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NATIONAL NUTRITION AWARDING CEREMONY

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The President of the Republic of the Philippines



President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr.

Message from the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines

Assalamualaikum.

My warmest greetings to the National Nutrition Council as you hold the 2022 National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony.

This gathering serves as a source of inspiration, encouragement, and catalyst for a more informed and unified leadership of the local government units and local nutrition focal points to support the National Government in building a healthy and developed nation.

It is with great satisfaction that today we honor the outstanding contributions of our local authorities in the nationwide implementation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) to accelerate the downward curve of the malnutrition rate facing our vulnerable communities.

I am optimistic that the programs and performance of our awardees will inspire other local government units to strengthen their local nutrition programs.

Congratulations to all the awardees and thank you for your selfless acts of public service. May you continue to advocate exemplary practices that demonstrate commitment, teamwork, and care for every Filipino.

Let us work together to achieve nutrition objectives enshrined in our national agenda to build a stronger, productive, and more resilient Filipino workforce.

Lahat- para sa Diyos, sa Bayan at sa pamilyang Pilipino. Shukran.


Vice President Sara Z. Duterte



Message from the Senate of the Republic of the Philippines

Greetings and congratulations to the National Nutrition Council (NNC) and all of our awardees for the National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony!

No country can call itself progressive and developed so long as there are citizens who remain undernourished and underfed. This is why I salute the NNC for its tireless efforts to lead and coordinate government and private actors alike toward providing proper nourishment for all of our people.

I also wish to heartily thank and congratulate our outstanding local government units and nutrition focal points for your successful implementation of nutrition programs and initiatives in your areas of service. May your success serve as a template for other units to emulate, so we can all raise the standards of nutrition provision across the country.

Bilang Trabahador niyo sa Senado, you can trust that I remain your steadfast partner in our continued work of feeding every Filipino well.

Mabuhay kayong lahat!


Juan Miguel F. Zubiri
Senate President



Message from the House of Representatives

Blessed greetings to all officials and employees of the National Nutrition Council under the Department of Health!

Allow me to be one of the first persons to congratulate you all, in advance, for the success of your National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony, where your agency recognizes outstanding local government units and local nutrition focal points for their own nutrition program.

This event is very important for local governance because recognition of something that is successful encourages everyone – not just the winners – to do better the next year. Of course, every experience is unique and diverse as there are many local government units in our country. So, picking the winners using a determined set of parameters is indeed difficult for the council.

Whoever are declared the winners for this year, my early congratulations to all of you. May you continue to be an inspiration to all local government units to improve their respective nutrition program.

Again, I thank the Council for inviting me to be a part of this event. Mabuhay po kayong lahat!

FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ
Speaker
House of Representatives



Message from the Department of Health

The awardees of the 2022 National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony!

As the Department pushes for healthier communities for families, I would also like to recognize the purposeful commitment of the country's local government units (LGUs) and local nutrition focal points – nutrition action officers, district and city nutrition program coordinators, and Barangay Nutrition Scholars for their excellent initiatives to improve the nutrition situation in their localities as their significant contribution to the goals and targets of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition.

Over the years, the National Nutrition Council has conferred Nutrition Honor Awards, Consistent Regional Outstanding Winners in Nutrition (CROWN) Awards and hundreds of Green Banners to performing LGUs. These trophies and Green Banners, as modest as they may seem, find their way in the local government unit's roster of awards affirming their hard work and the good that it has done to their people. In many ways, these awards have been a source of both pride and inspiration to continue their tradition of excellence in public service and their commitment to nutrition.

The DOH, in its commitment to oversee the overall well being of every Filipino, also banners its newly-adopted "Sulong Kalusugan" Health Sector Strategy (HSS) for 2023 to 2028. Through this initiative, we are now able to provide Filipinos with healthier settings in communities, workplaces, and schools – anchored on promoting health literacy to allow individuals to make healthy and informed decisions in life.

The recognition and accolades may be simple tokens of appreciation, but they symbolize the leadership, investments, and collective action accorded to nutrition by the local chief executive, the members of the local nutrition committees and partners along with their exemplary nutrition staff, focal points and Barangay Nutrition Scholars.

Allow me to also congratulate Assistant Secretary and Executive Director Dr. Azucena Dayanghirang and the National Nutrition Council for exerting all efforts to bring out the nutrition champion in every LGU, every nutrition action officer, every local nutrition program coordinator and every Barangay Nutrition Scholar. Let us continue the compassionate work towards changing the country's landscape to a Healthier Pilipinas for every Juan and Juana.

Maraming salamat, para sa Healthy Pilipinas!

MARIA ROSARIO S. VERGEIRE, MD, MPH, CESO II
OIC Secretary and Concurrent Undersecretary



Message from the

DOST – Food and Nutrition Research Institute

The 2022 National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony (NNAC) presents the much-coveted Nutrition Honor Award and CROWN Maintenance Award for outstanding LGUs, the Outstanding City Nutrition Action Officer, Outstanding District and City Nutrition Program Coordinators, and Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Scholar Nutrition, for our champions in nutrition.

The DOST-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI) congratulates the NNC, for conferring these awards for more than four decades from its start in 1978. With the challenges brought by the unprecedented pandemic, the DOST-FNRI commends the NNC for continuing its commitment to ensure improved access to quality nutrition and related interventions through formulation and coordination of policies and programs with excellence, integrity and transparency.

As your partner in nutrition, the DOST-FNRI has been part of the Monitoring and Evaluation of Local Level Plan Implementation Protocol (MELLPI Pro), and we have witnessed how the LGUs and nutrition workers have improved through the years in their delivery of nutrition programs and services. The DOST-FNRI will continue to collaborate in research and development (R&D) and Science and Technology (S&T) activities in food, nutrition and health to contribute in assisting the LGUs in achieving the PPAN and SDG targets on ending malnutrition and achieving zero hunger.

Once again, my warm congratulations to the Local Government Units and the Local Nutrition Focal Points winners of the 2022 NNAC. May these awards and recognitions further your enthusiasm and bestow inspiration to other LGUs to improve their nutrition programs and invest in human capital development through nutrition.

To all, Mabuhay!

IMELDA ANGELES-AGDEPPA, Ph.D.
Director IV and Scientist IV
Chair, NNC Technical Committee



Message from the National Nutrition Council

It is with pride and pleasure that I extend my sincere appreciation and warmest welcome to all of you, our nutrition champions, partners, and fellow advocates, to the 2022 National Nutrition Awarding Ceremony.

I would like to honor and congratulate all local government units and nutrition focal point awardees for implementing exemplary nutrition services effectively and consistently. Your achievements convey the essence of effective nutrition governance. May you continue to inspire more local government units and dedicated individuals to implement their nutrition programs with excellence and with results.

I would also like to commend the provincial, city, municipal, regional, and national inter-agency Nutrition Evaluation Teams and for their hard work and valuable efforts to identify local government units and local nutrition focal points who have excelled in their duties as nutrition workers and managers.

For this awarding ceremony, NNC will continue to encourage everyone to work relentlessly to implement and ensure the alignment and coherence in the overall goals, strategies and targets of your local level plans with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2023-2028. The new PPAN 2023-2028 will aim to improve the nutritional status of all Filipinos, activate disrupted service delivery systems for critical nutrition interventions, and raise awareness in order to forge partnerships between and among various stakeholder groups for various nutrition outcomes. The responsibility for an effective, efficient, and harmoniously implemented local nutrition action plans is always shared by the national, regional, and local nutrition offices, the inter-agency committees that work with you in parallel, as well as partners from other organizations.

Filipinos have a role to play in improving the country's nutrition situation. Now more than ever, as we move forward to the post-pandemic recovery years, we need to have more concerted and coordinated efforts to improve the quality of nutrition program management.

While these awards serve as a symbol of your outstanding success, know that what holds greater value is the impact that you will leave in the lives of the people you have served. Your successes prove that we are well on our way to a better, well-nourished country that is free of malnutrition.

Maraming salamat at mabuhay kayong lahat!



AZUCENA M. DAYANGHIRANG, MD, MCH, CESO III
Assistant Secretary and Executive Director IV



Program of Activities

20 March 2023 | 1:00 – 5:00 PM | The Manila Hotel

10:00 AM Registration
11:00 AM Lunch
1:00 PM Entrance of Dignitaries
onwards Entrance of Colors
Ecumenical Prayer

National Anthem
NNC Hymn
Welcome Remarks

Conferment of Awards:

2021 National Outstanding City
Nutrition Program Coordinator

Philippine Marine Security and Escort Group
Rev. Father Carlos Reyes
Rev. Irma Balaba
Ustadz Mohammad Khalid Ismael

Ms. Donna Gift Ricafrente
Azucena M. Dayanghirang, MD, MCH, CESO III
Assistant Secretary and Executive Director IV
National Nutrition Council

Ms. Pinky P. Adesas-Casamayor
Bayugan City, Agusan del Sur

To be conferred by:
Secretary Alfredo Pascual (TBC)
Member, NNC Governing Board
Department of Trade and Industry

Mr. Romeo C. Dongeto
Executive Director
Member, NNC Governing Board
Philippine Legislator's Committee on Population and Development

Ms. Rita D. Papey, MSW
Deputy Executive Director, NNC

Ms. Cheryl A. Millano
Chief, Financial Management Division

2021 National Outstanding
District Nutrition Program
Coordinator

Ms. Luningning P. Rhodes
Quirino Province

To be conferred by:
Undersecretary Eduardo M. Punay
Undersecretary for Special Projects
Department of Social Welfare and Development

Secretary Bienvenido E. Laguesma (TBC)
Member, NNC Governing Board
Department of Labor and Employment

A/Sec and ED Azucena M. Dayanghirang

Jasmine Anne DF. Tandingan
Nutrition Officer III and President
National Nutrition Council Employees' Association

Mr. Jenio Josef M. Figuracion
Vigan City

To be conferred by:
Undersecretary Cristina B. Clasara
Undersecretary of Budget Preparation and Execution Group
Department of Budget and Management

Dr. Imelda Angeles-Agdeppa
Director IV and Scientist IV
Chair, NNC Technical Committee
Food and Nutrition Research Institute
Department of Science and Technology

DED Rita D. Papey

Mr. Axell M. Alterado
Nutrition Officer V and Chief, Nutrition Policy and Planning Division, NNC

2021 National
Outstanding City
Nutrition Action Officer

Conferment of Awards:

2021 National Outstanding
Provincial Nutrition Action
Officer

Dr. Maria Socorro C. Quiñon

Iloilo Province

To be conferred by:

Atty. Karlo Alexei B. Nograles

Chairperson, Civil Service Commission

A/Sec and ED Azucena M. Dayanghirang

Ms. Chona M. Fernandez

Chief, Administrative Division, NNC

2021 National Outstanding
Barangay Nutrition
Scholar

Ms. Mary Joy J. Gadian

Barangay San Agustin, Tagum City, Davao del Norte

To be conferred by:

Maria Rosario S. Vergeire, MD, MPH, CESO II

*OIC Secretary and Concurrent Undersecretary
Chair, NNC Governing Board
Department of Health (DOH)*

Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr. (TBC)

*Member, NNC Governing Board
Department of Science and Technology*

A/Sec and ED Azucena M. Dayanghirang

Ms. Ellen Ruth F. Abella

*Nutrition Officer IV and OIC, Nutrition Surveillance
Division, NNC*

Inspirational Message

Maria Rosario S. Vergeire, MD, MPH, CESO II

*OIC Secretary and Concurrent Undersecretary
Chair, NNC Governing Board
Department of Health (DOH)*

Intermission Number

Mr. Marlo Mortel

2nd Year CROWN
Maintenance Award

Nutrition Honor Award

Intermission

Introduction of Keynote
Speaker

Keynote Address

Photo Opportunity

City of Cagayan de Oro

To be conferred by:

Undersecretary Atty. Lord A. Villanueva

*Undersecretary for Operations
Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)*

Undersecretary Mercedita A. Sombilla

*Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and Regulations
Department of Agriculture (DA)*

DED Rita D. Papey

Municipality of Tublay, Benguet

Municipality of Talavera, Nueva Ecija

City of Vigan

City of Mabalacat

City of Biñan

Province of Misamis Occidental

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The MELLPI Protocol

The Monitoring and Evaluation of Local Level Plan Implementation Protocol (MELLPI Pro) is the monitoring and evaluation mechanism for the implementation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) at the local level. The activities and outputs in the MELLPI Pro are the local translation of the identified priority policies, services and trainings expressed in the PPAN Results Framework.

