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## UNCONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER (UCT) PAYOUT

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### I. BACKGROUND

The government's comprehensive tax reform program as embodied in Republic Act No. 10963, or the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law, seeks to enhance the efficiency, simplicity, and equity of the tax system in order to promote investment, create jobs, and reduce poverty.

To mitigate the effects of higher prices among those who are adversely affected by the said tax reform, the TRAIN Law mandates the implementation of social mitigating measures to protect the poor and vulnerable. One of these measures is the Uncondition Cash Transfer (UCT) Program. It seeks to provide grants to the poorest 10 million households that will not benefit from the lower income tax rates but will be adversely affected by rising prices.

The DSWD, as lead agency in the implementation of the UCT, in partnership with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP), is currently facilitating the payouts for the UCT in the different LGUs nationwide. For this, the DSWD is seeking this Department's assistance during the payouts to be held in the different local government units (LGUs) nationwide, particularly on the matter of coordinating the venue and security during the payouts.

### II. LEGAL BASIS

Republic Act No. 10963 or the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law, Section 82(F)(2)(c)(i), amended Section 288 of the National Internal Revenue Code to institutionalize a social welfare and benefits program that includes the UCT as one of its components.

### III. PURPOSE

This MC is issued to provide guidance to concerned DILG field officers and local government officials on the provision of assistance during the payouts of the UCT.

### IV. SCOPE AND COVERAGE

This MC shall cover all City/Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, DILG Regional, Provincial and City Directors, City/Municipal Local Government Operations Officers, ARMM Regional Governor, Philippine National Police and all others concerned.

### V. ASSISTANCE TO THE PAYOUTS

#### A. DILG Regional Office

1. To instruct and advise their respective City Directors/CLGOOs/MLGOOs to closely coordinate with the DSWD City/Municipal (C/M) Links on the details and arrangements of the payouts.

2. To coordinate with the DSWD counterparts at the regional level.

**B. DILG City Directors/CLGOOs/MLGOOs**

1. To facilitate the coordination of the DSWD with the LGUs.

**C. LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs)**

1. To activate the Local Disaster Risk Reduction Management (LDRRM) Councils in their areas of jurisdiction to provide assistance during emergency-related incidents that may occur during the payouts.
2. To mobilize the local Philippine National Police (PNP) in providing security of the area of the payouts and the beneficiaries as well; and
3. Extend whatever possible assistance to the DSWD, Landbank of the Philippines, and the beneficiaries before, during and after the payouts, i.e., provision of transportation to the beneficiaries in going to and from the areas of the payouts, etc.

**VI. SCHEDULE OF THE PAYOUTS**

The DILG field officers may coordinate with the DSWD C/M Links on the schedule of the payouts, which will preferably be held during the weekends.

**VII. REFERENCE**

DSWD Memorandum Circular No. 03, series of 2018, entitled: *“Implementing Guidelines for the Unconditional Cash Transfer Program”*.

**VIII. REPEALING CLAUSE**

All other DILG issuances inconsistent herewith in part or in full, are hereby modified, revoked or repealed accordingly.

**IX. APPROVING AUTHORITY**



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**X. FEEDBACK**

For all other related queries, you may contact the DSWD, through its regional and local offices nationwide.