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ABOUT THE COVER

*"There is more to progress than economic growth.
Genuine progress must be complete.*

No one can be left out.

No part of any one can be left out."

-Populorum Progressio-

As you behold the cover photo, what is the first thing that captures your eyes?

Is it her gray hair? Her skin linings? Her tired eyes?

How about her smile? The one that's joyfully painted on her curved lips, stretched cheeks, communicating eyes, and arched brows?

There is a saying which goes,

**"Aging is not lost youth
but a new stage of opportunity and strength"**

For 90-year old Nanay Lucia Batonghinog (person in the cover photo), these physical descriptions are not only marks of old age but also symbols of the spent years of experiences lived, lessons learned, and wisdom gained.

In Brgy. Los Angeles, Butuan City, Nanay Lucia is celebrating the miracle of each new day as the gift it is meant to be, like how she considers a great blessing to be one of the 109,933 indigent senior citizens who are served through the Social Pension program in CY 2017. With the program, she feels being taken care of in her old age by the government that is compassionate towards older persons like her. According to her, the program is of much help to her since she is already widowed. She uses her monthly stipend to buy her food and medicine.

When others see weakness of old age, tired faces of the elderly, and burden of taking care of older persons, the compassionate DSWD acknowledges their lives well-lived and their toils in the past for the present generation. The government discerns their vulnerabilities and needs for care and attention that comes with aging. In order to provide these, the agency strongly advocated laws and policies which promote their rights and privileges. With these efforts, the successful implementation of the Social Pension program and other programs/services for the elderly have been carried out.

This quarter's issue of our Caraga Frontline is to pay tribute to our elderly sector for their valuable contribution to the society. Furthermore, this is to show the different efforts of the government in addressing the different issues that are encountered by the older persons.

To our *lolos* and *lolas* who are wearing their age with pride, this is for you!



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DSWD-Caraga clarifies allegations in social media regarding Social Pension pay-out in Brgy. Tandang Sora, Butuan City, affirms commitment of compassionate public service with integrity

Standing firm on one of its core values that is *'serbisyong walang puwang sa katiwalian'*, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD-Caraga) would like to answer the issues which circulated in social media (Facebook) regarding the Social Pension 4th quarter payout on October 30, 2017 held at Brgy. Tandang Sora catering program beneficiaries of the city.

Some concerned netizens posted at a forum in Facebook two allegations thrown at DSWD which are as follows:

(1) only P3,000 instead of P6,000 cash stipend was received by the pensioners

(2) beneficiaries were asked to sign a blank payroll

The Field Office would like to clarify that an amount of P3,000 each was given to the senior citizen beneficiaries who were included in the 28,446 additional slots of pensioners granted by the Central Office to the region for this year.

A memorandum dated May 17, 2017 downloaded by the Central Office through the Protective Services Bureau says that the said bureau has available funds for additional grants for 3rd and 4th quarter 2017, which can accommodate a number of waitlisted indigent senior citizens for Social Pension. Since the said quarters cover only the months of July to December and monthly stipend for pensioners is only P500 per month, thus the waitlisted beneficiaries which were included in the additional grants only received P3,000.

The additional grant downloaded by the Central Office amount to P85,398,000 region wide which is divided to the 28,466 waitlisted indigent senior citizens. In this amount, P10,413,000 is allotted for Butuan City catering 3,471 beneficiaries.

PSU IDD Chief Angelita Amista bared that in order to ensure transparency, this was clearly explained by the DSWD-Caraga staff before the beneficiaries

during the orientation conducted prior the distribution of the cash stipend.

"We understand that our lolos and lolas who were included in the additional slots may have expected to receive P6,000 as those pensioners who were waitlisted in CY 2016 had last year since they were able to receive stipend from January to December. However, abiding with the recent memorandum (May 17, 2017) from the Central Office, that is why only P3,000 was given to them," said Amista.

"We have already anticipated these questions and confusions from our beneficiaries, that is the very reason why we ensured the orientation during the pay-out," she added.

Furthermore, the regional management of the Field Office definitely denies the second allegation that the agency asked the pensioners to sign a blank payroll.

OIC Regional Director Mita Chuchi Gupana-Lim assured that the agency does not practice such as it ensures transparency in its dealings most especially that the agency is serving the most poor, vulnerable, and disadvantaged sectors of the country.

"The payrolls that we prepared as evidence of disbursed funds are all printed. Specifically, the items Names, Address, Age, Gender, Health Condition, and amount to be received are all printed out. The blank spaces of the payroll are only those sections for the signature, ID presented, and remarks to be filled out during the payout once the pensioner will receive his/her stipend," clarified Lim.

"This was also attested by the City Social Welfare and Development and Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs of Butuan who were also present to assist the agency during the payout," she added.

"We encourage those who posted that a blank payroll was used during the payout to provide concrete evidence or perhaps substantiate their complaints

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MITALK

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S CORNER


MITA CHUCHI GUPANA-LIM
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

2 017 is another marvelous year for DSWD-Caraga.
Why? Because of these...

Milestones. As we close 2017 and start 2018, how fulfilling it is to reflect upon our successes and highlight everyone's significant contribution. We've come to a year that was filled with challenges and victories. These are purposely compiled in this material for sharing with you. These successes come against the backdrop of a difficult yet fulfilling year, which saw satisfaction and joy in our clientele who are our inspiration.

"Happiness does not come from doing easy work but from the afterglow of satisfaction that comes after the achievement of a difficult task that demanded our best."

- THEODORE ISAAC RUBIN

Inspiration. The agency is truly privileged to be in a position to be able to provide social welfare services to our countrymen who deserve these the most. Our work has become a ministry as these are geared towards uplifting the living conditions of the poor, vulnerable and disadvantaged sectors. We ensured their access to quality SWD programs and services and prioritized their empowerment through safeguarding increase of their economic and social well-being.

"The only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle."

- STEVE JOBS

Teamwork. How reassuring it has been to know that we can count on all our partners and stakeholders regardless of what faces us. Working with such compassionate and dedicated workers and partners in the past year has been a pleasure.

The amazing strength that we can still go forward, amidst all the despite and in spite in mind, is illuminated and rejuvenated through the fact that we know that the Department is not alone in this endeavor; that we have partners in development as our anchors and

encouragers to realize our dreams and visions for this region and for its people.

To all our partners in development, keep that fire to be of help for others burning – that passion to be able to do something for others is the greatest motivation of all.

"Every successful individual knows that his or her achievement depends on a community of persons working together."

- PAUL RYAN

Aspirations. For 2017, we aimed for the best and we sure hit the best. It is expected that the coming year will bring another challenges and opportunities. Nonetheless, may the lives and communities in Caraga that we have touched and brought into positive transformation inspire us to work best in the years to come.

We shall continuously commit ourselves to work hand in hand to realize our vision of a Philippines where all Filipinos are free from hunger and poverty, have equal access to opportunities, enabled by a fair, just and peaceful society through leading in the formulation, implementation, and coordination of SWD policies and programs for and with the poor, vulnerable and disadvantaged.

"If you are working on something that you really care about, you don't have to be pushed. The Vision pulls you."

- STEVE JOBS

Surely, this (our vision) will be attained. Let us coalesce and steadfastly offer our maagap at mapagkalingang serbisyo na may tunay na malasakit.

As you read every content of this magazine, may you be reminded that you are part of these meaningful endeavors.

Have a blast in 2018!

DSWD-Caraga hosts Interactive Knowledge Fair, launches DSWD-Caraga Disaster Risk Reporting Info Management System during the Reg'l SWD Forum

The Local Social Welfare and Development Officers (LSWDOs) and Social Welfare and Development - Learning Network (SWD-LNet) members convened during the year-end SWD Forum cum Knowledge Fair hosted by DSWD - Caraga on November 17, 2017 at Goat 2geder Hotel and Restaurant, Butuan City.