- a) efficiency and effectiveness of nutrition program implementation based on program outreach, budget allocation, and expenditure;
- b) changes in nutritional status of preschool and school children;
- c) the extent to which nutrition is integrated into local development plans and programs; and
- d) advocacy for the continuing support for local nutrition programs.

The updating of the MELLPI tool started in 2015 based on various developments on its indicators over the years. In 2019, the updated tool was used alongside with the old tool in evaluating selected LGU contenders of the national awards. 2021 was the first year of the full implementation of the MELLPI Protocol or MELLPI Pro but because of the COVID-19 pandemic, validation visits were conducted online. With the easing of restrictions this 2022, all LGUs vying for the national awards have been visited face-to-face by the National Evaluation Team.



The MELLPI Pro is summarized into four P's:

Protocol. It uses a standard set of procedures and tools for monitoring performance.

Promotive. It uses a standard set of procedures and tools for monitoring performance.

Progressive. It promotes awareness and observance of existing laws, rules, and guidelines on nutrition. Its scores are determined based on the progress of nutrition program implementation.

More Professional. It promotes a more objective review of evidence based on the parameters set in each rating.



The improved monitoring and evaluation system have integrated the following:

- a) shift from program outreach to quality;
- b) inclusion of the nutritional status of pregnant women;
- c) measure the contribution of the LGUs to the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) targets and outcomes;
- d) assess the performance of not only Barangay Nutrition Scholars but also of the local nutrition workers. The results of the MELLPI Pro aim to guide local chief executives, and policy and decision makers in the local level in enhancing delivery of nutrition products, services, and systems for better effectiveness, efficiency, and sustainability of programs.

A municipality, city, or province ranked outstanding in the region is conferred with a Green Banner Seal of Compliance in the initial year of the evaluation. If adjudged as the outstanding implementer of nutrition program in the region for three (3) consecutive years, the municipality, city, or province is nominated by the Regional Nutrition Evaluation Team (RNET) to receive the Consistent Regional Outstanding Winner in Nutrition (CROWN) award. The outstanding municipality in the region should come from among the first ranking municipalities in the provinces of that corresponding region.

The CROWN municipality, city or province will then be evaluated by the interagency National Nutrition Evaluation Team (NET) for a period of three (3) consecutive years. Should the local government unit meet the standards set by the National Nutrition Council for the first- and second-year CROWN maintenance award, this LGU will be conferred with the “Nutrition Honor Award” (NHA), the highest recognition award of NNC on the third year. An LGU which fails to qualify for the maintenance award will again vie for outstanding province, city, or municipality in the region.



The MELLPI Pro for Local Nutrition Focal Points (LNFPs) includes Nutrition Action Officers (NAOs), District/ City/ Municipal Nutrition Program Coordinators (D/C/MNPCs) and Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNSs) with at least two years of service. The interagency evaluation team assesses the performance of frontline nutrition staff in carrying out their core functions which revolve around coordination, planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, advocacy and promotion, capacity development, documentation, report-writing, and record keeping, among others, in line with delivering nutrition services in the locality. The same with the MELLPI Pro for LGUs, LNFPs are evaluated by an interagency nutrition evaluation team at the regional and local levels. Only the top 50%+1 of the regional outstanding local nutrition focal points evaluated by the RNET were visited by the National NET.

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

LOCAL NUTRITION FOCAL POINTS (LNFP) AWARD

The Local Nutrition Focal Points with overall score of at least 92% and ranked highest among the contenders will be conferred with the National Outstanding LNFP in the following categories, with the corresponding cash award:

- Provincial Nutrition Action Officer (PhP70,000.00)
- City/Municipal Nutrition Action Officer (PhP60,000.00)
- District Nutrition Program Coordinator (PhP50,000.00)
- City/Municipal Nutrition Program Coordinator (PhP40,000.00)

Started in 2021, 2022 is the second year where the local nutrition focal points are recognized for their hard work and dedication in coordinating and managing nutrition programs and improving the nutrition situation in their respective areas of assignment.

The Medal

National outstanding LNFP will also receive a medal, to commemorate and recognize his/her outstanding work. The laurel on the medal serves as an emblem of triumph, as the best LNFPs in the country are awarded after undergoing rigorous processes of desk review and interviews. The NNC logo, which is composed of spoons representing the different sectors and partners on nutrition, provides emphasis that the LNFPs are one of the "spoons" that help in the achievement of nutrition outcomes in the country.



2021 LOCAL NUTRITION FOCAL POINTS

CONTENDERS

City/ Municipal Nutrition Program Coordinators

Ms. Mylene Amano	Vigan City (Region I)
Mr. Rick Jason Del Rosario	Malolos City (Region III)
Ms. Maria Ana Ordenes	Muntinlupa City (NCR)
Ms. Marietta Dogelio	Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)
Ms. Judylyza Cepe	Sipalay City (Region VI)
Ms. Michelle Marie Siega	Maasin City (Region VIII)
Ms. Mechelle Beberino	Polanco, Zamboanga del Norte (Region IX)
Ms. Julie Ann Brigoli	Valencia City (Region X)
Dr. Susan Guantangco	Tagum City (Region XI)
Ms. Pinky Adesas-Casamayor	Bayugan City (Caraga)

District Nutrition Program Coordinators

Ms. Analiza Miranda	Pangasinan (Region I)
Ms. Luningning Rhodes	Quirino (Region II)
Ms. Maria Corazon Bernardo	Tarlac (Region III)
Ms. Joan Zeta-Decena	Quezon (CALABARZON)
Ms. Mayflor Espiritu	Davao del Norte (Region XI)

2021 LOCAL NUTRITION FOCAL POINTS

CONTENDERS

City/ Municipal Nutrition Action Officers

Mr. Jeno Josef Figuracion
Mr. Jimmy Taguilingon
Engr. Emilma Pello
Dr. Pecos RI Camarines
Dr. Ma. Teresa Arollado
Mr. Edward Lora
Mr. Joel Andoy
Mr. Reyveen John Geli

Vigan City (Region I)
Asipulo, Ifugao (CAR)
Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)
Mandaluyong City (NCR)
Masbate City (Region V)
Hilongos, Leyte (Region VIII)
Asuncion, Davao del Norte (Region XI)
Tandag City (Caraga)

Provincial Nutrition Action Officers

Dr. Mila Villar
Dr. Maria Socorro Quiñon
Ms. Cynthia Palileo
Dr. Alfredo Lacerona

Quirino (Region II)
Iloilo (Region VI)
Samar (Region VIII)
Davao del Norte (Region XI)

2021 LOCAL NUTRITION FOCAL POINTS

AWARDEES



National Outstanding City Nutrition Program Coordinator
MS. PINKY P. ADESAS-CASAMAYOR
Bayugan City, Caraga



National Outstanding District Nutrition Program Coordinator
MS. LUNINGNING P. RHODES
Quirino Province, Region II



National Outstanding City Nutrition Action Officer
MR. JENO JOSEF M. FIGURACION
Vigan City, Region I



National Outstanding Provincial Nutrition Action Officer
DR. MARIA SOCORRO C. QUIÑON
Iloilo Province, Region VI

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING CITY NUTRITION PROGRAM COORDINATOR PINKY P. ADESAS-CASAMAYOR



Bayugan City CNPC's advocacy work and strong management of BNCs outshine other CMNPCs for 2021.

Hailing from the Cut Flower Capital of Agusan del Sur, Ms. Pinky Adesas-Casamayor of Bayugan City emerged as the top contender for the Search for the 2021 National Outstanding City Nutrition Program Coordinator (CNPC). Ms. Pinky entered the Bayugan City Nutrition Office as a volunteer CNPC, back in 2015 where she became a casual employee after a year, and then a permanent employee by 2020. More than being a CNPC, she also worked as a responder during the Marawi Siege in 2017 where she provided mental health and psychosocial support to the victims. She serves as a COVID-19 help desk responder of the local government unit (LGU).

Harnessing all of life's challenges that CNPC Casamayor went through, she believes that proper nutrition requires a holistic approach, including mental health. It is the CNPC's pride that more than the provision of technical assistance to the Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS), she was also able to conduct mental health and psychosocial support to them. One key program of Bayugan City that supports nutrition is the Bayugan on Wheels where respective offices of the LGU provide services such as medical consultation, medicines, dental services, circumcision, dietary supplementation, health and nutrition advocacy, as well as distribution of food packs to 43 barangays.

Supported by Mayor Kirk A. Asis, who recognizes the importance of nutrition, CNPC Casamayor was able to assist in the monitoring of the implementation of Executive Order No. 51 or the Milk Code of the Philippines and in conducting advocacy meetings with private facilities for the establishment of lactation stations. Additionally, health and nutrition advocacies were also done through the *Bayuganon* Nutrition Talk with Choice FM Radio where CNPC discussed topics on Pinggang Pinoy, Infant and Young Child Feeding, breastfeeding guide amidst COVID-19, proper nutrition during COVID-19, Republic Act No. 11148 or the *Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act* and Food Fortification Law, among others. The utilization of the radio channel as a platform to promote nutrition helped reach those in remote areas.

More than advocacy activities, CNPC Casamayor provided constant technical assistance to all Barangay Nutrition Committees (BNC) in their formulation of local nutrition action plans, and through the conduct of training for all the BNS. In addition, she also conducted rigorous monitoring of the BNSs through regular meetings, feedbacks, and review of reports. Furthermore, the CNPC also conducted evaluation of BNCs, including BNS performance. To cap it off, one BNS from Brgy. *Maygatasan*, attained the minimum requirements to be able to compete in the search for the 2021 Regional Outstanding BNS of Caraga.



The CNPC's tireless work in Bayugan City resulted in the reduction of malnutrition among children 0-59 months old as reflected in their 2021 and 2022 Operation Timbang (OPT) Plus results. The prevalence of stunted and severely stunted has also decreased from 7.1% in 2021 to 6.9% in 2022. Meanwhile, the prevalence of wasted and severely wasted has declined from 1.9% in 2021 to 1.5% in 2022. On the other hand, the prevalence of overweight and obese was also seen to drop from 1.6% in 2021 to 1.4% in 2022.

Leveraging all the lessons she learned in life and in work, Ms. Pinky Adesas-Casamayor was able to efficiently assist in the management of nutrition programs of Bayugan City, making her worthy of being the 2021 National Outstanding City Nutrition Program Coordinator.

(Christine Jane B. Almira, NNC)

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING DISTRICT NUTRITION PROGRAM COORDINATOR LUNINGNING P. RHODES



Decades of experience in nutrition program management proves advantageous as Luningning Rhodes of Quirino Province wins the 2021 National Outstanding DNPC award

After more than two decades' worth of perseverance, dedication, and passion, Luningning P. Rhodes bags the 2021 National Outstanding District Nutrition Program Coordinator (DNPC) Award. Ms. Rhodes started as Nutrition Officer I of Quirino Province in 1994 and gradually rose through the ranks as Nutrition Officer IV and DNPC in 2016. As a proud mother to her only son, DNPC Luningning used that strength to serve as Gender and Development (GAD) focal person of Quirino since 2015. Seeing the interconnectedness of GAD and nutrition, the DNPC is able to maximize the mandated resources for GAD to also complement the nutrition programs of the prime agro-industrial and eco-tourism destination in Northern Luzon.

