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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 058-A, S. 2022

ESTABLISHING THE ASINGAN TEEN CENTER, PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES FOR ITS OPERATIONS, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, the establishment of "Teen Center" is a strategy promoted by the Commission on Population to intensify information, education, and communication efforts to promote awareness and preventive initiatives to the rising incidence of adolescent reproductive health issues and concerns particularly teenage pregnancy;

WHEREAS, Teen Centers are intended to provide opportunities for young people to talk about various issues and concerns affecting them, receiving counseling and develop life skills necessary in managing their lives responsibly; as a teen-friendly center, young people can also hang out and play games, listen to music, watch movies, or simply talk with each other;

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish a local teen center managed by the local government to serve as vital instrument for the literacy, values formation/restoration, and organization of youth in Asingan;

Section 1. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Engr. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR., Municipal Mayor of Asingan, Pangasinan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the establishment of the Asingan Teen Center:

SECTION 2. COMPOSITION AND OPERATION. The Asingan Teen Center shall operate under the Asingan Population Office to be headed and supervised by the designated Population Worker and assisted by the Local Youth Development Officer.

The Center will be staffed by the Sangguniang Kabataan Chairpersons and officials from 21 constituent barangays in coordination with designated focal person of schools, civil society organizations, and volunteers. A Peer Counselors Training shall be conducted by the designated supervisor in coordination with the Commission on Population I to prepare youth volunteers for their roles and responsibilities in running the Center.

SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS. The Teen Center shall serve the following duties and functions:

- Provide direct interventions toward the prevention of risky sexual and nonsexual behaviors among young people;
- Provide opportunities for dialogue and interaction among young people; and
- Serve as venue for counseling and life skills/social development opportunities; and
- Provide a venue for leisure, recreation, and socialization among teens.

SECTION 4. FUNDING. An allotted budget for the Teen Center shall be sourced from existing allocations of the Municipal Population Office. A more detailed plan shall be drafted by the Population Office and Local Youth Development Office for the inclusion in the annual budget.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Let copies hereof be furnished to all concerned for information, reference, and guidance

DONE this 23rd day of December 2022 in the Municipality of Asingan, Pangasinan.

Engr. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR.
Municipal Mayor

PROJECT PROPOSAL

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Title : **ESTABLISHMENT OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT (AHYD) TEEN CENTER**

Program Component : **ADOLESCENT HEALTH AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (AHYD)**

Status : **New**

Funding Requirement :

II. BACKGROUND / RATIONALE

In 2010, 19% or half a million of the total 2.8 million population of the Province of Pangasinan belong to the youth sector ages 15-24 years old. Indeed, these groups constitute a critical aspect of national development and they have a significant impact on population growth and development.

However, our youth are in great risk because of many issues and concerns confronting them particularly with that of their reproductive health. Teenage and unwanted pregnancies have been pressing social and economic issues in the country. The 2013 Young Adult Fertility and Sexuality Survey revealed that 30% of the total births in the Philippines are contributed by the youth sector. In Region 1, survey showed 32% of the youth had engaged in pre-marital sex. Same survey also showed 56% of youth in the region have no source of information regarding their sexuality.

With these significant findings confronting our youth, the City/Municipal Population Office is forging partnership with the Regional and Provincial Population Office and Department of Education in setting up AHYD teen center in the LGU. The establishment of teen center aims to intensify information, education and communication efforts to promote awareness and preventive initiatives to the rising incidence of adolescent reproductive health issues and concerns particularly teen age pregnancy.

III. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The teen center is envisioned to be the point of access and venue for sharing of information among youth and students with the guidance of their teachers and peers in an informal approach. This innovative strategy in reaching out to adolescents also involves capability building activities such as life skills training and peer counseling training for students who will assist fellow students in disseminating correct information and providing counseling services. The teen center will be managed by the teens themselves and they will have a chance to plan and implement their ideas. Regular IEC activities will also be installed at the center. In short, the teen center will be their "teen tambayan" for positive exchange of information and ideas.

