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Bacoor City Vice Mayor Rowena Bautista-Mendiola nakiisa sa paglulunsad ng Ligtas Tigdas 2026 Campaign ng ating City Health Services Department sa pangunguna ni Dr. Ivy Yrastorza, bilang bahagi ng patuloy na pagsusulong ng kalusugan at proteksyon ng ating mga kabataan laban sa tigdas.

Nakasama din dito sina Konsehal Rey Palabrica, Dr. Rubilyn Santiago, Dr. Ferdinand Eusebio, Ms. Abigail Camagong, Ms. Mairene Verde, Ms. Kyle Pauline Angat, mga Barangay Kapitan, Barangay Health Workers, HOA Presidents, at Urban Poor Presidents para makiisa at sumuporta sa ating kampanya.

Kaya, inaanyayahan po ni Vice Mayor Rowena Bautista-Mendiola ang lahat ng mga magulang na pabakunahan ang kanilang mga anak sa darating na August 10 hanggang August 28, 2026. Ang bakuna ay ligtas, epektibo, at mahalagang hakbang upang maprotektahan ang ating mga anak at komunidad laban sa tigdas.

Magtulungan po tayo para sa isang mas ligtas, mas malusog, at mas protektadong Bacoor.



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SP holds public hearing on proposed ordinance strengthening anti-hazing measures in Cavite

In a move to reinforce the Province of Cavite's commitment to protecting students and promoting safe educational environments, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan conducted a public hearing on Proposed Ordinance No. 092-2026, which seeks to strengthen the implementation of Republic Act No. 11053 or the Anti-Hazing Act of 2018, on July 21, 2026, at the Conference Room of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

Authored by 4th District Board Member Nickanor N. Austria, Jr. and co-authored by 1st District Board Member Juan Ysmael R. Gandia and 2nd District Board Member Alde-Joselito F. Pagulayan, the proposed ordinance aims to establish stronger preventive measures, monitoring mechanisms, and local coordination among educational institutions, local government units, and covered organizations to curb hazing incidents in the province.

The public hearing was presided over by BM Alde-Joselito F. Pagulayan, who underscored the significance of the initiative in strengthening youth protection and public safety.



"This is the first step in the right direction," BM Pagulayan said, emphasizing the importance of collaboration among government agencies, educational institutions, and organizations in preventing hazing and protecting the welfare of students.

One of the highlights of the hearing was the presentation by the Cavite Provincial Investigation and Effective Management Unit of the Philippine National Police (PNP) Cavite, which provided participants with data and updates on fraternity-related incidents in the province. The discussion of the proposed ordinance

was facilitated by Provincial Board Secretary Michelle F. Alcíd, allowing stakeholders to share their insights and recommendations to further enhance the measure.

The public hearing was attended by representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)-Cavite, Department of Education (DepEd)-Cavite, Association of Private Schools in Cavite, State Universities and Colleges, Office of the Provincial Information Officer, Office of the Provincial Legal Officer, Sangguniang Panlungsod/Bayan Committees on Peace and Public Safety, youth

representatives, and officers of covered organizations across the province.

The activity reflects the Provincial

Government of Cavite's continuing efforts to strengthen local policies that promote safer communities, uphold the rule of law, and

protect the rights and welfare of the youth through proactive governance and multi-sectoral collaboration.---
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ARANGKADA PROGRAM, NAGHATID NG SUPORTA SA MGA TODA DRIVER SA TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

Nagsagawa ang Pamahalaang Panlalawigan ng Cavite, sa pangunguna ni Governor Abeng Remulla, ng Arangkada Program sa Trece Martires City bilang suporta sa mga miyembro ng Tricycle

Operators and Drivers' Association (TODA).

Kasama ni Governor Remulla sa programa sina Vice Governor Ram Revilla Bautista, 7th District Congressman Ping Remulla, 7th District Board Members Aldrin Anacan at Camille del Rosario, Mayor Gemma

Lubigan, at mga miyembro ng Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Trece Martires City.

Layunin ng programa na maghatid ng mga inisyatiba at suporta para sa sektor ng transportasyon sa lalawigan. (Provincial Government of Cavite/fbpage)

SSS, CFO STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIP TO EXPAND SOCIAL PROTECTION FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINOS

QUEZON CITY, 04 August 2026 – The Social Security System (SSS) and the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) have strengthened their partnership to expand access to social security protection for Overseas Filipinos (OFs) and their families through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

SSS President and Chief Executive Officer Robert Joseph Montes de Claro and CFO Chairperson Secretary Dante "Klink" Ang II led the signing ceremony, reaffirming both agencies' shared commitment to advancing the welfare and interests of Filipinos overseas through

stronger inter-agency cooperation.

Under the MOU, SSS and CFO will collaborate on information, education, and communication (IEC) initiatives to increase awareness among OFs on SSS membership, benefits, loan programs, and the MySSS Pension Booster. The partnership also aims to enhance access to social security services and empower Filipinos abroad to make informed decisions in securing their financial future and protecting their families.

"This MOU marks another significant step in strengthening the partnership between SSS and CFO," de Claro said. "Through this collaboration, we aim to reach more Overseas

Filipinos and provide them with the knowledge they need to access SSS programs and services that support their financial security and well-being."

The agreement builds on the agencies' existing collaboration since 2025 through the KaSSSangga Collect Program, which supported the expansion of SSS coverage among the Job Order and Contract of Service workers of CFO.

Through this strengthened partnership, SSS and CFO will continue to work together in promoting social protection programs and ensuring that more Overseas Filipinos and their families can benefit from enhanced access to social security services. #

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Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.



Ceremonial Signing of Memorandum of Agreement Between the City Government of Bacoor and Land Transportation Office Region 4-A (LTO).