DNPC Rhodes saw the value of having a strong nutrition workforce as key to effective nutrition program management. She persistently advocated for the creation of nutrition offices in the municipalities of Quirino, including additional positions for nutrition officers and nutritionist-dietitians. More than the quantity, DNPC Rhodes also gave emphasis on the importance of capacitating the nutrition workforce in terms of technical knowledge, guidance, and financial compensation.

In 2021, DNPC Rhodes assisted in the conduct of several capacity building activities for Barangay Nutrition Committees (BNC) from all of the six municipalities of Quirino such as basic training course for Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS), orientation on Nutrition in Emergencies-Information Management (NiE-IM) and Data Banking for BNSs. DNPC Rhodes also assisted in the provision of technical assistance to all Municipal Nutrition Committees (MNC) of the province in the creation of their respective Municipal Nutrition Action Plans (MNAP), ensuring and monitoring that funds are appropriated thereof. Additionally, the passionate DNPC also monitored the honorarium, incentives, and support received by all the BNS of Quirino where she even advocated for the increase of said incentives.

Beyond the management of nutrition focal points, DNPC Rhodes also did not fail in her nutrition advocacy and capacity building work. In 2021, she conducted a training on Infant and Young Child Feeding Program. She also hosted several radio programs airing nutrition messages. Underpinning all her accomplishments is her understanding of nutrition program management, including the importance of strong coordination among agencies and local chief executives, which she learned through her years of experience.



One of the major accomplishments of DNPC Rhodes, along with her advocacies, is being the main coordinator of the “I love Quirino” CARAVAN project which aims to bring the LGU’s basic services closer to constituents’ doorsteps. Through this project, the well-experienced DNPC was able to visit almost all barangays where DNPC and the rest of the Provincial Nutrition Committee delivered nutrition, medical, social welfare, livelihood, legal, and other frontline services.

Through her decades of experience and passion to constantly give her very best, DNPC Luningning Rhodes assisted in the strengthening of the nutrition workforce of Quirino municipalities and barangays which enabled them to properly manage their nutrition programs, contributing to the reduction of malnutrition in Quirino.

According to the 2021 and 2022 Operation *Timbang* (OPT) Plus results. The prevalence of stunted and severely stunted has decreased from 4.7% in 2021 to 3.3% in 2022. Meanwhile, the prevalence of wasted and severely wasted has decreased from 0.5% in 2021 to 0.4% in 2022. On the other hand, the prevalence of overweight and obese has decreased from 1.6% in 2021 to 1.3% in 2022.

(Christine Jane B. Almira, NNC)

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING CITY NUTRITION ACTION OFFICER

JENO JOSEF M. FIGURACION



Enabling Multisectoral and Grassroots Engagement Towards Achieving Positive Nutrition Outcomes City-wide

Jeno Josef Figuracion is the City Nutrition Action Officer (CNAO) of the historic town of Vigan City of Ilocos Sur in Ilocos Region. CNAO Figuracion, proudly born and raised in Vigan City, is a Registered Nurse (RN) by profession and has a Masters degree in Nursing from the University of Northern Philippines and a Masters degree in Public Management (MPM) from the Ateneo de Manila University (AdMU) through the partnership of AdMU and the city government of Vigan. CNAO Figuracion's stint in public service began immediately a year after the nursing board examination, where he worked with the city government as a nurse in the City Health Office (CHO) for three years (2011 – 2014). It was during this period where he gained first-hand experience on nutrition programs. CNAO Figuracion also worked as a Population Worker in the CHO for the next three years and finally in 2017, he was hired as a Nutrition Officer and served as the CNAO of the city.

Leading the nutrition program in an LGU may be an arduous task for many, but CNAO Figuracion rose up to the challenge and exercised his roles and responsibilities with much diligence and attention to achieve the ultimate goal of the city– reducing malnutrition. He believes that the true measure of success of any nutrition program or project is whether they are able to facilitate improved nutritional status among every Bigueño, especially women and children in the first 1000 days of life. True to this objective, the city has implemented the Dietary Supplementation Program (DSP) for pregnant women and children 6-23 months. CNAO Figuracion supervises the operations of the program and provides technical guidance to the 39 implementing barangays in the city. The DSP is monitored regularly and through spot checking to ensure that they are implemented according to design and objectives. Innovations to raise awareness on proper nutrition are also implemented through the use of various information, education, and communication (IEC) materials on nutrition in the city.

Moreover, the local nutrition program in Vigan properly accounts for the nutrition-sensitive interventions within other sectors such as with the City Social Welfare and Development Office. A referral system has been established by the CNAO and the member offices of the City Nutrition Committee (CNC) to provide the necessary assistance to identified households with malnourished children to prevent reverting to poor nutritional status and sustain the gains achieved by the package of nutrition-specific interventions provided by the city government. These programs along with the other sectoral interventions in the city are reflected, integrated, and funded appropriately in the multisectoral City Nutrition Action Plan (CNAAP).

CNAO Figuracion emphasizes that the ownership of the CNAP is with the city and its people and his task as the NAO is to ensure that all efforts are properly coordinated with all offices and stakeholders within and beyond the city government. He maximizes the use of the CNC meetings to align all partners from the city up to the barangay level and non-government partners, towards a common goal the reduction of malnutrition in Vigan. Aside from such meetings, the CNAO facilitates the conduct of deep-dive activities where CNC members immerse themselves with the situation at the barangay by conversing with the community members themselves. Participants of these processes then reflect their experience and insights accordingly to make plans and programs on nutrition to be responsive to the needs of the people.

Barangay voices and actions are properly harnessed and accounted for under the leadership of CNAO Figuracion. He ensures that dialogues are organized with the *Punong Barangays* of the city to advocate for the increased resources for nutrition, particularly their counterpart support to the Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS). As a firm advocate of grassroots engagement for nutrition, he triggered the process of ensuring the functionality of all the 39 Barangay Nutrition Committees in the city starting with his postgraduate Governance Innovation Report on the *Functionality of Barangay Nutrition Committee: A Tool to Improve the Barangay Nutrition Situation in Vigan*. The results of his study and continuous advocacy paved the way for barangays to be more active in implementing nutrition programs. This eventually increased the honorarium of the BNSs provided at the barangay level. The study was further complemented by the enactment of City Ordinance No. 24 Series of 2017 which grants monthly BNS support from the city.



Through the years and specifically during the tenure of CNAO Figuracion, the city of Vigan has improved the nutritional status of children 0–59 months old. Cases of low birthweight children (infants born less than 2,500 grams) in the city reduced from 8.0% in 2017 to 1.9% in 2021 reflecting the improved quality of care for pregnant women through its health and nutrition programs. Stunting among children under five years of age reduced from 8.0% in 2017 to 1.9% in 2021 and wasting reduced from 0.59% to 0.20% for the same age group during the same period. It is noteworthy that the city has maintained the reducing trend in malnutrition and with its excellent portfolio of programs has indeed proven itself worthy of the highest award in nutrition given to a local government unit in the country, the Nutrition Honor Award for 2021.

It is without doubt that the CNAO has delivered more and beyond of what is expected of him and he will continue to serve the people of Vigan to the fullest of his capabilities. Achieving the National Outstanding CNAO Award in 2021 has brought another pride to the city that has time and time again shown what effective leadership and mobilization can do in improving the quality of life of its people. With the passion of CNAO Figuracion and the full support of the City Nutrition Committee and their constituent barangays, it is certain that Vigan City will sustain its tradition of excellence in nutrition in the years to come.

(Andre B. Flores, WHO)



NATIONAL OUTSTANDING PROVINCIAL NUTRITION ACTION OFFICER DR. MARIA SOCORRO C. QUIÑON



Implementing the Five C's of Good Management

A resident of the province of Iloilo, Dr. Maria Socorro Colmenares-Quiñon, came from a well-respected and influential family. She is fifth among seven children of her loving parents, who were both notable public servants. Having named after the Mother of Perpetual Help, the young Maria Socorro believed that she was born to be of service to the underserved, especially that "Socorro" or "Succor" means "to help". She believed that she was fortunate to be able to grow up in a farm, where she was not only able to enjoy her childhood but also see the realities of life—how the poor have limited access to resources—and that she was blessed to have enough.

She pursued Bachelor of Science in Nursing in college, to be able to realize her passion of helping others. She then studied medicine, passed the board exam, and obtained her MD license; and despite having an opportunity to pursue a career abroad, chose to stay in her hometown to serve her fellow *Ilonggos*.

On her stint as the Provincial Health Officer (PHO) I in January 2008, Dr. Quiñon was immediately exposed to handling nutrition programs in the province, and then on health emergency management and surveillance as the province's Medical Coordinator. She faced a lot of challenges in her 14 years of being the PHO I, but believed and embodied the saying, "a beautiful woman uses her lips for truth, her voice for kindness, her ears for passion, her hands for charity, and her heart for love". Her appreciation and determination to eradicate malnutrition in the province had enabled her to continue despite the trials and stepped up as the Provincial Nutrition Action Officer (PNAO) in 2015, to fully hold accountable for the achievement of nutrition outcomes in the province.

Dr. Quiñon's hard work and perseverance paved her way as she was officially appointed as the Provincial Health Officer II in 2021. Taking over the tasks and responsibilities of PHO II, especially during the height of the pandemic, Dr. Quiñon believed that she was limitless with the support of Governor Arthur Defensor, Jr. and the functional Provincial Nutrition Committee. She believed that good management entails the following **five C's**:



Communication. Ensuring that LGU partners understand the problem at hand and agree with appropriate approaches to the problem is one of the most important things for Dr. Quiñon. She maximized the development and dissemination of IEC materials and the use of social media through the “Nutrisyon Diary” via Facebook, to disseminate significant nutrition messages with cartoonized portraits to creatively localize the social media cards being posted.

Coordination. Emphasizing that nutrition is multisectoral, Dr. Quiñon ensures integration of nutrition programs and activities among sectoral plans and its translation to policies, as well as in service delivery. Among which is the inclusion of nutrition-related initiatives during the Oral Health Campaign.

Cooperation. Iloilo being known as one of the common recipients of financial aids, support provided were not put in vain, as Dr. Quiñon diligently managed the financial assistance given to the provinces by establishing great partnership among different organizations and ensuring transparency in financial management. For instance, the provision of multivitamins for pregnant women by the *Negrense* Volunteers for Change Foundation, Inc. has been one of the most successful partnerships in the province. In addition, its partnership with Nutrition International for the First 1,000 Days (FIKD) Program contributed to the decline of stunting prevalence among 0-59 months old children, from 3.84% in 2017 to 0.007% in 2021.



Collaboration. Dr. Quiñon has also modeled staff empowerment through the provision of technical assistance as well as relevant trainings. Capacity development activities are annually provided among the Barangay Nutrition Scholars, Nutrition Program Coordinators, and Nutrition Action Officers, who are also equally provided with opportunities to re-echo learnings to the community.

Convergence on resources. And most importantly, with Dr. Quiñon’s leadership, funding for the implementation of nutrition related activities are secured, as a result of proper communication, coordination, cooperation, and collaboration. Ever since her designation as PNAO in 2015, budgetary allocation for nutrition and related programs increased from Php 146,496,600.00 to Php 247,039,216.00 in 2021.