This year's SWD forum bears the theme, "Strengthening Synergy with Various Stakeholders Through Knowledge Sharing". The said event intensifies the knowledge sharing mechanism of DSWD-Caraga by employing interactive structured activities, thereby capturing the "gems" or brilliant ideas of the participants for learning purposes. The forum is spearheaded by the Knowledge Management Team (KMT) of the Field Office.

The program officially started through an inspiring message delivered by OIC Regional Director Mita Chuchi Gupana-Lim.

"The SWD Forum is designed to facilitate discussion on matters along SWD, including policy issues and concerns, research studies, SWD legislations, technical sharing, issues and trends on national development plan and international commitments and orientation on national projects of the DSWD," said Lim.

"Our previous engagements had been successful, all thanks to the commitment of our partner-stakeholders. This forum has been a venue in strengthening our programs and services, through our partnerships, in providing utmost service to the poor and marginalized sectors of the society," she added.

In the morning session, PSU/IDD Chief Angelita B. Amista, spearheaded the launch of the Caraga Disaster Response Reporting and Information Management System (CDRRIMS), an innovation initiated by the Disaster Response Assistance and Management Unit (DReAMU)-Caraga.



OIC Regional Director Mita Chuchi Gupana-Lim, delivers her inspiring message to LSWDOs and SWD L-Net members during the SWD Forum.



IDD/PSU Chief Angelita Amista, shares the innovation of Caraga DReAMU dubbed as Caraga Disaster Response Reporting and Information Management System



LSWDOs and SWD L-Net members participate the Knowledge Fair: It's More Fun Learning with Others!" quiz bowl competition.



Listahanan staff attends to the queries of the participating LGUs during the Knowledge Fair session.



Team SWD L-Net receive special prize for being first place in Quiz Bowl Competition.

“CDRRIMS is a web-based electronic information system where all disaster related information can be accessed easily. Its main objective is to establish a database system that will serve as storage of all disaster events related information for disaster response and disaster reporting,” shared Amista.

In the afternoon, the forum transformed into a learning session where participants participated the “Knowledge Fair: It’s More Fun Learning with Others!” through a Quiz Bowl Competition followed by the interactive knowledge fair.

The LSWDOs were divided according to district. Each team is composed of three members. Questions were also divided into 5 categories, namely, SWD L-Net, laws and issuances for the protection of children, DRR and Climate Change Adaptation, current events, and SWD programs and services.

For the 1st Quiz Bowl Competition, team SWD L-Net got the first place, while SDN 1st and 2nd District ranked 2nd and 3rd respectively.

In addition, every core program of the Field Office installed booths and displayed updates, initiatives, and innovations. During the fair, hosts of each booth responded to the queries of the visiting partners and also distributed IEC materials.

The Knowledge Fair encourages all participants to embrace the law of two feet, where it inspires them to contribute, share, enjoy, and add value in their learning journey. The Law of Two Feet speaks to the idea of OPT IN PARTICIPATION. This idea of “opting in” or “opting out” of various choices and opportunities in every given time gives each one the liberty to move around liberally and explore to every booth they desired.

Before the forum ended, OIC Lim led the awarding ceremony for the nine winning entries of GP documentation participated by the LGUs and SWD-LNet members. They received a plaque of recognition and one unit of laptop worth Php12, 000, while the non-winning entries received certificate of participation and token.

Other awards were also given to Listahanan Unit and LGU Bayabas for winning the Best Booth display for Field Office and LGU category respectively during the fair. #



Provincial Government of Dinagat Islands complies requirements to access Listahanan 2 Database

With the objective to uplift the lives of its poor constituents, the Provincial Local Government Unit (PLGU) of Dinagat Islands passed a resolution during the Sangguniang Panlalawigan (SP) Session on October 24, 2017 to comply with one of the requirements on the guidelines to access the Listahanan 2 Database.

The result came after the staff from the National Household Targeting Unit (NHTU) of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)-Caraga explained and presented the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and the Profile of the Poor in the said province.

SP Member Winefredo Olofernes, who presided the session, automatically pronounced the passing of resolution that was also supported by Hon. Nilo Demerey Jr, and the rest of the board members.

"We appreciated the effort exerted by Listahanan in identifying the poor. With this, we are committed to comply all the necessary documents within the month of November in order for us to help our constituents who are in need," bared Demerey during the SP session.

After this step, the NHTU will conduct an inspection meeting to check and ensure if the second party is capable of protecting the data shared by Listahanan. Since the database contains sensitive personal information, there is a need to safeguard the information as anchored on R.A. 10173 or known as the Data Privacy Act of 2012.

The SP resolution authorizing the Provincial Government to enter into MOA with DSWD is one of the requirements to access the Listahanan 2 Database. Other requirements include letter request signed by the governor, MOA with Annex A properly accomplished, and Executive Order designating a Data Protection Officer (DPO). Based on the 2nd household assessment conducted in 2015, the Listahanan identified a total of 12,207 poor households in PDI.#



On behalf of the board members, Hon. Nilo Demerey, Jr expresses his commitment to comply all the requirements for the Listahanan 2 database.



For the LGU to appreciate the Listahanan 2 Database, Regional Focal Person Aldie Mae Andoy and Regional Associate Statistician Marivic Esteban present the MOA and Profile of the Poor in the Province of Dinagat Islands during the SP session.

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so as not to mislead other netizens," Lim stated.

"Our brand of service states, '*DSWD May Malasakit*', and this is the kind of service that we live by. We firmly believe, that doing a dishonest act such as deceiving and taking advantage of our beloved lolos and lolas through blank payrolls would be inconsistent with the reputation that we have constantly upheld through the years of genuine public service with compassion," she expressed.

The OIC regional director also opened that those who have issues or queries related to the implementation of Social Pension, the agency has systems in place to provide avenues for proper feedback mechanism.

"We appreciate that we have concerned citizens in our society who are one with us in ensuring that we deliver our programs and services with utmost honesty and integrity and that the Government funds are appropriately spent. Thus, with the allegations which were aired at social media from these concerned individuals, the agency is very much welcome to answer questions and give clarifications on this to them," she added.

The Social Pension is a regular financial assistance program for the indigent elderly Filipinos. It provides a monthly stipend of Php500 to indigent senior citizens as mandated by Republic Act 9994 or the Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010. This is given to augment the daily subsistence and other medical needs of senior citizens.#

DSWD-Caraga awards LGUs with documented Good Practices on Social Welfare and Development (SWD)



OIC Regional Director Mita Chuchi Gupana-Lim hands the award to Mayor Maria Clarita Limbaro of LGU Bayabas Surigao del Sur as one of the winners of the said competition.



LGU Bayabas presents their good practice dubbed as Adopt a Child Program and Project We Care: Waging War with Malnutrition.

Nine (9) Local Government Units (LGUs) in Caraga Region won in the 1st Regional Social Welfare and Development Good Practice Documentation Competition 2017 spearheaded by the Knowledge Management Team (KMT) of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)-Caraga.

All winning entries received a plaque and one unit netbook worth Php12,000, while the non-winning entries received Certificate of Appreciation during the conduct of the year-end SWD Forum cum Knowledge Fair on November 17, 2017 at Goat 2 Geder, Butuan City.

The said competition was conceptualized in order to recognize the initiative and innovations of the Local Social Welfare and Development Offices (LSWDOs) and Social Welfare Development Learning Network (SWD-LNET) members in delivering quality services in their localities. The agency also wants to acknowledge the existing exemplary practices - program, process or strategy of LGUs that has been proven to produce positive results relative to Social Protection.

