

COOPERATIVES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY GOING THE EXTRA MILE TO SERVE THEIR MEMBERS AND COMMUNITIES AMIDST COVID-19 PANDEMIC: REPORTS FROM **REGION 4-B**

#CoopsAgainstCOVID19

The **WPU Credit Cooperative** of Aborlan, Palawan continued to extend help to those who are in need. This time, they chose to give assistance to the students of Western Philippines University who were caught by the lockdown a month ago. The cooperative gave them rice and some groceries as sustenance during the extended community quarantine period.



The **Taytay Palawan Municipal Employees MPC**, a CDA Gawad Parangal Regional Awardee, distributed groceries and rice to its members during the 2nd wave of assistance due to the extended ECQ. At the onset of the lockdown, the cooperative prioritized giving assistance to the front liners and different barangays in the Municipality of Taytay.



Palawan Aquamarine Products Agriculture Cooperative in Brgy. Tagburos, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan distributed grocery packages to all its members.



Cuyo Hospital Employees Multi-Purpose Cooperative in Cuyo, Palawan, released cash assistance to members and employees of the cooperative.

Truly, the *Bayanihan spirit* lives in every cooperative! The **Puerto Princesa City Government Employees Multipurpose Cooperative** is a proof that the cooperative cares. It distributed 300 bags of assorted groceries and have given to the poorest of the poor in Brgy Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.



The **Sabang Sea Ferry Multipurpose Cooperative** and **Bloomfield Transport Cooperative** worked hand in hand in delivering rice and groceries to their members and front liners to the four (4) barangays in Puerto Princesa City namely: Cabayugan, Marufinas, Panggangang and Tagabinet.

One hundred fifty (150) associate members were given rice by **Palawan Peoples Credit Cooperative**. Even before the pandemic, regular members have been receiving rice allowance every other month.



Panitian Credit

Cooperative, Panitian, Quezon, Palawan distributed groceries to its members and community.



Daily *Libreng Sakay* service was rendered by the volunteer drivers and PAO of ***Bahaghari Kapit Bisig Transport Cooperative*** of Oriental Mindoro. Among the regular beneficiaries of the *Libreng Sakay* are the health workers from ORIENTAL MINDORO COMMUNITY DOCTORS HOSPITAL - PINAMALAYAN, DELOS REYES MEDICAL CLINIC, PINAMALAYAN DOCTORS HOSPITAL, RURAL BANK OF PINAMALAYAN and employees of PINAMALAYAN MUNICIPAL OFFICE.



To help the one hundred thirteen (113) members of ***MARCELO CABRERA MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE (MACMCO)*** in Marcelo I. Cabrera Vocational High School, San Aquilino, Roxas, Oriental Mindoro, financial assistance amounting to seven hundred pesos (P700.00) per member was

given.

Relief operations were undertaken to help the employees and members of



Roxas Market Multipurpose Cooperative (ROMMCO), Sto. Niño St., Paclasan, Roxas, Oriental Mindoro. Food packs were also distributed to the frontliners of Municipality of Roxas, Oriental Mindoro.

Mina de Oro Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries Multipurpose Cooperative (MAREBEMCO),

Centro, Mina de Oro, Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro donated 28 sacks (25 kgs each) of Organic Black Rice to the Municipality of Bongabong, Oriental Mindoro.



Nagkakaisang Lakas Multipurpose Cooperative,

Teachers' Village, Labangan Pob., San Jose, Occidental Mindoro also had relief operations in the poor communities of Bahayang San Jose and Purok Paterson, Bagong Sikat, San Jose, Occidental Mindoro.



Bukang Liwayway Multipurpose Cooperative,

Brgy. Ibud, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro distributed relief goods to the minority of So. Culasisi, and rice assistance to the coop's workers.



Lourdes Multi-Purpose Cooperative,

Rizal Street, Poblacion, San Jose, Occidental Mindoro distributed rice packs to its members and relief goods to the different barangays in the municipality of San Jose, Occidental Mindoro.



Santa Cruz Mentors Multi-Purpose Cooperative (STACMEMUCO),
Bernardo Street, Barangay I, Sta. Cruz, Occidental Mindoro distributed grocery packages to its members and delivered food packs to the frontliners of the municipality. Also, the cooperative gave a loan moratorium to its members.



65 households of So. Tiase, an IP community at Murtha, San Jose, Occidental Mindoro received relief goods from ***Occidental Mindoro State College Multipurpose Cooperative.***

Development of Agrarian Reform Community Multipurpose Cooperative (DARCMPC) of Odiongan, Romblon distributed grocery packages to the different barangays in the municipality.



Agra Progreso Multi-Purpose Cooperative, also of Odiongan, Romblon distributed grocery packs to its members.

Agrarian Reform Community of Agpudlos Multi-Purpose Cooperative (ARCAMPC), Agpudlos, San Andres, Romblon also distributed food packs to the poorest areas in the municipality.



Torrijos, Marinduque MCDC, distributed relief packs to the members of the cooperative and community.



Sibuyao Nagkakaisang Aaksyon sa Pag-unlad (SNAP) Agriculture Cooperative, Purok 3, Brgy. Sibuyao, Torrijos, Marinduque distributed snacks to the frontliners of different barangays in the municipality of Torrijos, Marinduque.



Samahang may Pagkakaisa sa Pagpapaunlad ng Timbo (SAPPAT) Agriculture Cooperative, Brgy. Timbo, Buenavista, Marinduque distributed grocery packs to its members and the frontliners of the municipality.



Santa Cruz Teachers MultiPurpose Cooperative, Sta. Cruz North Central School Office, Landy, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque distributed relief goods to coop members and frontliners of Sta. Cruz Hospital.

MR Multipurpose Cooperative of Buliasnin, Boac, Marinduque, aside from donating blood, also distributed relief goods to its members and community.



During this COVID-19 pandemic, saving lives is not limited to giving of food and money. Responding to the call of Marinduque Provincial Hospital for blood donation due to blood shortage in their Blood Bank and to help the needs of the patients all over the province of Marinduque, eight (8) cooperatives or thirty-two (32) cooperative members have volunteered to donate their blood so others may live. The following cooperatives are:

- **MR Multipurpose Cooperative** of Buliasnin, Boac, Marinduque - 5 members
- **MNHS Employees Multi-Purpose Cooperative** of ISOK 1, Boac, Marinduque - 7 members and officers,
- The Chairperson of **Mogpog Pantawid-SLP Beneficiaries Agriculture Cooperative**,
- Vice-chairperson of **Janagdong Pagbangon sa Kahirapan (JAPAGSAKA) Agriculture Cooperative**,
- **First Island Multi-Purpose Cooperative** - 6 members
- **MARELCO Multi-Purpose Cooperative (MMPC)** - 5 donors
- **4bc2 Transport Cooperative** - 5 members'
- **Mogpog Traders Multi-Purpose Cooperative** - 2 donors