JA Sports Officially Opens Its Doors to Pickleball Players in Tayabas City



TAYABAS CITY, Quezon — JA Sports officially opened its doors to pickleball players following its grand opening ceremony on August 8, 2026, at the JA

Sports Center along Tayabas-Pagbilao Road in Barangay Mateuna, Tayabas City. The opening ceremony featured a ribbon-cutting led by Mayor Piwa Lim, together with the owners and share-

holders of JA Sports. Rev. Fr. Dale Barreto Ko officiated the blessing of the JA Sports pickleball courts. The ceremonial toss on each of the four pickleball courts was led by the families of Ronabelle and Arnel Casiño; Ely and

Florence Banad; Martin and Honey Fangon; and Pickled Minds Social Club founders Yaecov Valle and Antonia Jessica Cabrera. Among the special guests who attended the ceremony were Mayor

Piwa Lim and his wife, Mrs. Minda Lim, as well as Barangay Chairpersons Nelson Cablaida of Mateuna and Flora Es-miller of San Diego Zone-3. The opening of JA Sports provides pickle-

ball enthusiasts in Tayabas City and nearby communities with a new venue for recreation, training, competition, and social interaction as the sport continues to gain popularity in the area.

CARD MBA, nagsagawa ng global seminar para patatagin ang proteksyong pinansyal ng mga nangangailangang komunidad

Pinangunahan ng CARD Mutual Benefit Association (CARD MBA) ang kauna-unahang Mutual Microinsurance Network Seminar sa pakikipagtulungan sa International Cooperative and Mutual Insurance Federation (ICMIF) Foundation mula Hunyo 17 hanggang 19, 2026 sa AIM Conference Center sa Lungsod ng Makati upang patatagin ang kolaborasyong nakalaan sa pagprotekta sa mga pamilyang may mababang kita.

Nakasentro sa temang “Replicating Success Globally: Scaling the Mutual Microinsurance Model for the Poorest”, ang tatlong-araw na seminar ay nagsilbing plataporma ng pagtutulungan para sa mga kalahok upang magbahagi ng kaalaman at karanasan sa pagbuo ng mga programang microinsurance na madaling palawakin at may malaking epekto sa lipunan. Nagbigay-daan din ito sa mga kalahok na tugunan ang mga kasalukuyang hamon sa industriya, tuklasin ang mga umuusbong na inobasyon, at tukuyin ang kinakailangang suportang pinansyal at teknikal.

“Kinikilala natin na ang mga hamon na kinahaharap ng mga mahihirap na komunidad ay masyadong malaki para lutasin ng isang institusyon lamang,” ani Dr. Jaime Aristotle B. Alip, ang Founder at Chair Emeritus ng CARD MRI. “Sa pamamagitan ng mga kasunduan at pagbabahagi ng kaalaman, maaari nating gayahin ang mga matagumpay na modelo at lumikha ng mas malakas at mas inklusibong network ng microinsurance.”

Ang unang araw ng seminar ay nakatuon sa pagsusuri ng kasalukuyang estado ng microinsurance sa pamamagitan ng pagbibigay-diin sa mga talakayan tungkol sa mga hamon, mga oportunidad, at mga matagumpay na modelo ng sektor mula sa iba’t ibang bansa.

Sa ikalawang araw, ibinahagi ng CARD MBA ang naging paglalakbay nito mula sa pagiging mutual fund tungo sa pagiging mutual microinsurance provider. Ipinakita ang istruktura ng pamamahala ng organisasyon, ang sistema ng pag-aayos ng claim na pinatatakbo ng teknolohiya, ang modelo ng distribusyon sa pamamagitan ng CARD MRI Financial Institutions, at mga estratehiya upang mapalaki ang pakikilahok ng mga miyembro sa pagmamay-ari at paggawa ng desisyon.

Kaugnay ng mga tagumpay na ito, isinaad ni CARD MBA CEO Jocelyn Dequito, “Ang mutual microinsurance ay umuusbong sa tiwala, hindi lamang sa pagitan ng mga institusyon at ng kanilang mga miyembro, kundi maging sa mga organisasyong nagtutulungan para sa iisang layunin na protektahan ang mga komunidad na may mababang kita.”

Nakiisa si Dr. Alip sa mga kapwa niyang pioneer sa microinsurance sa isang panel discussion tungkol sa mga pangunahing salik ng tagumpay ng mga programa sa mutual microinsurance.

Sa huling araw ay bumisita sila sa Lungsod ng San Pablo, Laguna, kung saan naobserbahan ng mga kalahok ang center meeting ng CARD Bank sa Brgy. San Gabriel. Nakapanayam din nila ang center officers, personal na nakita kung paano naghahatid ng mga serbisyo ng insurance ang CARD MBA at ang mahusay na komunikasyon nito sa mga miyembro.

Sinalihan ang seminar ng 101 practitioner at pinuno ng microinsurance mula sa Pilipinas at iba’t ibang bansa kabilang ang United Kingdom, Myanmar, India, Kenya, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malawi, Mozambique, Paraguay, Thailand, at Timor-Leste.

Sa pamamagitan ng seminar, binigyang-diin ng CARD MBA at ng ICMIF Foundation ang halaga ng kolaborasyon at pagtitiwala upang mas maging inklusibo ang proteksyong pinansyal at makabuo ng economic safety net para sa mga komunidad na may mababang kita sa buong mundo.

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Panatag Ka.



Sina CARD MRI Founder at Chair Emeritus Dr. Jaime Aristotle B. Alip (una mula sa kaliwa) at CARD MBA CEO Jocelyn Dequito (ikaapat mula sa kaliwa) kasama ang iba pang mga pioneer microinsurance leaders habang nagaganap ang isang panel discussion sa Mutual Microinsurance Network Seminar.

ARANGKADA PROGRAM IN CITY OF DASMARIÑAS



The Provincial Government of Cavite, led by Governor Abeng

Remulla, brings the Arangkada Program to the City of Dasmariñas, reaffirming its commitment to supporting

the transport sector and empowering local TODA drivers.

A total of 6,610 beneficiaries are receiving

assistance through today's program.