The list of winners and their corresponding GP documentation are as follows:

1. Carmen, Surigao del Sur - The Care for the Elderly: Provision of Hot Meals and Grooming Needs
2. San Francisco, Agusan del Sur - Bahay Kalinga Para sa mga Kabataan: A Shining Place of Hope and New Beginnings

3. San Miguel, Surigao del Sur - Child Minding Center: For Change and Empowerment

4. Taganaan, Surigao del Norte - Mano Po: Municipal Allocation for Needful Olds Pension Opportunity

5. Bislig City - Shades of a Childhood: Helping Children with Unfriendly Experience (Safe Home and Deserved Environment Situation)

6. Bislig City - CHOSEN: Children Hub of Special Education and Nurturing CHILD: Crossing Over Hindrances in Learning and Development

7. Alegria, Surigao del Norte - Tawag Center : Home Care Program for Children with Disabilities

8. Basilisa, Province of Dinagat Islands - KKK sa Taong May K: "Karunungan, Kabuhayan, at Kaagapay sa Taong may Kapansanan

9. Bayabas, Surigao del Sur - Adopt a Child Program and Project We Care: Waging War with Malnutrition

Other participants are the following:

1. Province of Dinagat Islands –SICAD for PWDs: "Sustained Interventions Through Customized Assistive Devices for Persons with Disabilities"
2. Santiago, Agusan del Norte – Supplementary Feeding Program

3. Surigao State College of Technology – Community Extension Services

4. Surigao del Norte – Medicine Assistance for Senior Citizen

5. Surigao City, Surigao del Norte – Special Intervention Program for Children in Conflict with the Law and Children at Risk

6. Surigao City, Surigao del Norte – NDPR Week: Success Behind limitations

7. Surigao City, Surigao del Norte – Local Recognition and Awards System: Motivating Barangay Participation against Poverty and its Associated Social Problems

This competition will encourage and challenge other LSWDOs to document their existing good practices.

On September 26, 2017, members of KMT of DSWD-Caraga as well as staff from the Central Office assessed all entries submitted by the participants for the SWD Good Practice Competition. The winning entries were evaluated based on packaged documentation and the good practice's sustainability, innovativeness, and responsiveness.

The KMT of DSWD-Caraga regularly meets to plan, develop, and recommend knowledge sharing within the office and motivate staff and partners to take part in knowledge sharing from tacit to explicit knowledge.#



The booth display of LGU Bislig City during the SWD Forum cum Knowledge Fair.



The representatives of the participating LGUs and Field Office staff in their respective booth displays. Aside from the interactive sharing, infographic and other IEC materials were distributed to the visiting partners.



HOME CARE AND SUPPORT FOR OLDER PERSONS TESTIMONIES

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Kami mapasigarbohon sa among pangidaron isip senior citizens tungod kay interesting kaayo ang among kinabuhi. Andam kami kanunay sa paghatag serbisyo ilabina sa among mga kaubang edaran nga aduna’y problema, balatian, o anaa sa kalisdanan. Pinaagi niini, kami manghinaot nga mausab ang panglantaw sa komunidad sa atong mga katiguwangan.

ANALYN COSEP
Loreto, PDI

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Among nabati nga kaming mga senior citizens gusto gihapon makakat-on pinaagi sa pag-apil ug mga seminars, meeting ug mga workshop nga himoun sa gobierno. Kay kini makahatag kanamo’g kahayag ug kalipay. Ingon man, malipayon kaming makighimamat sa among mga kahigalaan sa paghigot-higot sa bisan unsang butang.

FIDEL AGOCOY
Libjo, PDI

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Ubay-ubay nga mga senior citizen nga duna’y sakit ang akong natabangan. Kanuna’y akong mibisita sa ilaha aron sa pagpaminaw sa ilang mga yangongo. Ug karon, nakita nako ang kausaban ug kalipay sa ilang kinabuhi.

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COLASA YTAC
Cagdianao, PDI



SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SENIORS – CAREGIVERS

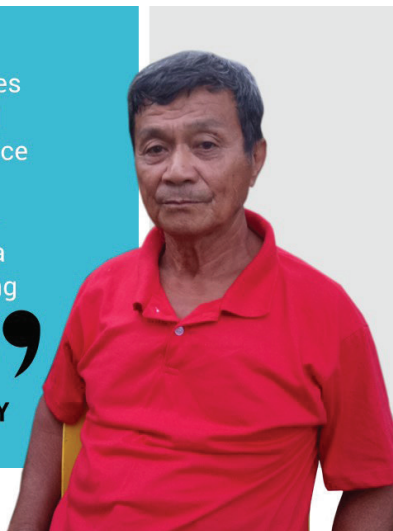


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Naka-apil ako sa Home Care and Support Services for older person nga gipahigayon sa Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office sa Province of Dinagat Islands. Daghan kaayo ang akong nahibaloan sa maong training ilabina ang pag-amuma sa mga masakiton, masulob-on ug mga katiguwangan nga nawad-an ug paglaum sa ilang kinabuhi dinhi sa among lugar.

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JOSE MAMUGAY
San Jose, PDI



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Nahimo akong health worker tungod kay gamay lang akong nakita nga serbisyong gigahin alang sa mga senior citizens dinhi sa nasud. Akong nakita ug nabati nga ang pagtabang sa mga katigulangan natural nga gimbuhaton, mao akong gigahin ang akong kaugalingon sa pagtabang sa akong mga kaubanan ingon man sa mga buluhaton.

PRECILA CAÑABANO
Basilisa, PDI

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Ubay-ubay nga mga pasalamat ang akong nadawat gikan sa katawhan nga akong natabangan, tigulang o batan-on man. Kini tungod kay napa-ayo nako ang ilang mga sakit, nahupay ang ilang kagul-anan, ingon man nahibalik ang maayong relasyon sa ilang pamilya. Gawas niini, napausab ang panghuna-huna sa mga anak nga panggaon ang mga edaran.

SALVACION ARA
San Jose, PDI

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Maulawon ug kalma ako nga pagkatawo. Sa akong pagtuo, dili gayud ako makahibalo sa pakig-istorya sa kadaghanan o makig-duyog sa grupo, apan sa dihang nahimo akong usa ka boluntaryo sa komunidad nga mi-atiman sa mga katiguwangan, akong na-obsorbahan nga kaya nako makighalobilo sa kagdahanan o makig-istorya sa susama nakong pangidaron.

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GLORIA PANDI
Libjo, PDI



DSWD Kalahi-CIDSS Caraga reveals grand winner of its 1st documentary film-making contest



DSWD Assistant Regional Director for Administration (ARDA) Nerisa T. Murih (in black blazer) and National Information Officer (IO) III for Mindanao Cluster Jessica Pangan (in plaid dress) along with Kalahi-CIDSS consultants Edward John Ty (in white polo shirt) for monitoring & evaluation and John Voltaire Ancla (in gray polo shirt) for finance, award the certificate of recognition to members of Elijah Multimedia. The team composed of Evvo Vincent C. Orilla (Director), Hubert P. Honculada (Cameraman), Filmore P. Rabuya (Cameraman) and Archel F. Dela Cruz (Researcher) bested five other finalists to claim the title.

A documentary about one of the most isolated tribal communities in Esperanza, Agusan del Sur won the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan-Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services (Kalahi-CIDSS) Caraga's first-ever short feature/documentary film-making contest last December 14, 2017 held at Almont Hotel's Inland Resort, Butuan City.

After almost two months since the competition was announced last October, thirteen (13) entries were submitted from talented filmmakers in the region which showcased the contest's theme: Highlighting the Impact of Community-Driven Development With Different Partner-Stakeholders in the Implementation of DSWD Kalahi-CIDSS Caraga.

The entries were then narrowed down to six finalists to compete for the title. The film entry "Kinamaybay" produced by Elijah Multimedia bested five other finalists to become the first grand winner of the competition and bag the cash prize of Php40,000.

The film entries were judged based on the following criteria: Composition (30%), Relevance to the Theme (30%), Creativity (20%), and Originality (20%).