Boasting of confidence and wit, Dr. Quiñon has proven that she is indeed an outstanding PNAO. Her desire to leave ‘footprints’ and be remembered for the significant difference she made while of service to the Iloilo government, would certainly come to fruition as she showed commitment, excellence, and dedication to her work.

(Racelline Faye D. Calangi, NNC)

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLAR (NOBNS) AWARD

The Barangay Nutrition Scholar Program is a strategy of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition that involves recruitment, deployment, training, and supervision of community volunteer workers on nutrition called Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS). By virtue of Presidential Decree No. 1569, every barangay in the country is mandated to deploy one Barangay Nutrition Scholar to be responsible for monitoring the nutritional status of children and assist in the delivery of nutrition services and other related activities in the barangay.

NNC gives due recognition to the BNS with the most outstanding performance in the country selected among the best performing BNS in each region out of the 51,188 BNSs in the country. They are evaluated by the NET and RNET, respectively based on these 7 dimensions: planning, organizing, advocacy, coordination, resource generation, documentation and record keeping, and monitoring and evaluation. The highest-ranking BNS with an overall score of at least 90% based on the combined scores of the MELLPI Pro tool, practical exam, and interview will be conferred the 2021 National Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Scholar, and will receive a cash prize of P150,000, as well as the NOBNS trophy.



2021 NATIONAL OUTSTANDING BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS

CONTENDERS

Ms. Ma. Corazon Piano

Ms. Lenie Bulan

Ms. Daisy Parido

Ms. Valeriana Maglantay

Ms. Lanie Ancheta

Ms. Mary Joy Gadian

Ms. Virginette Jickain

Brgy. Amianance, Vigan City (Region I)

Brgy. Cabisera 27, Ilagan City (Region II)

Brgy. Plainview, Mandaluyong City (NCR)

Brgy. Bagacay, Ibaay, Aklan (Region VI)

Brgy. Cabunga-an, Tarangnan, Samar (Region VIII)

Brgy. San Agustin, Tagum City (Region XI)

**Brgy. Crossing Palkan, Polomolok,
South Cotabato (Region XII)**

NATIONAL OUTSTANDING BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLAR

MARY JOY J. GADIAN



Paying it forward, Nutrition onward

"You are probably smart because you are a scholar." She frequently hears this statement from people, but they have not seen her challenges as a Barangay Nutrition Scholar (BNS).

Mary Joy J. Gadian is a single parent with two children from Barangay San Agustin, Tagum City, Davao Del Norte when she was recruited to be a Barangay Nutrition Scholar (BNS). She was once a small-scale vendor, a trained massage therapist and a beneficiary of the Modified Conditional Cash Transfer for Indigenous Peoples (MCCT-IP) or Pantawid Pamilya Program of the DSWD. BNS Gadian has completed secondary education, but with her absolute heart and grit to excellently perform her duties, she is just as competitive as others with formal education. She has proven she can go a long way through her hard work and genuine love for public service with nutrition as her vehicle.

On March 1, 2019, with the concurrence of the Barangay Nutrition Committee (BNC), headed by Barangay Captain Genelo Arsenio, her journey as a BNS began. This was also the time when she realized that what she was about to embark on would entail challenges. But inside her was a burning desire to serve the community, particularly the malnourished children of Barangay San Agustin. She began her journey by learning the basic responsibilities of a BNS. When conducting the Operation *Timbang* (OPT) Plus, she did not hesitate to do this through regular door-to-door house visitations, and worked jointly with parents to weigh and measure the children to assess their nutritional status. She took this opportunity to know more about her clients and her community.

Indeed, the keen familiarity with her clients and the community was instrumental in accomplishing her duties more efficiently. BNS Gadian has effectively administered various nutrition-specific interventions tailored to the unique needs of every client and households in the community. Specifically, the implementation of the Dietary Supplementation Program (DSP) for selected malnourished children 0-59 months old in the barangay.

Parents and caregivers of the identified undernourished children were encouraged to go to the barangay health center every day for 120 days to receive healthy meals to rehabilitate their nutritional status of the children. However, she acknowledged the fact that not all of the identified beneficiaries would be able to comply with this due to various challenges such as the proximity of their households and availability of caregivers to bring the children to the health center. She sought the assistance of the BNC to ensure that these children receive healthy supplementary meals everyday for 120 days. BNS Gadian was able to use the barangay vehicle to deliver the meals to children who were not able to go to the health center. In addition, she is an advocate of the Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF). She assisted mothers in breastfeeding their infants, as it is the safest and most economical nourishment for infants during the COVID-19 pandemic. She incorporated her experience as a mother when she conducted lectures for the parents and caregivers about nutrition, food safety, and personal hygiene, among others.



Despite the risks and challenges of the pandemic, she still accomplished her duties and responsibilities as a BNS. With strict adherence to health protocols, she continued her meal delivery straight to the children's houses with supplementation of vitamins for pregnant mothers along with other medications. She also encouraged households to establish their own vegetable gardens to make sure there is enough food for the family during lockdowns. In spite of the lockdown, BNS Gadian was still able to communicate and share nutrition information and followed up the status of the malnourished children through multimedia messenger.

The hard work and efforts of everyone in the Barangay, especially the BNS's such as herself have rendered remarkable results with the eradication of wasting among preschool children from 3.4% in 2019. Her persistence also resulted in the reduction of stunting among preschool children from 18.5% in 2019 to 5.6% in 2021.

BNS Gadian appreciates the benefits of the government's social programs to her fellow citizens, especially to her family. She has taken it upon herself to pay it forward by being a part of this movement that upholds the nutritional well-being of people. She did this with great pride and love for her community. Despite the many odds, she remained steadfast in her desire to serve others.

She was a single mother when she started her journey as a Barangay Nutrition Scholar ... now a fulfilled wife and mother - always ready to share and inspire others to improve their family nutritional well being.

(Maria Cynthia B. Vengco, NNC)

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

CONSISTENT REGIONAL OUTSTANDING WINNER IN NUTRITION (CROWN) AWARD

The CROWN award is presented to a municipality, city, or province that has been adjudged by the interagency regional nutrition evaluation team as outstanding in the region in the implementation of its nutrition action plan for three consecutive years.

To date, 170 local government units have been conferred the CROWN award. The CROWN awardees receive a cash prize of P500,000 and this CROWN trophy.

The trophy's design symbolizes the local nutrition committee's burning desire for excellence in its quest for nutrition improvement. The flames represent the three consecutive years the municipality, city, or province became the regional outstanding winner in nutrition. The gradual increase in color shade and height of the flame indicates the continuous and intensified efforts to improve the nutrition situation through effective management of local nutrition programs.

Local government units who were able to maintain a score of at least 90% and 93% in the monitoring and evaluation of local level plan implementation (MELLPI) are conferred with the 1st and 2nd Year CROWN Maintenance Award, respectively. The CROWN Maintenance Awardee receives P100,000 for 1st year maintenance. For this year, the awardee for the 2nd Year CROWN Maintenance will receive P200,000 and this certificate of recognition.



2ND YEAR CROWN MAINTENANCE AWARD

CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO
REGION X



2ND YEAR CROWN MAINTENANCE AWARD

CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO

Region X

Teamwork makes the dream work: Making collaborative efforts to achieve good nutrition in the Golden City of Friendship



Cagayan de Oro (CDO) City is a first-class highly urbanized city in Northern Mindanao. Nicknamed as the “Golden City of Friendship”, Kagay-anons or “Higalas” are warm and hospitable people ready to welcome guests from all over the world. The city is also known as the regional center and business hub of the region which is home of multinational companies, and a powerhouse of industries such as automobile, retail, business process outsourcing, and cooperative businesses. More than businesses, the city is also known for the Cagayan de Oro River, which is famous for tourism activities such as whitewater rafting and kayaking.

To facilitate continuous progress, the city government adheres to its RISE development framework or the Regional Leadership covering metropolization, accessibility, and connectivity; Institutional Development and Participatory Governance focusing on safety, Security and human development; and Economic recovery to achieve the common goal that is shared by its stakeholders. Focusing on human development, the City Nutrition Committee (CNC) led by Mayor Rolando Klarex Uy, envisions a well-nourished and healthy Kagay-anons with a mission to sustain effective and efficient nutrition program management through active collaboration among stakeholders leading towards nutritionally productive citizenry.

Nutrition programs focused on the city’s youngest population, children aged 0–59 months, through the incorporation of nutrition-related PPAs in its Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP), and Annual Investment Program (AIP). The CDP included strategies that aim to improve nutrition outcomes by reducing underweight, stunted, wasted, overweight, and obese. Moreover, the city invested necessary resources through AIP with the inclusion of 56 nutrition and nutrition-related programs and projects. Furthermore, the city government was supportive of localizing and implementing national policies such as Republic Act (RA) No. 11148: *Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act* and RA No. 11037: *Masustansyang Pagkain Para sa Batang Pilipino*, among others. These enabling mechanisms provided a good start towards achieving good nutrition for Kagay-anons.



CNAO Nenita F. Rabe distributes food packs (rice, eggs, and vegetables) to Barangay Nutrition Sci. (Right) BNS gives nutrition counseling to the mother of SAM child in Barangay Carmen.

Optimal infant and young child feeding practices is apparent with the implementation of Republic Act No. 10028, also known as the “Expanded Breastfeeding Promotion Act of 2009”. This led to capacity building activities on breastfeeding and complementary feeding, facilitating healthy settings such as organization of mother support groups, provision of counselling, and establishment of lactation stations in government facilities.



Given these interventions, the nutritional status of the city's children under five showed improvements, specifically in the prevalence of stunting from 1.6% in 2019 to 10.7% in 2021; wasting from 0.5% in 2019 to 0.2% in 2021; underweight from 0.7% in 2019 to 0.5% in 2021.

The CNC also implemented strategies to ensure food security for proper nutrition across all ages. The CNC actively promotes healthy lifestyle through information dissemination of nutrition-related programs in its information, education, and communication materials. Notable engagements include webinars on nutrition specific and sensitive programs, and dangers of malnutrition, among others. Another noteworthy engagement in promoting a healthy lifestyle is through the conduct of aerobic exercises within the City Health Department.

Governance and management also play a vital role in ensuring its implementation and delivery of quality nutrition and nutrition-related services to the public. The CNC is composed of competent local nutrition action officers and members equipped with the needed capacity building training such as Nutrition Program Management, Nutrition Information, and Nutrition in Emergencies. Barangay Nutrition Scholars and Barangay Nutrition Committees, who are at the frontline in implementing nutrition programs, are also equipped with similar competencies.

The implementation of programs and improvements of the city's overall nutrition indicators are results of the city government's thrust on good governance and management, well-equipped health infrastructure, human resources, health and nutrition promotion, and effective stakeholder engagement. Indeed, teamwork makes the dream work as the City of Golden Friendship worked hand-in-hand to achieve its nutritional goals for the 2nd Year CROWN Maintenance Award.



(Brian Richard G. Diaz, NEDA)

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

THE NUTRITION HONOR AWARD

The Nutrition Honor Award (NHA) is presented to Consistent Regional Outstanding Winner in Nutrition (CROWN) awardees that have consistently shown outstanding performance in nutrition program management. These awardees were monitored by an interagency regional nutrition evaluation team from 2015-2017 and by an interagency national nutrition evaluation team from 2018-2021. To date, 73 local government units (LGUs) have been conferred the Nutrition Honor Award. This year's awardees will receive a cash prize of P1,000,000 and this NHA trophy.

