



## What Is This Module About?

Do you involve yourself in the activities of your community? Do you take part in the community projects that aim to improve your surroundings, livelihood, health, etc.?

This module will discuss the importance of being involved in community development activities such as training for health workers and seminars on proper waste management. Our active participation in projects that aim to improve the quality of life of our community members is very important. Most barangays have a list of development projects in their Barangay Development Plan. However, many of these projects have not been implemented because nobody has initiated their implementation. In other words, although we are good in identifying and developing plans, we are less successful in implementing them. This module will help you learn ways to improve your participation in community projects and thereby help ensure their successful implementation.

This module is divided into three lessons:

Lesson 1 – *How to Identify Community Development Projects*

Lesson 2 – *Participating in the Development of Your Barangay*

Lesson 3 – *Initiating, Planning and Implementing Projects for Your Community*



## What Will You Learn From This Module?

After studying this module, you should be able to:

- ◆ explain the importance of development and the factors that contribute to the development of the community;
- ◆ identify your role in projects which can help solve community problems;
- ◆ explain the importance of participating in your barangay activities;
- ◆ discuss the importance of initiating, planning and implementing a project which will address the needs of your community;
- ◆ explain the steps and procedures in the implementation of project plans;
- ◆ identify people or organizations who can help in the implementation of projects in your barangay; and
- ◆ prepare a project plan in support of the Barangay Development Plan.



## Let's See What You Already Know

Before you start studying this module, take this simple test to find out what you already know about the topic.

Read the items below. If you agree with what it says, put a check mark (✓) under the column marked **Agree**. If you disagree with it, put the check mark under the **Disagree** column. Give an explanation why you chose **Agree** or **Disagree**. Write your explanation in the blanks provided below each item.

	Agree	Disagree
1. One reason why a community is progressive is because it has community development projects based on the needs of its community members.	_____	_____
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2. The person initiating change (the change agent) should not be from the same community where he is introducing change.	_____	_____
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3. Participating in community development activities is one of the responsibilities of a good citizen.	_____	_____
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4. A community whose members are not united or cooperative has plenty of problems.	_____	_____
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	Agree	Disagree
5. A person who does not want to participate and get involved in community projects should be left alone and should not be persuaded to change his mind.	_____	_____
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6. A community survey of needs (needs assessment) is a necessary step to determine what should be addressed first by the community.	_____	_____
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7. There is a possibility that a project or activity being conducted that is based only on the needs of only a few members will not succeed.	_____	_____
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8. The Barangay Development Plan is one source less from which useful projects can be identified and implemented.	_____	_____
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9. Volunteers or people who willingly signify their intention to help can sometimes become more of a problem.	_____	_____
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	Agree	Disagree
10. Only people from outside the community can be tapped as resource persons or experts.	_____	_____
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Well, how was it? Do you think you fared well? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 55 to 56.

If all your answers are correct, very good! This shows that you already know much about the topics in this module. You may still study the module to review what you already know. Who knows, you might learn a few more new things as well.

If you got a low score, don't feel bad. This only goes to show that this module is for you. It will help you to understand some important concepts that you can apply in your daily life. If you study this module carefully, you would learn the answers to all the items in the test and a lot more! Are you ready?

You may go now to the next page to begin Lesson 1.

# How to Identify Community Development Projects

This lesson will discuss the reasons why barangays differ in their level of development. It will also teach us how we can identify community projects which could address the problems identified by the community survey.

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- ◆ explain the factors that contribute to the development of the community; and
- ◆ explain the importance of development in the community.



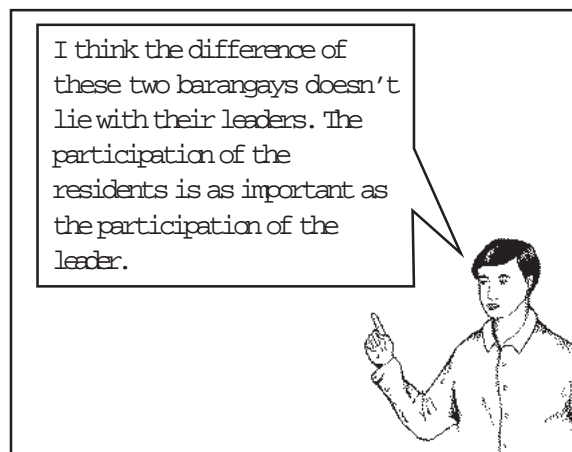
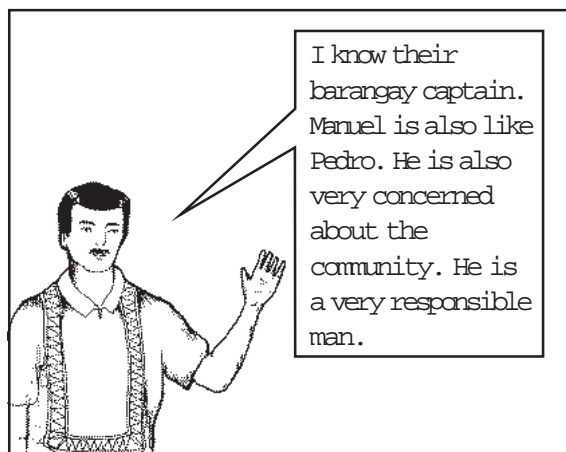
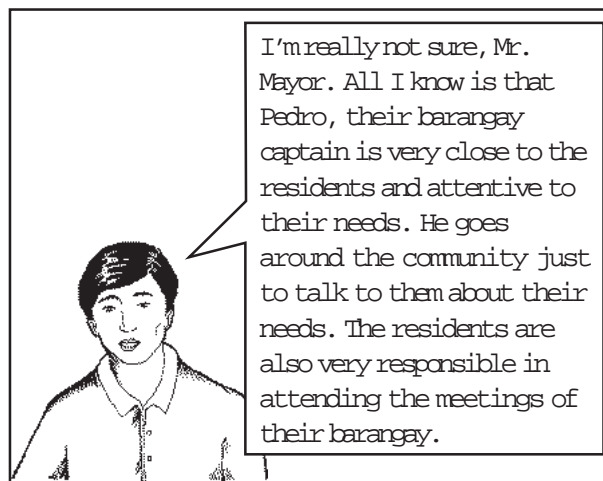
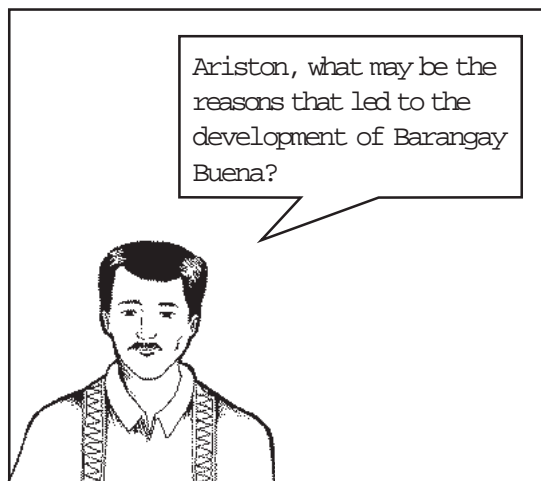
## Let's Study and Analyze

Barangays Buena and Mala used to belong to one barangay. This barangay was divided into two in 1985. After 10 years, Mr. Reynoso and Mr. Ariston, mayor and vice-mayor of the town of Masigasig, noticed that the community of Barangay Buena was more progressive compared to Barangay Mala.