The grand winner, Elijah Multimedia created by Evvo Vincent C. Orilla since 2014 that operates business mainly at San Francisco, Agusan del Sur, specializes mostly on documentary projects. According to Orilla, the concept behind their winning entry is to capture and seam the stories told by the people of Kinamaybay in their journey towards empowerment and realization of their community projects in the most compelling and honest way.

"Our entry features the impact of community-driven projects in the lives of the people in one of the remote communities of Esperanza, the Brgy. Kinamaybay. Our main objective is to let these people (in the community) speak about the project and its effect in their lives. As filmmakers, we wanted to convey to viewers their unscripted and straight from the heart stories," Orilla shared.

The contest is just one of the activities of DSWD in the region conducted to advance its advocacy efforts in promoting its programs, particularly the Community-Driven Development program/ Kalahi-CIDSS of the agency. The film entries will be launched in social media to intensify the reach of the program's impact to the general public.



A film still from this year's grand winner of the first-ever DSWD Kalahi-CIDSS Caraga: Short Feature/Documentary Film Making Contest. The winning entry titled "Kinamaybay" follows the story of the community of Kinamaybay, Esperanza, AdS who paved the way for the realization of their dreamed community development projects.

OIC-Regional Director Mita Chuchi G. Lim commended all the participants and finalists of the competition for their exceptional work. She also recognized the use of documentary films as a powerful medium to communicate more effectively the successful implementation of program to its partner-stakeholders.

"I would like to congratulate all the winners and finalists of this year's filmmaking competition. Overall, I am just grateful for everyone who took part in this activity. One of our main objectives in organizing competitions like this is to share the same level of appreciation of our partner-beneficiaries, communities that we serve coming from an outsider's perspective. I believe this has been an enriching experience for everyone involved in the production," Lim said.

Here's the complete result of the film-making contest:

Grand Winner
(Php40,000 cash prize w/ certificate)
Kinamaybay by Elijah Multimedia
Production Team: Evvoh Vincent Orilla (Lead Producer/Director), Filmore Rabuya (Cameraman), Hubert Honculada (Cameraman), Archel Dela Cruz (Researcher/Production Staff)

1st Runner-Up
(Php30,000 cash prize w/ certificate)
Purok Syete by VS
Production Team: Victor Jomoc Jr. (Lead Producer/Director), Symoon Jugao (Lead Producer/Director)

2nd Runner-Up
(Php20,000 cash prize w/ certificate)
Mga Damgo Luyo sa Gabonong Kabukiran by Likha-Karaga Visual Arts
Production Team: Marychrist Novo (Lead Producer/Host), Alwin Musa (Director), Roland Delara (Researcher), Dianna Abaa (Technical Assistant)

Winners of Consolation Prizes:
(Php5,000 each w/ certificate)

Barangay Amoslog by Richie Reynan Tan
Production Team: Richie Reynan Tan (Lead Producer/Director), Danilo Alunde Jr. (Cameraman), Dindo Alunde (Production Staff), Gerald Baluran (Lights & Sound)

Water is Life by Team Wakita
Production Team: Nina Rikka Wakita (Lead Producer), Clint Chua (Cinematographer), James Escabal (Editor), Harvey Bing (Cameraman), Jan Lisondra (Lightman)

Bat-aw na Kisoom by Tribu TagMariha
Production Team: John Monro Lominoque (Lead Producer/Director), Patricia Joy Andam (Film Editor), Neil Dexter Tesorio (Cinematographer), Raniel John Sampiano (Screenplay/Logistics)

Caraga SWD L-Net conducts learning visits, provides TA to Bislig Learning Commons

Members of the Caraga Social Welfare Development-Learning Network (SWD L-Net) members convened for their fourth quarter meeting and conducted learning visits to various centers on November 23-24, 2017.

Hosted by the local government unit of Bislig City, the meeting highlighted the review of the proposed amendment of the Administrative 20 Series of 2005 otherwise known as the Establishment of Social Welfare and Development Learning Network and finalization of the Annual Work and Financial Plan of the network based on its Strategic Plan.

On the second day, the team visited the Bislig City Mini-Learning Commons established within the City Social Welfare and Development Office where the network members excitedly shared their appreciation and inputs/suggestions on how to further improve the learning facility covering its physical appearance, fixtures and materials to be housed.

"I am very grateful for the opportunity given to Bislig LGU to host the SWD L-Net meeting and learning visits as we are happy to showcase our good practices and generate technical assistance from the members on how to enhance our facilities and services offered," shared by Ms. Leticia M. Yu, CSWD Officer of Bislig.

The group also visited Bislig's Resource Center for Children with Special Needs (RCSSN), a center-based program that responds to the unique needs of its target clientele via special education. It was patterned from Tuloy Aral Walang Sagabal (TAWAG) Program. The good practices in managing the facility entitled "CHOSEN: Children Hub of Special Education and Nurturing CHILD: Crossing Over Hindrances in Learning and Development" was awarded as one of the winning entries in the Good Practice documentation contest spearheaded by the Knowledge Management Team of DSWD Field Office Caraga.

The last stop was the visit to Bislig's Organic Agro-Fishery Complex. LGU-Bislig developed the 27-hectare alienable and disposable land for organic farming. Roughly fifteen million pesos (Php 15M) has been allocated to fund the project. With its diverse membership, Caraga SWD L-Net members expressed great appreciation on the educational tour conducted which learning may be replicated in their respective organizations.#



DSWD Caraga SWD L-Net members with the Secretariat headed by Ms. Glezza Tambaba- Ty (center, in red blouse) during the 4th quarter meeting at Bislig Highlands Farm and Restaurant



Ms. Glezza T. Ty, head of CBU of DSWD Field Office Caraga (in red blouse) hands-in the prizes in the form of netbooks to CSWDO of Bislig City Leticia M. Yu for winning two Good Practice Documentation entries entitled "CHOSEN: Children Hub of Special Education and Nurturing CHILD: Crossing Over Hindrances in Learning and Development"



The children of Bislig's Resource Center for Children with Special Needs (RCSSN) join the SWD L-Net members in their wacky pose during the visit.

When people reach the twilight of their existence, one of the most common questions they get to ask themselves is if whether they have lived a full life – a life that they would be proud of. One looks back at the decisions he/she has done in his/her lifetime, and weigh in if these have made them better individuals, or productive members of the society.

There are those who would spend their old age regretting their decisions in life – that they have wasted a large part of their lives on things that did not matter. There are those who have achieved their goals, fulfilled of where they are at present.

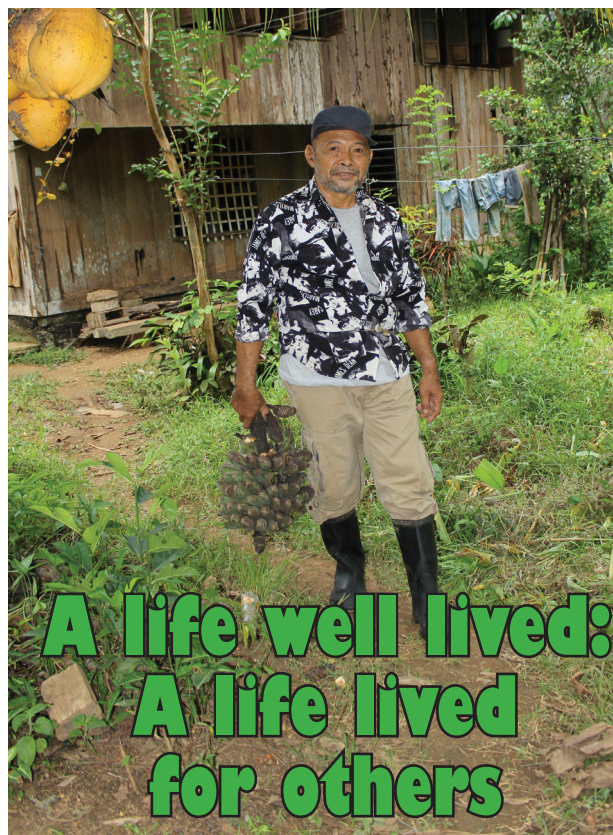
Some gauge their fulfillment with the positions they hold, with the number of children they have – how many are degree holders. There are those who base it with the total amount of investments they have – their bank accounts, perhaps. But there are those who feel complete just by doing little things for their communities; sometimes, even if they do not get the acknowledgment due them.

