HON. MANUEL A. ROXAS II
Secretary
Department of the Interior and Local Government
DILG-NAPOLCOM CENTER
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Quezon City

Dear Secretary Roxas:

Greetings!

We wish to thank the Department for its continued support to the volunteer program, in particular to the Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV). The DILG is the chair of the National Capital Region regional search committee that validates and recommends regional qualifiers to the SOV National Selection Committee.

Relative to the SOV, the National Volunteer Month Steering Committee (NVM-SC) recommended to include the DILG as a regular member of the SOV Regional Search Committee (SOV-RSC) in all regions to have uniform membership. The SOV-RSC will benefit from DILG’s rich experience in the conduct of the Gawad Kalasag Award and in enhancing promotion and advocacy activities.

The restructured SOV-RSC will be composed of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) as Chair, with members from the Civil Service Commission (CSC), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Philippine Information Agency (PIA), and private sector representative/s. For the National Capital Region (NCR) and the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM), the RSC is chaired by the DILG and the Regional Planning and Development Office (RPDO) of ARMM, respectively. The SOV-RSCs are tasked to conduct targeted search, validation and documentation of the nominations.

In this regard, may we reiterate our earlier request dated 28 August 2013 for representation from the DILG regional offices in the SOV-RSC. Anticipating your approval, the name of the DILG representative may be forwarded to the concerned NEDA Regional Office and the RPDO-ARMM or the Department may also wish to issue a memorandum for this purpose.
We would like also to once again, seek your support in the promotion of the SOV through the following:

- Display and distribution of SOV brochures and posters in DILG premises;
- Uploading the SOV poster, brochure and press release in DILG website and providing weblinks to PNVSCA website;
- Issuance of Circular to DILG regional and field offices and attached agencies supporting and encouraging nominations to the SOV; and
- Including SOV in DILG advocacy activities.

Enclosed for information and reference are the SOV 2014 materials. Our focal person, Mr. Kenneth C. Siruelo will coordinate with your office regarding our request and will be happy to assist and provide additional information you may require.

Thank you and please accept our best wishes.

Very truly yours,

Original signed
JOSELITO C. DE VERA
Executive Director, PNVSCA and
Vice Chair, NVM Steering Committee
June 20, 2014  

MEMORANDUM  

TO: ALL DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS  

SUBJECT: SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS  

The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) is currently undertaking the Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV), which aims to highlight exemplary performance and dedication to service of Filipino volunteers in helping people and communities and recognize the role of volunteerism in development and nation-building.  

Inherent thereto, the National Volunteer Month Steering Committee recommended to include the DILG as a regular member of the SOV Regional Search Committee in all regions to have uniform membership.  

Hence, you are hereby requested to designate and submit the name of the DILG representative to the concerned National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Regional Office for this purpose.  

Also, the PNVSCA requests for support in the promotion of SOV, through the following:  

1. Display and distribution of SOV brochures and posters in the DILG premises;  
2. Uploading of SOV posters, brochure and press release in the DILG websites and providing weblinks to PNVSCA website; and  
3. Include SOV in DILG advocacy activities.  

For related queries, your staff may contact the focal person, Mr. Kenneth C. Siruelo of Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency at Tel. No. (02) 381-0559 or Telefax Nos. (02) 435-7999 and (02) 927-6847.  

For compliance,  

AUSTERE A. PANADERO  
Undersecretary
HON. MUJIV S. HATAMAN
ARMM Regional Governor
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Cotabato City, 9600

Dear Governor Hataman:

The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency is currently undertaking the Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV) aims to highlight exemplary performance and dedication to service of Filipino volunteers in helping people and communities and recognize the role of volunteerism in development and nation-building.

Anent thereto, the National Volunteer Month Steering Committee recommended to include the DILG as regular member of the SOV Regional Search Committee in all regions to have uniform membership.

May we therefore request the Honorable Regional Governor to designate and submit the name of the DILG representative to the Regional Planning and Development Office (RPDO), ARMM, for this purpose.

Also, the PNVSCA requests for support in the promotion of SOV, through the following:
1. Display and distribution of SOV brochures and posters;
2. Uploading of SOV posters, brochure and press release in the Office of the Regional Governor (ORG) or DILG-ARMM website and providing weblinks to PNVSCA website; and
3. Include SOV in the ORG and DILG advocacy activities within the region.

For related queries, your staff may contact the focal person, Mr. Kenneth C. Siruelo of Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency at Tel. No. (02) 381-0559 or Telefax Nos. (02) 435-7999 and (02) 927-6847.

Thank you and best regards.

Very truly yours,

AUSTERE A. PANADERO
Undersecretary