

DILG XII COMMENDS TRIUMPHANT 51st BATCH LGOO INDUCTEES

Eight (8) Local Government Operations Officer (LGOO) trainees from DILG XII recently became successful 51st Batch LGOO Inductees in a graduation ceremony held at the Local Government Academy (LGA) Training Center in UP Los Baños, Laguna.

A commendation ceremony was recently led by Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV with Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESE to commend the sterling performance of the newly inducted LGOOs during the 51st LGOO Training.

"I am proud to have 8 successful LGOO inductees under my watch. Much pressure is put on the next batch of trainees since the quest for excellence has been started by the current batch", said RD Bungubung.

The training was no easy feat for the inductees as they were taken out of their comfort zones in countless ways. Nevertheless, they strived for excellence and succeeded.

DILG XII boasts of two (2) inductees who made it to the top ten trainees at the national level. LGOO II Ryan J. Alair made it to rank 4 while LGOO II Relmie T. Tamson made it to rank 10.

DILG XII also takes pride in LGOO II Muhammad Farzieh B. Abutazil who was elected Governor of the 51st Batch.

The rest of the DILG XII "Magic 8" are LGOO II Mohammad Jamshid S. Mosaid, LGOO II Atilla H. Baynosa, LGOO II Genevieve V. Morales, LGOO II Cristy Jane A. Buenaflor and LGOO II Mary Eulen Y. Abdilah. They each described their experiences and expressed their gratitude to the regional management for its full support.

DILG XII SHOWCASES THE BARANGAYS OF CENTRALA, SURALLAH, SOUTH COTABATO AND DAGUMA, BAGUMBAYAN, SULTAN KUDARAT FOR THE 1st SEMESTER BARANGAY ASSEMBLY DAY CY 2018



The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) XII recently showcased the Barangays of Centrala, Surallah, South Cotabato and Daguma, Bagumbayan, Sultan Kudarat for the CY 2018 1st Semester Barangay Assembly Day.

Both assemblies were graced by DILG XII Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV. He read the message of the Secretary of the Interior and Local Government pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. 2018-31. It focused on the strategies to fight against illegal drugs particularly the Dangerous Drug Board Regulation No. 3, S. 2017.

CENTRALA

With the theme "Kapit-Kamay tungo sa Pagbabago ng Barangay! Makialam! Makilahok! Makiisa!", they discussed their barangay compliance on national laws and other related issuances such as the Dangerous Drugs Board Regulation No. 3, S. 2017 among others. RD Bungubung emphasized the DILG's voters education campaign of "Matino, Mahusay, at Maaasahang" Barangay and SK Officials for the upcoming Barangay and SK Elections.

Punong Barangay Serafin Ellaga, in his State of the Barangay Address (SOBA), reported the accomplishments of the council as well as their

financial status from October 2017 to March 2018, highlighting its good Financial Management System. Accordingly, he was proud and confident to say that he will leave the relms of Barangay Centrala with "Sound Financial Management".

DAGUMA

The assembly was participated in by around 1,500 attendees which represented 95% of its households. It was graced by Hon. Mayor Jonalette de Pedro and other DILG XII personnel of Bagumbayan, Sultan Kudarat. In her message, Mayor De Pedro encouraged everyone to attend the Barangay Assembly every March and October of each year for them to know the accomplishments of the Barangay and for them to participate in the planning and monitoring of the projects and activities being implemented by their barangay leaders.

Punong Barangay Merilo C. Cordero was greatly honoured to be chosen as one of the showcase barangays of Region XII. He thanked his constituents for their support and maintaining the peace and order of the barangay. He then enunciated the accomplishments, plans and future undertakings of the Council.

DILG XII GFPS CONDUCTS THE 1st QUARTER MEETING FOR CY 2018

The Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Point System (GFPS) of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Region XII conducted its 1st Quarter Meeting for CY2018 at Dolores Tropicana Resort, Tambler, General Santos City on April 12-13, 2018. The 2- Day activity was designed to review the GAD Plan and Budget (GPB) and to come up with a strategic implementation plan of the program.