Benjamin Cabucas, Sr. (Tatay Ben to those close to him), 63 years of age, a resident of Purok 2, Barangay Rosario, Las Nieves, Agusan del Norte lived a simple life. A farmer who spent his adult life growing bananas and root crops. He never asked for anything extravagant for his life, all he wanted was a simple life for him and his family.

"Kontento naman kami sa simple nga kinabuhi, labi na nga usa ako ka mang-uuma. Makita lang nako nga malipayon akong asawa ug mga anak, dako na kana nga kalipay kanako. Kontento na ako nga mabuhi sa abot nga makuha namo sa among umahan, (As a farmer, I am used to and contented with a simple life. As long as I see my wife and my kids happy, that is already a big thing for me, even if we get through with the produce we have from our farm)," he said.



Tatay Ben, at 63, still is active in helping out in their community, even outside of the Kalahi-CIDSS implementation. He is usually seen at their home, ready to take any challenge that would help their community.



A farmer by heart: Tatay Ben never lets his age stop him from doing another thing that he loves and that is farming.

Tatay Ben spends his days either at the farm, or at home, doing simple chores. This was the routine he had, up until a program from Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) was introduced to their community. The upgraded Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan, Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services (Kalahi-CIDSS) was implemented in the municipality of Las Nieves.

At first, Tatay Ben was hesitant to be part of the program's implementation. But after listening to the concept of the program, which utilizes the Community-Driven Development (CDD) process, he was encouraged to take part and be a volunteer.

"Kami ang magbuot, kauban akong mga ka-barangay ug unsa among proyekto. Bag-o sa ako kini nga proseso sa programa sa gobierno. Mao nga naengganyo ko moapil, (We were given the opportunity to choose the project to be implemented. This was a new process for me, especially that this was a government program. I liked it, that is why I was convinced to take part in the implementation)," Tatay Ben said.

In 2003, during the pilot implementation of the program, Barangay Rosario was able to propose, implement and complete a Php2.8 million worth road opening/road gravelling community sub-project.

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Accomplishment



PANTAWID PAMILYANG
PILIPINO PROGRAM

180,342 or 107%

Pantawid Pamilya Households (HHs)
provided with conditional cash grants



98.55%
received grants on time

5.5%

increase in compliance of non-compliant Pantawid Pamilya HHs on the availment of **HEALTH SERVICES** based on national average CV Turn-out

3%

increase in compliance of non-compliant Pantawid Pamilya HHs in **EDUCATION** based on national average CV Turn-out



215 Completed community sub-projects

101%

or (61,691 of 61,371) of households that benefitted from completed KC-NCDDP sub-project

91%

(39 of 43) of barangays with to paid labor in community
*All municipalities provides same unskilled labor

100%

of implementing barangay reaching sub-project completion and SPs completed are functional

99%

(3,467 of 3,518) of registered grievances satisfactorily resolved in line with the GRS

99%

(1,018 of 1,031) of barangays with marginalized groups participating (Women, Pantawid, IP) in decision making, implementation, and monitoring

100%

of implementing municipality making progress in CDD elements institutionalized the local development plan

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ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 1

Well-being of poor families improved



100%

non-compliant HHs were provided with reasons and interventions

95.23% of grievances resolved within established time protocol
or 9,992

4,991 of payment issues were validated and encoded in the GRS raw data with RCA
or 100%



ABLE TO SERVE:

9,123

Micro-Enterprise Development (MD) Track beneficiaries

2,802

Employment Facilitation (EF) Track program participants

86%

of SLP households served from the previous years gained from microenterprises and with profit above breakeven point

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sub-projects
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439

BUB projects for 2013-2016



ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 2

Rights of the poor and vulnerable sectors promoted and protected



895

or 88.17% of children with improved weight: from severely underweight to underweight

4,447

or 88.47% of children with improved weight: from underweight to normal

74,885

or (101%) children in CDCs and SNPs provided with supplementary feeding as per timeline

100%

of the target LGUs transferred with funds and 74 LGUs have started feeding by December 2017

Protective Services Program

SOCIAL PENSION FOR INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZENS

100.6%

beneficiaries received the within the q

109.93%

or 109,933 of 100,000 including replacements of the delisted beneficiaries under Direct Release 103.3% (29,407 of 28,466) under



Protective Services Program

RETAINED COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

Annual sectoral plans and accomplishment reports developed

6

Comprehensive documents consisting of narrative and statistical plans from all of the following sectors: (Family, SCs/OPs, PWD, Children, Youth and GAD)

Protective Services Program

ADOPTION RESOURCE / (ARRS)/ CHILD PLACEMENT

91%

or 90 out of 99 endorsed to PSB from 2009-2017 are issued with CDCLAA by EO of Dec. 2017 (last CDCLAA issued Dec. 28)

77%

(70 out of 90 from 2009-2017 issued upon first filing)

CENTER & RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES

LEVEL 3 ACCREDITATION
Home for Girls

LEVEL 2 ACCREDITATION
National Rehabilitation Center for Youth

CENTER & RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES

55%

Rehabilitated or 59 out of 107 cases (RRCY 50 cases; HFG 9 cases)

55%

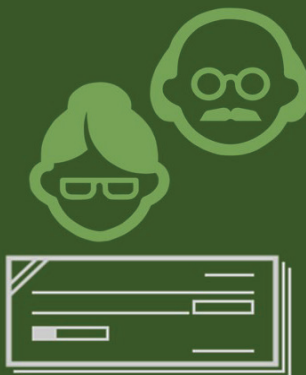
Rehabilitated cases in two centers after the rehabilitation plan was implemented

50

cases rehabilitated within 11 months in RRCY; 9 cases rehabilitated within 6 months in Home for Girls

CENTENARIANS CASH INCENTIVE

87% or 73
CENTENARIANS
have received the cash incentives



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AND REFERRAL SERVICE MENT SERVICES

80

cases (out of 92) or 86% are presented in the matching conference within one month after the child is found eligible for adoption

69

cases or 81% issued with ACA and PAPA from 2009-2017

16

cases are eligible children placed from January-December 2017 and 100% of children available for foster care are presented in the matching conference

AICS

100%
or 23,033 clients served

11,559
or 50% provided with at least 2 services





ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 2

Rights of the poor and vulnerable sectors promoted and protected



Protective Services Program

MINORS TRAVELING ABROAD

383

CHILDREN

ISSUED TRAVEL CLEARANCE



Protective Services Program

Compro
Program
Children
Families,

DISASTER RESPONSE

185

DSWD QRTs Trained

and ready for deployment on disaster operations and 616.66% of trained QRTs with enhanced knowledge, attitudes and skills on DRRM along Family Preparedness, CCCM and Psychosocial Process

100%

or 34,863 households provided with relief assistance within 3 days after disaster occurrence; 115,000 FFPs provided to Region X as augmentation assistance due to TD Auring, IDPs of Marawi Siege and STS Vinta

100%

of the affected households received relief assistance without complaint and LGU request granted within 24 hours upon receipt of request

DISASTER R

14,62

or 100% FAMI
received the FFW a
for the early re

Protective Services Program

RECOVERY AND REINTEGRATION PROGRAM FOR TRAFFICKED PERSONS

62 Trafficked persons
Are provided with social welfare services

52% or 34 out of 65
provided with 2 or more services

100%
of clients provided
with at least one
service under RRPT
within 30 days

Protective Services Program

DISTRESSED & UNDOCUMENTED OVERSEAS FILIPINO PROVIDED WITH SWD



12 monthly summary of reports
submitted and based on the
reintegration services provided
to returning overseas Filipinos