Joining the Governor are Vice Governor Ram Revilla Bautista,

Board Member Nickol Austria, Vice Mayor Thirdy Barzaga, and the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod as

they show their united support for programs that provide meaningful assistance and opportunities to the community.

Federation of the Deaf – Cavite Province, Inc. holds oath-taking ceremony for newly elected officers

The Federation of the Deaf – Cavite Province, Inc., a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)-registered disability organization, formally inducted its

newly elected officers during an Oath-Taking Ceremony held on July 21, 2026, at the New Provincial Government Center, Trece Martires City.

Leading the organization is its newly in-

ducted President, Mr. Mark Kelvin Marcial, together with the federation's officers who pledged their commitment to advancing the rights, welfare, and inclusion of the Deaf community across the

Province of Cavite. The oath-taking was administered by Governor Abeng Remulla, whose presence underscored the Provincial Government's continued support for programs and initiatives that promote

accessibility, empowerment, and equal opportunities for persons with disabilities.

The ceremony was also graced by Ms. Marie Shiela Antenor, Head of the Office of the Provincial Per-

sons with Disabilities (OPG-OPPDO), whose steadfast advocacy and partnership continue to strengthen programs that foster inclusivity and meaningful participation of persons with disabilities in community development.

The event marked a significant milestone for the Federation as it embarks on a new chapter of leadership, dedicated to serving the Deaf community through collaboration, advocacy, and sustainable programs that uphold the principles of equality, accessibility, and empowerment.--- OPIO



PGC Empowers Resettlement Community Leaders Through Capability-Building Program

On August 5, 2026 the Provincial Government of Cavite (PGC), through the Provincial Housing Development and Management Office (PHDMO), successfully conducted the day 2 of the "Lead and Inspire: Capability Building for the Leaders of the Provincial Government Resettlement Project" at the New Provincial Government Center, Trece Martires City.

Resource speaker Ms. Sheryll Loyola, Development Management Officer IV of the Office of the Provincial Cooperatives Development Officer (OPCDO), discussed leadership, community



management, and the roles and responsibilities of HOA officers and block leaders. She also highlighted effective leadership qualities,

communication, accountability, teamwork, and decision-making in addressing community concerns.

Provincial Admin-

istrator Engr. Gilbert V. Gandia expressed his support and appreciation to the participants for their active participation and commitment

to strengthening their leadership capabilities.

On behalf of PHDMO Department Head Ms. Karen Camanag-Tupas, Ms. Jerela Bielle

A. Austria, Housing and Homesite Regulation Officer I, expressed her gratitude to the participants for their cooperation, effort, and time in attending the seminar. She emphasized that their active participation and commitment contribute to strengthening leadership and fostering better-managed and more responsive resettlement communities.

The session concluded with an interactive question-and-answer portion, allowing participants to share experiences, raise concerns, and exchange practical insights on addressing leadership challenges in their communities.--- OPIO

MEDICAL AND DENTAL MISSION BRINGS ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES TO PASONG KAWAYAN II



The Provincial Government of Cavite continued to bring accessible healthcare services closer to communities as a medical and dental mission was conducted on August 5, 2026, in Barangay Pasong Kawayan II, City of General Trias, benefiting a total of 573 residents.

The activity provided community members with essential medical and dental services through the of doctors and healthcare professionals from the General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital (GEAMH) and the AMIGA District Hospital, with the assistance of barangay health workers (BHWs).

The health mission

offered residents an opportunity to avail medical consultations and dental services without having to travel far from their community.

Board Member Kerby Salazar was present during the activity, demonstrating support for initiatives that promote accessible and responsive healthcare services for Caviteños.--- OPIO

Medical and Dental Mission in Brgy. Fatima I. City of Dasmariñas



On August 7, 2026, total of 1,004 patients benefited from the Provincial Government of Cavite's Medical and Dental Mission held in Barangay

Fatima I, Dasmariñas City.

The activity provided medical consultations, dental services, FBS testing, ECG procedures, and prescribed medicines, which were distributed

to patients as needed. The mission was made possible through the joint efforts of the GEAMH, Car-Sigma, and OPG medical mission teams, with the assistance of Barangay Health Workers (BHWs).

Dasmariñas City Councilors were also present to show their support for the initiative, which aimed to bring essential healthcare services closer to the community and promote the health and well-being of residents.--- OPIO

PhilHealth-NAPC partnership expands health information access for vulnerable communities

LUCENA CITY, Quezon — More marginalized and vulnerable communities are expected to gain better access to essential health information and services as the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) Regional Office IV-A and the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC) strengthened their partnership to expand community-based health information dissemination and support the implementation of Universal Health Care.

The partnership was reinforced during the NAPC-PhilHealth Region IV-A Consultative Meeting held on July 30 at the PhilHealth Regional Office IV-A in Lucena City.

The meeting served as a venue to present the agencies' Activity Work Plan, formally turn over the notarized Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and align strategies for strengthening regional coordination in delivering health information and social protection programs across CALABARZON.

The MOU outlines collaborative activities that will enable both agencies to reach underserved sectors through stakeholder engagement, information campaigns, and capacity-building initiatives. By leveraging NAPC's network of sectoral councils and PhilHealth's health insurance programs, the partnership seeks to ensure that accurate and timely information reaches communities with limited access to government services.

One of the major initiatives under the part-

nership is the conduct of a Training of Trainers (TOT) and Capacity Building Activity for NAPC Council Members scheduled in August 2026 in Lucena City.

The training aims to equip council members with a deeper understanding of PhilHealth membership, benefits, and programs, enabling them to serve as community advocates who can guide vulnerable sectors in accessing government healthcare services.

"This partnership reflects our shared commitment to making health information and social protection more accessible to marginalized communities. By empowering our sectoral leaders with the right knowledge, we are strengthening their capacity to connect vulnerable Filipinos with the government services they need," said NAPC Director III for Administration and Finance Management Service Alexis Lapiz.