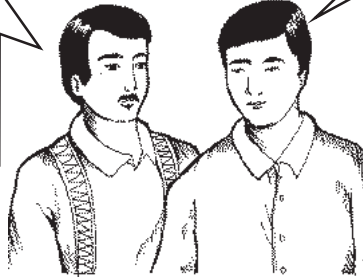
Barangay Buena now has a group of community health volunteers. These volunteers attend to the health issues and needs of the community in coordination with their health center. They also have a multi-purpose hall which the residents can use anytime for meetings and other functions. Barangay Buena also has a composting site for the proper disposal of garbage and waste of residents in the community.

It was also noticed that when the barangay captain of Barangay Buena calls for a meeting, all the residents attend the meeting.

Mr. Reynoso and Mr. Ariston did not expect this to happen considering that both barangays were in almost the same state or condition in 1985. They were puzzled by the rapid development of Barangay Buena. They thought about of the possible reasons why Barangay Buena was more progressive than Barangay Mala.

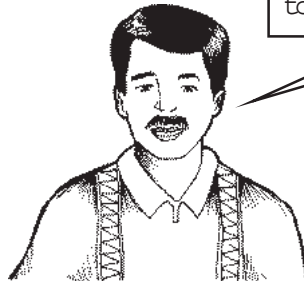


Just think about their projects. I see that the projects of Barangay Buena are really for the people. Barangay Buena should be commended for their efforts so that other barangays would see them as an example.

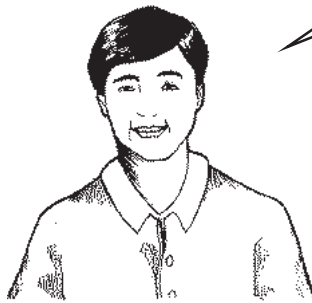


I agree, Mr. Mayor. The efforts of all the leaders and people in Barangay Buena is no joke. It took time and effort for them to achieve that level of progress.

Let us convene the other officers so we may be able to talk about this further.



We shall indeed! Will next week be okay?





## Let's Think About This

Based on what you have just read, answer the following questions.

1. What do you think are the reasons behind the development of Barangay Buena?

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2. What could have prevented Barangay Mala from progressing?

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3. Can Barangay Mala be as progressive as Barangay Buena? How?

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4. Based on your analysis of the situations of Barangay Buena and Barangay Mala and your own experience:

- a. What is the meaning of the term “community development?”

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- b. What are some factors which contribute to successful community development?

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Have you finished analyzing the situations of Barangay Buena and Barangay Mala? You can compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 56 to 58.





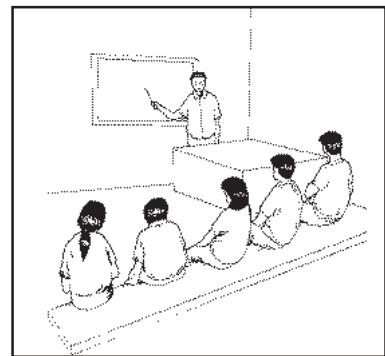
## Let's Learn

A community does not only develop economically. It also develops in terms of the political, spiritual and social aspects. According to experts, the development of a community depends on the following factors:

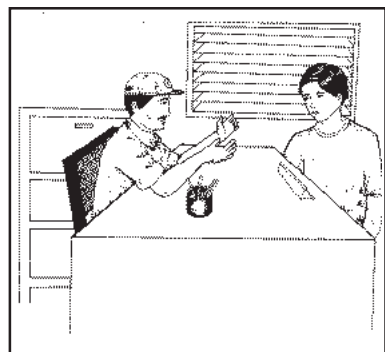
- ◆ *Effective mobilization* of residents during emergencies such as devastation caused by floods, typhoons and other calamities, or when faced with problems such as the disposal of garbage. Mobilization means organizing the people to work as a team in the implementation of projects and activities. The participation of the people will help address the problems which affect everyone in the community, including the victims, and the organized as well as the unorganized groups in the community.



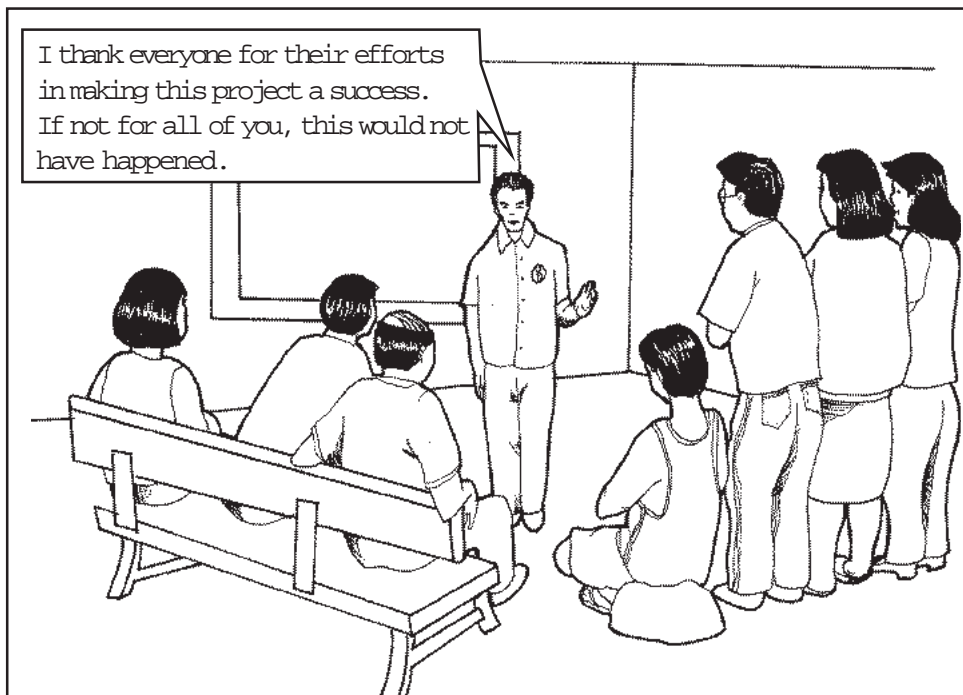
- ◆ *Projects or activities* initiated and implemented based on the identified needs of the people. These projects may be health facilities and seminars in the community.



- ◆ *Dedicated community leaders* who are intent on solving the problems of the community. These are leaders who also consult the people about their needs.



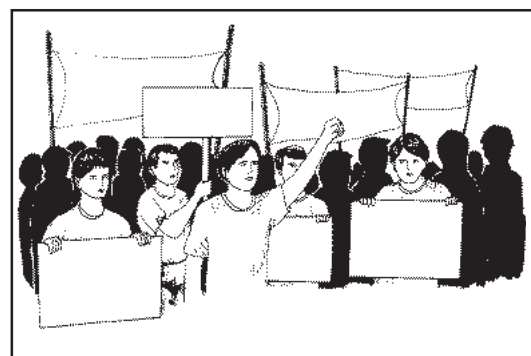
- ◆ *Due recognition* given by the leaders for whatever type and quality of involvement the community members gave for their projects and activities.