100%
or 140 cases of referred clients from
concerned agencies/ SWATO/ SWATTs
assessed, responded/ acted upon by FOs
and submitted before 15 days from the
time of receipt of the documents

Comprehensive for Street n, Street and Bajaus

Social Technology Development

IMPLEMENTATION OF 2 REGIONALLY INITIATED STs:

1 Pamilya sa Gugma
(50 DSWD Staff)

2 PRESTIGE SW
Coaching Model
(35 LSWDOs)

- 2 LGUs (San Miguel, PDI-TeamBRE, CIAGV) Adopted/ Replicated SocTechs and Program updates include Implementation/ Monitoring/ Accomplishment Report on the ongoing/adopted/replicated ST

RESPONSE

27 LIES
assistance recovery
14,393
or 99.28% HOUSEHOLDS
received Emergency
Shelter Assistance (ESA)

13,026
or 89.85% HOUSEHOLDS
provided with Cash For Work (CFW)

ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 3

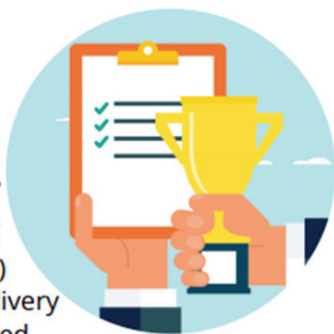
Immediate relief and early recovery of
disaster victims/survivors ensured



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ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 4

Continuing compliance of social welfare and development (SWD) agencies to standards in the delivery of social welfare services ensured



SWDAs (ASSESSED & REGISTERED)
SWAs (ASSESSED, ENDORSED & LICENSED)

4 SWAs Or 100% registered and licensed

30 SWAs/ SWDAs with sustained compliance to SWD standards

Technical assistance provided to SWDAs is in accordance to the standard/ policies, as reflected in the monitoring report

AUXILIARY SWDAs/SWAs
(REGISTERED & LICENSED)

6 or 100% Auxiliary SWDAs registered

Information provided in the profile of SWDAs are complete as to form and substance

Issuance of Certificate of Registration is within 13 working days from the receipt of complete documents and conduct of agency visit

SERVICE PROVIDERS

297 CDWs & CDCs
ARE ACCREDITED

280 CSOs

Validated for accreditation as implementing/ beneficiary of government/ public funds

Assessment report is in compliance with the standard indicators as prescribed by the provisions of AO No. 15 series of 2011 and Issuance of Certificate is within 10 days after the conduct of accreditation assessment

CSO are compliant to all documentary requirements and Conduct of IDR within 1 day upon receipt of application and conduct of validation and ocular inspection within 4 days after the receipt of request from the secretariat

SHMENTS



ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME 5

Delivery of social welfare and development (SWD) programs by local government units (LGUs), through local social welfare and development offices (LSWDOs), improved

PERSONS PROVIDED WITH TRAINING SERVICES

1,357 PERSONS/ ACTUAL PARTICIPANTS

were provided with training services coming from LGUs, NGOs, and POs, of which, 100% of training courses were completed as designed and majority of trainees who rate training courses as satisfactory or better.

INTERMEDIARIES PROVIDED WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

298
(REPETITIVE COUNT)
LGUs, NGOs, and POs

TAs received an almost perfect rating of good or better from recipients and 100% of technical services provided within (15 days) upon receipt of request.

INTERMEDIARIES PROVIDED WITH RESOURCE AUGMENTATION

FY 2017, **44 (duplicated) LGUs** were provided with resource augmentation such as **Relief Assistance, Family Food Pack** and among others, whose recipients gave a 95% of rating as good or better and the same percent for request for resource augmentation acted within three to five (3 to 5) working days upon receipt of request.

Major Accomplishments along Strategic Support Services

INTERNAL AUDIT UNIT



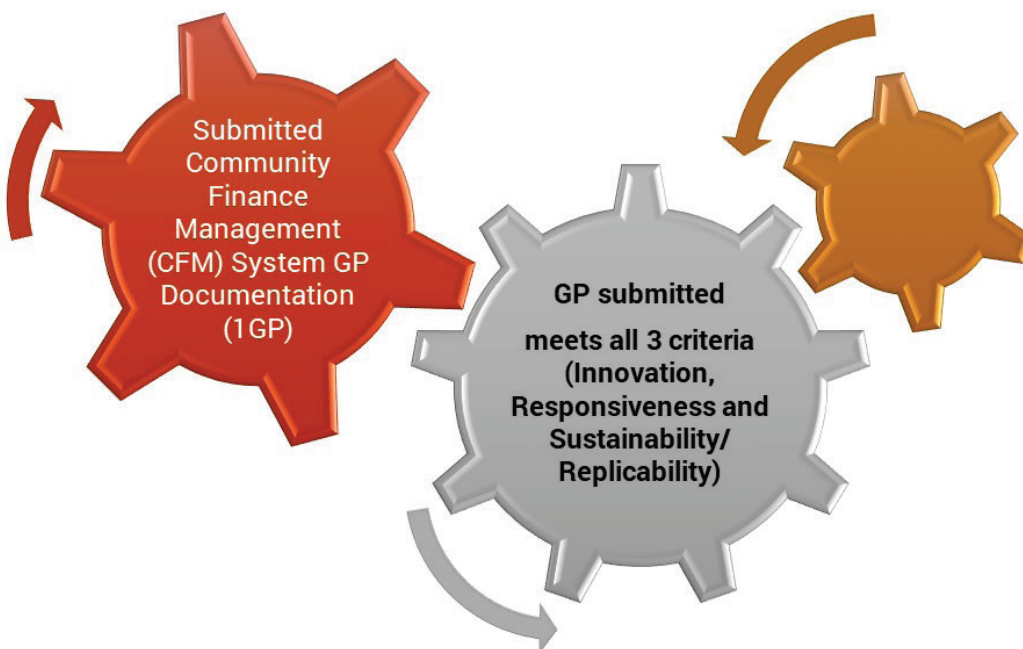
• 100% compliance to audit recommendations per commitment in the Management Action Plan (MAP)

• Fully supported measure/ activity undertaken per MAP assessed and validated by IAS

• Four (4) Integrity Management Program (IMP) Progress Report (1st-4th quarter reports) was submitted to the Integrity Management Committee (IMC) Secretariat

• 38 or 100% of the planned activities were implemented as well as 100% of the output targets were reached

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SERVICES



1 Data Users Forum on Listahanan 2 database utilization was conducted
(documentation report submitted to NHTO with summary of issues and concerns raised with recommendations)

Conduct of lobbying for the issuance of Sangguniang Panlungsod Resolution :

100% HUC (Butuan City) **2 PLGUs** (SDS & PDI) **1 MLGU** (Carascal, SDS)

with approved SP and MOA on data sharing of Listahanan 2 results

3 NGAs (POPCOM, CHED, DTI) **3 NGOs/ CSOs** (SEDMFI, NACPHIL, SIKAP)

with MOA on data sharing of Listahanan 2 results

SOCIAL MARKETING UNIT

4 INFORMATION CARAVANS

(The SMU in coordination with the MAT put up information and photo booth during the whole run of the festival; Flyers were distributed and information booths answered queries from the visiting public)

103

PRESS RELEASES

321

MEDIA PICK UP

113 online media
85 print media
29 TV features
94 radio exposures

1 KAP survey administered and Collected questionnaires already posted in the Google Sheet provided by the SMS.

Communication campaigns on Issues on Basic Sectors; Devolution; and DSWD Centers and Institutions conducted and supported by a **Campaign Plan**