On the part of PhilHealth Regional Office IV-A, Acting Regional Vice President Dr. Edwin M. Oriña emphasized that informed commu-

nities are better positioned to benefit from the country's health insurance program.

"Health information is an essential component of Universal Health Care. Through this collaboration with NAPC, we are empowering grassroots leaders to become effective partners in educating their communities about PhilHealth benefits and ensuring that no eligible Filipino is left behind".

Officials from both agencies said the continuing implementation of the MOU demonstrates their commitment to expanding health information dissemination, strengthening grassroots participation, and making quality healthcare services more accessible to underserved communities.

They added that sustained interagency collaboration remains crucial in advancing Universal Health Care and ensuring that every Filipino, regardless of social or economic status, has greater opportunities to access health services and social protection. (CCM- PIA CALABARZON)

AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS

NOTICE is hereby given that **MICHELE VERGARA RAMCHANDANI**, Filipino citizen, married to Pran Shanker Ramchandani, of legal age, with address at BF Homes, Parañaque City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, hereby depose and state: That I am the share holder of one (1) class share of SHERWOOD HILLDS GOLF CLUB, INC., with stock certificate no. A-1095, "the Share"; That sometime on last July 2026, upon looking to my files I cannot find my original stock certificate. That my diligent effort to locate the above item proved futile and that the same is now beyond recovery. That I am executing this affidavit of loss to attest to the truth of all the foregoing facts and statement and for whatever legal intent and purpose this may serve, executed on 10th day of August 2026 and ratified before Notary Public Atty. Bernardino O. Lautillo, under Doc. No. 213, Page No. 44, Book No. 48, Series of 2026.

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF NUMERIANO RAMOS ANGCAO AND DOLORES DELA PEÑA ANGCAO

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **NUMERIANO RAMOS ANGCAO** and **DOLORES DELA PEÑA ANGCAO**, who died on February 4, 1993 and July 10, 2003, the deceased at the time of their death left no known debts, nor any last will and testament, that said deceased are the registered owner of a real property situated at Indang, Cavite under Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-113003 of the Registry of Deeds for Province of Cavite, containing an area of Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Two (3,372) square meters, and was Extra-Judicially Settled among the legal heirs, executed on 7th day of January 2025 and ratified before Notary Public Atty. Madelyn D. Sarmiento, under Doc. No. 102, Page No. 22, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF THE LATE ALIPIO COSTA

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of the late **ALIPIO COSTA**, who died on June 10, 2010 at Amadeo, Cavite, the said deceased died intestate, without a Will or Testament and without any outstanding debts in favor of any person or entity, that the said deceased left a parcel of land with improvement, covered by Tax Declaration No. 10-0029-01344 with Lot 10805, Cad 459-D situated at Ma. Kahoy Balagbag, Indang, Cavite, containing an approximate area of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Five (4,725) square meters, and was Extra-Judicially Settled among the legal heirs, executed on 29th day of December 2023 and ratified before Notary Public Atty. Antonio T. Nicolas, under Doc. No. 436, Page No. 101, Book No. XLII, Series of 2023.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 30TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CAVITE HELD ON FEBRUARY 16, 2026 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

PRESENT:

Hon. Ramon Vicente H. Bautista	Vice Governor/ Presiding Officer
Hon. Alde Joselito F. Pagulayan	Majority Floor Leader
Hon. Romel R. Enriquez	SP Member, 1st District
Hon. Juan Ysmael R. Gandia	SP Member, 1st District
Hon. Edwin E. Malvar	SP Member, 2nd District
Hon. Lloyd Emman D. Jaro	SP Member, 3rd District
Hon. Nickanor N. Austria, Jr.	SP Member, 4th District
Hon. Aidel Paul G. Belamide	SP Member, 5th District
Hon. Ivey Jayne A. Reyes	SP Member, 5th District
Hon. Kerby J. Salazar	SP Member, 6th District
Hon. Maurito C. Sison	SP Member, 6th District
Hon. Jhon Kester Aldrin R. Anacan	SP Member, 7th District
Hon. Camille Lauren V. del Rosario	SP Member, 7th District
Hon. Jasmin Angelli M. Bautista	SP Member, 8th District
Hon. Rafael V. Paterno III	LNB Provincial Chapter President
Hon. Chelsea Jillian G. Sarno	SK Provincial Federation President

OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Arnel M. Cantimbuhan	Pro-Tempore
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SICK LEAVE:

Hon. Edward R. Samala, Jr.	CCL President
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ABSENT:

Hon. Eimeren M. Nazareno	SP Member, 8th District
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PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 517-2026

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1569 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “STRENGTHENING THE BARANGAY NUTRITION PROGRAM BY PROVIDING FOR A BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLAR IN EVERY BARANGAY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Introduced and Sponsored by: Hon. Jasmin Angelli M. Bautista
Chair, Committee on Health, Nutrition and Population

Hon. Kerby J. Salazar
Vice Chair, Committee on Health, Nutrition and Population

Sponsored by: Hon. Aidel Paul G. Belamide
Chair, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations

Hon. Rafael V. Paterno III
Chair, Committee on Barangay Affairs

and

Co-Sponsored by: All Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people, including instilling health consciousness, and Article XV, Section 3 mandates the state to defend the right of children to proper care and nutrition;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 491 or the Nutrition Act of the Philippines emphasizes that nutrition should be a priority of the government, to be implemented in an integrated fashion by all branches of government;

WHEREAS, the Barangay Nutrition Program is essential for promoting health and well-being among community members as it mobilizes Barangay Nutrition Scholar to deliver nutrition services to the barangay level using community-based initiatives to combat malnutrition and improve community health;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1569 mandated the deployment of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS) in each barangay and the strengthening of the Barangay Nutrition Program through nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions in the community;

WHEREAS, Letter of Instruction 441 of 1976 directs various government departments to address malnutrition and authorizes the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to establish functioning nutrition committees at different administrative levels, including the barangay;