The Attendees were the members of Executive Committee and Technical Working Group of DILG XII GFPS composed of Finance and Administrative Division (FAD) Chief, Mr. Dennis Sucol, and The Section Chiefs of FAD, Regional Legal Officer and concurrent Chief of Staff, Atty. Michelle Anne Viejo, and LGCDD OIC Chief, LGOO VI Ma. Theresa D. Bautista, together with the Program Managers and GAD Regional/ Provincial Focal persons.

The GFPS was able to establish a standard and practical solution in addressing varied issues in reviewing the GPBs of the local government units. The activity also served as a venue for the Region to evaluate and recommend program implementation strategies in order to achieve timely compliance of LGU GPBs submission and endorsement for integration of GAD PPAs of respective LGU AIPs for FY 2019.



DILG XII TURNS OVER 14.5M WORTH OF PROJECTS UNDER ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES (AM) TO STO. NIÑO, SOUTH COTABATO

The Local Government Unit of Sto. Niño Mayor Pablo M. Matinong and Vice Mayor Sulpicio F. Villalobos together with guests DILG XII Regional Director (RD) Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV, DILG-South Cotabato Provincial Director (PD) Aurora Andrea G. De Pedro and DILG-South Cotabato Outcome Manager (OM) Eleanor C. Magbanua recently led the cutting of ribbon and ceremonial turn-over of the Assistance to Municipalities (AM) 2017 Road Projects and Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) 2016 Project at the Brgy. Poblacion Public Market.

The ceremony was also graced by the Sangguniang Bayan Members, Punong Barangays and the municipal officials and employees.

Contribution to Sto. Niño's local economy of ease of doing day-to-day activities of constituents are the following turned over AM concreting of Road in front of Baptist Church to Central Elementary School amounting to P1,871,618.55; Concreting of GP Santos Road-Lapu-Lapu Junction- Elementary School amounting to P1,125,687.71; Concreting of GP Santos Road (P. Guarde Junction-Fincale Portion) amounting to P3,695,893.83; Concreting of Road infront of Brgy. Hall to Lapu-Lapu Junction (Phase 1) amounting to P2,641,182.45; Concreting of Road at Macapagal St. (Junction M. Roxas Boulevard to Barcelona Junction) amounting to P1,709,513.80; and Concreting of Road at New Public Market amounting to P3,413,103.66.

Sto. Niño was also granted P3, 000,000.00 from DILG's Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) Performace Challenge Fund (PCF) 2016 which was used in the construction of their ten (10) market stalls that was also inaugurated on the same day.

In his message, DILG XII RD Bungubung congratulated the LGU for being the 1st in Region XII in the completion of AM Projects 2017 and PCF Project 2016. He also commended the LGU officials and employees for passing the test of good governance as they have earned the coveted Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG) of the DILG for two (2) years in a row from 2015 to 2016.



REGIONAL PEACE AND ORDER COUNCIL (RPOC) XII SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTS ITS 2nd REGULAR MEETING CY 2018



The Regional Peace and Order Council (RPOC) XII successfully conducted its 1st regular meeting recently at The Farm, Carpenter Hill, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.

Governor Steve C. Solon of Sarangani presented the modest contributions of their province to the overall regional peace and order initiatives.

The meeting was presided by no less than the RPOC XII Chairperson, Governor Datu Pax Mangudadatu.

It was attended by the RPOC XII Vice Chairperson, PCSupt. Marcelo C. Morales, Head Secretariat DILG XII RD Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV, PPOC chairpersons of Sarangani and Cotabato, Governors Steve Solon and Emmylou "Lala" Taliño-Mendoza, respectively. Also in attendance were the commanders of the 10th ID and 6th ID of the Philippine Army and the twenty four (24) other regular members of the RPOC XII.

The meeting was also graced by DILG Assistant Secretary for Peace and Order, Alexander Macario, and Head Executive Assistant Josephine C. Leysa, CESO IV.

Other presentations on overall provincial peace and order initiatives were done by DILG Cotabato Provincial Director Ali B. Abdullah for the province of Cotabato; OIC PD Aurora Andrea G. De Pedro and PSSupt. Nestor A. Salcedo for the province of South Cotabato and PSSupt. James E. Gulmatico for Sultan Kudarat province.

Meanwhile, law enforcement updates and accomplishments were delivered by PSSupt. Joseph P. Semillano and the anti-terrorism and insurgency updates by the 6th ID and the 10th ID of the Philippine Army.