Major Accomplishments along Strategic Support Services

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

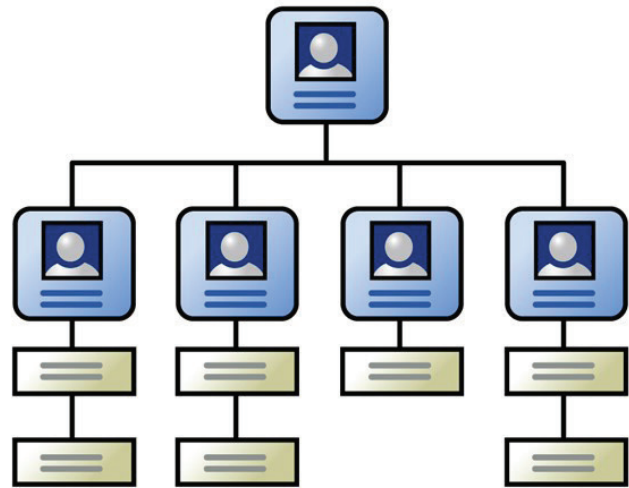
Human Resources and Development

100%

REGULAR POSITIONS FILLED-UP

(1st and 2nd level plantilla items)
with filed request for posting (endorsement letter,
CBJD/ TOR, calibration of points, technical exam)

**Complete information; No missed
fields and no comment/ clarification
on the data submitted*



GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

Rate of Budget Utilization

98.78%
utilization

12

Monthly SAOB
submitted
(Fund 101 – 98.69%)

4

Quarterly FAR
submitted (Fund 101 – 82.12%)

83.06%
utilization



▶ The only region that was able to produce an Interim Guidelines on the following areas:

- ✔ Case management
- ✔ Youth Development Sessions
- ✔ Supply-side Assessment
- ✔ Community Procurement & Financial Management for MCCT Livelihood Associations
- ✔ Excellence Award for Pantawid Employees

▶ REGIONAL CONVERGENCE STRATEGY

73 C/MATs with Baseline Assessment on C/MAT Functionality

10 Convergence Initiative Documented



“Natanggap namin ang tulong ng DSWD at LGU (CSWDO) Butuan na mga relief goods at mga gamit pagkatapos ng aming pag-bakwit sa Marawi. Sa tulong din ng NCMF, DOLE at DTI, nakapagsimula ako ng maliit na negosyo sa paggawa at pag-bebenta ng sabon na siyang ginagamit kong pang-tustos sa apat kong anak ngayon.”

ASHIMAH AMPATUA, 48
Home-based IDP in Butuan City
From Brgy. Marinaut, Marawi City

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SOCIAL PENSION PARA SA MGA MARALITANG SENIOR CITIZEN

SAKLAW



60 taong gulang pataas



Lahat ng rehiyon kabilang ang ARMM at NIR

BATAYAN PARA MAPABILANG



Mahina, may karamdaman o may kapansanan



Walang natatanggap na pension mula sa SSS, GSIS, o iba pang tipo ng pension na maaring magmula sa gobyerno o pribadong ahensya



Walang permanenteng pinagkukunan ng kabuhatan, kompensasyon o pinansyal na tulong mula sa mga kamag-anak para suportahan ang mga batayang pangangailangan nito

MGA KINAKAILANGANG DOKUMENTO



Kopya o photocopy ng anumang valid ID (na nagpapakita ng kaarawan ng kwalipikadong benepisaryo) o birth certificate ng senior citizen sa pinakamalapit na opisina ng Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) o City/Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (C/MSWDO). Maaaring itong ipadala mismo ng senior citizen o ng kanyang kamag-anak

BENEPISYO

P500 kada buwan

ISKEDYUL SA PAGTANGGAP NG PENSYON

Minsan sa tatlong buwan - **P1,500**
(Enero, Abril, Hulyo, Oktubre)

PARAAN NG PAGHATID NG PENSYON

1. DSWD PAY-OUT
2. FUND TRANSFER TO LGU
3. DOOR-TO- DOOR DELIVERY



One of the proud moments in Tatay Ben's life is being part of the implementation of Kalahi-CIDSS. He is so proud seeing his name on the project markers in the completed community projects around their barangay.

Though he missed out on the activities in Kalahi-CIDSS, his decision paid off. He was able to have three (3) of his children graduate in college. He said it was fulfilling on his part, but he misses the life he had volunteering.

In 2015, Las Nieves was once again part of the Kalahi-CIDSS implementation, this time under the Kalahi-CIDSS National Community-Driven Development Program modality. This time, Tatay Ben was more than willing to again be a volunteer for the said program. From 2015 up until 2017, he was an active volunteer in the implementation of the construction of an Evacuation Center, Road Concreting sub-project, and the construction of a School Building in their barangay.

He was proud of being part of the implementation even as a volunteer. He said that it was fulfilling to help those in their community. It was like he was living a legacy for the next generations in Rosario, Las Nieves, Agusan del Norte.

"Proud ko nga parte ko ani nga programa. Dako nga butang nga parte ko paghimo ani nga mga proyekto labi na nga ang katawhan ang makinabang ani – dili lang karon, apan apil na ang mga umaabot nga henerasyon. Kining eskwelahan, amo pang pamilya nagdonate sa maong yuta, masnalipay kayo ko kay sa pagtukod sa dugang classroom, apil ako niini (I am proud to be part of this program. This means a lot to me, especially that the projects we completed would be benefitted by the community – not just by those who are here now, but including the next generations will be able to enjoy it. Our family donated the school lot here, but I am so elated having to be part of the volunteers who completed one of the classrooms through the program)," he said.

Kalahi-CIDSS is a unique program of the government. The utilization of CDD makes it possible for common voices of common people to be heard and for volunteers to step in and work for the needs of the community. Indeed, it has been an instrument for people and communities to find their meaning, to find fulfillment in the lives, just like Tatay Ben. #

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Tatay Ben was one of the community volunteers who made the implementation a success. They were able to come up with the project since a lot of the people in Rosario are farmers, and one of the major problems that they had was transporting their goods because of the condition of the road.

"Dakong tabang ang road opening labi na sa amo nga mga farmers. Sa una, dako kami magasto sa pag naog sa among produkto kay mahal ang pangayo sa habal-habal. Karon nga maayo na ang dalan, halos katunga nalang among gasto sa hauling kay barato na among bayad sa motor or truck (The road opening/gravelling really helped our community, especially for the farmers. Before, we used to spend a lot for the transport of our goods because the habal-habal (motorcycle for hire) rental was high because of the condition of the road. But since the road was improved, we are now paying half the price we used to pay for hauling because the road condition is better)", Tatay Ben shared.

But his volunteering days were cut short as the family needed more of his time with two (2) of his children studying in college. They needed to look for a better income-generating job or had to double-up on his farming to accommodate the needs of the family. There was no income in volunteering, but because he needed to send his children to college, he had to let go of his position as community volunteer.

"Na miss nako mag volunteer. Nakatukod napud mi ug maayo nga relasyon sa uban volunteers, ug daghan kami natun-an diha sa Kalahi-CIDSS labi na diha sa mga trainings. Apan kinahanglan ko moatiman sa akong pamilya. Anaa ko'y mga anak nga ana-a sa kolehiyo (I missed volunteering. We built a good camaraderie among us, volunteers, and we had a great time volunteering. We learned a lot, especially from the trainings we had. But I had to attend to the needs of my family, especially that two of my children were now in college)," he said.

GENERAL LUNA SURIGAO DEL NORTE FEDERATION OF SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION (GLSDNFESCA)



POBLACION 1, GENERAL LUNA, SURIGAO DEL NORTE, CARAGA REGION

Situated in the country's highly-touted surfing capital, General Luna's tourism is a fairly predictable fungus. It is a 5th class municipality with fishing and farming as two of the primary sources of livelihood apart from its booming tourism.

