



GSIS Legazpi, tumulong sa eskwelahang nasalanta ng bagyo sa Albay

Namahagi ang GSIS Legazpi Branch Office noong Enero 10 ng school supplies, books, teaching materials, at bags of goodies sa mga guro at estudyante ng Joroan Elementary School na nasalanta ng bagyong Usman.



Nasa Tiwi, Albay ang 68-taong pampublikong paaralan.

Pinangunahan ni Manager Purisima Sta. Isabel ng GSIS Legazpi Branch Office ang outreach activity, kasama si Shiefa Castilla, presidente ng Kapisanan ng mga Manggagawa ng GSIS - Legazpi Union, at iba pang permanent at job-order employees. (ajeb)

KMG-Cebu tumulong sa mga biktima ng landslide

Nagsagawa ng outreach program kamakailan ang Kapisanan ng mga Manggagawa sa GSIS (KMG) - Cebu Chapter sa 13 pamilya na nasalanta ng landslide sa Tinaan, Naga City, Cebu.



Namahagi ang grupo ng relief goods sa Cepoc Central School sa Tinaan.

Pinangunahan ang activity ng KMG officials na sina VP for Visayas Yancy Alinas (panglima mula sa kaliwa) at chapter president Chona Olaivar, at ni Manager Mercedes Victoria Enriquez ng GSIS Cebu Branch Office. (ajeb)

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Branch offices, nakikiisa sa Women's Month celebration

Patuloy na nakikiisa ang GSIS sa pagdiriwang ng National Women's Month.

Lumahok sa Purple Friday ang GSIS offices sa Virac, Legazpi, Roxas, at Zamboanga.

May temang "We Make Change Work for Women" ang selebrasyon sa taong ito. (ajeb)



GSP AY 2019-2020

Maaari nang mag-apply para sa GSIS Scholarship Program para sa Academic Year 2019-2020 hanggang Hunyo 24, 2019.

Para sa detalye, tingnan ang GSIS website, www.gsis.gov.ph; tumawag sa 976-4970 o 479-3600 loc. 3414; mag-email sa gsisscholarship@gsis.gov.ph; o bumisita sa pinakamalapit na GSIS office. (ajeb)



GSIS, nag-iisang GOCC na Metrobank Foundation PEACE awardee



Muli na namang nakatanggap ng karangalan ang GSIS.

Kinilala ito ng Metrobank Foundation bilang Partner in Empowerment, Advocacy, and Commitment to Excellence (PEACE).

Ibinibigay ang prestigious PEACE award sa mga institusyon na sumasalamin sa commitment ng Metrobank Foundation na tulungan ang mga kapuspalad at maging bahagi ng pag-assenso ng bayan.

Iginawad ang karangalan sa ika-40 anibersaryo ng Metrobank Foundation.

Tinanggap ni Manager Raymundo Andres Palad ng Corporate Social Advocacies and Public Relations Facilities Department (CSA-PRFD) ang Kapit-Bisig trophy ng PEACE noong Pebrero 21 sa Le Pavillon, Pasay City.

Sa taong ito, 40 ang PEACE awardees, kabilang ang Armed Forces of the Philippines Commission on Higher Education, Department of Education, CNN Philippines, DZRH, at iba pa. Nag-iisang kinilala ang GSIS sa hanay ng government-owned and -controlled corporations. (palt)

15th GSIS art competition winners bared



Winners of the art competition gather for a group photo with GSIS executives headed by EVP Dionisio C. Ebdane Jr. of the Support Services Sector, judges, and officials of the Art Association of the Philippines after the awarding ceremonies at the GSIS Theater last June 7.

The Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) announced the winners of its 15th national art competition in the awarding rites held at the GSIS Theater on 7 June 2019.

Three top winners and five honorable mentions were selected under each of the three open-themed categories of the competition.

In the mixed media category, Manuel Lotsu Q. Manes won first prize for his entry *Lumad*. Alfredo Baluyot's *Through Ups and Downs* and Demetrio L. de la Cruz's *Fragile (After Amorsolo, Fernando)* placed second and third, respectively.

