

72 centenarians get P100,000 cash gift from DSWD Region 3

In honor of their contributions to nation building, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) continues to provide the centenarians with the P100,000 incentive as mandated by Republic Act 10868 or the Centenarians Act of 2016.

As of June 2021, the DSWD Region 3 has served 72 centenarians out of 100 target beneficiaries for the current year with P7,200,000 amount disbursed. The remaining 28 beneficiaries will be catered this month of July.

Under the law, aside from the centenarian incentive, Filipinos who have reached 100 years old and above, whether residing in the country or abroad shall be honored with a Letter of Felicitation from the President of the Philippines congratulating them for their longevity.

To avail of the benefits under the law, relatives of the centenarians must submit primary documents such as birth certificate and Philippine passport to the city or municipal social welfare office and the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) in their localities.

If the two documents are not available, any one of the primary Identification Cards issued by OSCA, Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), and Social Security System (SSS); driver's license; Professional Regulations Commission (PRC) license; and Commission on Elections (COMELEC) Voter's ID, is also accepted.

Meanwhile, the Department distributes the centenarian incentive through house-to-house delivery scheme as part of its efforts to ensure health and safety of the beneficiaries, especially during the pandemic. ###

