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Sa iyong bagong tungkulin, katuwang mo ang buong DILG sa pagtiyak na ang pinakamataas na antas ng pagligkod ng kapulisan ay maipagkakaloob sa ating mga kababayan.

The DILG also acknowledges the service of outgoing PNP Chief Archie Gamboa, who will retire today. In behalf of the men and women of the DILG and all its attached agencies, I salute you for your dedicated service to the country. Your commitment and professionalism is an inspiration to all government personnel.

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DILG to LGUs: Construct protected biking lanes, walking paths for safe alternative transportation to curb COVID transmission

The public should consider active transport, such as walking and biking, as alternative modes of transportation amid the COVID-19 crisis according to the DILG as it urges local government units (LGUs) to construct protected biking lanes and walking paths as part of the recently signed Joint Administrative Order (JAO) 2020-0001 with other national government agencies (NGAs).

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año said that public mass transportation, unfortunately, has become vulnerable to coronavirus transmission despite the health protocols in place which is why walking and biking must be encouraged for they “present less contact among the populace leading to less opportunities for infection.”

“Data from the ground show that the public transport system can be a breeding ground for COVID-19 transmission kaya patuloy ang ating paghikayat sa mga LGU na magtayo ng walking paths at bike lanes. Ito po ay para matiyak din na ligtas ang mga mamamayan sa kanilang paglalakad o pagbaba-bike,” Año explained.
The DILG today clarified that senior citizens, while strongly encouraged to stay home during the global pandemic, may go out of their residences and enter commercial establishments if
their purpose is to access essential goods and services.

DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan Malaya said that under the provisions of the IATF-MEID Omnibus Guidelines, it is clear that senior citizens may go out of their residences and enter commercial establishments for purposes of obtaining essential goods and services and for work in permitted industries including those in the informal setting in all areas under the community quarantine.

“It is clear that senior citizens may go out of their residences provided that their purpose is to access essential services or go to work in permitted industries. Thus, they may be exempted from the 8 pm-5 am curfew in Metro Manila if they are returning home from work or if they left home to buy medicine. They would just need to show proof of their purpose to our law enforcers,” said Malaya.
The DILG has temporarily rerouted all Emergency Hotline 911 (E911) calls to local call centers after two of its call agents tested positive for COVID-19.

DILG Spokesperson and Undersecretary Jonathan Malaya said that all of their Emergency Telecommunicators (ETC), including the ten (10) Department of Health COVID Hotline agents assigned to E911, are under home quarantine as a safety precaution while the 911 National Call Center (NCC) is being disinfected, proper ventilation is being installed, and contact tracing is being conducted.

“In order to ensure the health of our personnel, we have adopted this temporary arrangement to continue serving the public with the help of call centers managed by Local Government Units. All of our personnel have undergone PCR tests, are currently under home quarantine, and will return to work as soon as they test negative or have completed the 14-day quarantine,” he said.
DILG-3 conducts training on the infrastructure project management system


The Department through the OPDS CMGP-PMO, in partnership with UNDP-ROADS2SDGs and the PointWest Technologies Inc., has developed the said system.

The IPMS is envisioned to help the Provincial Governments effectively and efficiently manage their infrastructure projects as it enables computerized progress monitoring, document management, and electronic workflow processing. The activity shall discuss how the IPMS will help in monitoring infra projects and introduce the components of the IPMS, its functions, and the roles of the users in the system.

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Hail to the Chief
CASCOLAN INSTALLED AS 24TH CHIEF PNP

PNP names Cascolan as 24th police chief
Police Lieutenant General Camilo Pancratius P Cascolan, took command of the 228,000-strong Philippine National Police as the 24th Chief PNP upon the retirement of Police General Archie Francisco F Gamboa, who culminated today his 38-year career in the uniformed service.

Cascolan, erstwhile PNP 2nd in command as The Deputy Chief for Administration (TDCA) was designated Chief PNP with the rank of Police General by President Rodrigo R Duterte to ensure continuity of command in the supervision of all administrative and operational execution of the PNP mission “as the weight of responsibility of the PNP increases due to the pandemic and the threat of terrorism.”

In a statement, PNP Spokesperson, Police Brig Gen Bernard M Banac said Cascolan “[B]rings with him the occupational specialty in command and control, honed by vast experience in field operations and strategic management.”

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NCMF-Luzon leads distribution of hygiene packs to Pampanga Provincial Jail detainees
The NCMF-North Luzon Regional Office, led by Regional Director Rajah-ali Pumbaya, conducted a jail visitation with distribution of hygiene packs and hijabs (sukob) to detainees in the Pampanga Provincial Jail, San Fernando, Pampanga on September 1, 2020.

It was organized through the Gender and Development (GAD) Program, facilitated by GAD focal person Sitti Divina Roxas led by Chief Yasmin Alonto Naga, with Atty. Raihanah Sarah Macarimpas, Chief of Legal Division.

They collaborated with the 301st Maneuver Company Regional Mobile Force Battalion 3. Other NCMF staff who assisted were Faharodin Salacop, Jerry Mauyag and Imam Nasser Mimbala.
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