Ariosto Dale Bagtas grabbed the top prize in the nonrepresentational category for his work *Happiest Place*. The second and third prizes went to Rodell G. Rillera and Jovel M. Ruivivar for their entries *Insekto sa Lipunan* and *Women on Top*, respectively.

The top three winners in both categories each received Php400,000, Php300,000, and Php200,000. Honorable mentions were each given P100,000.

Winning the highest award in the sculpture category was Gilbert A. Mirafior's *Untitled*. Felix Baldemor (*Rise of the Enchantress*) and Geoffrey Ranchez (*Battle*) bagged second and third places, respectively. The three went home with Php300,000, Php200,000, and Php100,000, respectively. Honorable mentions each received Php50,000.

Honorable mentions in each category were as follows:

Mixed media: Eliseo P. Perreras Jr. (*Kabutihang Natatago*); Demosthenis Campos (*Malayang Paglalayag*); Edu Perreras (*Ngiti Sa Likod ng Lumang Litrato*); Noel Soler Cuizon (*Pamimintana: Mga Alegorya ng Entablado ng Bayan*); and Rymer G. Gengoni (*Trash Becomes One's Grave*).

GSIS continues to reach out to SAF 44 kin

The Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) continues to reach out to relatives of slain Special Action Force (SAF) 44 policemen by inviting them to work for the pension fund.

A bloody encounter with the Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters in Mamasapano killed the policemen on January 25, 2015. President Rodrigo Duterte appealed to government offices to prioritize employment of their widows and siblings.

GSIS heeded the call and has been communicating with relatives to make a job offer.

"It is not easy to fill the void left by the SAF 44 as breadwinners. We would like to give their families a source of income by working in GSIS. At the same time, they will be augmenting our operational requirements to better serve our members and pensioners," said GSIS Chairman and concurrent Officer in Charge - President and General Manager Rolando Ledesma Macasaet.

Chairman Macasaet said that applicants will undergo evaluation based on standard operating procedures to determine if they are qualified.

To date, GSIS has employed four of them at its Zamboanga Branch. They are Lhea Tabdi, widow of Police Senior Inspector Gednat Tabdi; Emeliza Danao, wife of Police Officer 2 Walner Danao; Margaret Manuel, fiancée of Police Officer 2 Joel Dulnuan; Adelisa Bedua, wife of Police Officer 2 Glenn Bedua; and Andrada Asjali, sister of Police Officer 3 Jedz In Asjali.

The first batch of hires said they welcomed the opportunity to earn a living and to take the first step toward healing.

Meanwhile, the application of Ms Janet Carap, widow of Police Officer 2 Peterson Indongsan Carap of Kabayan, Benguet is being processed. She will likely be assigned to the GSIS Baguio branch office.

It may be recalled that GSIS paid the Employee Compensation (EC) funeral benefits of SAF 44 policemen and released the initial pension benefits of their survivors barely a month after the tragedy struck.

The surviving spouses and dependents of qualified SAF 44 policemen have since been receiving EC pension administered by GSIS.

GSIS is the first agency under President Duterte's administration to provide this kind of assistance to the SAF 44 families.

GSIS names 400 new college scholars

The Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) has released the list of its 400 new college scholars for Academic Year 2019-2020 under the GSIS Scholarship Program (GSP).

"We made sure that the nominated scholars of GSIS members with the lowest basic salary and permanent total disability pensioners who are below 60 years old are prioritized in the selection of scholars. Moreover, out of the 400 scholars, GSIS gave 50 slots to children or dependents of persons with disabilities, solo or single parents, and indigenous peoples," GSIS Chairman and Acting President and General Manager Rolando Ledesma Macasaet said.

The scholars, who were selected from over 4,000 nominees, are incoming college students who are accepted in or taking up a four- or five-year course identified by the Commission on Higher Education.

"Under the program, scholars are entitled to the actual cost of tuition and miscellaneous fees not exceeding Php40,000 per academic year. They will also receive a monthly allowance of Php3,000. GSIS will also reward scholars who will graduate cum laude, magna cum laude, or summa cum laude with Php20,000, Php30,000, or Php50,000, respectively," APMG Macasaet added.

