DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMEN

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2019 CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH (NVM)

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1. PREFATORY STATEMENT

In recognition of the dedicated service of Filipino volunteers, the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA), an attached agency of the National Economic and Development Authority spearheads the annual celebration of the National Volunteer Month (NVM) every month of December per Presidential Proclamation No. 55, series of 1998.

This year's celebration will have the theme: "Be an Inspiration, Volunteer!" to emphasize the important role of volunteers as motivators, enablers and leaders in development activities and how volunteer actions touch the lives of individuals and communities to inspire them to actively contribute and participate in volunteerism for development.

2. SCOPE/COVERAGE

All Governors, City/Municipal Mayors, Attached Agencies, and Field Offices of the DILG; and others concerned.

3. OBJECTIVES

The NVM celebration aims to:

- Build nationwide public awareness and appreciation of volunteerism and the role it plays in social, economic and political development of the country;
- Create the environment for bolstering voluntary action in development; and
- Recognize the noble acts of volunteerism by individuals, families, institutions and communities as vital partners in economic and community development.

4. POLICY CONTENT AND GUIDELINES

4.1. As part of the celebration of NVM, all Local Chief Executives (LCEs) and DILG Offices/Units are encouraged to join and/or organize simple and meaningful activities, such as, but not limited to, the following:

4.1.1. Advocacy

Raise awareness on volunteerism as a tool for national development and promote the celebration of NVM 2019 through information dissemination activities, which include sharing and publication of NVM advocacy materials in various media platforms such as print, broadcast, film, social media, public forums, and in respective institution's public information facilities.

4.1.2. Volunteer Services

Organize or participate in volunteering services and activities such as bloodletting, medical mission, feeding program, tutorial sessions, visits to residential and care centers for the elderly, children, prisoners and persons with disabilities, coastal clean-up, tree-planting, disaster risk reduction and management activities, etc.

4.1.3. Volunteer Events

Conduct activities to bring together volunteers and the public for learning sessions, information sharing, and to facilitate networking and linkage between and among volunteers and volunteer groups/organizations.

4.1.4. Volunteer Awards

Recognize volunteers to show appreciation of their role and contributions as partners in development.

4.2. Participating institutions are requested to accomplish the NVM Participation Form and submit to PNVSCA for purposes of documentation and information sharing on NVM activities for 2019.

Please submit the accomplished form to:

CORAZON M.MACARAIG Officer-in-Charge PNVSCA Sugar Center Building, North Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

4.3. NVM Participation Form, Banners and Brochures can be accessed through this link bit.ly/2019NVM.

DILG Regional, Provincial, and City Directors are hereby encouraged to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective areas of responsibility.

5. EFFECTIVITY

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

6. APPROVING AUTHORITY

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7. FEEDBACK

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