## COOPERATIVES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY GOING THE EXTRA MILE TO SERVE THEIR MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY AMIDST COVID-19 PANDEMIC: REPORT FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

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Cooperatives from the **National Capital Region** exhibited solidarity with the government's call by their continuous provision of assistance to those in need.

On March 16, 2020, Pres. Rodrigo Duterte has placed the entire Luzon area under Enhanced Community Quarantine in a bid to combat the spread of COVID-19. LGUs in Visayas and Mindanao also declared Community Quarantine to control the spread of the virus within their provinces/cities. As a result of the Enhanced Community Quarantine, access to necessities such as food, transportation and other basic needs have been limited. Demand for medical supplies such as alcohol, face masks, gloves, and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) increased as COVID-19 cases continued to rise.

As a response to the needs of different communities and sectors brought by the COVID-19 outbreak, ACDI MPC conducted CSR Activities across the country which included donations of the much needed protective gear and food packs to frontliners, as well as grocery items to different communities. Through these activities, ACDI aims to alleviate some of the problems currently faced by the country and to provide support to both members and non-members of the Cooperative during these trying times.

BRANCH	DATE	DONATION	RECIPIENT	TOTAL COST
LIPA & APC	19-Mar-20	Fresh Milk	AETDC, FAB, Lipa City, Batangas	-
CJVAB & APC	21-Mar-20	Fresh Milk	Air Force General Hospital	-
AFC	21-Mar-20	4 gallons of Alcohol, 8 boxes of Face Masks and 2 boxes of surgical gloves	AFC Health Workers and PAF Personnel (Members and Non- members)	12,500.00
TARLAC	21-Mar-20	100 pcs packed lunch	Frontliners of Brgy. San Miguel, Tarlac	20,000.00
CALARIAN	22-Mar-20	200 boxes of PR Goods	Filipinos under quarantine at Sibakil Island, Lantawan, Basilan Province	-
SAN ANTONIO	22-Mar-20	200 pcs packed lunch	Students and Duty Personnel under Naval Education, Training and Doctrine Command (NETDC) and Health workers and Volunteers of San Antonio, Zambales	20,000.00
BAB	23-Mar-20	200 pcs Food packs, Bottled Water, and Face Masks	Frontliners of Floridablanca, Pampanga	10,000.00
СОТАВАТО	24-Mar-20	100 pcs packed lunch	Task Force Kutawato, Philippine Army and Medical front line workers of AFP 6ID Hospital	10,500.00

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DAVAO	24-Mar-20	200 pcs Snacks and Refreshments	Task Force Davao, Philippine Army	11,000.00
DIPOLOG	24-Mar-20	Snacks and 7 sack of rice (25kg each)	Zamboanga del Norte	11,200.00
MBEAB	24-Mar-20	100 pcs food pack	Military Personnel under Security Augmentation Force in Mandaue and Lapu-Lapu City	13,000.00
Pagadian	25-Mar-20	Grocery Items	67 Households at Purok 5, Raw-an Point, Baroy, Lanao Del Norte	19,950.00
	26-Mar-20	Packed Foods and Water	60 Frontliners stationed for checkpoint at Brgy. Libertad, Kolambugan, Lanao del Norte	13,800.00
		Rice, Grocery Items, Sanitizers and Face Masks	100 Pensioners under United Military Pensioners Retirees Association (UMPRA)	35,000.00
Tacloban	01-April- 20	200 Food packs and Water	Medical frontliners of Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center	14,000.00
MDAAB	01-April- 20	Fresh Milk	Cavite Naval Hospital	

ACDI-Lipa Branch, together with Aces Philproducers Corporation (APC), donated fresh milk to the Fernando Air Base Hospital of the Air Education Training and Doctrine Command (AETDC) for their health workers and security personnel.

A total of 500 liters of fresh milk were distributed to AETDC for the consumption of their frontliners.

