

COOPERATIVES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY GOING EXTRA MILE TO SERVE THEIR MEMBERS AND COMMUNITIES AMIDST COVID-19 PANDEMIC: REPORTS FROM THE REGIONS - PART 1

It is worthy to note that cooperatives in every region are serving extra mile to its members and its community while the whole country is under the state of calamity due to Corona Virus Disease 2019 or COVID-19.

Each and every cooperative in the different regions has their unique way of extending help and assistance to members who cannot leave their house for work and livelihood because they need to stay at home and be safe from contracting virus. It is also during this hard time where the community and the local government units can count cooperatives' cooperation, support and resources are awe-inspiring. Truly, the spirit and value of BAYANIHAN lives within the cooperative movement amidst this distress.

REGION 1

KAILIAN MPC of Lidlidda, Ilocos Sur gave multivitamins to the dedicated men and women frontliners as a way of extending their appreciation and gratitude to protect the community in the fight against this infectious Coronavirus disease



The Darapidap ABADAYA Fisherfolks Savings and Credit Cooperative handed over small amount of money to BHW as a way of expressing gratitude for their sacrifices during this time of the global health emergency.

Ilocos Sur Coop Medical Mission & Group Hospital, Asking patient their travel history and taking temperature using thermal scanner



Sta. Cruz Development Cooperative (SACDECO) acknowledged the countless effort of the Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams of Sta. Cruz , Ilocos Sur amidst COVID-19 pandemic. The coop gave a package of coffee and biscuits in every barangay of the municipality.



Snacks distribution for barangay personnel at checkpoints in 6 barangays in the town of Banna are given by BAGNOS MPC. It is their simple way of helping and appreciating the efforts of the LGUs and Barangay personnel in ensuring the safety of our kababayans against the pandemic COVID 19.

The Nueva Segovia Consortium of Cooperatives in Ilocos Sur opened its Business Center to serve the needs of the people of Caoayan and nearby communities. Fresh vegetables and fruits, meat, fish and other basic necessities are available. NSCC also opens its NSCC Plaza where supermarket, bakery and pharmacy are located to supply other basic needs of the members and community during quarantine time.





Sacred Heart Savings Cooperative, distributed 110 pack of pork/meat to DILG, PNP, BFP personnel (60 PNP, 25 POSO, 25 BFP)

Metro Paypayad Multipurpose Cooperative provided financial assistance to barangay checkpoint frontliners.



Bayambang LGU Employees Consumers Cooperative, prepared and distributed food to the frontliners deployed at the checkpoints



San Fabian PCWI distributed food packages to its members



La Union Multi-Purpose Cooperative gave a helping hand to the frontliners of Agoo, La Union. Food packs for two days, face masks and bottled water were distributed to the frontliners in coordination with the

RHU and Municipality of Agoo, La Union Sponsoring 2 days packed lunch thru RHU agoo for frontliners and donated 100 face masks.



REGION 3

Mahabang Parang Waterworks Cooperative disinfected the community as protection against COVID 19. Doing the disinfection were the "tuberos" of the cooperative.

Silangan Multipurpose Cooperative in Sta. Maria, Bulacan opened its cooperative office for the members who wanted to avail of their loan services while observing the precautionary measures to avoid spread of the virus.



Bantug Multipurpose Cooperative in Talavera, Nueva Ecija ensuring that there will be continuous supply of rice in the NCR and its nearby provinces. Truckloads of rice ready for delivery



Watchlife Workers MPC in Bataan, provided pack of goods to its members





Angat Credit Cooperative in Bulacan provided support to the frontliners of the LGU of Angat, Bulacan

REGION 4-B



Bongabong Coconut Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative donated 50 sacks of rice to the Local Government of the Municipality of

Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro to help the community in quarantine situation

Relief goods were given to members of Bahaghari Kapitbisig Transport Cooperative. In photos are the members, drivers and conductors receiving 5 kilos of rice, meat loaf and coffee, receiving the relief goods provided by the cooperative. The cooperative also provided snacks to the MPS and other frontliners in the Municipality of Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro





Taytay Pawalan Municipal Employees Multipurpose Cooperative showed simple gesture of love and care for the frontliners of the Municipality of Taytay, Palawan by giving away boiled eggs.

