

Department of Social Welfare and Development
PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM
NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NAC Resolution No. 39
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**Strengthening and Expanding the Implementation of Support Services Intervention (SSI) of
Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program**

Whereas, the National Advisory Committee (NAC) of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (Pantawid Pamilya) is the highest policy-making interagency body that provides policy directions and guidance on matters pertinent to Pantawid Pamilya program implementation;

Whereas, one of the 10-point socio-economic agenda of the present administration is to improve the social protection program including the government Conditional Cash Transfer Program, to protect the poor against instability and economic shocks;

Whereas, the “Kilos Para sa Sampung Batayang Pangangailangan” (KILOS SAMBAYANAN) of the National Anti-Poverty Commission is a call for convergence and a commitment among all sectors of society to address poverty across its many dimensions. It also represents the ultimate measuring of the impact of government programs on the lives of the poor;

Whereas, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) is currently implementing the Modified Conditional Cash Transfer (MCCT) under the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program and serving diverse marginalized groups such as Homeless Street Families (HSF), Indigenous Peoples (IPs) in Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas (GIDA), Indigenous Cultural Communities (ICCs), Families in Need of Special Protection (FNSP) and Itinerant Indigenous Peoples (IIP);

Whereas, the recent armed conflict in Marawi City has also rendered beneficiaries of the Regular Conditional Cash Transfer Program (RCCT) homeless and in need of special protection which may be derived from SSI;

Whereas, the Office of the President has issued Administrative Order No. 3 creating an Inter-Agency Task Force for the Recovery, Reconstruction, and Rehabilitation of the City of Marawi and Other Affected Localities;

Whereas, said Administrative Order, due to loss of lives and widespread destruction following weeks of armed conflict in Marawi City, mandated a unified and comprehensive effort on the part of the National Government to rehabilitate the City of Marawi and its affected residents;

Whereas, in consideration of the future contingencies, natural or man-made, that may result to similar effect with that of Marawi City incident, there is a need to have a policy guideline that allows provision of SSI to affected beneficiaries of Pantawid both in RCCT and MCCT;

Whereas, considering that the above mentioned category of MCCT and RCCT beneficiaries are poor, disadvantaged and vulnerable, it is necessary that aside from the direct cash grants, Support Services Interventions (SSI) shall also be provided to help uplift and improve the quality of life and strengthen the participation of the beneficiaries in addressing their felt needs or community needs founded on their culture, traditions, situation and dynamics;

Whereas, SSI aims to provide additional services based on the needs, as determined by the beneficiaries and the community, that will include but not limited to food security, livelihood, and income generating activities, grassroots capability building training, community initiated projects to preserve indigenous cultures and traditions or projects that will assist them uplift their living condition;

Whereas, Memorandum Circular No. 7 entitled "Guidelines on Strengthening Support Services Interventions Implementation for MCCT Beneficiaries" dated 06 June 2016 was also designed to assist MCCT beneficiaries address some of the community concerns and family needs but have certain restrictions on the beneficiaries' access to these additional services as well as financial resources that these services may provide;

Whereas, the DSWD in its effort to advance its programs and services, has started applying the community organizing approach and scale up the use of convergence strategy to better engage the beneficiaries directly in the overall project development and management. The coverage will expand and may include other sectors providing services for and with the poor, vulnerable, and disadvantaged;

Whereas, convergence strategy is defined as the converging and merging of services of the different national agencies, different bureaus, offices and programs within the Department, local government units, civil society organizations, peoples' organizations, and the like, to address the needs of the beneficiaries for the enhancement and improvement of their quality of life;

Now therefore, be it RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the NAC members in a meeting assembled on 21 November 2017 to adopt the following policies:

1. Strengthen and expand the implementation and provision of the MCCT-SSI to make it more inclusive and responsive to the new direction incorporating Community Organizing and Convergence Strategy;
2. Extend the provision of SSI to RCCT beneficiaries in need of special protection, or RCCT beneficiaries residing in areas that suffered from man-made and/or natural disasters that resulted to (i) loss of lives, (ii) loss of livelihood, and (iii) homelessness. All of the three (3) indicators in the area should be met to qualify for the provision SSI grants to the affected RCCT households; and,
3. DSWD shall issue the necessary guidelines for the implementation of this Resolution.

Adopted this 21 day of November, Two Thousand and Seventeen, in Dumaguete City




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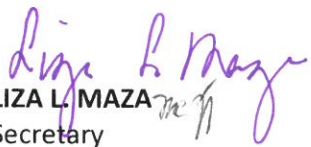
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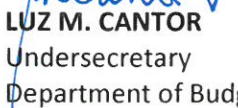
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