ACDI-AFC Branch donated alcohol, face masks, surgical gloves, and PPEs to AFC hospital to protect their health workers and personnel as they served as frontliners.

ACDI-Tarlac Branch donated packed lunch to the frontliners serving in

Brgy. San Miguel, Tarlac City. The donation benefitted a total of 100 frontliners most especially those assigned at checkpoint areas.



ACDI-Calarian Branch donated 200 boxes of PR Goods to be given to Filipinos who are under

quarantine at Sibakil Island, Lantawan, Basilan Province.

ACDI-San Antonio Branch donated 200 pcs packed lunch to the Naval Education, Training and Doctrine Command (NETDC) and to San Antonio, Zambales. The donations were distributed to the students and duty personnel of NETDC and to the health workers and volunteers of San Antonio, Zambales.

ACDI-BAB Branch handed over 200 food packs, bottled water, and face masks to the Municipality of Floridablanca, Pampanga for the benefit of their frontliners. Ms. Analyn Delos Trinos, head of ACDI-BAB Branch, handed over their donation to Hon. Michael Galang, Vice Mayor of Floridablanca, Pampanga.

ACDI-Cotabato Branch provided 100 pcs packed lunch for

frontliners under Task Force Kutawato, Philippine Army and 6ID Hospital in Awang, Datu Odin, Sinsuat, Maguindanao. Each unit was able to receive 50 food packs which was handed over by Ms. Vhe Ann Pedroso, head of ACDI-Cotabato Branch.

ACDI-Cotabato Branch donated

200 pcs of snacks and refreshments for frontliners under Task Force Davao, Philippine Army. Ms Yenda Glenn Oro, head of ACDI-Davao Branch, handed over their donation to MAJ Damaso Enano, PA, S4 Officer of Task Force Davao.

ACDI-Dipolog Branch donated snacks and 7 sacks of rice to Brgy. Sicayab, Zamboanga del Norte for the consumption of their frontliners.

ACDI-MBEAB Branch distributed 100 pcs food packs for military personnel currently serving as frontliners in different areas in Mandaue City and Lapu-Lapu City. Military personnel stationed at the Mactan-Cebu International Airport and in checkpoint areas received food packs donated by the ACDI-MBEAB Branch.

ACDI-Pagadian Branch donated various items such as food packs, rice, grocery items, sanitizers and face masks to frontliners and households from different communities in Lanao del Norte and pensioners coming from the United Military Pensioners Retirees Associations (UMPRA). A total of 227 recipients were able to benefit from the donation of ACDI-Pagadian Branch.



ACDI-Tacloban Branch donated packed lunch and bottled water to personnel at Eastern Visayas Medical Center and San Juanico Bridge Checkpoint Area. A total of 200 individuals were able to benefit from the donation of ACDI-Tacloban branch.



ACDI-MDAAB Branch, together with APC, donated fresh milk to Cavite Naval Hospital. A total of 1,000 liters of fresh milk was donated to the Cavite Naval Hospital for the benefit of their personnel.

The **Concepcion Vendors Development Cooperative** took the initiative to utilize their Community Development Fund for the benefit of

the vulnerable sector of our society to lessen the impact brought about by the COVID19 crisis to the indigent families in Marikina City. They donated sacks of rice and packed the same at the Marikina

Sports Complex. After this, they distributed these food packs to the said beneficiaries.

Our thanks to every cooperative who heeded the call to reach out to those who are in need and to make a difference in their lives.

As John Holmes has said, "There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up." It is in these trying times that we can best exemplify these words to reach out a helping hand and lift one another's burdens. We see this through every cooperative who went an extra mile to respond to the needs of its members and the communities as well.

For their part, the Excellent People's Multi-Purpose Cooperative has taken the initiative to extend assistance



to their members through a moratorium on the payment of loans of members falling due within the period of the Enhanced Community Quarantine. This is to enable their members to at least have ample time to recover from whatever losses they might have incurred during the COVID19 crisis.