratorium, Cap)

Client Success
Stories



Loan Utilization Checks for WASH & HIL Loans



PALUWAGIN ANG BUHAY AT NEGOSYO!

**Kaagapay Mo ang
pinakabagong
HIL-SOLAR MFI!**

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"Lagi kaming nakakaranas ng brownout, kaya malaking tulong ang mga solar lights sa bahay, negosyo na vulcanizing shop, at sa aking sakahan. Nakakatipid na din ako ng 500Pesos kada buwan sa bayaran ng kuryente."

Rogelio Dano-og

Client
Himamaylan, Negros Occidental

KAAGAPAY MO, ANG HIL-SOLAR MFI.



SCRAPS OF HOPE – LIVELIHOOD RESILIENCY PROGRAM

Noong **Hunyo 11, 2026**, ang awarding ng Livelihood Kits sa ilalim ng Scraps of Hope, bahagi ng Livelihood Resiliency Program, para sa mga **20 kabenepisyaryo** mula sa **Talisay at Naga, Cebu**



DISASTER RESILIENCE TRAINING IN MAUBAN, QUEZON

Noong **Hulyo 17, 2026**, nagsagawa ng Disaster Resilience Training sa Mauban, Quezon. Dinaluhan ng **50 na kalahok**. Sa pakikipagtulungan ng **Mauban MDRPMC** (Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM)), kahandaan sa sakuna, climate change sa pagtaas ng panganib ng mga kalamidad.



DISASTER RESILIENCE TRAINING IN DAVAO

Noong **Hunyo 22, 2026**, nagsagawa ng Disaster Resilience Training sa Barangay Bangkay, Davao City na dinaluhan ng **59 na kalahok**. Sa pakikipagtulungan ng **Davao City**...

Disaster Resiliency Program

Trained more than **200** clients on disaster preparedness across **5** provinces.

Our Challenges & Lessons Learned



Loan Diversion

- Strengthened LUCs – with MO-based staff dedicated to conduct for 2nd level monitoring
- LUC should be done at least 1 month after loan release



Product Design & Features

- Regular Product Development & Pricing Review
- Lowered interest, shorter loan term
- Balance inclusion of insurance vs pricing



PAR Management

- Supplemental Loan Cap (25% of Branch Loan Portfolio)
- Moratorium

Way Forward for Housing Microfinance

- **Strategic Institutional Partnerships**
- **Offer Incremental Housing Improvement Loan Product**
- **Integrate Technical Assistance**
- **Expand funding sources (e.g blended finance structure, climate resilient funds, etc)**
- **Promote Climate-Resilient Housing (with education)**



HOUSING IMPROVEMENT LOAN NENA GABUNADA



"LIFE WAS DIFFICULT BEFORE BECAUSE OUR HOUSE WASN'T FINISHED. NOW, IT TRULY HELPS MY FAMILY,"

ROSANNA LUGMAY Mampayag, Manolo Fortich

"BECAUSE OF THE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT LOAN, I WAS ABLE TO HAVE TILED FLOORS. BEFORE, OUR FLOORING WAS ONLY THE GROUND, IT IS MUDDY AND STICKY WHEN IT RAINS. "





As financial institutions, we are not merely lenders but **key enablers of housing improvement, financial inclusion, and community resilience.**



"Development consists of the removal of various types of unfreedoms that leave people with little choice and little opportunity." –

Amartya Sen, Nobel Prize-winning Economist

And one of the greatest freedoms we can help provide for our clients is the **security of a decent home.**



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**Thank you and
Mauswagon Ka!**