The 1,630 members of the federation are senior citizens from the different barangays of the municipality of General Luna who are then inactive not until the field implementer of SLP organized them and facilitated their CSO accreditation.

In an attempt to meet the needs of the senior citizens of General Luna, the field implementer of SLP in partnership with the local government unit, the GLSDNFESCA was then organized. Seeing the need of a store that offers affordable basic commodities and school supplies the group then agreed to venture on General Merchandise.



AFTER PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION:

The livelihood project is situated in the heart of the municipality nearby the municipal gym, grade school, church and the famous GL Boulevard. Majority of the items are basic necessities and school supplies.

With its perfect location, municipal government employees, locals and students are the **primary market or institutional buyers** of goods/services produced by the SLPA.

SLPA's average net income per month is **Php 25,000-Php 30,000** depending on the foot traffic or peak of tourists.

Space for the General Merchandise was provided by the local government of Surigao del Norte. To equip them with skills on Store Management and Simplified Bookkeeping, SLP fostered partnership with the Department of Trade and Industry.

Apart from the basic commodities and school supplies, the organization also offers home-made condiments like "ginamos" and production was made easier with the sealer provided by the Department of Science and Technology.

Socorro L. Buhion, Federation President, is thankful for the program's intervention that fostered their capacity to attain a more meaningful, productive and satisfying life



General Merchandise



1,630 members



SLPA were organized in 2015 and started its operations in 2016



Php 700,000 amount of total project cost



Received SCF - Seed Capital Fund

For more information you can contact:
SLPA President: Socorro L. Buhion

DSWD FIELD OFFICE CARAGA
Contact number: (085) 342-5619

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Kwento ng PagSibol

STORIES OF GROWTH



Old age is a time most of us associate with limited capacities, but not to the members of General Luna Senior Citizens association of the municipality of General Luna, Surigao del Norte, who despite their age, are still productive. With the intervention of SLP-BUB and assistance of other stakeholders, they are now active members of the community imparting their role as entrepreneurs living a meaningful and satisfying life - not just helping their family but the community as well.

How did SLP help in increasing livelihood assets?

Through the SLP-BUB, the 1,630 senior citizens have become more productive through the program's Seed Capital Fund and counterpart of the LGU.

SLP has also tapped DTI to conduct skills training on Store Management and Simplified Bookkeeping to the program participants.

The livelihood project has fulfilled the aspiration of the elderly to live a productive and satisfying life. Some were able to send their grandchildren to school and now has ready finances for their health medical maintenance/medicines. The senior citizens are doing their best to sustain the project that brought back meaning to their lives.

As what they say,
"We will work until our strength carries us on." 29



ROSARIO ASSOCIATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITY



Barangay Poblacion, Rosario Agusan del Sur, CARAGA region

Rosario is a 2nd class municipality, where the primary source of livelihood is crop production and aquaculture. The area has limited opportunities, especially to those who belong to the marginalized sectors.



Before the SLP intervention, the members of the association who all belong to the sector of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) earn only P150-200 per day from irregular labor as farmers, they have limited access to resources for livelihood productivity and security.



The established PWD group have identified a need for capital augmentation from SLP to improve their existing hollow block business operations and address the high demand for construction materials in their area and nearby municipalities. After a year of operations, a delivery truck was also provided to further enable them to have efficient business operations.



AFTER PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION:

The group's average production volume is 320 blocks per cycle and have significantly improved their delivery services to acquire more buyers. They are formally registered in DOLE, BIR, and SEC.



The group was able to engage Philsaga Mining Corporation as their institutional buyer with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). They also serve as the supplier of hollow blocks to LGUs, SLP PAMANA, and Kalahi-CIDSS projects.



The SLPA's average net income ranges from P30,000-40,000 per month. This translates to an additional income of about P2,000 per month for each member.



DTI-BUB has provided financial counterparts in the implementation of the project. The LGU showed support by providing logistical assistance and enlisting them to supply hollow blocks for LGU projects; while the partnership with PhilSaga ensures regular purchases with a minimum cost of P15,000 per order.



The group continues to save for capital build-up to improve their storage and production area. With majority of the members having skills on carpentry, they are planning to venture on furniture making as well.



Noli Oliver, SLPA President, is beyond grateful for the opportunity the program has given to them. The project served as a means to maximize their potentials despite their disability.



Hollow blocks
production



30 members



SLPA established
2015



P57,000
total project cost



Received
Seed Capital Fund &
Skills Training

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MAGNA CARTA FOR PWDs

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REHABILITATION AND SELF-RELIANCE OF PWDs AND THEIR INTEGRATION INTO THE MAINSTREAM OF SOCIETY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF PWD



HEALTH

Shall institute a national health program to attain the disability prevention, recognition and early diagnosis of disability and early rehabilitation of PWDs



ACCESSIBILITY

The State shall ensure the attainment of a barrier-free environment that will enable persons with disabilities to have access in public and private buildings and establishments



AUXILIARY SOCIAL SERVICES

Shall be provided with the necessary auxiliary services that will restore their social functioning and participation in community affairs



EDUCATION

Adequate access to quality education and ample opportunities to develop their skills



TELECOMMUNICATIONS



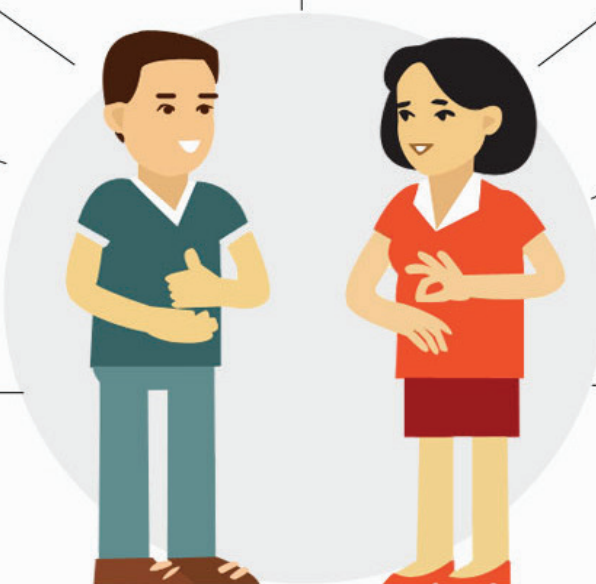
EMPLOYMENT

No PWD shall be denied access to opportunities for suitable employment



POLITICAL AND CIVIL RIGHTS

PWD shall be allowed to be assisted by a person of his choice in voting in the national or local elections



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ELDERLY FILIPINO WEEK

(First week of October)

*"Pagkilala sa Kakayahan,
Ambag at Paglahok ng mga
Nakatatanda sa Lipunan."*



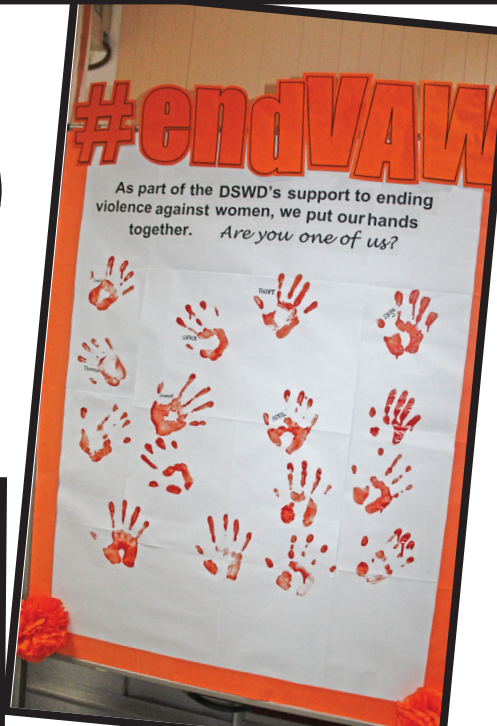


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