

# Unified 911 Helps Save Victims of Violence Against Women and Children

With numerous reports resolved and victims saved, the Unified 911 Hotline proves to be an ally of Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC) or gender-based violence (GBV) victims, according to the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

The Unified 911 hotline forms an integral part of the government's toll-free national emergency communications service for victim-survivors of VAWC. Upon receipt of a call, incidents are immediately assessed, verified, and relayed to the appropriate responders, law enforcement units, and partner agencies.

From timely dispatch, coordinated response, and proper handling of these sensitive incidents, the central emergency

agency hotline fulfills President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s push to amplify the implementation of Republic Act No 9262, or the Anti-VAWC Act, to safeguard women and children from any form of violence.

According to the DILG, from September to November 2025, the National Call Center received almost 600 VAWC emergency calls.

The DILG added that through efficient coordination with first responders and law enforcers, domestic assault incidents were intercepted, and due process was upheld through pursuing legal remedies.

In Makati City, a concerned neighbor reported to 911 an ongoing violent altercation between a married couple. With the wife being threatened by her husband using a dead-

ly weapon, every second matters to prevent further assault. In no time, the Bantay Bayan personnel arrived at the scene and brought the involved parties to the nearest police station to process their VAWC case.

In Masbate City, an alleged rape incident was reported, wherein a minor's sensitive video was circulated online.

As the

case covers both VAWC and the Anti-Photo and Video Voyeurism Act, the victim was immediately referred to the Women and Children Protection Desk (WCPD) and the Cyber-crime Division for prompt intervention.

Meanwhile, the immediate arrest of the suspect in the alleged battered wife and child abuse incident at Negros Occidental was facilitated through the 911 hotline. The caller sought police assistance to save the GBV victims while the case was filed at the WCPD for proper disposition. A joint agreement between the DILG, Department of Justice (DOJ), and the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) institutionalized the inclusion of GBV emergency and distress calls in the 911 hotline to streamline referral and response pathways.

With the government's inclusive emergency response, the culture of silence surrounding VAWC victims can be resolved, as 911 provides a safe space to report domestic abuse while giving assurance of an immediate response within minutes.

Source: DILG

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## City Government of Carmona

### LAUNCHING OF DTI SHARED SERVICE FACILITY FOR FOOD AND BEVERAGES PRODUCTION FOR SENYASCCI

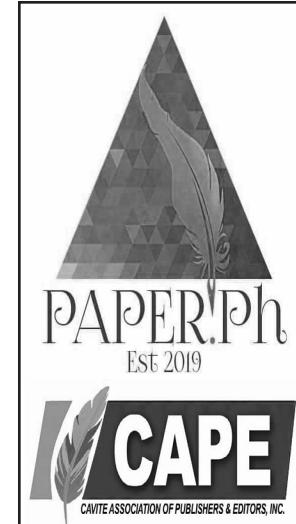
Idinaos ang Launching ng Shared Service Facility (SSF) for Food and Beverages Production para sa Social Enhancement Nurturing Program for Youth and Adult Deaf Society in Carmona, Cavite, Inc. (SENYASCCI), kung saan isinagawa ang turnover ng mga equipment mula sa Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), sa pakikipagtulungan ng Persons with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO).

Ito ay dinaluhan ng Delos Santos Family Foundation Inc., mga officials ng DTI-Cavite sa pangunguna ni Ms. Lililibeth R. Chavez, OIC Provincial Director, mga opisyal ng Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Carmona sa pangunguna ni City Vice Mayor Cesar L. Ines, Jr., Sangguniang Panlungsod Members, City Adminis-

trator Mr. Dave Peñano, OIC LEDIPO Mr. Antonino Agulto, at ng mga officers ng Kalingkayap Integrated Shelter Support Inc. at mga miyembro at kawani ng PDAO at SEN-

YASSCI.

Ang programang ito ay naglalayong palawakin ang oportunidad pangkabuhayan ng mga PWDs sa Lungsod at itaguyod ang ingklusibo at patuloy na kaunlaran para sa kanila.



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## City Government of Imus

### Bago matapos ang taong ito, muling nakapaghahid ng tulong ang Pamahalaang Lungsod ng Imus, sa pangunguna ni Mayor Alex Advincula, para sa mga Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) sa isinagawang PWD Assistance Payout

Kabuuang 253 beneficiaries ng naglalayong magbigay su-

sod ng Imus sa pagkalinpisyaryo ang nakatanggap porta at ginhawa sa bawat

ga at pagtulong sa mga

pinansyal na tulong para Imuseño.