The design of the trophy for the Nutrition Honor Award is inspired by the symbolic flame pattern of the CROWN trophy. The three pieces of colored flames, embedded at the back of a clear beveled glass, symbolize the burning desire and unending commitment of the local government unit toward nutrition improvement. The base represents the strong foundation that the Nutrition Honor Awardee has developed during the last six (6) years of maintaining the Green Banner and CROWN Awards, while the body that contains the text and the flames, presented in beveled cuts, symbolizes the pruning and refinement which the LGU underwent and experienced to reach the height of excellence.



THE NUTRITION HONOR AWARD

CITY OF VIGAN

REGION I



TUBLAY, BENGUET

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TALavera, Nueva ECIJA

REGION III



CITY OF MABALACAT

REGION III



CITY OF BIÑAN

CALABARZON



MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL

REGION X



NUTRITION HONOR AWARD CITY OF VIGAN

Region I

***A Culture of Consistent
Commitment to Nutrition
for the Future Generation***



One of the oldest towns in the Philippines, Vigan City is the capital city of the province of Ilocos Sur. It is known for its well-preserved historical streets and well preserved Spanish architectural houses and is one of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Sites.

The city envisions a habitable heritage city of choice with their mission to conserve the heritage and deliver effective services for improved quality of life. In terms of nutrition, the city envisions a healthy *Bigueños* for a healthy heritage community with a mission to deliver comprehensive nutrition services.

Vigan City's strength lies in adapting and implementing national programs and policies on nutrition while going over and beyond with their local initiatives. Starting from the nutrition assessment and surveillance through the conduct of Operation *Timbang Plus*, nutri-check-up of the identified malnourished children as well as house-to-house visitation and assessment of identified families.

The City Nutrition Committee (CNC) continuously provided food commodities through various Dietary Supplementation Programs for different vulnerable groups such as children 6-23 months old and nutritionally at-risk pregnant women, complementing the Supplementary Feeding Program in day care centers of the Department of Social Welfare and Development and the School-Based Feeding Program of the Department of Education.

The CNC also ensure that the people are protected from hidden hunger through promotion and compliance monitoring of mandatory food fortification, intensive implementation of micronutrient supplementation programs such as the *Garantisadong Pambata* for vitamin A supplementation and deworming, and *Batang Bigueño* Project where iron, zinc and multivitamins are distributed to identified children as well as iron folic acid supplements for women of reproductive age.



The city recognizes the importance of raising awareness among the *Bigueños* on health and nutrition activities, sectoral activities such as Nutrition Month, National Breastfeeding Month, and National Children's Month among others. They also maximize the use of the local TV station to disseminate timely nutrition information and updates - TVigan, the PIA City Press, and the city's social media account. Programs to promote healthy and active lifestyle such as the *Takbo Palayo sa Bisyo*, Good Nutrition Family Day, Taekwondo Clinic, *Larong Lahi* and Smoking Cessation Program, Barangay Initiated Zumba, *Hataw sa Eskwela*, and *Hataw sa Barangay* were also undertaken. Nutrition hours were allotted in all barangay plazas for the conduct of nutrition and health activities across all ages from 5am to 9am and 4pm to 8pm. In addition, Vigan City Bike Club was also organized in support of the promoting healthy lifestyle.

Several programs aimed in reducing poverty were also being implemented which target families with nutritionally vulnerable members such as *Pagsapulan: Raniag iti masakbayan* which aims to provide employment and several livelihood opportunities. Programs along food production were also intensified to help ensure food security among households. These nutrition sensitive programs helped in ensuring that the underlying determinant of undernutrition was addressed.

Adolescent health and youth development were also given priority through programs targeting the parents and the adolescents through the formation of peer groups and hubs. Teenage parents were also included in the Family Development Sessions.

The CNC recognized that the way to strengthen the programs and ensure funding is through adoption and formulation of several health and nutrition related policies. One of the remarkable resolutions is the *Resolution Adopting the Devlive+ Project and Local Barangay Surveys/Family Profiling as Basis for Gauging the Operation Timbang Plus (OPT Plus) Coverage of Vigan City* the resolution enabled the city to partner with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Devlive+ in generating accurate and updated data. The data will be used as basis in program planning and policy development which shows the CNC's commitment in delivering an evidence-based approach. The city also passed a resolution supporting the BNS Canteen where the cash award received by the LGU from the (CROWN) Award was used as seed capital and material support.



The impact of the programs implemented by the LGU was seen through the improvement in the prevalence of undernutrition among children 0-59 months old, the prevalence in underweight went from 1.6% in 2019 to 1.2% in 2021; for wasting, the prevalence reduced from 0.4% to 0.3% from 2019 to 2021, for stunting, the prevalence went from 5.9% in 2019 to 4.4% in 2021.

The Nutrition Honor Award conferred to Vigan City is only one of the many testaments of its consistent commitment in giving priority to the nutrition and overall welfare of its constituents. Moving forward, the CNC can only hope for the same support and dedication from the new administration towards the culture of consistent commitment to nutrition for the future generations.

(Virginia J. Castro, DSWD)

NUTRITION HONOR AWARD

TUBLAY, BENGUET

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Tublay and its Multisectoral approach on Health, Nutrition and Environment for a Productive Community, Shining Through



Tublay is an agricultural municipality with mountainous terrain. Tublay, classified as a 5th class municipality composed of 8 barangays with a total population of 19,429. Aside from agriculture, residents also engage in local trading, commercial and industrial activities. The tourism industry in the municipality of Tublay is also emerging with several sustainable developments taking place alongside its natural tourism attractions.

Besides its focus on agriculture and tourism, Tublay also prioritizes optimal health and nutrition condition of its population. This is done through multisectoral collaborative effort and community participation. The municipality developed its own nutrition and health framework to serve as the blueprint in formulating their local nutrition action plan. "Tublay **SHINES**" or the **Safe environment and disaster preparedness, Health and social services, Income generation and livelihood, Nutritious food intake and breastfeeding, nutrition Education and promotion of healthy lifestyle, Stable food supply and hunger mitigation** is a responsive framework constantly adapting to the needs of the times. Aligned with the local government's vision of having a healthy and productive citizenry working together for a progressive, cooperative, and self-reliant community towards a better quality of life, the Municipal Nutrition Committee (MNC) led by Mayor Armando I. Laurio, provides the directions, guiding principles, and priorities in the identification and prioritization of nutrition programs, projects, and activities through the Tublay SHINES framework.



Adopting the programs of the national government and in support to the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2017–2022, Tublay MNC translated the 10 *Kumainments* to *Ibaloi* dialect for its constituents. The 10 *Kumainments* were not only present in the different health and nutrition activities but in all other activities organized in the community.

Recognizing the importance of nutrition and being healthy in times of crisis, Tublay started a Barangay Mobile Nutrition clinic which provides various nutrition services such as nutrition education, feeding for the vulnerable members of the community, and provision of IEC materials on proper breastfeeding and oral hygiene. In addition, medical consultation, nutrition assessment and counseling were also provided as part of the mobile clinic's services. To ensure home makers are guided in preparation of healthy home cooked meals especially during the pandemic, cooking demos were also included in the services provided.

Tublay MNC also maximized the use of social media to provide information to all members of the community through “Project Nutri-Tec” which is a technology-based nutrition education campaign. Under this project, they created an FB page and group chat that served as an online bulletin board for posting of IEC materials on health and nutrition programs.

Implementation of nutrition programs does not rest on one person alone; it requires collaborative effort from the members of the local nutrition committee including barangay nutrition committees. To ensure proper implementation of nutrition programs, the said key players were equipped with necessary trainings along nutrition program management and Nutrition in Emergencies (NiE). These key players also play a role during emergencies and disasters as they are part of the nutrition cluster of the health cluster mobilized in time of emergencies.

Apart from the different health and nutrition initiatives conducted, the municipality of Tublay fully supports the mandatory food fortification with the local nutrition committee ensuring that salt sold in retail stores and used in food establishments are iodized and Vitamin A fortified food products are available in retail outlets.

Collaboration and partnership are some of the strengths of Tublay MNC, all sectors including internal stakeholders are involved in the implementation and promotion of nutrition programs. The Municipal Agriculture Office and the Social Welfare and Development Office are some of the sectors providing nutrition sensitive services to address malnutrition. They provided seeds, seedlings, and fertilizer to poor families with malnourished children to improve access to food and livelihood as part of the social protection.



All the efforts and initiatives contributed to the improvement in the nutritional status of preschool children in the community. 2021 Operation *Timbang* Results indicated a prevalence of malnutrition within the low level of public health significance at less than 5% with zero cases of moderate and severe acute malnourished children.

This year, the municipality of **Tublay SHINED** even brighter with the Nutrition Honor Award affirming its excellence in being an advocate, supporter, defender and model of nutrition not only in the region but to all other local government in the Philippines and ultimately, its achievement of better health and nutrition outcomes for the municipality.

(Ma. Carina Regalado, DSWD)



NUTRITION HONOR AWARD

TALAVERA, NUEVA ECIJA

Region III

Unconditional Provision of Nutritional Initiatives for a Healthier Talavera

The Municipality of Talavera is a first-class municipality in the province of Nueva Ecija. It is known to be one of the most competitive municipalities in the Philippines because of its agricultural, commercial, and industrial development capabilities. Given its flat topography, Talavera ensured to dominate in all agricultural aspects and developed more sustainable agriculture initiatives. The municipality firmly stand to their title as the “Milk Capital” and “Food Basket in Inland Luzon.”



Mayor Nerito S. Santos Jr. as the Municipal Nutrition Committee (MNC) Chair, continued the established long-term nutritio initiatives of Talavera to ensure the attainment of their vision wherein “empowered citizens have a healthy home, enjoying a clean and climate-resilient environment.” Their future is brighter than ever with the municipality’s prioritization of a normal nutritional status of its citizens.

The COVID-19 pandemic did not hinder the implementation of existing nutrition-sensitive program in the municipality. The CNC sustanined its support to all 53 established barangay gardens to ensure continous supply of fresh and safe fruits and vegetables for the communities.

The municipal agriculture office ensured constant supply of seed and seedlings to support the *Gulayan sa barangay* program.

Another known program of Talavera is the *Kusina ng Timog* Talavera. This school-based feeding program makes nutritious and delicious food for the community. It starts from the planning of weekly meals to distribution of food. A lot benefited from this intervention especially the students and their families during the COVID-19 lockdown.





The Nueva Ecija Federation of Dairy Carabao Cooperatives (NEFEDCCO) opened its main store, named “Cremeria Ecijana” in Talavera. This store also process milk collection and production, which markets varieties of carabao milk products such as drinks (fresh and flavored milks), yogurt, cheese, pastillas, and a lot more. As a healthier alternative to cow’s milk, carabao milk has been an ingredient that the community purchases to make healthier food products for the well-being of the community.

The awards are more than just compliance with the national guidelines and policies. The recognition of the municipality is the result of the local chief executives’ leadership, investments, and prioritization of nutrition programs. In 2021, the investment of the municipality for nutrition, included in the Annual Investment Plan (AIP) is more than 5% of the total budget of the local government unit and the budget utilization is 98.17%.

The commitment and coordination of the members of the MNC, and the persistent attention and steadfast actions of the Nutrition Office staff, including the hard-working Municipal Nutrition Action Officer (MNAO) Mr. Arjhay Bernardo, and Barangay Nutrition Scholars were the key in the implementation of nutrition and health services to the people.

These are just a few of the many outstanding interventions Talavera offers to their municipality. This shows that their culture, *Serbisyong Malasakit Derecho sa Tao*, lives on. It is evident that the sustained collaboration in the implementation of all their programs is seen as a commitment more than just a work. They stay true to their vision in empowering their citizens and providing a safe and healthy environment. With their own nutrition office and well-funded nutritional-based policies, the municipality is indeed unstoppable in providing interventions for a more healthy Talavera. The Nutrition Honor Award is well deserved.