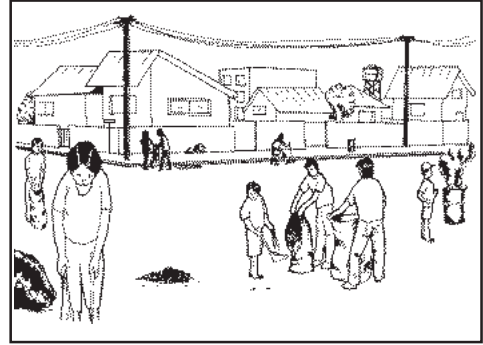
- ◆ *Involvement of community members* in decision-making, as well as in analyzing problems, and identifying and prioritizing needs. They are also involved in the planning process and also participate in the implementation of projects as well. The most important is that they are the beneficiaries of these projects.



- ◆ *People's awareness of their strengths and weaknesses.* They take appropriate action to overcome their weaknesses by asking help from government agencies or the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or people's organizations (POs).

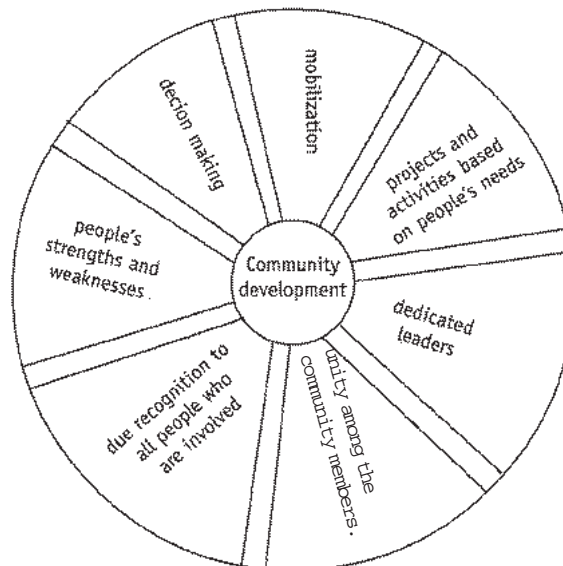


- ♦ *Unity among the people toward the attainment of their goals.* Collectively they act to help one another achieve their goals.



Any kind of community whether poor or rich can attain development if the residents participate and unite in solving their community problems. If a community doesn't possess any of the characteristics listed above, it will be difficult for development to take place.

### Wheel of Community Development



**The seven factors that contribute to community development. If one factor is missing, the "wheel" will not turn and the community will not develop.**



### Let's Try This

Look around your barangay or community. Can you identify some problems that need to be addressed? List them down below.

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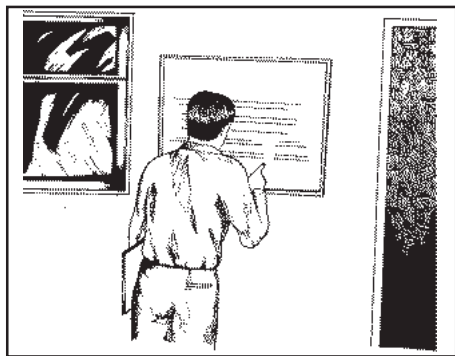
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To check your answers, read on.

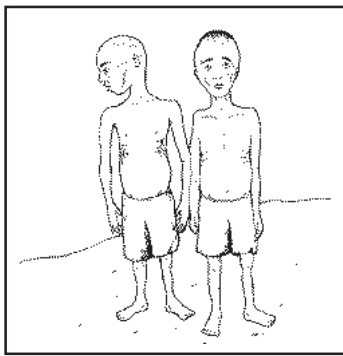


## Let's Study and Analyze

According to the experts, a depressed community such as Barangay Mala may be faced with many problems and needs. Some of the problems common to many communities include:



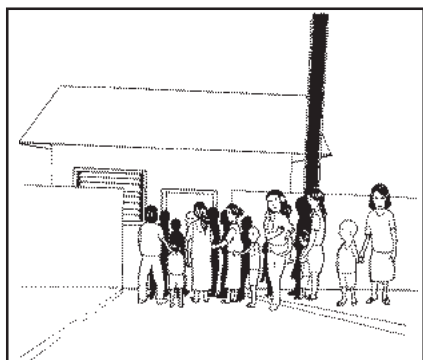
◆ unemployment



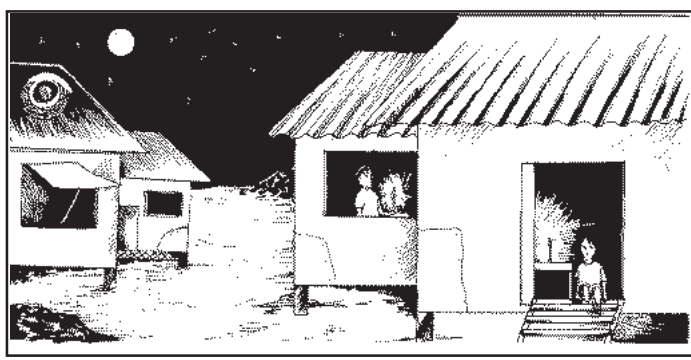
◆ malnutrition



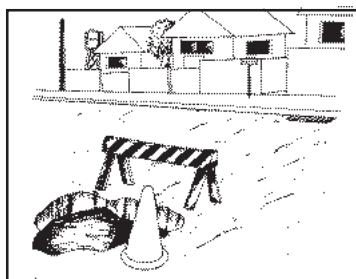
◆ lack of housing facilities



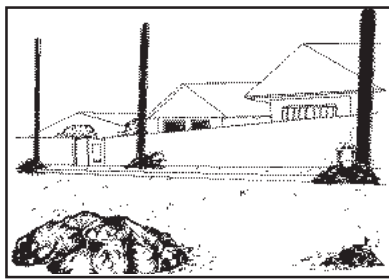
◆ poor health services and facilities



◆ lack of basic facilities such as electricity and water supply



◆ poor road conditions



◆ improper waste management



◆ high incidence of criminality



## Let's Think About This

In your opinion, how can we identify the needs and problems of our community?

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Compare your answer with the answers below.

How do we exactly identify our community problems and learn how to prioritize them?

Here are ways of how we could identify community problems:

- ◆ Community survey – This is a formal or an official study conducted in a community. The survey is conducted through the use of questionnaires which may focus on the different needs of the community such as health, employment, sanitation and other community issues.
- ◆ Participant appraisal – This is a process which mobilizes the community, strengthens the community members and builds up on their capacity to solve their problems, which leads to action. Residents are given the opportunity to identify the problems and needs of their community through workshops.
- ◆ Community consultations – These are done through barangay assemblies and meetings.
- ◆ Direct observations – These are the observations of residents in the community. For example, they may observe garbage disposal problems in the community.
- ◆ Focus group discussions – These may inform individuals, groups and organizations about pressing issues in the community. This discussion may also gather and validate information from residents in the community.

