

Listahanan gains more support

“Mas malapit sa katotohanan ang data ng Listahanan,” writes Municipal Planning Coordinator Rodelito Calara of Samal, Bataan during the signing of commitment in the Listahanan board in the recent consultation dialogue with partner Local Government Units.

DSWD FO III reactivates Donors/Social Welfare Inquiry Desk

(City of San Fernando, Pampanga) To facilitate a smoother disaster operation in Central Luzon, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office III has recently reactivated its Donors/Social Welfare Inquiry Desk (D/SWID).

This is a part of the Field Office III's continuing preparation for any disaster that might visit the country, said DSWD Field Office III Director Adelina S. Apostol.

The Donors/SWID, which will be manned by designated staff from the Standards Unit (telephone number- (045-861-2413) under the Quick Response Teams (QRT), is immediately activated during the occurrence of disaster, Apostol added.

The Donors/SWID will directly answer queries on information pertaining to disaster updates as well as provide information to non-government organizations and other groups who may be interested to give donations to the disaster victims particularly those in the evacuation centers, Apostol stressed.

Apostol also said that the D/SWID will provide prospective donors on areas that are least served including the list of goods/commodities that are not being provided by the government or non-government organizations involved in disaster operation.

To speed-up the repacking of goods, the Field Office will be utilizing volunteers from the Philippine Air Force, Philippine National Police, national government agencies and non-government organizations. ### (Evelyn T. Manalo-SMU) July 17, 2014

DSWD strengthens Disaster Quick Response Team

Mary Christy Torno, supply Officer briefs Quick Response Team (QRT) supply officers on their role in preparation of augmentation report during disaster operations. The supply team on duty will be divided into three according to the following functions: receiving and warehousing officer, volunteer management officer, and repacking officer. Before, QRT is being activated when the storm signal hits signal number 2 but now because of the new normal the country is facing, the situation and the strength of the downpour are the basis of activating the QRT in line with the directives of the Department's resiliency against poverty and disaster.

We are ready for ‘Glenda’ – RDRRMC

“Central Luzon is ready for typhoon Glenda,” Regional Disaster Risk and Management Council (RDRRMC) Chairperson and Office of Civil Defense (OCD) Regional Director Josefina Timoteo (3rd from right) stresses during the CLTV 36’s remote coverage of typhoon ‘Glenda’ held at the Pampanga River Basin Flood Forecasting Center, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, July 15. In her report, DSWD Field Office III Assistant Regional Director Irene C. Crespo said that some 6,200 family food packs were repositioned to the Provincial Action Teams (PATs) of Aurora (2,000); Bataan (200); Bulacan (1,000); Tarlac (1,000); and Zambales (2,000). Also in the panel are (L-R) Sarah Maniago- reporter, DOST Regional Director Victor Mariano, Odon Santiago (partly hidden) of DepED, and Hilton Hernando of PAGASA.

Cine Pamilya 2014: A Festival of Success Stories

Regional Director Adelina S. Apostol of the Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office III welcomes participants and guests for the showing of entries of Cine Pamilya 2014. The Festival is a way of encapsulating the efforts that workers do in the agency to show the lives of the beneficiaries as a living testament of how the agency evolves as a public service organization. The showcase of entries is a part of the DSWD Multi-Sectoral Governance Coalition (MSGC)

Technical Planning cum Sensing Journey to a Convergence Area at Subic Bay Travelers Hotel, SBMA, Olongapo City.

KC-NCDDP to benefit 3 towns in Nueva Ecija

At least three municipalities in the Province of Nueva Ecija are now beneficiaries of the Kalahi-CIDSS-National Community Driven Development Program, Director Adelina S. Apostol of the Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office III (DSWD FO III) said during the project orientation held recently in Angeles City.

The block grants from KC-NCDDP amounting P37.9-million will fund various development projects in the municipalities of General Mamerto Natividad, Quezon and Talugtug, Apostol added. In his presentation, Deputy National Program Manager Alexander Glova said that Cycle 1 of the project will benefit some 94,671 households in the 64 barangays in the three target municipalities.

KC-NCDDP, a poverty alleviation program of the National Government implemented by the DSWD, is supported by the Philippine Development Plan (2011-2016). The expansion into a national scale of the operations of community driven development (CDD) was approved on January 18, 2013. The strategy has been tried and proven effective in Kalahi-CIDSS (Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan-Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services), the parent project of KC-NCDDP.

KC-NCDDP aims to empower local communities, improve local governance, and reduce poverty by providing funds for community infrastructure, common service facilities and

capability building. The Project is designed to enable the poor to participate in community development.

To be implemented by the DSWD and the local government units, KC-NCDDP will enable the communities of targeted municipalities become empowered to achieve improved access to services and to participate in more inclusive local planning, budgeting, and implementation.

What makes the project unique Apostol stressed is that it is corruption free because the grant goes straight from the DSWD Central Office to the community bank account. Every peso spent on the project is reported through a multi-level monitoring system. ### (Evelyn T. Manalo

Day Care Workers Assembly in Region III

Around 2,000 participants have celebrated the 32nd Regional Day Care Workers Assembly at SM City, Clarkfield, Angeles City last June 6, 2014. In line with the Presidential Decree 404 of 2003, every first week of June is declared to be Day Care Workers week with this year's theme of "Karapatan ng mga Day Care Workers Siguraduhin Natin".