PWD upang mapagaan ang

sa kanilang medical, buri-

al, educational, at therapy

panibagong taon, asahan na pamumuhay at maisu-

assistance, bilang bahagi

ninyo na magpapatuloy long ang mas inklusibong

ng patuloy na programang

ang Pamahalaang Lung-

komunidad.



The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the projects are expected to the Philippines as a regional hub for smart and sustainable investments. The projects span

through the Board of Investments (BOI), continuing to sustain strong in-

vestment momentum as

With these latest en-

Trade Secretary and BOI

Chairman Cristina Roque

investments for

able energy, infrastructure,

announced the endorse-

the year have now reached

transport and logistics, IT-

investment of 29

Ph977 billion, reflecting

BPM services, housing,

projects last week. With a robust investor confidence

manufacturing, and tour-

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Another year has passed, and here we are, ready for a fresh start. May 2026 be a year of growth, courage, and endless opportunities. May you find happiness in the little things, strength during challenges, and inspiration in every new day. Here's to letting go of what holds us back and embracing all the wonderful possibilities ahead. Wishing you a joyful, fulfilling, and extraordinary New Year!

# In Expanded Career Progression, Teachers Rise, Learning Thrives



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For many years, public education has quietly al High School in Sultan Kudarat, she actively guid- ers often had to choose ed fellow teachers, sup- ported curriculum imple- mentation, and contributed staying in the classroom. Advancing in rank fre- quently meant stepping away from actual teaching.

Under the leadership of Sonny Angara, the Department of Education (DepEd) began addressing this long-standing is- sue through the Expanded Career Progression (ECP) System—a reform that allows teachers to reclassified as Master Teacher III, an affirmation and experience without leaving the classroom. teaching excellence and

The impact of passion for empowering this reform can be seen in the stories of Maribel M. Torreña from Sultan Kudarat and Evita Rose L. Busil from Capiz.

Recognition of Competence (SOCCKSARGEN) promotion, Maribel M. has deepened, while she remains anchored in actual classroom experience.

Even before her promotion, Maribel M. Torreña had already established herself as a teaching leader. As a Master Teach-

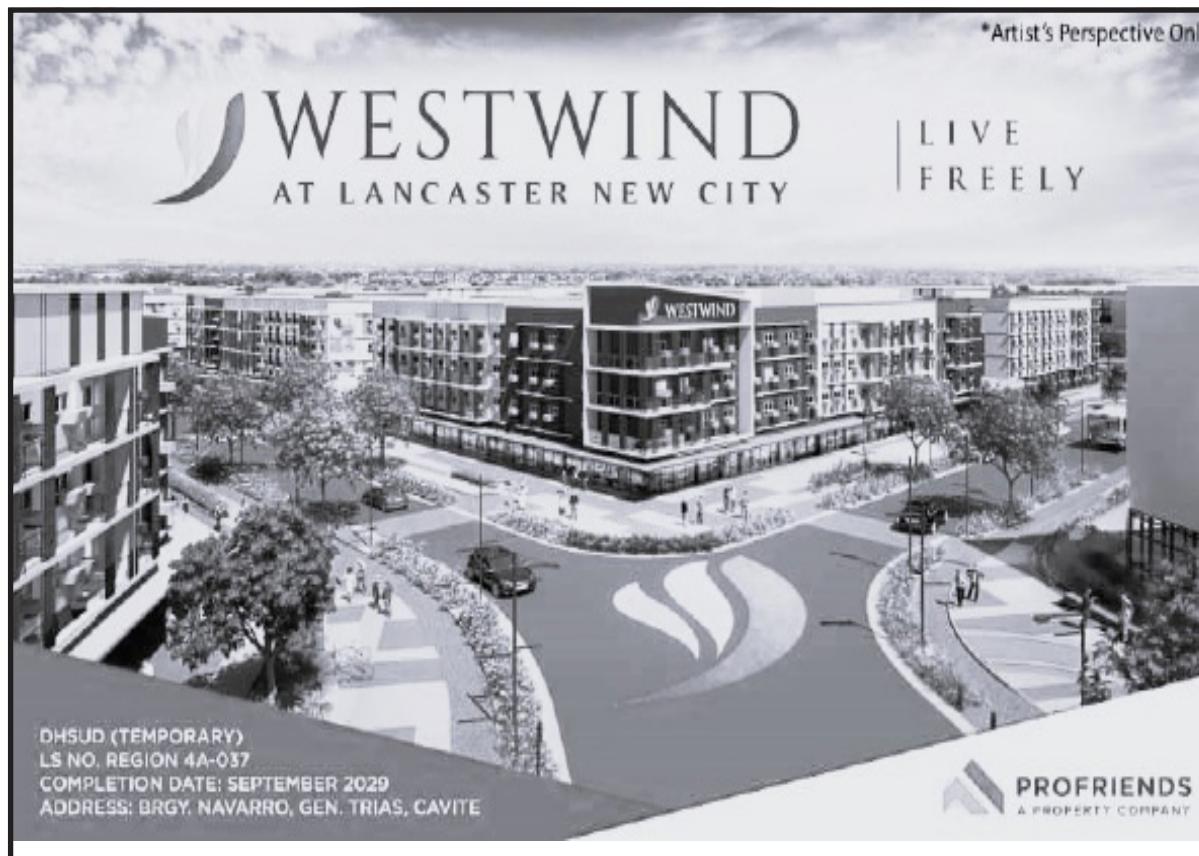
Strengthens Teaching In Capiz, Evita Rose L. Busil has shaped her profession with the belief that teaching is both a vocation and a community responsibility. As a Master Teacher II at Pontevedra Elementary School, she has long nurtured student learning, guided fellow teachers, and exemplified effective teaching.