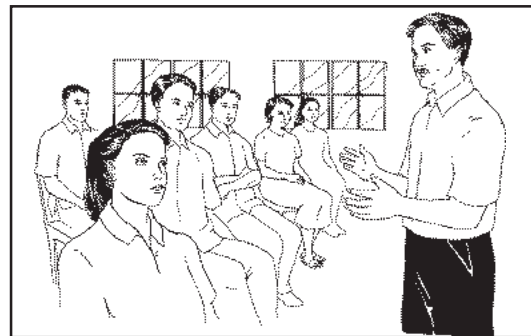
Now that you know how we could identify our needs and problems in the community, how do we prioritize them? In other words, how do we know which ones are the most urgent?

If a community wants to achieve growth and development, it is important that its members are able to participate. How does participation take place in a community?

We should remember that the possible problems which may be identified are the needs of the people. It is therefore important to consult the people about which problem or need they would want to be addressed immediately.



Consulting the people regarding the problems they identified in the community will help them become aware of their situation. They also become critical and analytical of how the problem will affect them and their families. Thus, they will see the need to participate in any project or activity that will help solve the problem.



An example is the problem of garbage disposal. If the people will realize that they do have a problem about garbage, they will understand the harmful effects of this problem. Garbage problems can lead to epidemics and may severely affect the health of infants, children and even adults. A garbage problem not only affects our health; it also affects our surroundings by polluting our water, air and land.



## Let's Learn

Does your barangay captain consult you and your fellow residents regarding any problems in your community? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

How does this enable you and your fellow residents to participate in community projects and services?

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Every community in our country implements projects yearly in order to attain development in the community. However, many projects have been found to be inappropriate or ineffective.

Why are some of these projects, programs or services not useful? How can we identify projects, programs or services which will be beneficial for the people in the community?

Based on your observation, is your barangay able to implement projects which are very useful to the people? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Try to list down at least three projects in your barangay that are useful to all residents.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
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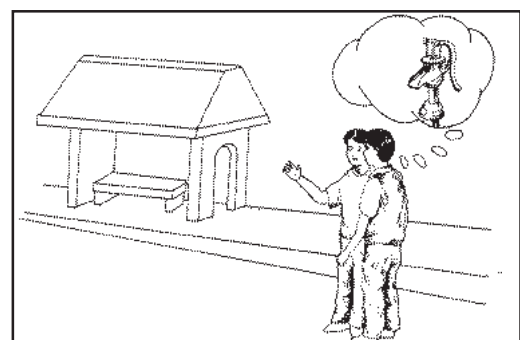
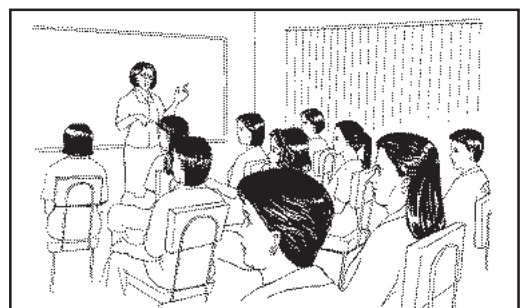
If you are not familiar with any of these projects, you can ask your Barangay Captain for help.

Earlier in this lesson, we said that one factor that can promote development in the community is to identify projects or activities based on the needs of the people.

How can this influence projects, programs or services and other activities in the community? Why do we need to identify projects or activities based on the needs of the community members?

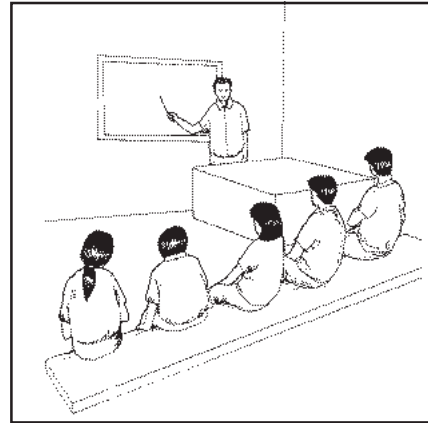
Here are the reasons why projects or activities should be based on the needs of the community members:

1. The residents are the ones who will benefit from these projects or activities. An example is a seminar on dengue. This project is beneficial to all families in the community because the residents will understand the symptoms and effects of dengue. They will also understand how to prevent the occurrence of dengue by cleaning their surroundings.
2. The residents are the ones who will gauge if these projects or activities are useful or useless. For example, take the construction of a waiting shed in the community. Residents may think that it is more important to build deep wells instead of waiting sheds because the community experiences scarcity of water.



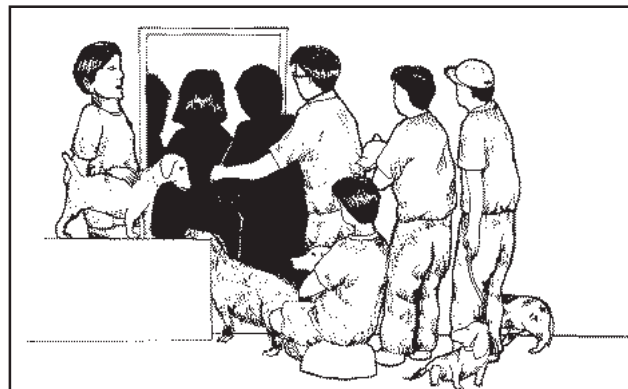


3. Community projects or activities aim to improve the quality of life of the people in the community. These projects should promote their growth or knowledge and address their immediate and long-term needs. An example is a seminar and training on possible livelihood projects for the residents in the community. The seminar can help them think of ways how to earn additional money. It may also give them an idea for a business that they would want to establish in the future.



4. Good community projects or activities encourage the participation of the residents. Residents won't participate in projects which won't meet their community needs.

Examples of possible good community projects are seminars and training for community health workers,



anti-rabies campaigns and immunizations for infants and children.

Residents can participate by disseminating information. They also be members of committees which will be in charge of the implementation of such projects.



## Let's Review

Let us check how much you learned from our previous discussion. Answer the questions below.

1. Who are the beneficiaries of community development projects or activities?

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2. What is the purpose of community development projects or activities?

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3. Why is it important to base community development projects or activities on the needs of the people in the community?

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Do you want to know if you got the correct answers? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on page 58.

Discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator. You may also discuss your answers with a family member, a friend or a co-learner. Do they agree or disagree with your answers? Why or why not?

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## Let's See What You Have Learned

Answer the following questions.

1. When can we say that a community is most likely to experience development?

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2. Why is it important for residents to be involved in addressing the needs of their community?

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3. What is the role of participation in the development of the community?

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4. How can community projects help improve the quality of life of residents in the community?

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Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 59 to 60.

Were you able to answer all the questions correctly? If yes, very good! You may now proceed to the next lesson.

If you were not able to answer all the questions, reread the lesson or just go back to the topics you didn't understand.



## Let's Remember

Below are the important ideas in this lesson. Try to remember them.