(Rabbi B. Villanueva, CWC)



NUTRITION HONOR AWARD CITY OF MABALACAT

Region III



***Perseverance and
consistency the gateway
to chivalry***

Home to the Clark Freeport Zone, various industrial plants and terminal hubs, and neighbor to the highly urbanized city of Angeles, Mabalacat City is unequivocally at the peak of human development and economic growth as it earned its cityhood in 2012.

Good nutrition governance and right investment form a foundation in achieving the goal for better nutrition outcomes. This is true for Mabalacat City's Local Nutrition Committee (LNC) which is organized with full representation from various agency counterparts, non-government organizations, private sectors, and people's organizations. The City Nutrition Committee (CNC) is strengthened by Executive Order No. 106 series of May 3, 2021, which reorganizes the CNC's organizational structure, chaired by Mayor Crisostomo C. Garbo, Vice Mayor Aquino as co-Chair, and Sangguniang Bayan on Health as Vice Chair. A Nutrition Office was also established with budget allocation, and designated full-time Nutrition Action Officer (NAO), technical staff, and support staff/personnel.



Mobilization of different programs of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) 2017-2022 such as RA 11148: *Kalusugan at Nutrition ng Mag-Nanay Act*, EO 51: Milk Code, RA 8976: Philippine Food Fortification Act of 2000, and RA 8172: ASIN Law were strengthened by various city ordinances, resolutions, and supported by dissemination of Nutrition Policies to the Barangay Nutrition Committees (BNC). Some of these programs were also included in the Orientation to Association of Barangay Captains.



Implementing nutrition interventions to improve the nutrition situation in the city will not be possible without the hard work of each local nutrition focal point, especially the Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNSs). Capacity building for these focal points is essential to ensure the provision of quality nutrition services. In the City of Mabalacat, all BNSs of the barangays are trained in the electronic Operation *Timbang* (eOPT) Plus tool (2019-2020) as well as in Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF), breastfeeding peer counseling, and lactation messages. All health workers were also trained on the Philippine Integrated Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition (PIMAM) which led to the establishment of three (3) Outpatient Therapeutic Care (OTC) that will assist in the identification and treatment of acute malnutrition.

Nutrition advocacy plays a vital role for decision-makers, such as the Local Chief Executives and other Local Officials, in planning and setting priorities to achieve desired nutrition and health outcomes. Various nutrition promotion activities targeting children, adolescents, pregnant and lactating women, senior citizens, persons with disabilities (PWDs) and other population were conducted. These includes *Nutriserye* videos for children, distribution of nutrition promotion materials for school children, and conduct of Breastfeeding Awareness Month. Nutrition Month celebration activities also include distribution of IEC materials on 10 *Kumainments* and *Pinggang Pinoy*, FIK Baby Sets and fans, FIK video production, and nutrition webinar for Clark Global City employees among others.

All these interventions and activities were firmly implemented and accomplished because of the comprehensive 3-year City Nutrition Action Plan (CNAP) backed by nutrition situation analysis, budget allocation, and is monitored accordingly. The local government unit allocated 3.97% of its annual budget for nutrition specific and nutrition sensitive programs, where 98% of the budget was utilized in 2021.



The hard work and investment of the city was evident in the improvement of the nutritional status of children 0-59 months old, based on the result of the Operation *Timbang Plus* (OPT). The prevalence of stunting decreased from 5.4% in 2019 to 1.3% in 2021, while wasting decreased from 2.5% in 2019 and 0.6% in 2021. The prevalence of underweight was also seen to decline from 2.4% in 2019 to 0.6% in 2021.

From perseverance and consistency, Mabalacat City is certain that the people, especially the vulnerable groups, will be the main beneficiaries of the forthcoming development and envisioned progress in the coming years. This is indeed what true honor is— rising as one towards human development.

(Julia Marie S. Los Baños, NNC)

NUTRITION HONOR AWARD CITY OF BIÑAN

CALABARZON

*Fostering a culture of
excellence in nutrition
program management*



Situated at the southern part of Metro Manila, the City of Biñan is a perfect mix of the old and new, technology and history, business and heritage. It is both an industrial hub and a historical site, being home to the Laguna Technopark and to the residence of the maternal family of the country's national hero, Dr. Jose Rizal. The city has been recognized in both business competitiveness and preservation of its heritage. In 2022, it received the Most Competitive Component City for Economic Dynamism and Most Business-Friendly Local Government Unit Special Citation Award during the Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Summit of the Department of Trade and Industry and the Galing Pook Ten Outstanding Local Governance Program.

Consistent with its culture of excellence, the city has received accolades for its initiatives along nutrition, Covid-19 response, public employment and service, youth governance, disaster management and local governance in 2022.



The journey of the City of Biñan towards excellence in nutrition program management dates at least six years back when it first received its Green Banner Award and moved on to receiving the Consistent Regional Outstanding Winner in Nutrition (CROWN) after three years. This was followed by the 1st and 2nd Years of CROWN Maintenance Award and the Nutrition Honor Award, the highest award in nutrition in the 6th year. Innovation, Inclusivity, and sustainability are some notable features of the nutrition and related programs, projects and activities of the City of Biñan. Programs are formulated with the anticipated developments in sight.

The Materials Recovery Facility Waste Processing and Transfer Station which was upgraded to produce *Ecobricks* that was used in making bricks used in schools and other public facilities and the Organik farm which was developed to become an organic farm, training center, and open and safe space for children's play are some of these innovative programs which have been running since 2017. Another is the city's food production project which includes the city vegetable garden, nursery and indoor vegetable garden which produce vegetables for sale to the public and for serving to consumers of the city's salad bar, also contributing to the city's campaign for proper diet and healthy lifestyle.

Integration of nutrition in sectoral activities such as National Disability Prevention Week, Youth Nutrition Seminar, Orientation of Senior Citizens, Pre-Marriage Counselling, and First 1000 Days Orientation for City Employees are some of the initiatives promoting inclusivity specifically in nutrition education.

Infrastructure projects also contributed to improving access to nutrition services such as the DWBC 87.9 FM Radio Biñan for nutrition public information dissemination, City Command Center for emergency and disaster management including nutrition-in-emergencies, and the football field and the city fitness center for sports and fitness activities.

With these holistic initiatives on nutrition along with its enabling mechanisms related to policy, governance and local nutrition committee management, the city managed to reduce the prevalence of wasting, stunting and overweight and obesity to less than one percent or very low level of public health significance.



Overall, the City of Biñan continues to live up to its culture of excellence, formulating nutrition programs, projects and activities with not the awards in sight but to contribute towards the vision of becoming the Premiere Heritage and Trade Capital of the South, best place to live, work and visit.

(Jasmine Anne DF. Tandingan, NNC)

NUTRITION HONOR AWARD

MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL

Region X

**Empowered MISAMISNONS:
Marching Towards One Province
for Nutrition**



Hardworking Governor Atty. Henry S. Oaminal declared to *Misamisnons* his strong statement, “We need to reciprocate, double our time, hard work, dedication and sincerity adhering to our guiding principle of good governance”. Good governance leads to the development of the entire province and ultimately improving the quality of life of all *Misamisnons*. This is the goal of the Provincial Nutrition Committee (PNC) on its campaign “One Province for Nutrition”.

One of the five provinces in Region X, the province of Misamis Occidental is located near the narrow strip of land linking Northwestern Mindanao to the North Central part of the island. It is divided into two congressional districts with 14 municipalities and three (3) cities, with a total of 490 barangays. It is not easy to address and overcome prevailing problems and issues, especially in terms of nutrition especially for a big province like Misamis Occidental.

Despite many socio-economic and political challenges, the province persevered and received its First- and Second-Year CROWN Maintenance Award from 2019–2020, and now the Nutrition Honor Award (NHA). The province was also given the Seal of Good Local Governance Award, Smoke-Free Red Orchid Award, *Gawad Kalasag*, and Local Learning Hub in Gender Certification Award. These recognitions will not be possible without the collective effort of the well-organized, active, and committed PNC and supportive local chief executive and *Sangguniang Panlalawigan*.

With the strong inter-agency involvement of the PNC, the implementation of the nutrition program in the province became smooth and was not complicated. The PNC was able to integrate nutrition into the overall success indicators of the Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan (PDPFP). The presence of the Nutrition Office with permanent designated PNAO and support nutrition staff who are assigned to focus on various programs of the Local Nutrition Action Plan contributed to the success of the nutrition development activities: from coordination to planning, implementation and monitoring of activities with different national and local partner agencies and institutions and focal nutrition workers as well.

The province has numerous good practices including the budget allocation from the LGU development fund and utilizing the external resources for nutrition. Different interventions/activities aligned with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) 2017–2022 were implemented with the supporting ordinances and resolutions adopting the national laws and policies.





Capacity-building activities for various nutrition-specific programs such as Philippine Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition (PIMAM) and Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Program has been carried out. The IYCF Program was able to organize support groups such as Breastfeeding Support Groups (BFSG)/Breastfeeding Friends (BFF). Inclusive nutrition governance through targeting persons with disabilities and senior citizens in various advocacy activities for the National Nutrition Promotion Programs for Behavior Change was also implemented. Local initiatives to intensify and promote good nutrition such as mobilizing the Philippine National Police in promoting 10 Kumainments, and information dissemination using radio, Facebook, collaterals, and nutrition bulletins as well as strong information dissemination drive on Pinggang Pinoy and Healthy Lifestyle for Overweight and Obesity Management Program (OOMP).

Moreover, the PNAO maintained a monitoring checklist and documentation materials like diaries/testimonials from beneficiaries of Micronutrient Supplementation Program, conducted monitoring activities on iodized salt, Food Fortification (FF) program. The province organized and maintained a functional Provincial Bantay Asin Task Force (PBATF) and established a linkage with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in the promotion of the use of vitamin A-fortified flour and cooking oil. The Nutrition in Emergencies (NiE) plan was also integrated into the DRRM-H Plan.

In terms of nutrition-sensitive programs, the PNC was able to assist farmer organizations through the Multiplier Program (i.e Goat and Chicken Dispersal) as part and parcel of the livelihood program for families with malnourished children; active monitoring of Wash in Schools (WINS) program; established two Teen Centers; and Lactation Stations in area.

Bagging the highest award on nutrition is just the beginning of a long journey in ending hunger and malnutrition, and realizing the province's 5M's as Misamisnon: Magpu Yong, Malinawon, Malambuon, and Malipayon.



The achievement of a better nutritional situation for the constituents is due to the Empowered *MISAMISNON*S, now the pillars of Marching Towards One Province for Nutrition.

ASENSO MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL!

(Belinda A. Lalap, BIDANI)

NNC VISION–MISSION STATEMENT

VISION

By 2028, NNC is the authority in steering stakeholders
for sustainable nutrition for all Filipinos.
"Nutrisyong Sapat Para sa Lahat"

MISSION

We formulate, coordinate and monitor nutrition policies and
programs for integrated multi-sectoral action towards
sustainable nutrition.

NNC QUALITY POLICY

The NNC, as the highest policy-making and coordinating body on nutrition, is committed to ensure improved access to quality nutrition and related interventions through formulation and coordination of policies and programs with excellence, integrity and transparency.

We shall endeavor to continually improve the quality management system to satisfy the needs and expectations of our clients with strict adherence to existing laws, rules and regulations.