“Teaching has always been my vocation,” Busil said. “Every day in the classroom reminds me to nurture young minds with care and purpose. We shape not only the learners but the communities and teachers.”

Under the ECP, her role in mentoring, curriculum development, and instructional leadership for the youth of Sultan Kudarat.

“The Expanded Career Progression System transformed my professional journey,” Busil Promotion That

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## “DENR Reminds Filipinos: 5Rs of Waste Management Key to Responsible Holidays”

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the 5Rs of waste management — refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, and recycle—especially during the holidays to minimize waste generation.

Beyond policies and regulations, the DENR underscored that individual actions play a crucial role in reducing environmental impact especially during the holidays.

To help households celebrate more sustainably, the DENR shared the following tips:

Choose reusable over disposables. Use washable plates, cups, and cutlery instead of single-use paper and plastic items.

Recycle old newspapers, magazines, or scrap paper into unique gift wrappers or paper bags.

Reuse holiday materials. Keep ribbons, gift wrappers, and décor for future occasions.

Bring eco-bags when shopping to reduce plastic waste.

Reduce or avoid food waste by serving reasonable portions and storing leftovers properly.

The DENR reminds the public that through mindful choices and small everyday actions, we can protect the environment while still enjoying meaningful celebrations with our families and communities. Source: DENR

during the 2024 compliance period.

The country has already achieved a 56.12% recovery and diversion rate, surpassing the mandated target of 40 percent.

The agency also reiterated the vital role of local government units (LGUs) in ensuring proper waste management, in line with Republic Act No. 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act. Effective waste management, the DENR stressed, begins at the household and community levels.

During a recent year-end press conference, DENR reported improvements in solid waste management across the country, citing clearer accountability among stakeholders. The agency emphasized its commitment to working closely with LGUs, regional offices, and partners to strengthen compliance with environmental laws and waste management programs.

The agency also cited progress in the implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Act or Republic Act No. 11898. As of October 2025, compliance reports from obligated enterprises showed that over 120 million kilograms of rigid plastics and 124 million kilograms of flexible plastics were diverted

## City Government of Bacoor

### MAYOR STRIKE, PINURI ANG MGA BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS SA YEAR-END MEETING



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added. "It is more than a pathway to promotion; it is a system designed to sustain excellence, retain top teaching talent, and recognize competence, demonstrating the clear goal to IV.

At the heart of the reform is choice.

For Busil, the reform is more than professional advancement. It also brings security and peace of mind for her family, who have long witnessed her dedication. She acknowledges DepEd's leadership for promoting a system that restores dignity and provides clear direction in teaching, mentoring, and curriculum leadership.

For those seeking broader administrative responsibilities, the SA track covers School Principal I

The experiences of Torreña and Busil

A one-time transfer between career tracks is allowed, based on qualifications, assessment, and plantilla standards—offering flexibility without sacrificing merit.

Under the administration of Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., the ECP is seen as a solution to the long delays in teachers' career progression—a system that recognizes actual service and ensures professional growth aligns with real impact in schools.

For teachers across the system, it is now clear that advancement no longer requires leaving the classroom.