1. *Community development* aims to attain growth and progress in the community to improve the quality of life of the residents.
2. The development of a community depends on the following factors:
  - ◆ Projects or activities initiated and implemented should be based on the identified needs of the people.
  - ◆ Effective mobilization of residents during emergencies or when faced with problems.
  - ◆ The community leaders should be dedicated enough to solve the problems of the community and interested in improving the lives of their fellow residents.
  - ◆ Due recognition should be given by the leaders to the community members for their involvement in projects and activities.
  - ◆ Involvement of community members in decision-making, as well as in analyzing the problem, and in identifying and prioritizing needs.
  - ◆ The community members are aware of their strengths and weaknesses.
  - ◆ The people are united in the attainment of their goals.

3. Here are the methods we can use to identify the problems and needs of our community:

- ◆ community survey
- ◆ participant appraisal
- ◆ community consultations
- ◆ direct observation
- ◆ focus group discussions

Attaining development in the community doesn't rely solely on projects, programs, services or other activities. The residents themselves should know and understand that they have an important role to play in the development of their community. We will discuss this in the next lesson.

# Participating in the Development of Your Barangay

In Lesson 1, we discussed the importance of development in your community. We also discussed how we could properly identify and prioritize problems and needs in our community. We also discussed that the participation of every member in the community is important to attain community development.

Have you ever participated in any community activity? This might have been be a fund-raising campaign for community projects such as installing trash cans or streetlights. It may have involved providing your labor to assist in the construction of a learning or health center. Or maybe it was working with neighbors to clean up garbage in the streets near your house. How does it feel to know that you have done something for your community? If you haven't experienced this at all, don't worry. You still have a lot of time to do things for your community.

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- ◆ identify your role in solving the problems of your barangay;
- ◆ explain the importance of participation in the activities of your barangay; and
- ◆ identify projects which can help solve community problems.



## Let's Think About This

Do you think you have a responsibility to help solve your community problems? Why or why not?

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If your answer is *yes*, you are a concerned citizen and should be a model to your community.

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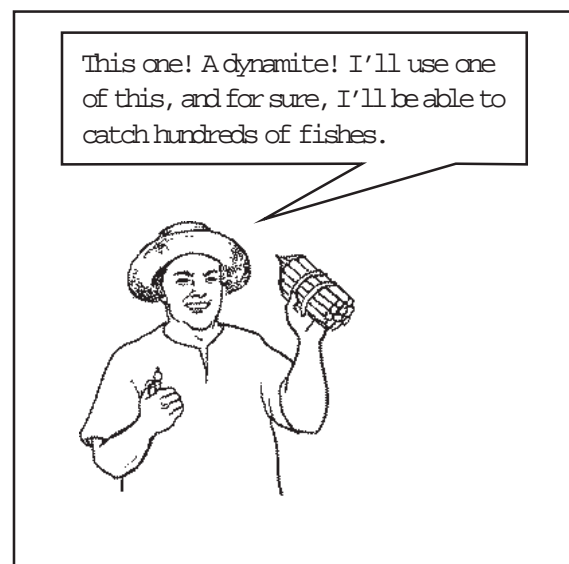
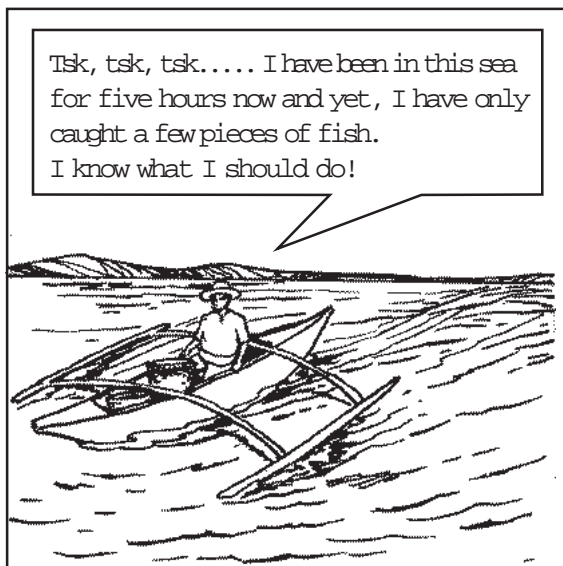
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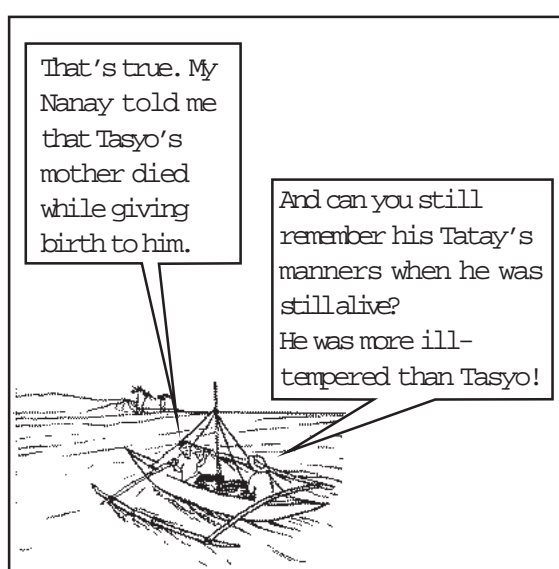
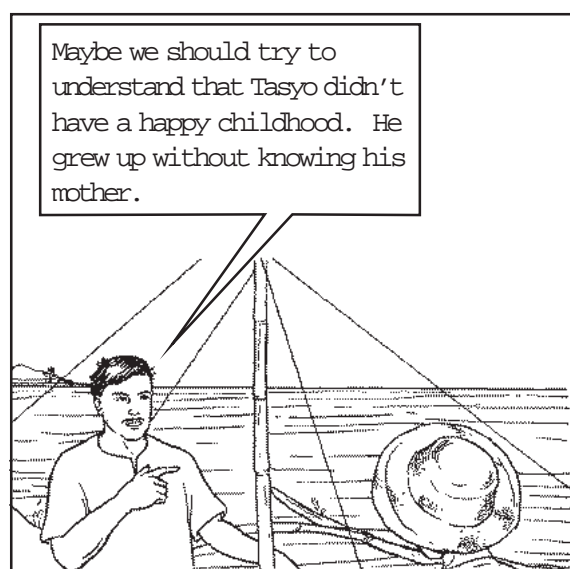
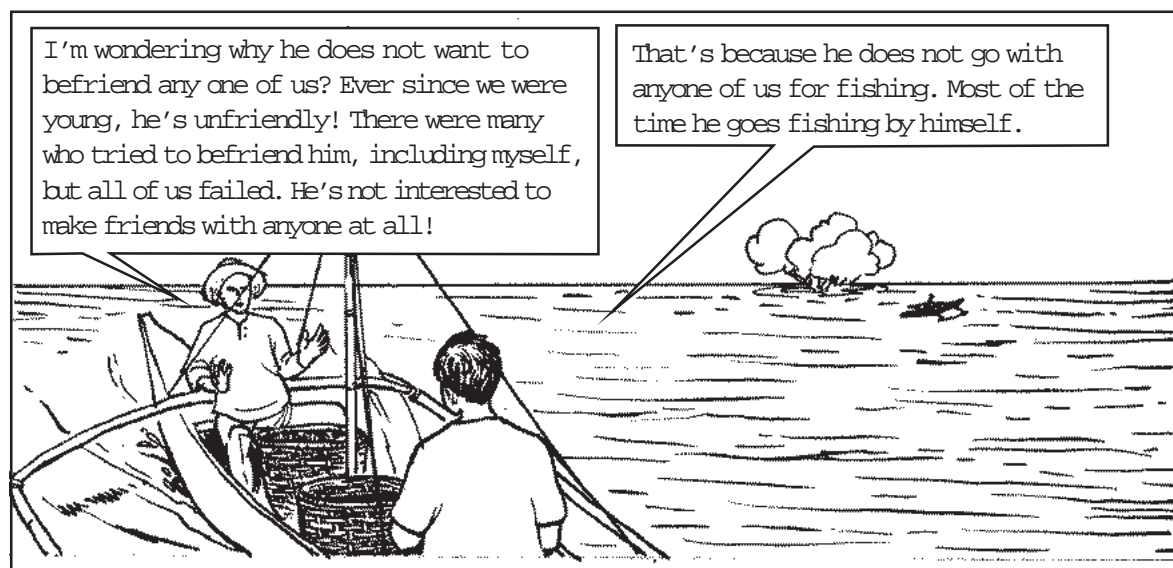
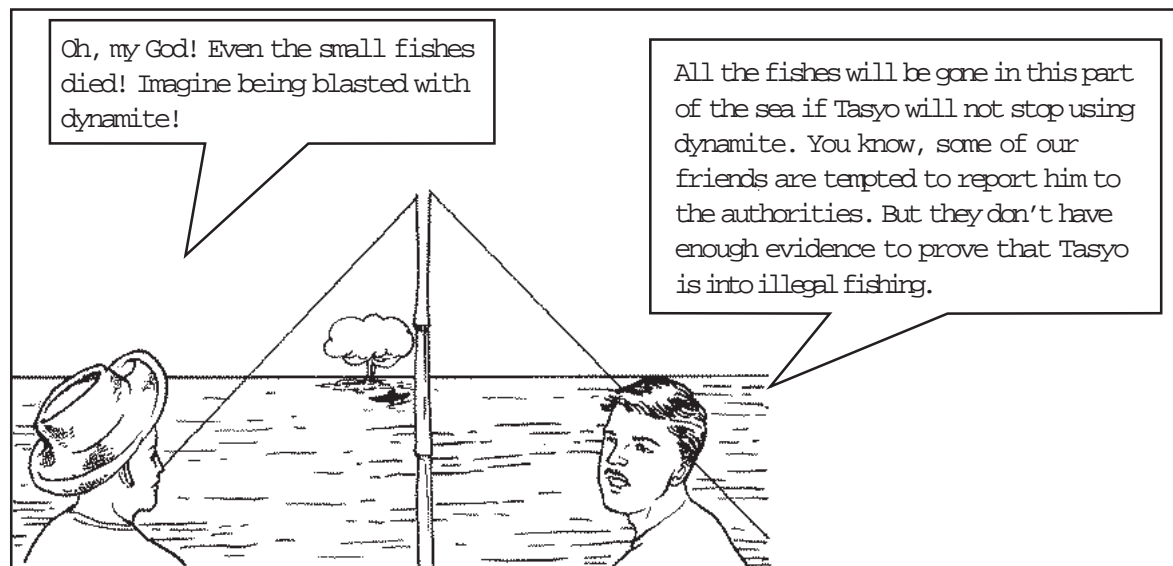
The story below is about participation. Read the story and analyze the different characters and how they participate in the development of their community. If you have a cassette tape player, you can listen to the dialogue while reading.

