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**TO :** ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS, BARMM CHIEF MINISTER, BARMM MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, AND OTHERS CONCERNED

**SUBJECT :** GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION TO THE GALING POOK AWARDS 2020 FOR OUTSTANDING LOCAL GOVERNANCE PROGRAMS

The Galing Pook Foundation (GPF), in partnership with this Department and the Local Government Academy, is now open to receive applications and nominations for this year's Galing Pook Award. The **Galing Pook Award** is a pioneering program that recognizes and promotes innovation and excellence in local governance. For the past 26 years, more than 300 programs from at least 170 local government units (LGUs)/local government alliances were awarded the Galing Pook. These awardees become very important advocates in inspiring other LGUs to introduce innovative practices and provide a fertile environment for the replication of successful reforms.

In this connection, all Provincial Governors, City Mayors, Municipal Mayors, and Punong Barangays are enjoined to send their application for outstanding local governance programs for this year's Galing Pook Awards. The deadline set for submission of application is **April 15, 2020**. The Application Form and Guidelines for eligibility and other requirements can be downloaded from the GPF website at [www.galingpook.org](http://www.galingpook.org).

All DILG Regional Directors and the BARMM Minister of Local Government are encouraged to vigorously support the GPF in its effort to recognize progressive strides in local governance by the LGUs nationwide by directing the field offices to:

1. Identify specific LGUs in their respective areas of jurisdiction which have successful programs that can vie for the Galing Pook Award. Once identified, the Local Chief Executives are encouraged to facilitate submission of their accomplished application forms to the GPF, and upon recommendation by the concerned field office(s), may directly nominate a best practice to Galing Pook; and
2. Provide support to LGUs with good governance programs but, with limited capabilities by directly assisting them and/or referring them to local resource institutions/experts that can render appropriate technical assistance in the preparation and packaging of best practices.

For other details, the DILG Regional Offices, to include BARMM, and LGUs may contact the GPF at Telephone Numbers: (02) 8926-4136, 3433-4731 to 32 local 2 from Mondays to Thursdays, or through email address: [www.galingpook.org](http://www.galingpook.org).

All DILG Regional Directors and the BARMM Minister of Local Government shall cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to the LGUs within their respective regions.

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