WHEREAS, the Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act - First 1,000 Days Law (Republic Act No. 11148) mandates national agencies, LGUs, civil societies, and other stakeholders to develop and implement a comprehensive and sustainable strategy for the first 1,000 days of life, addressing health, nutrition, and developmental challenges faced by infants, young children, adolescent females, and pregnant and lactating women;

WHEREAS, the Barangay Nutrition Scholar or Barangay Nutrition Program is a key strategy of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition's human resource development efforts;

WHEREAS, it is crucial to allocate sufficient funds to support the effective functioning of the BNS and the overall nutrition program;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Bautista, Hon. Salazar, Hon. Belamide and Hon. Paterno III, duly seconded by Hon. Anacan, Hon. Austria, Jr., Hon. Del Rosario, Hon. Jaro, Hon. Sison, Hon. Pagulayan and unanimously approved by the Members present, be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite in a session duly assembled that:

Section 1: Short Title. This ordinance shall be known as the “Ordinance Adopting PD 1569.”

Section 2: Declaration of Policy. It is the policy of the Provincial Government of Cavite to take part in transforming children's nutrition, combat stunting, and reverse the tide of childhood overweight and obesity through implementing the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 1569, which will strengthen the Barangay Nutrition Program in every Cities and Municipalities in the Province.

Section 3: Establishment of the Barangay Nutrition Scholar (BNS) Position. There shall be a Barangay Nutrition Scholar employed in all the barangays in every city and municipality. The Barangay Nutrition Scholar shall be responsible for coordinating, implementing, and monitoring nutrition programs and activities within the barangay in accordance with the guidelines set forth in Presidential Decree 1569.

Section 4: Qualifications and Appointment. The appointment of the Barangay Nutrition Scholar shall be made by the Punong Barangay with the concurrence of the majority of the Sangguniang Barangay Members. The Barangay Nutrition Scholar shall possess the following qualifications as prescribed by the National Nutrition Council:

- a. Bonafide resident of the barangay for at least four years (4),

- with ability to speak the dialect.
- b. Possess leadership potential and the initiative and willingness to serve the barangay for at least one (1) year;
- c. Willingness to learn, and to teach what he/she has learned to the people of the barangay;
- d. Completed atleast Grade 10;
- e. Physically and mentally fit; and
- f. At least eighteen (18) years old but not more than 60 years old at the time of deployment.

Upon meeting the above qualifications, the BNS shall undergo all the modules of the BNS Basic Course and Practicum Program as provided for by the National Nutrition Council, and as managed by the local training team.

The tenure of the Barangay Nutrition Scholar (BNS) shall remain secure and shall not be affected by any change in the Local Chief Executive or barangay administration. Removal from office may be affected only for just and authorized cause, such as incapacity due to health, physical, or mental conditions, or violations pertaining to the internal discipline and standards of the organization. Any removal shall require the approval of a majority of all Members of the Sangguniang Barangay.

The Punong Barangay may, however, submit a formal report on findings regarding any misconduct, negligence, or irregularity committed by a BNS and recommend appropriate disciplinary action to the City/Municipal Mayor, through the City/Municipal Nutrition Action Officer (C/MNAO). Provided, that any such action must be reasonably justified and necessary to ensure the continuous, efficient, and timely delivery of quality nutrition services within the barangay.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in recognition of the experience and specialized training of Barangay Nutrition Scholars, it is strongly encouraged that the incumbent BNS be reappointed by the incoming barangay administration, unless there exists valid and substantiated reason establishing the BNS's unfitness or incapacity continue in service. This policy promotes continuity, stability and effectiveness in the implementation of local nutrition programs and in advancing the objectives of national nutrition policies.

Section 5: Duties and Responsibilities. The Barangay Nutrition Scholar shall:

- a. Initiate and assists the Barangay Nutrition Committee (BNC) in the formulation of the Barangay Nutrition Action Plan (BNAP);
- b. Coordinate implementation of nutrition intervention activities and refers clients to appropriate service providers;
- c. Promote and advocates nutrition programs that are in line with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN);
- d. Deliver the basic nutrition and related health services and ensures that the planned activities are implemented;
- e. Conduct Growth monitoring activities to nutritional status of preschool children and monitoring of implementation of nutrition and related activities, laws, ordinances and policies;
- f. Mobilize and generated human and financial resources in coordination with the BNC; and
- g. Record, monitor and report services rendered to the nutritionally at-risk families in the barangay. Document and submit reports to BNC and to NAO.

Section 6: Benefits and Support for Barangay Nutrition Scholars. Pursuant to PD 1569, the following benefits and support shall be provided to Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS):

Section 6.1: Civil Service Eligibility and Service Benefit. The BNS shall be granted a civil service eligibility equivalent to second

grade after completing at least two years of continuous and satisfactory service in the barangay, upon application to CSC.

Section 6.2: Allowance: The Provincial Government shall provide an additional allowance of Php 1,700 monthly for the services rendered by the BNS to the barangay.

Section 6.3: Financial Support from Cities/Municipalities and Barangays. All Cities/Municipalities and Barangays are recommended to provide a minimum of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) per month as additional support to the BNS from their annual budget upon the availability of funds and upon the approval of the focal chief executive.

Section 6.4: Training and Allowances. The BNS shall be entitled to a training stipend, kit, and travel allowance. Other allowances may be granted by the barangay and the city/municipality upon approval of the Local Chief Executive, subject to the availability of funds.

Section 6.5: Additional Funding Sources. Additional funds may be sourced from national government agencies, NGOs, and other funding institutions as available to further support the BNS in their performing of duties.

Section 6.6: Gratuity Pay. Recognizing the vital role of BNS in the municipalities and cities, they shall be entitled to a gratuity pay of not less than Ten Thousand Pesos upon retirement after rendering at least ten (10) years of continuous active and satisfactory service depending upon the availability of funds to be sourced out of the General Funds.