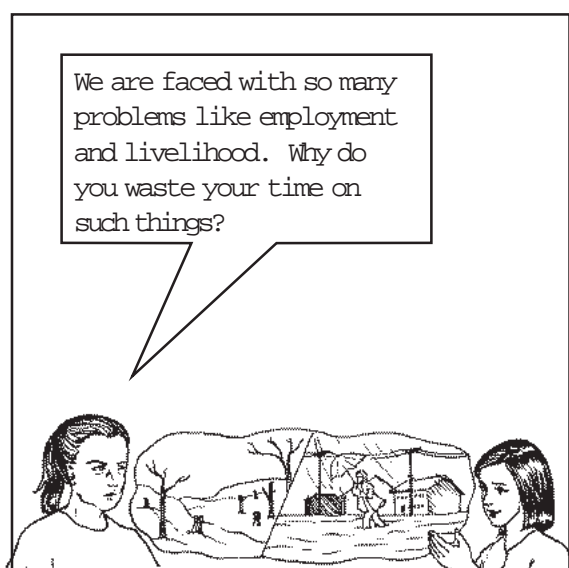
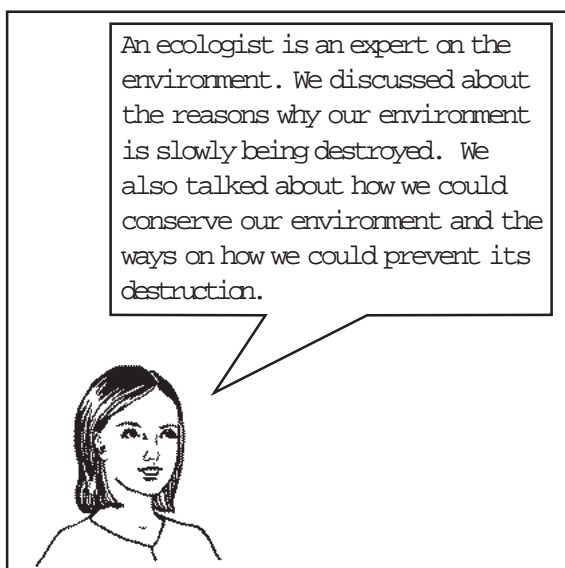
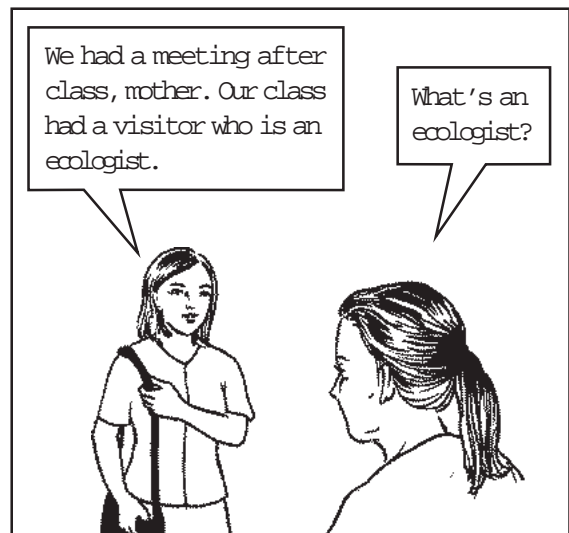
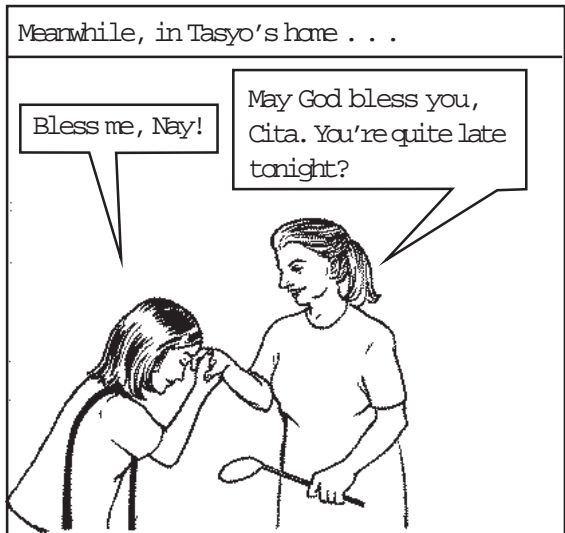
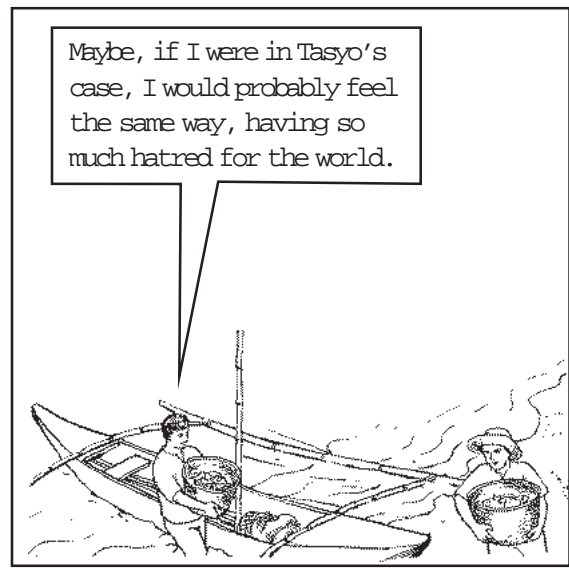
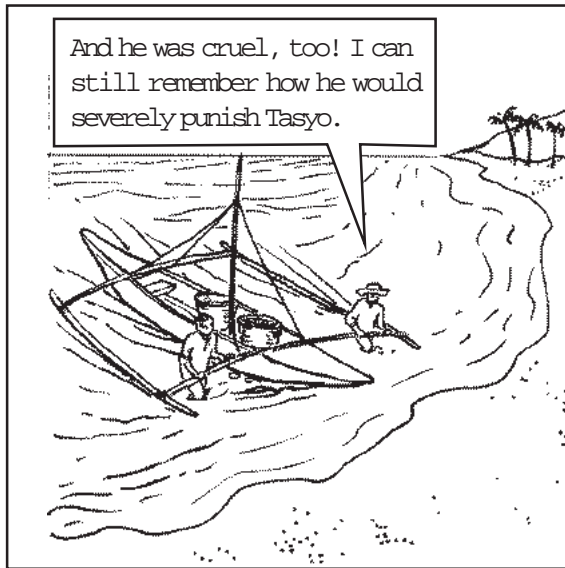
### Tasyo, Where Will This Lead You?