NNC CORE VALUES

ACCOUNTABILITY

An obligation or willingness to accept responsibility or to account for one's actions

INTEGRITY

Conduct our work with deep sense of honesty and consistent application of government regulations and standards

SENSITIVITY

Respond to the needs of our various publics and employees in the spirit of inclusiveness, with love and respect

RESILIENCY

Ability to recover quickly from difficulties, to cope with challenging situations and to withstand adversity and bounce back from difficult life events

PASSION

Serving with enthusiasm and dedication; enjoy work while giving delight and satisfaction to clients and to meet challenges with creativity and optimism and nurture each other's ideas to strive for excellence

EXCELLENCE

Provide high quality and timely service through teamwork, innovation, versatility, and dynamism

NNC HYMN

Tayo ay nagpupunla ng bukas na sapat
Lumaya ang bayan sa malnutrisyon
Tayo ay nagpapanday ng isang kamalayan
Walang magugutom sa bawat tahanan

Itataguyod ang pamamahala sa tamang nutrisyon
Lokal man o pambansa, sa nayon at lungsod
Kasama ng ibang sektor, pangunahan ang pagkilos
Sa wastong nutrisyon bayan ay susulong

Tayo ang NNC, taos pusong nagsisilbi
Sa'n mang panig ng bayan, ating aabutin
Nutrisyong sapat, para sa lahat!

Tayo ang NNC, taos pusong nagsisilbi
Sa ating tungkulin, at iisang layunin
Nutrisyong sapat, para sa lahat!
Nutrisyong sapat, para sa lahat!



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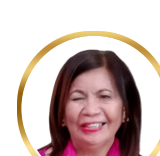
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Nutrition Honor Awardees

1997 ● Solana, Cagayan (Region II)
Cabanatuan City (Region III)
Makati City (NCR)
Naga City (Region V)

Received 1998

1998 ● Kapangan, Benguet (CAR)
Butuan City (Caraga)

Received 1999

1999 ● Irosin, Sorsogon (Region V)

Received 2000

2000 ● Echague, Isabela (Region II)
Los Baños, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Trece Martirez City (CALABARZON)
Calape, Bohol (Region VII)

Received 2001

2001 ● San Gabriel, La Union (Region I)
Laguna Province (CALABARZON)
Pateros (NCR)
Aklan Province (Region VI)
Danao City (Region VII)
Don Carlos, Bukidnon (Region X)
Koronadal City (Region XII)

Received 2002

2002 ● La Union Province (Region I)
Isabela Province (Region II)
Kiangnan, Ifugao (CAR)
Sta. Maria, Bulacan (Region III)
Las Piñas City (NCR)

Received 2003

2003 ● Dupax del Sur, Nueva Vizcaya (Region II)
Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)
Kalibo, Aklan (Region VI)
Talibon, Bohol (Region VII)

Received 2004

2004 ● Malaybalay City (Region X)
Quezon, Bukidnon (Region X)
Bukidnon Province (Region X)

Received 2005

2005 ● Tuguegarao City (Region II)

Received 2006

2006 ● Pulilan, Bulacan (Region III)
Cabuyao, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Inabanga, Bohol (Region VII)

Received 2007

2007 ● Aritao, Nueva Vizcaya (Region II)
Calamba City (CALABARZON)
Libona, Bukidnon (Region X)

Received 2008

2008 ● Cagayan Province (Region II)
Talisay City (Region VII)
Buug, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Nabunturan, Compostela Valley (Region XI)
Received 2009

2009 ● Plaridel, Bulacan (Region III)
Received 2010

2010 ● Limasawa, Southern Leyte (Region VIII)
Kadingilan, Bukidnon (Region X)
Received 2011

2011 ● Batanes Province (Region II)
Santiago City (Region II)
Kabasalan, Zamboanga
Sibugay (Region IX)
Received 2012

2012 ● Tubigon, Bohol (Region VII)
Ozamiz City (Region X)
Received 2013

2013 ● Lal-lo, Cagayan (Region II)
Ifugao Province (CAR)
Maasin City (Region VIII)
Received 2014

2014 ● Quirino Province (Region II)
Received 2015

2015 ● Cauayan City (Region II)
Mandaluyong City (NCR)
Valencia City (Region X)
Received 2016

2016 ● *No Awardees 2017*

2017 ● Ivana, Batanes (Region II)
Nueva Vizcaya Province (Region II)
Alfonso Lista, Ifugao (CAR)
Sta. Rosa City (CALABARZON)
Received 2018

2018 ● Ilagan City (Region II)
Baguio City (CAR)
Taguig City (NCR)
Received 2019

2019 ● Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon (Region X)
Tagum City (Region XI)
Received 2022 (for 2021)

2021 ● Vigan City (Region I)
Tublay, Benguet (CAR)
Talavera, Nueva Ecija (Region III)
Mabalacat City (Region III)
City of Biñan (CALABARZON)
Misamis Occidental (Region X)
Received 2023 (for 2022)

CROWN Awardees

1994

Solana, Cagayan (Region II)
Cagayan Province (Region II)
Baguio City (CAR)
Bulacan Province (Region III)
Cabanatuan City (Region III)
Makati City (NCR)
Naga City (Region V)
Bukidnon Province (Region X)

Received 1995

1995

Kapangan, Benguet (CAR)
Benguet Province (CAR)
Marinduque Province
(MIMAROPA)
Caloocan City (NCR)
Dumaguete City (Region VII)
Ormoc City (Region VIII)
Zamboanga City (Region IX)
Quezon, Bukidnon (Region X)
Butuan City (Caraga)

Received 1996

1996

Irosin, Sorsogon (Region V)
Katipunan, Zamboanga del Norte (Region IX)
Zamboanga del Norte Province (Region IX)
San Francisco, Agusan del Sur (Caraga)

Received 1997

1997

Echague, Isabela (Region II)
San Jose City (Region III)
Nueva Ecija Province (Region III) Trece
Martires City (CALABARZON) Los
Baños, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Malinao, Aklan (Region VI)
Bago City (Region VI)
Calape, Bohol (Region VII)
Negros Oriental Province (Region VII)
Cotabato Province (Region XII)
South Cotabato Province (Region XII)

Received 1998

1998

San Gabriel, La Union (Region I)
Laguna Province (CALABARZON)
Aklan Province (Region VI)
Danao City (Region VII)
Don Carlos, Bukidnon (Region X)
Koronadal, South Cotabato (Region XII)
Pateros (NCR)

Received 1999

1999

La Union Province (Region I)
Isabela Province (Region II)
Kiangnan, Ifugao (CAR)
Sta. Maria, Bulacan (Region
III) Legazpi City (Region V)
Las Piñas City (NCR)

Received 2000`

2000

Dupax del Sur, Nueva Vizcaya (Region II)
Baguio City (CAR)
Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)
Kalibo, Aklan (Region VI)
Talibon, Bohol (Region VII)
Bohol Province (Region VII)

Received 2001

2001

Sorsogon Province (Region V)
Sta. Magdalena, Sorsogon (Region V)
Negros Occidental Province (Region VI)
Bukidnon Province (Region X)
Quezon, Bukidnon (Region X)
Malaybalay City (Region X)

Received 2002

2002

Pozzorubio, Pangasinan (Region I)
Tuguegarao City (Region II)
Nueva Vizcaya Province (Region II)
Manila City (NCR)
Romblon Province (MIMAROPA)
La Carlota City (Region VI)
Tagbilaran City (Region VII)
Leyte Province (Region VIII)
Hindang, Leyte (Region VIII)
Tacloban City (Region VIII)
Davao del Norte Province (Region XI)
Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte (Region XI)
Bunawan, Agusan del Sur (Caraga)

Received 2003

2003

Bulacan Province (Region III)
Pulilan, Bulacan (Region III)
San Juan City (NCR)
Cabuyao, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Sorsogon City (Region V)
Calatrava, Negros Occidental (Region VI)
Inabanga, Bohol (Region VII)
Panabo City (Region XI)
South Cotabato Province (Region XII)
Banga, South Cotabato (Region XII)
Kidapawan City (Region XII)

Received 2004

2004

Aritao, Nueva Vizcaya (Region II)
Ifugao Province (CAR)
Calamba City (CALABARZON)
Uson, Masbate (Region V)
Catanduanes Province (Region V)
Negros Oriental Province (Region VII)
Dipolog City (Region IX)
Libona, Bukidnon (Region X)
Ozamiz City (Region X)
Bislig City (Caraga)

Received 2005

2005

Sudipen, La Union (Region I)
Cagayan Province (Region II)
Quezon Province (CALABARZON)
Marinduque Province (MIMAROPA) Boac,
Marinduque (MIMAROPA)
Talisay City (Region VI)
Mandaue City (Region VII)
Maasin City (Region VIII)
Bug, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Compostela Valley Province (Region XI)
Nabunturan, Compostela Valley (Region XI)

Received 2006

2006

Asipulo, Ifugao (CAR)
Pasig City (NCR)
Plaridel, Bulacan (Region III)
Atimonan, Quezon (CALABARZON)
Nabas, Aklan (Region VI)
Davao City (Region XI)
Nasipit, Agusan del Norte (Caraga)

Received 2007

2007

Mahatao, Batanes (Region II) Limasawa,
Southern Leyte (Region VIII)
Southern Leyte Province (Region VIII)
Kadingilan, Bukidnon (Region X) Misamis
Oriental Province (Region X)
Malungon, Sarangani (Region XII)

Received 2008

2008

Ilocos Sur Province (Region I)
Batanes Province (Region II)
Santiago City (Region II)
Gapan City (Region III)
Roxas, Oriental Mindoro (MIMAROPA)
Gubat, Sorsogon (Region V)
Guimaras Province (Region VI)
Bacolod City (Region VI)
Bohol Province (Region VII)
Lapu-lapu City (Region VII)
Pagadian City (Region IX)
Kabasalan, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Davao del Norte Province (Region XI)
Pantukan, Compostela Valley (Region XI)

Received 2009

2009

Bulacan Province (Region III)
Sta. Rosa City (CALABARZON)
Pagsanjan, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Taguig City (NCR)
Numancia, Aklan (Region VI)
Tubigon, Bohol (Region VII)
Ozamiz City (Region X)
South Cotabato Province (Region XII)

Received 2010

2010

Ifugao Province (CAR)
Lal-Lo, Cagayan (Region II)
Maasin City (Region VIII)
Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Opol, Misamis Oriental (Region X)
Tagum City (Region XI)
Kidapawan City (Region XII)

Received 2011

2011

Vigan City (Region I)
Quirino Province (Region II)
Tarlac City (Region III)
Toledo City (Region VII)
Polanco, Zamboanga del Norte (Region IX)
Zamboanga City (Region IX)

Received 2012

2012

Cauayan City, Isabela (Region II)
Paombong, Bulacan (Region III)
Mogpog, Marinduque (MIMAROPA)
Gubat, Sorsogon (Region V)
Mandaluyong City (NCR)
Jordan, Guimaras (Region VI)
Jagna, Bohol (Region VII)
Misamis Oriental (Region X)
Valencia City, Bukidnon (Region XI)
Davao del Norte (Region XI)

Received 2013

2013

Bangui, Ilocos Norte (Region I)
Iriga City, Camarines Sur (Region V)
Maramag, Bukidnon (Region X)
Island Garden City of Samal (Region XI)

Received 2014

2014

Ivana, Batanes (Region II)
Nueva Vizcaya Province (Region II)
Alfonso Lista, Ifugao (CAR)
Sta. Rosa City (CALABARZON)
Piñan, Zamboanga del Norte (Region IX)
Malungon, Sarangani (Region XII)
Agusan del Sur Province (Caraga)

Received 2015

2015

● Ilagan City, Isabela (Region II)
Baguio City (CAR)
Benguet Province (CAR)
Bulacan Province (Region III)
Taguig City (NCR)
Numancia, Aklan (Region VI)
Pamplona, Negros Oriental (Region VII)
Zamboanga City (Region IX)
Zamboanga Sibugay Prov. (Region IX)
Gingoog City (Region X)
South Cotabato Province (Region XII)

