

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
National Nutrition Council
Regional Nutrition Committee
Region 02

Resolution No. 3, s. 2022

**ENJOINING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO CREATE PARTNERSHIP
WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS (CBOs) THROUGH THE
ENHANCED PARTNERSHIP AGAINST HUNGER AND POVERTY (EPAHP)
PROGRAM IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIETARY SUPPLEMENTATION
PROGRAM (DSP)**

WHEREAS, the primary goals of the EPAHP program are to mitigate hunger, ensure food security and nutrition, and reduce the incidence of poverty in rural and urban communities, most especially in the marginalized and geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas;

WHEREAS, Section 12 of RA No. 11037 or the "Masustansyang Pagkain para sa Batang Pilipino Act," enacted on 20 June 2018, requires the need to establish and promulgate a community-based mode of procurement, liquidation, and audit to ensure the efficient and effective implementation of the National Feeding Program;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of RA No. 11148 or the "Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng MagNanay Act," enacted on 29 November 2018, requires the approval of a liberalized mode of procurement for the National and Local Health and Nutrition Programs, requiring further the prioritization of local and community-based producers, suppliers and/or service contractors;

WHEREAS, Section 11 of RA No. 11321 or the "Sagip Saka Act," enacted on 17 April 2019, requires National and Local Government Agencies to promote and support farmers and fisherfolk enterprises development by directly purchasing agricultural and fishery products from accredited farmers and fisherfolk cooperatives and enterprises;

WHEREAS, the National DSP of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2017-2022 and Task Force on Zero Hunger, through its "Tutok Kainan" operationalizes RA 11148 which aims to contribute to the prevention of stunting by improving the quality and quantity of food and nutrient intakes among nutritionally-at-risk pregnant women and children 6-23 months old meeting the minimum acceptable diet and pregnant women with improved food and nutrient intake;

WHEREAS, in pursuit of our commitment to the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and in attaining "Ambisyon Natin 2040", the National Nutrition Council signed a regional Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Social Welfare and Development in 2021 to support the EPAHP Program in the region;

WHEREAS, the National Nutrition Council Region 02 had implemented Tutok Kainan DSP for nutritionally at-risk pregnant women in Cagayan and Isabela through the partnership with Agrarian Reform Beneficiary Organizations (ARBOs) of Department of Agrarian Reform;

WHEREAS, the collaborative efforts of the EPAHP partners would create greater synergy and convergence in engaging the urban and rural communities to enhance social capital and optimize economic resource base through supplementary feeding and other government feeding programs, food production and livelihood programs and essential support services, including the participation of CBOs in government procurement as partners and/or service providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, in consideration of the above premises, and by the RNC Region 02 in a meeting duly assembled, to Enjoin All Local Government Units to Create Partnership with Community-Based Organizations

(CBOs) Through the Enhanced Partnership Against Hunger and Poverty (EPAHP) Program in the Implementation of Dietary Supplementation Program;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Department of Social Welfare and Development Region 02 to provide list of available CBOs in the region as reference of the LGUs;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Department of the Interior and Local Government Region 02 to assist in the dissemination of this resolution to the LGUs;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the National Nutrition Council Region 02 being the secretariat of the Regional Nutrition Committee is hereby tasked to:

1. Monitor the DSP of LGUs in the region and their compliance to the resolution;
2. Provide technical assistance to the LGUs on the DSP implementation;
3. Report to the EPAHP Regional Convergence Team the status of the implementation of this resolution; and
4. Review the effectiveness of implementation of this resolution after three (3) years of its implementation.

AND RESOLVED FINALLY, the NNC RO2, to disseminate and provide copy of the approved and signed resolution to the member agencies, institutions, local government units and organizations.

Unanimously approved, this 17th day of June 2022.

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