#### Characters:

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| Igme      | - | 46 years old, fisherman          |
| Sela      | - | 40 years old, Tasyo's wife       |
| Cita      | - | 21 years old, Tasyo's daughter   |
| Emil      | - | 42 years old, another fisherman  |
| Anton     | - | 30 years old, Tasyo's nephew     |
| Mrs. Abad | - | 35 years old, barangay counselor |

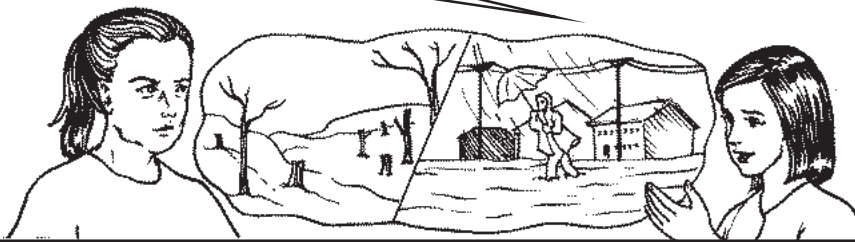






Itay, if our environment is totally destroyed, then all of us will die. Just imagine if all our mountains have no more trees.... and all our forests are gone. We will not only lose the trees which are the sources of so many things we need, but we will always have flood every time there is heavy rain.

And even the water that we use everyday might dry up. Just like our seas . . . If this will continually be abused because of illegal practices, sooner or later, all its resources will be depleted. And who's going to be the loser in the end?



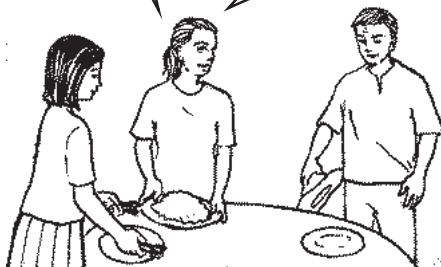
Hello, Itay.

You're not yet a teacher, but you talk as if you already know everything



You've just arrived on time, Tasyo. We're going to have our dinner now.

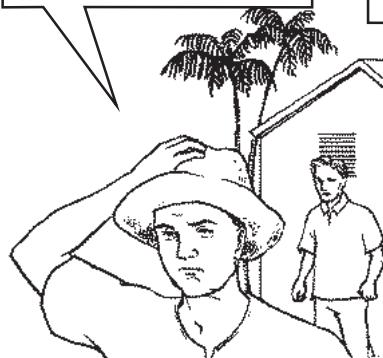
You can now wash your hands so we can all eat.