Acting PDEA XII Regional Director Valente G. Cariño also presented the highlights of their anti-illegal drugs program implementation.

DILG XII ACCREDITS MRRD-FEDERALISM, INC. REGION XII CHAPTER AS ADVOCACY PARTNER ON FEDERALISM CAMPAIGN; FORGES MOA



DILG XII recently issued a Certificate of Accreditation (COA) to Movers for Rurban Rehabilitation and Development towards Federalism (MRRD-Federalism, Inc.) Region XII Chapter as an advocacy partner in its Transition to Federalism Project after successfully complying with the all the requirements provided in the DILG Circular No. 2017-21 dated 13 September 2017.

The Certificate of Accreditation was presented by DILG XII Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV to Mr. Billy B. Baitus and Mr. Rogelio S. Mangubat, President and Chairman of MRRD-Federalism, Inc. - Region XII Chapter at the DILG Regional Office XII.

On a separate activity, DILG XII and MRRD-Federalism, Inc. recently forged their partnership in a ceremonial MOA signing during the Regional Orientation on Federalism Cum Consultation with CSOs/POs/NGOs at Koronadal City held at Viajera Dine and Café.

In her welcome message, DILG XII Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESE, recognized the indispensable role of CSOs/POs/

NGOs in the information advocacy campaign on federalism, especially in reaching the grassroots levels. ARD Ortiz asked for the support as advocacy partners of the CSOs and encouraged other ally CSOs to file for accreditation to be recognized by the DILG.

Atty. Rochelle D. Mahinay-Sero, a member of Regional Federalism Speaker's Bureau and the Provincial Director of DILG Sarangani presented the Emerging Models of Federalism in vernacular and keenly answered the questions raised by the participants.

The revised guidelines on the implementation of federalism-related information advocacy campaign activities per DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2018-79 were also presented by DILG XII LGCDD Assistant Division Chief, Jermie A. Erie-Yeager.

The whole day activity was participated in by Hukbong Federal Movement of the Philippines, Inc. and Coalition of Social Development. Organization.

DILG XII CONDUCTS COORDINATION ACTIVITY WITH LOCAL ROAD MANAGEMENT TEAMS

The DILG XII Project Development Management Unit (PDMU) recently conducted a coordination meeting with the CMGP Local Road Management Team from all four (4) provinces in the Region.

The activity apprised the provinces on the updates and deliverables in the implementation of the CMGP Program, and increased the participants' awareness and understanding of the processes and guidelines of the CMGP Program.

The meeting was attended by Provincial Administrators, Provincial Planning and Development Coordinators, provincial engineers, provincial budget officer, provincial environment and natural resources officers, provincial treasurers, provincial accountants, provincial human resource management officers, provincial social welfare and development officers, provincial assessors, provincial general services officers, Sangguniang Panlalawigan Representatives and Civil Society Organization Representatives.

Gov. Daisy Avance-Fuentes of South Cotabato and Gov. Pax Mangudadatu of Sultan Kudarat also graced the said activity and committed to complete the project as scheduled and to comply all the required documents on time to improve the performance of their respective provinces. It being one of the criteria for the CY 2019 CMGP Program implementation.



DILG XII SUPPORTS 2018 SIMEX AND COMPETENCY TEST



DILG XII showed its continuing support to the annual activity of the Office of Civil Defense XII, 2018 SimEx and Competency Test: Simulation Exercise for Emergency Response to Flooding and Landslide Incidents at the 1002nd Infantry Brigade, Barangay Batomelong, General Santos City.

DILG XII Regional Director Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV, recognized the dedication and invaluable help of the search and rescue teams in giving timely response to any untoward incidents and disasters in

their respective LGUs. Further, he challenged the twenty five (25) participating teams to compete with all their might and consider the inputs of the facilitators for their improvement in responding to disasters.

The four-day activity was an initiative of the Office of Civil Defense XII, in partnership with volunteer organizations such as the Philippine Red Cross and other NGAs such as the Department of Health, Philippine Army, and the Bureau of Fire Protection to assess the competencies of the trained search and rescue teams.

REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY MONITORING TASK FORCE (RIMTF) CONDUCTS M&E ON THE FUNCTIONALITY OF P/HUC/ICC's LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (LCPC) IN REGION XII



The Regional Inter-Agency Monitoring Task Force (RIMTF) recently conducted a monitoring and evaluation of the functionality of P/HUC/ICC's Local Council for the Protection of Children in Region XII for the LGUs of Cotabato Province, Cotabato City, Sarangani, Sultan Kudarat, South Cotabato, and General Santos City.

The team was composed of representatives from the different offices, namely: AA II Aslamia A. Kumpo and AA IV Joanne A. Castre from DILG XII; SWO I Shierra I. Usop and SWO III Sahabudin M. Kuli from DSWD XII; Dr. Marilou Barbara T. Libatique from DOH XII; Sr. EDS Apollo Y. Manlawe from NEDA XII; Legal Asst. II Marjolyn B. Dasilao-Ballais from DEPED XII, NO II Leah Fe Utlang from NNC XII, IO III Aida C. Agad from PIA XII; and CM Nelson A. Oquias from Save the Children.

A post-evaluation meeting was also conducted where the team finalized the results of the visits and deliberated some issues encountered during the activity. The most functional LCPCs (P/C) shall be given a Plaque of Recognition during the culmination of the Children's Month Celebration on November 2018.

The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) is an institutional mechanism in the Local Government Units (LGUs) harnessed to be an efficient and effective advocate of child rights and implementer of all children programs. The DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2011-121 encouraged all LGUs to organize/reorganize their respective LCPCs pursuant to Republic Act Nos. 4881 and 8980 and Presidential Decree No. 603, as amended, with the responsibility in planning and spearheading programs for children at all levels.

DILG XII PARTICIPATES IN THE LAUNCHING OF THE "BALAY SILANGAN" REFORMATION PROGRAM IN MALUNGON, SARANGANI PROVINCE



The Balay Silangan Reformation Program is an instrument for the reformation of drug personalities who avail of plea bargaining. The program serves as an alternative intervention for drug personalities who are not eligible to be admitted in Treatment and Rehabilitation facilities supervised by the Department of Health (DOH).

The said program is spearheaded by the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) with the LGUs, DILG, DSWD, TESDA, DTI, PNP, AFP as partners/members. It will be an LGU-led program designed to provide family-based in-house reformation for drug offenders based on the concept of "BAHAY- PAGBABAGO", a Reformation Center.

The "Balay Silangan" Reformation Center was recently launched in the Municipality of Malungon. It is the first "Balay Silangan" launched by the PDEA, in coordination with the LGU-Malungon, for the entire Mindanao. The successful launching of the Balay Silangan in Malungon is attributory to the support and commitment of the local governments under the leadership of Honorable Mayor, Atty. Maria Theresa D. Constantino and the unwavering support provided by Sarangani Governor, Hon. Steve C. Solon.

The activity was graced by PDEA Director General Aaron N. Aquino and RPOC XII Chairperson, Governor Datu Pax Mangudadatu of Sultan Kudarat. It was participated by the top officials of the member agencies namely DILG XII RD Reynaldo M. Bungubung, CESO IV, PNP-PRO XII RD, PCSUPT. Marcelo Morales, PDEA XII Acting RD Valente G. Cariño, Executive Judge Oscar Noel Jr., of the Justice on Wheels, Gen. Roberto T. Ancan of Philippine Army and other officials from the AFP, agents of the PDEA XII, PNP Provincial Directors in Region XII, employees and officials of the municipal government of Malungon and provincial government of Sarangani. Also in attendance were the 1,303 incoming drug surrenderers.

In her opening message, Mayor Constantino stressed that the municipal government of Malungon, is committed to eradicate illegal drugs in the municipality. Coupled with the commitment and concerted efforts of the barangay officials, municipal officials and partner NGAs to combat/deter illegal drugs in the municipality, Malungon has been declared as a drug-cleared municipality.

RPOC XII Chairperson Governor Mangudadatu also emphasized the level of commitment that should be extended by the leaders who are running the country. He said leaders should always serve as models and inspiration to the younger generations. He encouraged the drug surrenderees to exercise true reform and develop as an active partner of the Government in serving the community.

