

# Boy Scouts of the Philippines QUEZON COUNCIL

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TO All District Scout Commissioner, Institutional Heads, Institutional FEB 1 3 2020 Scouting Coordinators, District Troop/Kawan Leaders and Unit Leaders

SUBJECT : SCOUTS GO GREEN, A SIMULTANEOUS COUNCIL TREE BY: JOBELLE I. MANINGAS

- In response to call of nature in nurturing our environment, the Quezon Council, BSP will undertake a simultaneous tree planting activity under the Scouts Go Green Project on March 14, 2020, Saturday, eight o'clock in the morning, with a goal that every Scout will plant and nurture at least one (1) trees r at least One Million Trees to be planted in a year.
- 2. All Districts/Schools are advised to look for a planting site, preferably, Campsites, School and Home Backyards, Public Plazas and Parks, Coastal Areas, Watershed Areas other suitable areas for tree planting.
- 3. It is encouraged to plant indigenous and endemic trees such as Narra, Acacia, Yakal and the likes for forest and watershed areas; fruit bearing trees for schools, homes, public parks and plazas and mangrove trees for coastal areas.

For seedling and sapling requirements, you may contact Municipal/City Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO/CENRO) in your locality for proper coordination. National Office Project Management Team has already established coordination with DENR Central Office for this project.

- 4. Your participation in this Tree Planting Activity will certainly contribute in the preservation of our environment and help global warming.
- 5. After Action Report, with details on the number of trees planted, number of participants, location and other necessary information with pictorials, must be reported and submitted to Quezon Council, BSP Office not later than 12 March 2020 or a week after the conduct of the said activity.

6. For information, action and implementation.

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## **PROJECT PROPOSAL**

## TITLE OF THE EVENT/ACTIVITY:

## SCOUTS GO GREEN, A SIMULTANEOUS TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY

DATE OF ACTIVITY

MARCH 14, 2020

VENUE OF THE EVENT/ACTIVITY:

- 1. Campsites
- 2. School
- 3. Home Backyards
- 4. Public Plazas and Parks
- 5. Coastal Areas
- 6. Watershed Areas

## **IMPLEMENTING UNIT/GROUP:**

- 1. Scouting Unit
- 2. Institutional Scouting Committee
- 3. District Scouting Committee
- 4. Municipal Scouting Committee

## RATIONALE

Trees play a critical role for people and the nation. Numerous studies have demonstrated that the presence of trees and urban nature can improve people's mental and physical health, the property values in a neighborhood and beyond. Trees are essential for healthy communities and people. The benefits that trees provide can help the country meet 15 to 17 internationally supported United Nations Suitable Development Goals. This critical review provides a comprehensive argument that trees should be considered an important part of all of the program and activities of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines as we do our part toward teaching these sustainability goals.

## BACKGROUND

Over the last century, the trees that cover around us has been greatly compromised due to deforestation, leaving the green cover down to an all-time low of about thirty percent (30%). According to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), an estimated Eighteen Million (18M) acres, or (7.3 million hectares) of forest are lost each year. The overwhelming evidence from the scientific literature suggests that investing in trees is an investment in meeting the UN-SDG, and ultimately an investment for a better world. The Boy Scouts of the Philippines believes that an effective strategy to assist in meeting these goals is to plant and protect trees, in cities and provinces where our Scouts and Scout Leaders live.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Integration of Tree Planting and Nurturing Activity to all of its program and activities starting March 14, 2020 onwards.
- 2. This environmental project is envisioned to be a holistic endeavor designed in meeting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN-SDG).

#### **METHODOLOGY**

All Municipal Scouting Committees, District and Institutional level programs and activities are henceforth be integrated with Tree Planting as the highlight of the activity. These activities include, but not limited to the following:

- Camporees, Encampment
- Advancement Camps/Backyard Camps/Overnight Camp/Day Camp
- Kawan Holidays, KAB Fiesta and KABsayahan
- Betterworld Programs and Activities
- Training Courses (BTC, PLTC, CLTC)
- Seminars and Workshops
- Board of Reviews
- Meetings/Group Planning's, etc.
- General Assemblies/Christmas Parties
- Other school activities where tree planting can be integrated.

## PERSONNEL/WORKFORCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Scouts and Scout Leaders
- 2. Institutional Scouting Committee (ISCOM)
- 3. Municipal Scouting Committee (MSC)
- 4. School PTA
- 5. Sanguniang Barangay

## **BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Institutional Scouting Committee Funds
- 2. District Scouting Funds
- 3. Municipal Scouting Committee Funds
- 4. Solicitation
- 5. Sponsorship
- 6. Other funds

## **EXPECTED OUTPUT**

At the end of this activity, each Scouts' and Scouts' Leaders contribute in nurturing the environment in support to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN-SDG), and at the same time to implant into our Scouts' and Scout Leaders' mind the benefits of trees for a livable and sustainable nation. Furthermore, the BSP expects to instill in the minds of scouts the responsibility to contribute to the thrust of the government.