REGION 5



CamSur Multipurpose Cooperative is now doing the KADIWA ON WHEELS bringing rice, vegetables, fruits and grocery items to the community

SAFADECO is serving its members through online/electronic purchase and home delivery of goods within Sorsogon City



- Golden Parauma Producers Cooperative provided the members and the community with fresh harvest of fruits and vegetables at a lower price
- Bicol Medical Center Multipurpose Cooperative is still open to serve the doctors, nurses, watchers and patients with food at this time of pandemic;
- BMC G110 Cooperative provided rice subsidy, free vitamins, emergency loans at 0% interest, release 13th month pay, PPE and additional incentives for its dedicated and committed employees.

REGION 6



Valderrama Municipal Employees MPC in Valderrama, Antique utilized its Community Development Fund (CDF) for assistance to front liners against COVID-19 by allocating a Php1,500.00 daily budget for 7 days.



San Jose MPC, San Jose, Antique giving its share against COVID -19 by providing face masks, gloves, caps, bottled water and food packs to volunteers having duty at the boundary of the Provinces of Iloilo and Antique. They did this humanitarian endeavor despite of the danger of being transmitted with the Corona Virus in the spirit of cooperativism

VALDERRAMA MPC, VALDERRAMA, ANTIQUE, another cooperative with a heart in Valderrama, Antique, the Valderrama MPC distributed noodles, bottled waters, soft drinks for front liners against the said COVID – 19 with budget allocation of Php2,500.00 from CDF.



LEZO MPC, LEZO, AKLAN. As part of preparedness done by this multi-awarded cooperative for COVID - 2019 were the provisions of goods available to barangays



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and to Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (MDRRMO) on credit basis in case worst situation may happen and provision of groceries as Calamity Assistance to the families of the Operators under our Farm Facilities Program who are still on field working, according to Manager Ms.

Pandan MPC, Pandan, Antique – March 22, 2020 shared their resources to frontliners of COVID-19 by giving food packs, masks, gloves to three(3) check points under their areas of operation: Solido, Nabas, aklan, Buwang, Pandan & Callan, Sebaste, Antique



As part of PAVIA ENTREPRENEURS MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE's social responsibility and concern for community, they joined the FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19 through cash donations taken from their Community Development Fund (CDF) to Pavia Local Government (LGU), Pavia Philippine National Police (PNP) and Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (MDRRMO). Mayor Luigi Gorriceta received Php10,000.00, Mr. Arnold Gonzales, MDRRMO, and Pavia PNP Chief of Police Jojo Tabaloc each received Php2,000.00 from the cooperative according to Chairperson Joy D. Palmada.

Ms. Palmada further reported that Php60,000.00 was provided as financial assistance to members in good standing

(MIGS), released cash gift loan to fixed earner – members (Pavia, LGU), with service fee, no interest and payment is scheduled on December and released prorated 13th month pay for Jan to April to management staff.

REGION 8

Name of Cooperative	Assistance provided
Abuyog St. Francis Xavier Credit Cooperative (AFCCO) Corner Avenida Rizal Extension and Mabini Sts., Victory, Abuyog, Leyte	Food packs, vitamins and disinfectant solution to officers and staff; Php 5,000 as employees assistance Moratorium in Loan Payments Interest on Capital and Patronage Refund available on savings accounts
Regional and Central COMELEC Employees Multipurpose Cooperative (RECEMPCO) 3F, Cerbito Bldg., 128 Paterno St., Tacloban City, Leyte	financial Assistance of Php 10,000 to all employees
Perpetual Help Multipurpose Cooperative (PHCCI-MPC Tacloban) Redemptorist Compound, Real St., Tacloban City, Leyte	Released employees 13th month in advance and salary Transport service for the employees Those who are not near a branch and with difficulty to report to nearest branch because to quarantine community, will work from home.
OFW's Harvest Consumers Cooperative #234 Tarcela St., Brgy. 37, Tacloban City, Leyte	Php 1,500 to employees
Leyte Normal University Employees Multipurpose Cooperative (LNU-EMPC) Leyte Normal University, Independencia Street, Tacloban City, Leyte	Held a meeting via asynchronous communication and decided to grant of full salaries and benefits for March and April to two employees and were/to be sent via remittance company. Midyear Bonus Released
Central Tacloban Transport Cooperative (CETRANCO) Weechee Bldg., Maharlika Highway, Brgy. 110, Utap, Tacloban City, Leyte	RC Central Tacloban City in partnership with Central Maharlika Eagles Clus, Central Kanhuraw Eagles Club and CETRANCO Transport Cooperative supports LGU Tacloban City's fight against COVID 19 by officering "Libreng Sakay" for frontliners of the City Health Office. The e-jeep with driver will be used for the duration of the community quarantine
Gen. Mac Transport Cooperative (GEN.MAC TRANSCO) Sitio Lunang, Brgy. Domrog, Gen MacArthur, Eastern Samar	Provided members with groceries