PDEA Director General Aquino also shared his experiences in combating drugs during his stint as Regional Director of the PNP-PRO 3. He stressed that the value of the drug users and addicts is worth Php 25.00 and he and his agents did not yield on the challenges of drug abuse especially during drug operations. He said that one of his legacies is the conceptualization of the Bahay Pagbabago, as this is now adopted in the new Balay Silangan Program. Now, as chief of the PDEA, he assures that PDEA will not stop in their war against illegal drugs and the agency will continue its efforts to cleanse the barangays until it will be safe and peaceful with the help of the DILG, PNP, AFP and other partners especially the communities.

MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY SEWERAGE SANITATION SECTOR PLAN PREPARATION FOLLOW THROUGH ACTIVITY



DILG XII-PDMU recently conducted a Municipal Water Supply Sewerage Sanitation Sector Plan Preparation Follow through Activity in General Santos City.

The said activity enabled the participants to formulate and prepare a complete long term municipal development plan for water supply, sewerage and sanitation covering a period of five years, strengthen the operational framework and institutional capabilities for community development and gender responsiveness and enhance the skills on data collection and processing.

The seminar-workshop was attended by the municipal planning and development coordinators, municipal engineers, sanitary inspector and data encoders of the municipalities of Pigcawayan, Arakan, Midsayap and Tulunan, Cotabato Province; Senator Ninoy Aquino, Esperanza and

Isulan, Sultan Kudarat Province; and Banga, South Cotabato.

The resource persons were Region 12 WATSAN Hub members, namely; Mr. Carlito Uy, Ms. Mary Luzviminda R. Tagle-Herezo, Alicia L. Manondog Ph. D., Engr. Ruben Pelones, and Ramon Christopher Manero.

At the end of the activity, the participants submitted their respective development plan drafts and action plans as outputs, including their commitments for the timely submission of the approved MW4SP on August 2018.

The MW4SP is necessary for LGUs as they invest and access funds to implement water and sanitation projects; it being one of the requirements by funding agencies.

DILG XII PARTNERS WITH PIA XII TO CONDUCT ITS FEDE-SERYE EPISODES



The DILG XII, in partnership with the Philippine Information Agency (PIA) XII recently hosted the first and second round of the Kapehan sa DILG XII (Fede-Serye Awareness Series) in Koronadal City.

During the first Fede-Serye episode, DILG XII Assistant Regional Director Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESE and Legal Officer Atty. Michelle Ann P. Viejo served as the resource persons on the transition to federalism form of government.

Atty. Rochelle D. Mahinay-Sero, a member of Regional Federalism Speakers' Bureau and the DILG Provincial Director of Sarangani Province served as the resource person for the second episiode of

the Fede-Serye. She discussed the emerging models of federalism as well as the important factors why there is a need of federalism in the Philippines.

Both activities were done before the media and regional information officers of the various regional line agencies. During the open forum, the participants expressed their support to the DILG XII on its federalism advocacy campaign initiatives and future activities.

These activities were simultaneously broadcasted on Facebook Live and were aired on different local media channels.

DILG XII PROMOTES MATINO, MAHUSAY AT MAAASAHANG KANDIDATO CAMPAIGN FOR BSKE 2018



The DILG XII Information Unit recently conducted a press conference as a promotional activity on the Department's Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election 2018 Campaign on encouraging voters to choose Matino, Mahusay at Maaasahang Kandidato in their barangays.

During the press conference, DILG XII Assistant Regional Director and regional spokesperson, Lailyn A. Ortiz, CESE spoke before the media and the information officers of the regional line agencies to emphasize the need to choose candidates who possess the *matino*, *mahusay* and *maasahan* standards set by the Department's checklist.

On a separate activity a few days before the BSKE, she also served as a guest at a local morning show called *Magandang Umaga South Central Mindanao* (MUS). She encouraged the audience to exercise their power to choose the best leaders to serve their respective barangays. She reiterated the need to vote for *matino, mahusay at maaasahang* mga kandidato in order to have better leaders at the barangay level.

An audio-visual presentation developed by the DILG Central Office was also shown during the TV guesting to further appeal to the voters to not only exercise their right of suffrage but also to be mindful about choosing the best barangay leaders possible.

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