Section 7: Monitoring and Evaluation. The Barangay Nutrition Scholar shall undergo periodic performance evaluation by the Provincial/City/Municipal Nutrition Action Officer and/or Municipal/City Nutrition Program Coordinator, and an annual assessment under the Monitoring and Evaluation of Local Level Plan Implementation (MELLPI Pro) by the Municipal/City Nutrition Evaluation Team.

SECTION 8: Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Office of the Provincial Health Officer, in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the Local Health Board, shall issue the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) to ensure the proper and efficient implementation of this Ordinance.

Section 9: Repealing Clause. All ordinances, rules, regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 10: Separability Clause. If any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 11: Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect after its approval and compliance with the posting and publication requirements.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

I hereby attest that the foregoing ordinance was duly enacted by the 12th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 30th Regular Session held on February 16, 2026.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 34TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CAVITE HELD ON MARCH 23, 2026 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN CONFERENCE ROOM, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, NEW PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT CENTER, TRECE MARTIRES CITY, CAVITE

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ABSENT:

None

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 525-2026

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CHILD MINDING CENTER FOR THE SOLO PARENT EMPLOYEES AND OTHER EMPLOYEES IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF CAVITE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by: Hon. Romel R. Enriquez
Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member, 1st District

Hon. Lloyd Emman D. Jaro
Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member, 3rd District

and

Hon. Ivey Jayne A. Reyes
Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member, 5th District

Sponsored by: Hon. Romel R. Enriquez
Chair, Committee on Social Services, Family, Women, Children
and Elderly

Hon. Aidel Paul G. Belamide,
Chair, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations

and

Co-Sponsored by: All Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members

WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Republic Act No. 7160 also known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", devolves the responsibility to deliver basic services in the field of social welfare, such as programs for children, women, families and disadvantaged groups;

WHEREAS, on the same Republic Act under Article 3, Section 468 (a)(1), provides that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, as the legislative body of the province, shall approve ordinances and pass resolutions for the general welfare of the province and its inhabitants;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of Republic Act 11861, also known as the Expanded Solo Parents Welfare Act, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) and the Civil Service Commission (CSC) shall promote and encourage the establishment of appropriate child minding centers within the workplace, or in accessible locations to the workplace or residence of the solo parent;

WHEREAS, in July 1990, the Philippines ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Article 18(2) and (3) which provides that the State Parties shall render appropriate assistance to parents and legal guardians in the performance of their child-rearing responsibilities, ensure the development of institutions, facilities and services for the care of children and take appropriate measures to ensure that children of working parent have the right to benefit from the child care services and facilities for which they are eligible;

WHEREAS, Section 7.b of Republic Act 10410, otherwise known as the Early Years Act (EYA) of 2013, provides that local government units (LGUs) shall include allocations from their Special Education Fund (SEF) and Gender and Development (GAD) Fund in addition to other local funds to be utilized to support the implementation of their Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Program;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2 of RA 12199 or Early Childhood Care and Development System Act, the State shall implement policy to safeguard and promote every child's right to holistic well-being, growth, and dedicated care, recognizing the age-appropriate stages of development;

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article III of Provincial Ordinance No. 486-2025, entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing In The Province Of Cavite The Programs, Services, Privileges And Benefits For Solo Parents And Their Children, And Appropriating Funds For That Purpose" enacted during the 146th Regular Session of the 11th Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the Provincial Government of Cavite shall establish such facilities;

WHEREAS, Section 46 (2) of "The 2024 Comprehensive Children's Welfare Code of the Province of Cavite" states that the province shall support the provision for operating and maintaining localized Child Minding Centers;

WHEREAS, the establishment of the said facility within the New Provincial Government Center premises can help facilitate the solo parent employees and other PGC who needs for temporary child-friendly area during time of work in the absence of legal guardian at home, to avoid employees from getting late and being absent because no one will attend to their child;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Enriquez, Hon. Jaro and Hon. Reyes, duly seconded by Hon. Pagulayan and unanimously approved by the members present, be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite in a session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "**THE**

ESTABLISHMENT OF CHILD MINDING CENTER IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF CAVITE ORDINANCE".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is hereby declared a policy of the Provincial Government of Cavite to give due support to its employees prioritizing the solo parents through the establishment of a Child Minding Center for their children that is accessible from their work area where they avail of the services in child minding center ages two (2) to five (5) years old from 8:00 in the morning until 5:00 in the afternoon, where the said Child Minding Center shall provide child- friendly and safe space that supports the development of their children and well-being by providing services that support their health, mental, spiritual and physical development.

SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES

- A. Provide support system for solo parent employees and other PGC employees in need of the services provided by the Child minding center; Provide a safe environment for the child/children of the PGC employees;
- B. Provide supplemental parental care for solo parent employee's children during their working hours;
- C. Encourage PGC employees especially solo parent employees to achieve efficiency in work by providing care to their children;
- D. Contribute in developing physically fit and healthy children through proper care and;
- E. Provide substitute parenting and protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, and exploitation while the parent is at work.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS AND ACRONYMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- A. **Children** - refer to the children of PGC employees ages two (2) to five (5);
- B. **Child Minding Center** - refer to a facility provided by the Provincial Government of Cavite where the solo parent employee's child, children, or dependents who are aged two (2) to five (5) years old are habitually received for purposes of care and supervision during office hours;
- C. **Solo Parent** - shall refer to any individual who falls under any of the following categories defined under RA 8972;
- D. **PGC Solo Parent Employees** - refers to all Solo Parents employed whether permanent, co-terminus, casual or job order in the Provincial Government of Cavite.
- E. **OPHRMO** - Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer
- F. **OPSWDO** - Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer
- G. **PGC** - Provincial Government of Cavite

SECTION 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF CHILD MINDING CENTER. The Provincial Government of Cavite shall establish a Child Minding Center within the New Cavite Government Center, operated and maintained by the OPSWDO and supervised by OPHRMO.