Received 2016

2016

● Kalayaan, Laguna (CALABARZON)
Roxas, Oriental Mindoro (MIMAROPA)
La Carlota City, Negros Occidental (Region VI)
Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon (Region X)
Tagum City, Davao del Norte (Region XI)
San Francisco, Agusan del Sur (Caraga)
Bayugan City (Caraga)

Received 2017

2017

● Santa, Ilocos Sur (Region I)
Vigan City (Region I)
Santa Fe, Nueva Vizcaya (Region II)
Talavera, Nueva Ecija (Region III)
Mabalacat City, Pampanga (Region III)
Tublay, Benguet (CAR)
Quezon Province (CALABARZON)
Biñan City (CALABARZON)
Caibiran, Biliran (Region VIII)
Alicia, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)
Misamis Occidental Province (Region X)
Polomolok, South Cotabato (Region XII)

Received 2018

2018

● Calapan City (MIMAROPA)
Ibajay, Aklan (Region VI)
Carmen, Bohol (Region VII)
Dipolog City (Region IX)
Cagayan De Oro City (Region X)
Maco, Compostela Valley (Region XI)

Received 2019

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	Awardee	1st Runner Up	2nd Runner Up
1996	Ms. Jacqueline P. Miras <i>Brgy. Ginatilan, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Celsa A. Autentico <i>Brgy. Poblacion, Don Carlos, Bukidnon (Region X)</i>	Ms. Jacqueline P. Miras <i>Brgy. Don Galo, Parañaque City (NCR)</i>
1997	Ms. Eden E. Barbara <i>Brgy. Pacol, Naga City (Region V)</i>	Ms. Amorlita B. Bayot <i>Brgy. Maitim II West, Tagaytay City (Region IV)</i>	Ms. Lolita M. Padilla <i>Brgy. Aguada, Ozamiz City (Region X)</i>
1998	Ms. Federica N. Labrador <i>Brgy. Amas, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Lilia S. Enaldo <i>Brgy. Bonuan Boquig, Dagupan City (Region I)</i>	Ms. Josefina Canuto <i>Brgy. Upper Dagsian, Baguio City (CAR)</i>
1999	Ms. Generosa B. Sarigumba <i>Brgy. Junction, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Cecilia S. Barbadillo <i>Brgy. Laturan, Libona, Bukidnon (Region X)</i>	Ms. Rosavilla D. Marcial <i>Brgy. Poblacion, Bunawan, Agusan del Sur (Caraga)</i>
2000	Ms. Norma Monforte <i>Brgy. Pinamanculan, Butuan City (Caraga)</i>	Ms. Mercedes DC. Cara <i>Brgy. Sta. Cruz, Benito Soliven, Isabela (Region II)</i>	Ms. Filomena P. Arances <i>Brgy. Macebolig, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i> Ms. Ma. Fe A. Magdoza <i>Brgy. Abucayan Sur, Calape, Bohol (Region VII)</i>
2001	Ms. Irene B. Ordinario <i>Brgy. Quinapon-an, Antequera, Bohol (Region VII)</i>	Ms. Carmelita V. Parantar <i>Brgy. Tacunan, Davao City (Region XI)</i>	Ms. Milagros R. Manansala <i>Brgy. Pulanglupa I, Las Piñas City (NCR)</i> Ms. Teresa T. Tanguilan <i>Brgy. Cagumitan, Tuao, Cagayan (Region II)</i>
2002	Ms. Marilou B. Barnuevo <i>Brgy. Zone III, Koronadal City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Virginia C. Akhtar <i>Brgy. Taliptip, Bulacan, Bulacan (Region III)</i>	Ms. Ophelia P. Labiano <i>Brgy. 12 Tandang Sora, Butuan City (Caraga)</i>
2003	Ms. Metchel P. Malapad <i>Brgy. Kalasungay, Malaybalay City (Region X)</i>	Ms. Judith C. Mañacap <i>Brgy. Manongol, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Susan H. Inson <i>Brgy. New Davis, Nabunturan, Compostela Valley (Region XI)</i>

	Awardee	1st Runner Up	2nd Runner Up
2004	Ms. Jo Ann B. Alvez <i>Brgy. Salud Mitra, Baguio City (CAR)</i>	Ms. Medarda A. Isabida <i>Brgy. Kalasuyan, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>	Ms. Maria Riza Joy A. Cortez <i>Brgy. Poblacion 2, Malaybalay City (Region X)</i>
2005	Ms. Mary Grace Abad Roblon <i>Brgy. Sangay Diot, Ozamiz City (Region X)</i>	Ms. Ann DM. Mirasol <i>Brgy. San Antonio, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (MIMAROPA)</i>	Ms. Nery T. Libuna <i>Brgy. San Ignacio, San Pablo City (CALABARZON)</i>
2006	Ms. Adelina C. Indapan <i>Brgy. Casisang, Malaybalay City (Region X)</i>	Ms. Edna R. Agora <i>Brgy. Bagong Silang, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (MIMAROPA)</i>	Ms. Rebecca U. Aguilar <i>Brgy. Gayola, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>
2007	Ms. Edna R. Agora <i>Brgy. Bagong Silang, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (MIMAROPA)</i>	Ms. Ma. Enone G. dela Cueva <i>Brgy. A.O. Floirendo, Panabo City (Region XI)</i>	Ms. Christy L. Madayag <i>Brgy. 3, Malaybalay City (Region X)</i>
2008	Ms. Aurora G. Gancayco <i>Brgy. Cabezas. Trece Martinez City (CALABARZON)</i> Ms. Numerita C. Ducos <i>Brgy. Mibantang, Quezon, Bukidnon (Region X)</i> Ms. Ma. Enone G. dela Cueva <i>Brgy. A.O. Floirendo, Panabo City (Region XI)</i>	Mr. Eddie L. Ancheta <i>Brgy. Villa Fuerte, San Mateo, Isabela (Region II)</i>	
2009	Mr. Angelito A. Conde <i>Brgy. Busaon, Tagum City, Davao del Norte (Region XI)</i>	Ms. Karen C. dela Peña <i>Brgy. Asisan, Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)</i>	Ms. Alfonsa P. Hingpit <i>Brgy. St. Peter, Malaybalay City (Region X)</i>
2010	Ms. Marilou P. Cañete <i>Brgy. Concepcion Grande, Naga City (Region V)</i>	Ms. Lina C. Guerrero <i>Brgy. Concepcion, Kabalasan, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)</i>	Ms. Marites G. Padilla <i>Brgy. Buenavista, Maddela, Quirino (Region II)</i>

		Awardee	1st Runner Up	2nd Runner Up
2011	●	Ms. Lina C. Guerrero <i>Brgy. Concepcion, Kabalasan, Zamboanga Sibugay (Region IX)</i>	Ms. Monica N. Sicat <i>Brgy. City Camp Proper, Baguio City (CAR)</i>	Ms. Ma. Digna D. Tayong <i>Brgy. Mainit, Nabunturan, Compostela Valley (Region XI)</i>
2012	●	Ms. Felisa J. Guilingan <i>Brgy. Guinles, Polanco, Zamboanga del Norte (Region IX)</i>	Ms. Dorothy P. Felipe <i>Brgy. North Poblacion, Maramag, Bukidnon (Region X)</i>	Mr. Sherwin C. Abellaniza <i>Brgy. Magugpo East, Tagum City (Region XI)</i> Ms. Josephine R. Balingit <i>Brgy. Devilla, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque (MIMAROPA)</i>
2013	●	Ms. Efigenia G. Javier <i>Brgy. Maharlika East, Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)</i>	Ms. Ronely S. Marania <i>Brgy. Canan, Cabatuan, Isabela (Region II)</i>	Ms. Aurora H. Sedorifa <i>Brgy. Lawang Bato, Valenzuela City (NCR)</i>
2014	●	Ms. Mary Grace P. Tamayo <i>Brgy. Pag-asa, Mandaluyong City (NCR)</i>	Ms. Etchelle L. Matiga <i>Brgy. Alegria, San Francisco, Agusan del Sur (Caraga)</i>	Ms. Regina T. Celso <i>Brgy. Pansol, Calamba City (CALABARZON)</i>
2015		Mr. Danilo N. Posion <i>Brgy. Iruhin Central, Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)</i>		
2016	●	Ms. Irene B. Neulid <i>Brgy. Maitim 2nd East, Tagaytay City (CALABARZON)</i>	Ms. Concepcion Vanessa A. Cabugao <i>Brgy. Radiwan, Ivana, Batanes (Region II)</i>	Ms. Medy T. Repollo <i>Brgy. Sudapin, Kidapawan City (Region XII)</i>
2017	●	Ms. Angelita L. Aquino <i>Brgy. Mapaang, Maco, Compostela Valley (Region XI)</i>	Ms. Elvira T. Quirona <i>Brgy. Pinagkaisahan, Makati City (NCR)</i>	
2018	●	Ms. Eden A. Cordova <i>Brgy. Awitan, Daet, Camarines Norte (Region V)</i>	Ms. Virginette A. Jickain <i>Brgy. Crossing Palkan, Polomolok, South Cotabato (Region XII)</i>	
2019	●	Ms. Aurelia O. Aguilar <i>Brgy. Oaqui No. 3, Luna, La Union (Region I)</i>		

2019 National Outstanding Local Nutrition Focal Points

2019

Municipal Nutrition Program Coordinator
District Nutrition Program Coordinator
City Nutrition Action Officer
Provincial Nutrition Action Officer

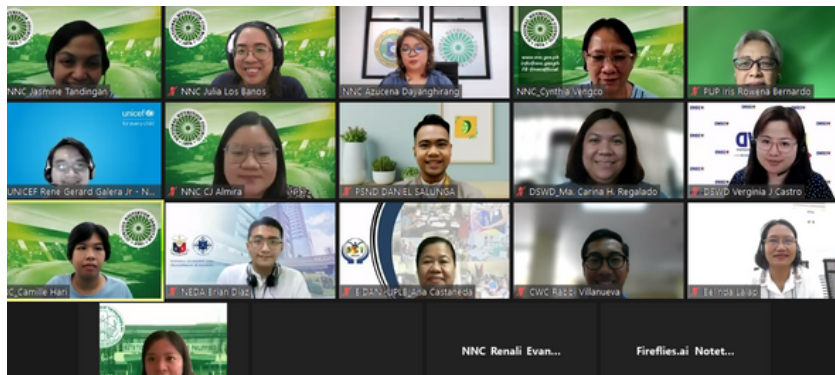
Mr. Bhen Zar M. Sam
Ms. Grace C. Jardin
Ms. Nenita F. Rabe
Ms. Marichu G. Tijing

Maco, Davao de Oro (Region XI)
Sorsogon (Region V)
Cagayan de Oro City (Region X)
Misamis Occidental (Region X)

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NNAC Through the Years



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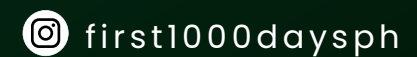
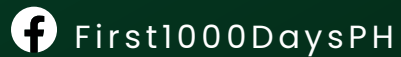
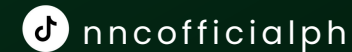




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2022 NNAC Event Evaluation

20 MARCH 2023

THE MANILA HOTEL

FULL NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

ORGANIZATION/ LGU: _____

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVALUATION. PLEASE CHECK (✓) THE COLUMN THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF THE EVENT. YOUR COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS WILL HELP US IMPROVE THE ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT OF OUR FUTURE EVENTS.

Element	1 (Poor)	2 (Good)	3 (Very Good)	4 (Excellent)
Invitation and Registration				
Program				
Venue				
Food				
Emcee				
Keynote Speaker				
Length of the event				
Overall management of event				

OTHER COMMENTS (FEEDBACK)

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