

GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES AND ECONOMIC STATUS OF BRGY. SAN JOSE:

Barangay San Jose is composed of hilly lands bounded on the north by Barangay Pulangbato; on the North-East and across the Butuanon River by Barangay Bacayan; on the South by Barangay Talamban; and on the West by Barangay Budlaan. About 15% only of the land coverage of Barangay San Jose is of plain terrain. This was one of the naturally mountainous parts of Talamban before its creation into a separate barrio. This was accessible only by pathways and carabao cart trails. After its creation in 1972, road opening projects started to take place and gradually institutional structures owned by religious communities started to set foot in the area. The first being the Franciscan Sisters Pro Infante et Familia on late 1970's. A religious order of nuns which apostolate in giving basic and medical aids to the poor. Next in 1980's was the Kauswagan Community Hospital, an outreach project by the Cebu Doctors Hospital. but the bases of these two facilities do not even belong to Barangay San Jose, because they are located right at the boundary just inside Barangay Talamban. Next to settle in the area was the Adoration Center by the Charismatic Community led by Fr. Krekeinbeck, which currently now managed by the (LGC) Living the Gospel Community sisters, and the subdivision project of Agro-Macro Development owned by Annabelle Aboitiz later known as the Maryville Subdivision. A few more years later on 1990's the (CITE) Center for Industrial Technology and Enterprise, a technical school for poor students, a laudable project by the Oppus Dei also set foot at the top of the hill of Purok 2. And around 1995, the Order of Discalced Augustinian (OAD) took base on one of the hills of Purok 3 which was later named as Tabor Hill. And few more years later, Maria Montessori International School followed at once hilly portion of Purok 1. And as the years pass by, some other religious institutions follow suit in settling at the Barangay like the Daughters of St. Camillus with its primary apostolate project Home for the Aged, Oblate Sisters of St. Augustine, Franciscan Friars of Immaculate with its imposing Coredemptrix Church, Maria Josefa Reccio Therapeutic Center run by the Hospitaller Sisters which takes care specifically the mentally ill patients, Another Franciscan Sisters Community which apostolates the Cebu Hope Center and the Bonita Home for Girls, and the Adoration Sisters of the Holy Face of Jesus which build their buildings on the late 1990's to middle of 2000's one after the other.

Aside from the religious institutions, residential subdivisions also settled in the barangay in 1990's to 2013's like the Villa San Jose Subdivision, Ridgedale Subdivision, Kahayahay Subdivision, Red Stone Village, Kahayahay 2 Subdivision and Maryville Heights with the last four as expansion projects by the Agro Macro Development Corp. In 2013 visibly showing the never stopping growth of the Barangay as more earthmoving works and construction projects continued in other different areas like the Rosecrest Townhouses at Purok 1, Pacific Glorywell at Purok 4, and the Marvel Communities Subdivision. The lowland area of San Jose started to be filled-up with residential houses and housing projects like mushrooms spreading up to the hilly portion of Purok 2, Purok 3, Purok 4 and Purok 5. The problem of garbage anywhere and clogging up of creeks and canals are becoming a huge challenge to the barangay officials. There was an ever growing demand and pressure on timely garbage collections. Despite the presence of above establishments, Barangay San Jose still fall behind the neighboring barangays in terms of

(IRA) Internal Revenue Allotments. this is largely due to the fact that the occupants are largely institutional religious and residential in nature. unlike the mother barangay Talamban which were booming with commercial establishments. The hope for further progress of the barangay is anchored on the development of the vast mountainous part which is mostly already acquired by the ML LHuillier Group of Companies. with the parcels of land still remained undeveloped today due to the lack of accessibility road.

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