IV. OBJECTIVES

The establishment of teen center aims to attain the following objectives:

- a. Improve access to information and other services through advocacy, information and communication strategies geared towards the in-school youths;
- b. Strengthen the skills of teens/students as peer counselors / facilitators;

- c. Organize LGU/school based youth core groups;
- d. Develop leaders and advocates of AHYD program;

V. PROGRAM STRATEGIES

a. Information, Communication and Education activities

The teen center will have IEC and audio visual materials where students can research informations regarding their sexuality and other youth issues and concerns. IEC and other research materials for the Population Quiz Bee will also be made available at the teen center. These materials will be requested from the regional office of Commission on Population. The teen center will serve as mini library and resource center for AHYD information

Audio visual materials like short films can be utilized for focus group discussion among the students.

The teen center will have a regular schedule for counselling sessions where trained youth will serve as peer counselors.

b. Capability Buidling Activities

Selected students will be trained as peer facilitators. Capacity building and leadership trainings are also intended to develop the students and youth to become leaders and advocates of the AHYD program.

Once trained, peer counselors will be assigned at the teen center and will be providing counseling session at a scheduled time and day.

c. Organization of youth core group

A core group will be organized into a set of officers to assist in manning the teen center. Officer of the day will be assigned at the teen center and this shall come from the youth core group. The core group will also be composed of trained leaders and peer counselors and they will be deployed as resource persons during outreach and community education.

d. Referral for Service Delivery

A coordinative mechanism will be set up for the referral of students who are in need of adolescent health services. A regular check for the youth may be installed at the teen center in coordination with the Rural Health Unit and other health facilities at the LGU.

e. Recreational Activities

Indoor sports facilities and educational games will be provided at the center. As a real tambayan center, students and youth are welcome to visit the center for some recreation during their free time.

VI. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

a. City/Municipal Population Office:

- i. Over all manager of the teen center.
- ii. Advocate for the allocation of funds for the teen center.
- iii. Provide supplies, equipments and other materials needed by the teen center
- iv. Facilitate the conduct of capacity building activities for the students such as Peer Counseling And Leadership Training in coordination with DepEd.
- v. Facilitate the conduct of regular focus group discussion / counseling session among students.
- vi. Ensure the maintenance of a monitoring system that shall track down the clients served at the teen center.

b. Regional / Provincial Population Office

- i. Provide technical assistance to the LGU in establishing the teen center
- ii. Provide technical assistance in training and other capability building activities for the youth.
- iii. Provide IEC materials and visual aids.

c. Department of Education :

- i. Facilitate the conduct of regular focus group discussion / counseling session among students
- ii. Ensure the maintenance of a monitoring system that shall track down the students served at the AHYD corner

d. Municipal Health Office

- i. Provide adolescent reproductive health services (ARH) to adolescent in coordination with the Municipal Population Office.

VII. IMPLMENTING AND SUSTAINABILITY MECHANISM

The C/MPO should advocate for a line item budget for the maintenance of the teen center. A focal person at the LGU level should be assigned to managed the teen center. If the teen center will be run by the City/Municipal Population Officer, a full time staff should be designated while a counterpart from DepEd shall also be assigned as focal person.

The organized youth core group shall assist the C/MPO in manning the teen center. They shall compose the set of officers who will assist in the daily operations of the teen center.

A regular planning and evaluation workshop will also be conducted to sustain and improve the implementation of teen center.

VIII. BUDGETARY DETAILS

Item Description	Estimated Cost
1. Furnitures and Fixtures <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Shelve- TV Set, LCD projector- Sound system- Computer	
2. Reproduction of IEC, audio video materials and visual aids	
3. Trainings and Orientations <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meals and Snacks- Supplies and materials	
4. Launching of the teen center <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Supplies and Materials- Snacks of guest and participants	
5. Purchase of office supplies and materials	

Prepared by:

Approved by:

City/Municipal Population Officer

City/Municipal Mayor