

Bayanihan to Heal, End Hunger the Coop Way

In response to the call of President Rodrigo R. Duterte, to heal and act as one amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, Chairman Orlando R. Ravanera and the Board of Directors of the Cooperative Development Authority called upon the cooperatives nationwide to utilize their Community Development Fund and other funds allowable by law to help address the present crisis.

CAPGEM Community Multi-Purpose Cooperative joins and supports the program to End Hunger the Cooperative Way Campaign by National Confederation of Cooperatives (NATCCO) Diaspora together with Gawad Kalinga Foundation in Negros Occidental.

The government warned that many more people could slip into hunger as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Some projections show that the said health crisis will cause more people to die each day from hunger rather than from the viral infections, causing several companies to shut down its operations.

On top of the economic crisis, lockdowns and broken supply chains have also created a serious problem for food distribution. There are so many people in the remote areas that do not have food to eat in their table.

Government programs, food charities and aid organizations have mobilized across the nation, yet there is still a huge need for enough food supply and certain areas that are beyond their reach.

Despite of the pandemic and natural calamities, the government and private organizations remain hopeful and diligent in ensuring that no Filipino would be left behind and hungry.

CAPGEM allocated P25,000.00 budget from their Community Development Fund and the Board of Directors were tasked to prepare food that was given and distributed to almost 250 children in various places in the Province of Negros Occidental.