SECTION 6. FEATURES OF CHILD MINDING CENTER. The Child Minding Center shall have the following features:

- A. **Safe and Secure Facility.** Child-proofed rooms with proper ventilation, lighting, and sanitation;
- B. **Child-Friendly and Inclusive Environment.** Bright, welcoming spaces designed to support children's emotional and social development;
- C. **Age-Appropriate Learning and Play Areas.** Designated

areas for play, learning, rest, and meals with educational toys, books, and materials suitable for early childhood development;

- D. **Qualified and Trained Child Minders.** Caregivers trained in child care, early childhood development, and basic first aid;
- E. **Health, Hygiene, and Sanitation Facilities.** Emergency Preparedness, WASH area for children separate toilet for boys and girl. First-aid kits and clear emergency procedures coordination with nearby Office of the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer
- F. **Parent-Friendly and Supportive Services.** System for registration, attendance, and child monitoring. Creating open communication between caregivers and parents/guardians.

SECTION 7. SERVICES OFFERED BY THE CHILD MINDING CENTER. The Child Minding Center shall provide:

- A. **Supervised Child Care.** Safe and nurturing care for children while parents/guardians are at work, in meetings, or attending trainings
- B. **Early Childhood Development Activities.** Age-appropriate play, learning, and socialization activities like storytelling, playing songs, arts and crafts, and basic values formation
- C. **Health, and Hygiene Support.** Promotion of proper hand washing and personal hygiene, monitoring of children's well-being during stay, coordination with health workers for basic health checks (when applicable)
- D. **Safe and Child-Friendly Environment.** Clean, secure, and stimulating space suitable for young children, use of child-safe furniture, toys, and learning materials
- E. **Rest and Nap Time Care.** Designated quiet time for rest and sleep, especially for toddlers
- F. **Parental Support and Guidance.** Brief updates to parents during lunch and snack breaks on child's behavior and activities, guidance on positive parenting practices, when needed
- G. **Emergency and First-Aid Response.** Basic first-aid assistance and immediate response in case of minor injuries or emergencies

SECTION 8. SCOPE AND COVERAGE: The Child Minding Center shall prioritize the children of Solo Parent employees of the PGC, ages two (2) to five (5) years old. Other PGC employees may also opt to avail of the service in cases they need to attend official activities and if they are from vulnerable and disadvantaged families.

SECTION 9. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT. The staff for the operation of the Center shall consist of the following:

Section 9.1 Social Welfare Assistant (SG-3). The Social Welfare Assistant shall be created under the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO), with the following qualifications:

- A. At least 18 years old and above
- B. Associate degree in Early Childhood Education
- C. Completed trainings/seminars related to Early Childhood Care and Development of Early Childhood Education
- D. With experience on Early Childhood Education
- E. Complete mandatory reskilling and upskilling training programs on ECCD or early childhood education

Section 9.2 Duties and Responsibilities of the Social Welfare Assistant.

- A. Monitor children's activities to prevent accidents and ensure they are playing safely.
- B. Should be aware of emergency procedures and be able to respond appropriately in case of accidents or incidents.
- C. Organizing and leading age-appropriate activities that encourage learning, creativity, and social interaction.
- D. Implementing educational programs or activities that help children learn about the world around them.
- E. Observing children for any signs of developmental delays or emotional issues and reporting concerns to parents or guardians.
- F. Creating a positive and supportive environment where children feel comfortable and secure.
- G. Interacting with children in a kind, patient, and respectful manner.

Section 9.3 Social Worker Aide (SG-2). The Social Worker Aide shall be created under the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO), with the following qualifications:

- A. At least 18 years old and above
- B. At least completed the secondary level/Senior High School
- C. Finish 2 years Tertiary education related to health, nutrition, early education, social services
- D. With experience on Early Childhood Education

Section 9.4 Duties and Responsibilities of the Social Worker Aide

- A. Ensuring that the play area, toys, and other equipment are clean and safe for children.
- B. Assist the children's activities and ensure they are playing safe
- C. Creating a positive and supportive environment where children feel comfortable and secure.
- D. Interacting with children in a kind, patient, and respectful manner.
- E. Being able to administer basic first aid in case of minor injuries.
- F. Observing children for any signs of developmental delays or emotional issues and reporting concerns to parents or guardians.

SECTION 10. OPERATION OF THE CHILD MINDING CENTER.

Section 10.1. The operation of the Child Minding Center shall be under the supervision of the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO) through its Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Focal Person.

Section 10.2. The following functions shall be collaboratively performed by the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO) and Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO):

- A. Formulate policies and guidelines on the operations of the Child Minding Center;
- B. Monitor the operations of the Child Minding Center;
- C. Supervise the over-all operations of the Center;
- D. Act as an advisory body and shall provide progress report to the Provincial Governor regarding the establishment/development of the Center;
- E. Exercise administrative control and supervision of the personnel assigned to the Center;

- F. Prepare the budget necessary to fund the operations of the personnel assigned to the Center;
- G. Safekeep and monitoring of records;
- H. Provide training and skills upgrading and reskilling activities for the center staff;
- I. Identify, develops and prepares materials, relevant to the educational activities of the served age groups;
- J. Recommend programs and activities relative to improvement of the component of the Center;
- K. Other powers, duties and functions as may be required or necessary.

SECTION 11. PENALTY CLAUSE. In cases where violations in the operation of the Child Minding Center are committed as set in the Manual of Operation (MOP), the OPHRMO together with the OPLO shall handle the due process according to PGC Employee's Handbook as stipulated therein.

SECTION 12. FUNDING. For the effective implementation of this ordinance, the Provincial Government of Cavite through the Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO) shall appropriate necessary funds from the budget of the Provincial Council for the Protection of Children (PCPC), or such other funds, through the PGC, subject to availability and laws, rules and regulations on government accounting, budget and auditing.