A corporate social responsibility program of GSIS, GSP has been made more equitable and responsive by increasing the number of slots over the years. From only 25 slots when GSP was launched in 1998, the number has reached 400 in 2016. In 2017, 600 slots were allocated in celebration of GSIS's 80th anniversary.

The complete list of the new scholars may be viewed at www.gsis.gov.ph. (jdo/dms)

GSIS to offer Php10k educational subsidy to 10,000 children, dependents of members

The Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) is set to open a yearly Php100 million educational subsidy program for children or dependents of its low-income members through the GSIS Educational Subsidy Program (GESP).

"In support of the social development policy of President Duterte to provide wider access to quality college education to the marginalized sector, GSIS aims to augment the means of its low-income members in sending their children or dependents to college through the grant of a P10,000 yearly allowance through GESP. It complements Republic Act No. 10931 or the 2017 Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education which provides free tuition and miscellaneous fees to enrollees of state colleges and universities. To extend aid to more recipients, we are offering GESP to a wide number of members. We will select 10,000 children or dependents of members with the lowest annual basic salary from among the applicants nationwide," GSIS Chairman and concurrent Acting President and General Manager Rolando Ledesma Macasaet said.

The pension fund chief said that the program is open to all active GSIS members with permanent employment status who are occupying salary grade 24 (or its equivalent) and below; with updated GSIS premium payments and no unpaid or underpaid loan amortization for more than three months for the duration of the grant; and have college student dependents in any year level who have been accepted in or taking up any four- or five-year course in any university or college recognized by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

"The grantees will continue to receive educational subsidy until they finish their college course for as long as they meet the scholastic requirement of 80% general weighted average with no failing grade or incomplete mark incurred in any subject within the preceding semester or term of the academic year," APGM Macasaet added.

GSIS will release the allowance to the students through electronic crediting to their account at the Land Bank of the Philippines that will be opened by GSIS for the purpose.

Interested members may apply by submitting the GESP application form that may be downloaded from the GSIS website (www.gsis.gov.ph), dependent's birth certificate issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority, and certificate of employment of the member and/or certified true copy of service record duly signed by the Agency Authorized Officer of the member's employer.

In addition, they should submit an affidavit stating that the student is not a recipient of any other educational or financial assistance program (including the GSIS Scholarship program) for the duration of the grant, a certification from the school stating that the student is accepted or enrolled during the current academic year along with the student's course, year level and the duration of the course, and a report card or school certification stating that the general weighted average of the applicant's dependent is at least 80% with no failing grade and incomplete mark incurred in any subject within the preceding semester or term of the academic year.

Application forms, requirements, and terms and conditions are available online through the GSIS website, www.gsis.gov.ph.

Interested members may email gsisscholarship@gsis.gov.ph or call (02) 8-976-4970 for inquiries or clarifications. *(midlamma)*

GSIS Educational Subsidy Program, ilulunsad na

Nakatakda nang buksan ang GSIS Educational Subsidy Program (GESP), na naglalaan ng Php100 milyong budget piso bilang ayuda sa mga anak o dependents ng low-income GSIS members.

Nakaayon ang GESP sa social development policy ng Pangulong Duterte, na nagbibigay-pagkakataon sa mga nasa marginalized sector upang magkaroon ng quality college education.

Sa GESP, mapapagaan ang pagpapaaral sa mapipiling 10,000 anak o dependents ng GSIS members sa buong bansa. Pagkakalooban ng Php10,000 taunang allowance ang bawat grantee.

Bukas ang programa sa lahat ng active GSIS members na permanent ang employment status; may salary grade 24 (o katumbas nito) at pababa; updated ang GSIS premium payments; at walang unpaid or underpaid loan amortization nang higit sa tatlong buwan sa oras na mabigyan ng GESP grant.

Ang anak o dependent ay kailangang nasa kahit anong college year level at nasa kahit anong four- o five-year course sa alinmang university o kolehiyo na kinikilala ng Commission on Higher Education.

Tuloy-tuloy ang educational subsidy sa grantees hanggang makatapos ng kurso sa kondisyong hindi bababa sa 80% ang kanilang general weighted average at walang bagsak o incomplete sa anumang subject.

Ipapasok ang allowance sa pamamagitan ng electronic crediting sa kanilang Land Bank of the Philippines account. *midl*

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