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**PAFCOM people who helped at Let’s Celebrate are Helen Castillo (far right), PAFCOM Program Coordinating Chairperson, with (from left) Rosalinda Rupel, Rose Javier and Angelita Roxas.**

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JERSEY CITY — The Philippine-American Friendship Committee, otherwise known for its acronym PAFCOM, has started an endearing community project.

In partnership with Let's Celebrate, PAFCOM embarked on a feeding the homeless and underprivileged program at Let's Celebrate soup kitchen in Fairview Avenue near Bergen serving an all-Filipino dish to some 250 people who eat breakfast and lunch in the kitchen from Mondays to Fridays.

Let's Celebrate is the only soup kitchen in the city that have this program for five days a week.

This was learned from Helen Castillo, PAFCOM Program Coordinating Chairperson.

According to Castillo, this is the first time PAFCOM is collaborating with Let's Celebrate and is planning to have this project twice a year.

Among the dishes served were tocilog and embutido for breakfast.

Pancit, chicken adobo, lumpiang shanghai, chop suey and ginataang bilo-bilo for lunch.

Castillo said those who lent hands last Monday were PAFCOM leaders and members: Rose Javier, Angelita Roxas, Rosalinda Rupel and Elvie Quiray.

We have also young volunteers, Elie and Elena Velez, and Lawrence Bongon who aside from serving the lunch helped in stacking the pantry.

She said the Filipino foods were well-received by those who were served at the kitchen.

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Councilwoman Joyce Watterman, who stopped by the soup kitchen Monday, praised PAFCOM on its latest project.

She said, this was a good project reaching out and collaborating with other city agencies in serving the residents of Jersey City.

At the same time, Fil-Am City Council President Rolando Lavarro, Jr. commented, "It's good to see Filipinos serving the community at large. I look forward to more of these collaborations. Thanks to PAFCOM and Let's Celebrate for their partnership to serve our Jersey City residents."