SECTION 13. MONITORING, IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION. The Office of the Provincial Social Welfare Development Officer (OPSWDO); through its ECCD Focal Person, in collaboration with the Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO), Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) and Office of the Provincial Legal Officer (OPLO) shall formulate the necessary Manual of Operation (MOP) for the efficient and effective operation and maintenance of the Center.

The Office of the Provincial Human Resource Management Officer (OPHRMO) shall spearhead the annual evaluation of the effectiveness and impact of the Center to the general welfare of PGC employees and make necessary recommendations for the improvement of its operations.

SECTION 14. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any section or part of this Ordinance is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force or effect.

SECTION 15. REPEALING CLAUSE. All other ordinances, orders, issuances, rules, and regulations, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 16. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect after its approval and compliance with the posting and publication requirements.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

I hereby attest that the foregoing ordinance was duly enacted by the 12th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 34th Regular Session held on March 23, 2026.


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TRB approves toll collection for CALAX Subsection 3



After providing toll-free access for three (3) months, the Toll Regulatory Board (TRB) has approved the start of toll collection for the Cavite-Laguna Expressway (CALAX) Subsection 3, covering Silang (Aguinaldo) to Governor’s Drive in General Trias, effective August 9, 2026.

Since its opening on May 4, 2026, the new segment has provided free passage to almost 9,000 motorists daily, offering a more convenient and efficient travel option for residents, workers, students, and businesses in Cavite.

The 7.88-kilometer CALAX Subsection 3 was built to provide a faster alternative route for commuters and businesses, bypassing heavily congested local roads along Cavite’s growing industrial and residential corridors.

Starting August 9, motorists using the CALAX Subsection 3 from Silang (Aguinaldo) Interchange to Governor’s Drive will be charged the following rates: P35 for Class 1, P70 for Class 2, and P106 for Class 3 vehicles.

Meanwhile, the following toll rates will apply for motorists traveling from Governor’s Drive in General Trias, Cavite, and going straight to Greenfield in Laguna: P117 for Class 1, P234 for Class 2, and P351 for Class 3 vehicles.

The opening of CALAX Subsection 3 brings the operational length of CALAX to 26 kilometers, starting from the Greenfield-Mamplasan Entry in Biñan, Laguna. Once fully completed, the entire expressway network is projected to serve up to 65,000 vehicles per day, strengthening regional connectivity and supporting the movement of people, goods, and services across Cavite, Laguna, and Southern Metro Manila.

CALAX is a vital infrastructure project designed to reduce travel time, ease traffic congestion on major local roads, and support economic growth in one of the country’s fastest-growing regions.###

NEW CALAX TOLL FEES Effective August 9, 2026		
	Greenfield to Governor’s Drive	Silang (Aguinaldo) to Governor’s Drive
CLASS 1	P117.00	P35.00
CLASS 2	P234.00	P70.00
CLASS 3	P351.00	P106.00



TOTE-TALLY YOURS!

TOTE-TALLY YOURS! PROMO MECHANICS

Promo Period
The promo is open to all shoppers of SM City Calamba until August 31, 2026.

Eligibility and Requirements
To qualify for the "Tote-Tally Yours!" tote bag with patches, customers must:

- Present a minimum single – receipt purchase of Ten Thousand Pesos (Php 10,000) from SM Supermarket, Hypermarket, Ace Hardware, and SM Appliances, or minimum single – receipt purchase of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000) or a maximum of two (2) accumulated receipts from two (2) different stores within SM City Calamba during the promo period; and
- Download and register via the SM Malls Online App, and present the "Tote-Tally Yours!" promo voucher at the redemption booth.

Redemption Mechanics

- **Standard Redemption** – This option is available throughout the week for receipts dated anytime within the promotional period.
 - Redemption Schedule: Daily
 - Receipt Validity: Any receipt within the promo period
 - Tote Bag Choices: Orange, Bottle Green, Teal, Purple, or Watermelon
 - Patch Set Choices: You may choose one (1) bag and three (3) small
- **Special Edition Redemption** – This exclusive option is only available for a limited time each week and requires a fresh receipt.
 - Redemption Schedule: Every Monday & Tuesday
 - Receipt Validity: Same Day Receipt only
 - Tote Bag Choice: Special Edition: BABY (Black & Yellow)
 - Patch Set Choices: You may choose one (1) bag and three (3) small

- Redemption must be made at the designated Redemption Booth Event Center within the promo period.
- Customers must present original official receipts (ORs) for validation. Photocopies, duplicates, lost, damaged, or defaced receipts will not be accepted.
- All receipts are subject to verification by the promo personnel.

Redemption Entitlement
Each qualified customer is entitled to one (1) "Tote-Tally Yours!" tote bag with patches per qualified receipt only.

Non-Duplicate Transactions
This promo does not apply to receipt for the purchase of gift certificates, payment of promissory card, electric and other utility bills, membership fees, insurance premiums, housing, car, and other form of loans; and the like. Duplicate invoice is not accepted.

Disqualification
Employees of SM City Calamba, its tenants, agencies, and their immediate relatives up to the second degree of consanguinity or affinity are disqualified from joining the promo.

SM CITY CALAMBA

Per DTI Fair Trade Permit No. RAA-100085, Series of 2026.

SM CITY CALAMBA

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STEP 1
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STEP 2
Scan the QR Code to get your promo voucher

STEP 3
Swipe to redeem your promo voucher

STEP 4
Show your promo voucher at the Redemption Booth

Terms and Conditions:

- Promo Period: Until August 31, 2026
- One (1) Customer = One (1) Promo Voucher only.
- Please present your redeemed Promo Voucher and qualified receipt at the redemption booth.
- Promo Vouchers are non-transferable.

Your favorite ToteTally Yours promo is extended until August 31! Customize your Gala bag with adorable sticker patches and create a tote that's uniquely you at your most loved SM City Calamba. Visit the ToteTally Yours Booth at the Ground Level from 1pm - 4pm near National Book Store and design your dream tote today!