Source: DepEd

## "DENR Reminds Filipinos: 5Rs of Waste Management Key to Responsible Holidays"

As Filipinos usher Resources (DENR) is in the Christmas season encouraging the public and welcome the New Year, the Department of Environment and Natural

practices that help reduce waste.

The DENR reminded the public to practice

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Nakipagpulong si

ngunguna sa pagpapatupad

ngayong Disyembre 23, sa

nutrisyon, kabilang ang

lokal na pamahalaan.

2025 sa Tanggapan ng Al-

kalde kasama ang mga Ba-

rangay Nutrition Scholars

(BNS) mula sa iba't ibang

barangay ng Bacoor bilang

pasasalamat at pagkilala sa

kanilang mahalagang pa-

pel sa kalusugan at nutri-

syon ng komunidad.

Ang mga BNS ay

nakilala sa ilalim ng Pres-

idential Decree No. 1569

(1978) sa pangangasiwa ng

matatag na Bacoor.

Binigyang-diin ni

Operation Timbang at iba

ang matukoy ang mga

ambag ng mga BNS

batang kulang sa nutrisyon

sa pagpapanatili ng kalu-

sugan ng mga Bacoor

tiniyak ang patuloy na

suporta ng Pamahalaang

Lungsod sa kanilang mga

programa at inisyatiba.

Para sa isang masus-

tansya, malusog, at mas

matatag na Bacoor.

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(From page 1) continued recovery of the underscored that the continued pace of investment inism-related developments, transport and travel sec- underscored broad-based tors.

Meanwhile, IT-BPM agency's commitment to year draws to a close.

A significant share of the total investment in Central Luzon, the Cor- value is attributed to large- dilleras, and Cebu are pro-

scale clean energy proj- ects, including wind, solar, of employment, creating investments endorsed by

waste-to-energy, and bat- thousands of high-quality the BOI shows that we re- tery energy storage facil- jobs in customer support, main fully engaged in cre- ties across Luzon and the technical services, remote

Visayas. These projects staffing, and managed ser- vices. These developments are working relentlessly substan- tially to the coun- reinforce the Philippines' to ensure that investments

advancing national goals for global services. for Filipino workers and on energy security, sus-

tainability, and climate re- Complementing communities," Secretary

silence.

The endorsed list multiple regions, which approvals have already also includes key transport will expand access to af-

fordable and economic BOI continues to evaluate

ments, such as new-gener- housing while generating several high-ticket projects

ation aircraft for domestic employment in construc- currently in the pipeline.

and international routes tion and allied industries. These major investments

Leisure and recreation fa-

cilities included in the list

assets that will strength-

cilities included in the list

en inter-island mobility, are likewise expected to

further boost the country's

trade, and tourism. These

stimulate local economic

investments are expected

activity and support com-

to enhance regional con-

nectivity and support the

Secretary Roque

The DTI-BOI re-

mains unwavering in en- and expanded opportuni- to Make It Happen in the suring that investment ties for Filipinos. Through Philippines by driving a commitments translate into sustained reforms and pro- steady flow of high-impact real impact such as more active investment facilita- jobs, stronger industries, tion, the agency continues Source: DTI

## Serbisyong DSWD Para sa Ating Mga Persons with Disabilities!

### TULONG NG DSWD PARA SA MGA PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

SINO-SINO BA ANG MGA KINIKILALA BILANG ISANG PERSON WITH DISABILITY?



Bata man o matanda na may kapansanan at nakakapagdulot ng limitasyon sa pang-araw-araw na gawain:

**PISIKAL**  
**MENTAL**

**INTELLECTUAL**  
**PSYCHOSOCIAL**



### MGA PROGRAMA AT SERBISYO NG DSWD PARA SA INYO

#### 1 Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS)

Assistive devices (wheelchair, sakay, atbp.), Medical Assistance, Burial Assistance, Financial Assistance, Transportation Fee

#### 2 Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps)

Persons with Disabilities na kabilang sa mahihirap sa pamilya sa bansa ay prayoridad para sa edukasyon at kanilang kalusugan

#### 3 Sustainable Livelihood Program

Libreng sakay sa LOVE BUS aranuang oras kada baha para sa mga Person with Disabilities

#### 4 Center Development Office (CDO)

10 pasilidad para sa mga Person with Disability mula sa pitong rehiyon sa bansa, 6 Non-Residential Care Facilities at 4 Residential Facilities

#### 5 KALAH-CIDSS

Cash-for-Work Programs TheraFee (Therapy for a Fee)