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REGION 9

Province of Zamboanga del Sur

- Mantiliba Farmers Irrigators Association MPC (MANTILIBA-FIAMCO) distributed face mask to members;
- ZDS Government Officials, Employees and Community MPC (ZAMSURGOFEMCO-MPC) gave 3 kilos rice, canned goods and noodles to members;
- Midsalip Farmers MPC donated chlorine and food to AFP personnel manning the check points thereat;
- AimCoop provided sanitation kit to frontliners in Aurora, ZDS;
- JHCSCMPC provided lunch to PNP and Barangay Tanod in San Miguel, Zamboanga del Sur;
- Mantiliba Farmers Irrigators Association Multi-Purpose Cooperative (MANTILIBA-FIAMCO) distributed face mask to members; and

- Ramon Magsaysay Employees MPC (RAMEMCO) donated P15,000.00 to RHU for goods, alcohol and sanitizers.



City of Zamboanga and Isabela:

- Micro-Entrepreneurs MPC who distributed pamphlets / leaflets on COVID 19 prevention tips to members;
- Mega group of Companies Zamboanga-Credit Cooperative (MGOCZCC) who gave emergency financial assistance to their members at P2,000.00 each for sustenance;
- Zamboanga Edwin Andrews Airbase MPC who provided snacks to assigned frontliners and guards of the Zamboanga City Edwin Andrews Airbase;
- Western Mindanao State University MPC who donated 25 sacks of rice to Brigada and Ebenezer (NGO) and allowed employees to work-at-home;
- Layag-Layag Agri-Marine Producers Cooperative assisted in the implementation of barangay curfew in Talon-Talon, Zamboanga City;
- Fatima Fishermen Cooperative gave sanitation kit to frontliners of Barangay Luuk Bungsof of Isabela City; and
- ZC Kings Manpower and Janitorial Services Cooperative

Province of Zamboanga del Norte:

- Tampilisan United Farmers MPC (TUFMPC) gave P10,000.00 to LGU for relief distribution;

- Labason MPC provided rice and groceries to its members and donated P21,000.00 to LDRMMC for food assistance to the frontliners (7 days allocation for 40 persons);
- Sindangan FACOMA Community MPC (Sindangan-FACOMA) gave 25 sacks of rice to Sindangan LGU);
- Siayan Officials and Employees MPC donated 100 pieces packed meals and Siayan Federation of Cooperatives also donated 200 pieces packed meals to AFP personnel manning the checkpoints in Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte; and
- Zanorte MPC continuously distributing essential goods among the AFP personnel manning the quarantine control point at Brgy. Punta, Sinaman, Obay, Gampis, Bucana and BIR Sicayab in Dipolog City

Province of Zamboanga Sibugay:

- Sibuguey Valley MPC (SIVAMPCO) for relief goods distribution to LGU Buug and Kumalarang, Zamboanga Sibugay Province; and
- Goodyear ARB Cooperatives (GARBEMCO) is giving vitamins to its members;



REGION 10



Del Monte Phils. Inc. Employees Community Credit Cooperative gave hand sanitizers to Barangay Bugo, Cagayan de Oro City.

Homeowners' first day of implementing their own "pinobre" version of quarantine with foot bath and thermal scanner in place. Xavier University Credit Cooperative donated an amount for the disinfectant and thermal scanner.



PNR ROA Canitoan Transport Cooperative in Cagayan de Oro City ensured that social distancing among the passengers applied. 10 passengers are allowed on board per jeepney.

- Mambajao MPC provided Temporary Relief Loan Program to members condoning the penalties and reduced added interest for the months of March and April.
- Donated 50 sacks of rice to the province of Camiguin and 50 sacks to LGU of Balingoan.
- Gave half sack of rice to all the employees
- Shortened its banking hours from 9am – 3pm and number of working days from Monday to Friday on skeletal working arrangement, providing vehicle support to working staff

