URDANETA CITY UNIVERSITY: STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE THROUGH RESEARCH AND POLICY COLLABORATION

Urdaneta City University (UCU) supports the promotion of peace, justice, and strong institutions in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16. The University provides expert advice and research-based inputs to local and regional governments to guide policy formulation, community planning, and institutional improvement.

Through its Center for Research and Development and the Center for Community Development and Extension Services (CCDES), UCU conducts studies that help identify community issues and recommend policy solutions. One of its projects, "Analyzing Community Needs in the City of Urdaneta," provided the City Government with data and recommendations on urban development, public health, waste management, and stray animal control. The results of this study were used as reference in local decision-making and planning.

UCU also works closely with national and regional agencies such as the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the Department of Education (DepEd), and the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR). Through these partnerships, the University provides technical guidance and research support to strengthen environmental protection, education quality, and sustainable livelihood programs.

These engagements contribute directly to SDG 16.3.1, which emphasizes the role of institutions in providing expert policy guidance to government. At the same time, they support other goals such as SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) through local resilience and development initiatives, SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) through multi-sector collaboration, and SDG 4 (Quality Education) by turning academic research into actionable policy solutions.
By combining academic expertise with public service, Urdaneta City University continues to act as a partner for evidence-based governance and sustainable development, fostering stronger and more inclusive institutions in the region.

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