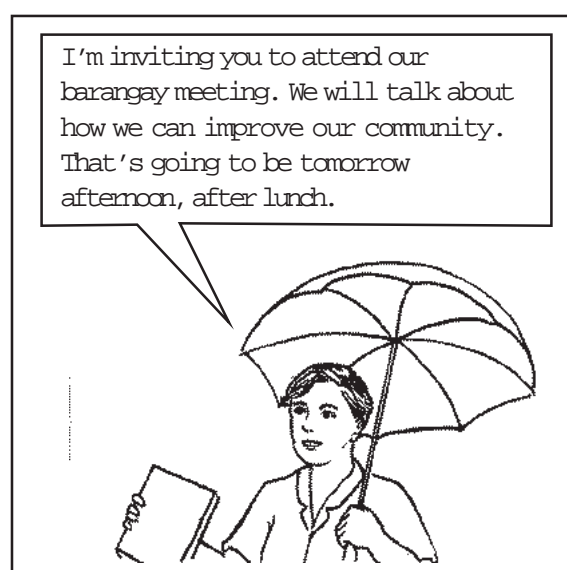
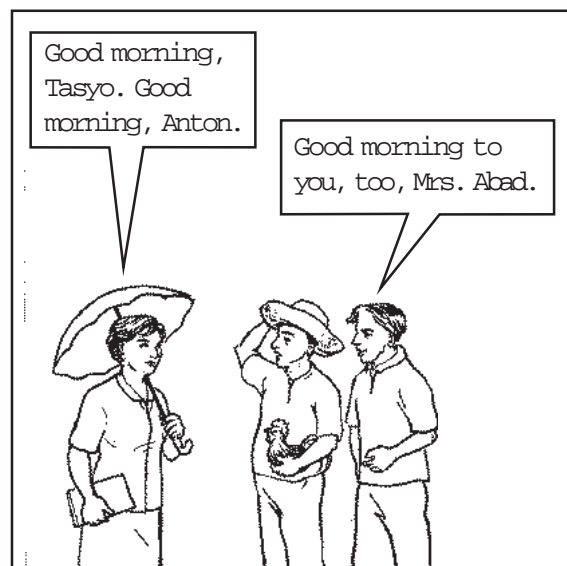
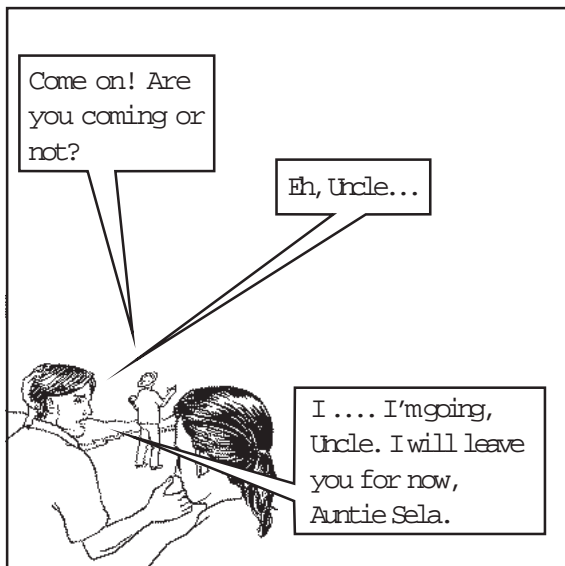
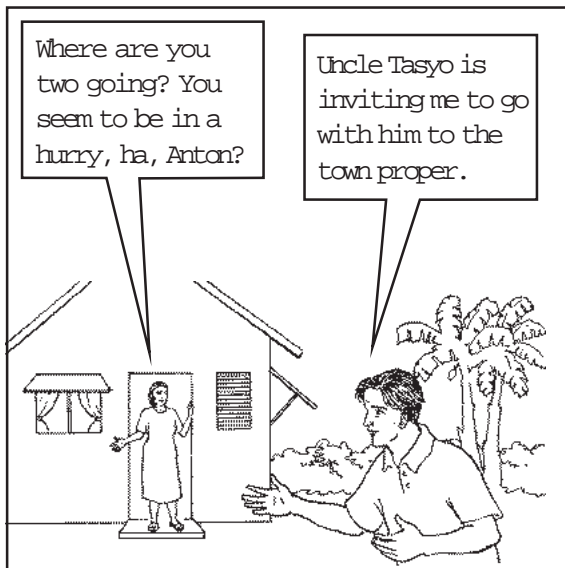
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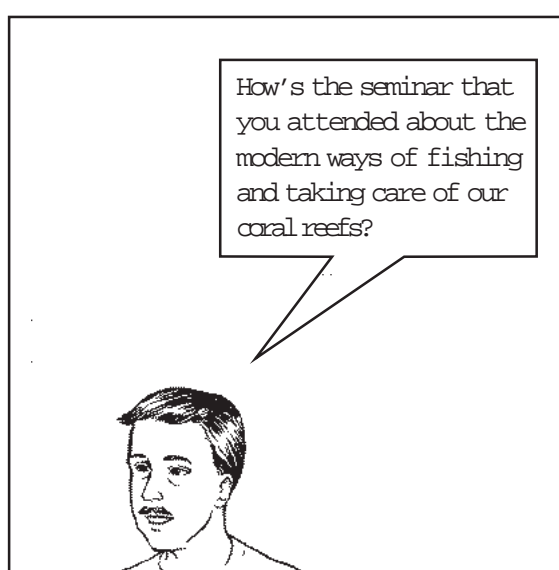
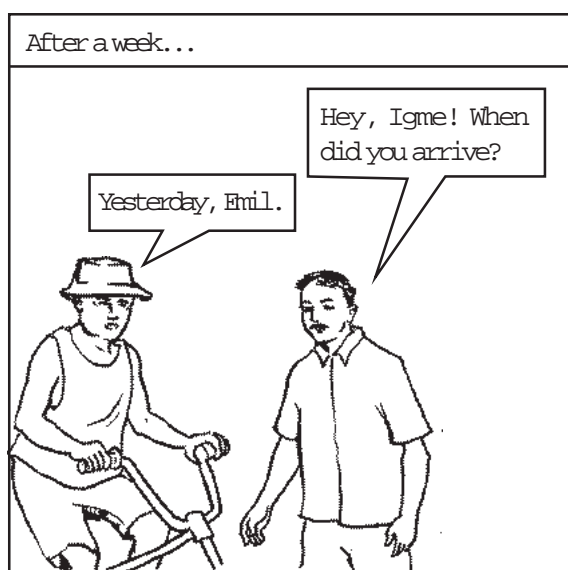
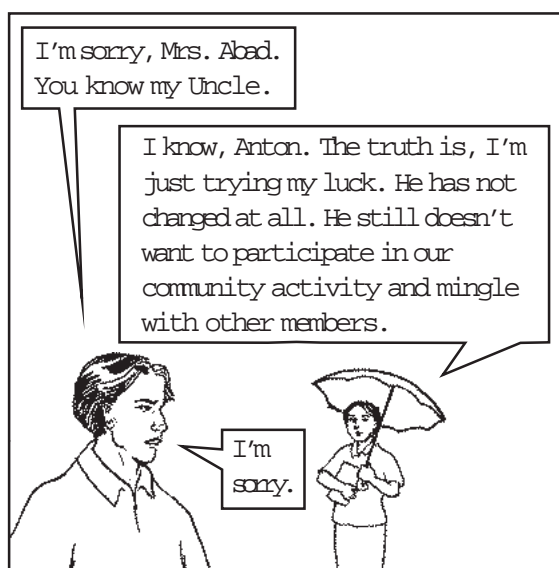
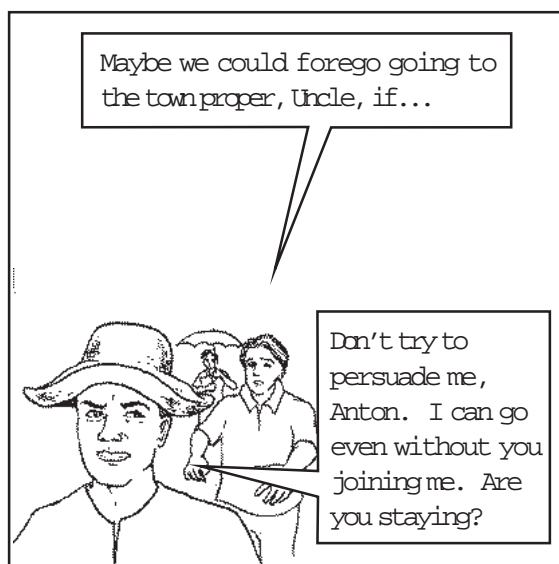
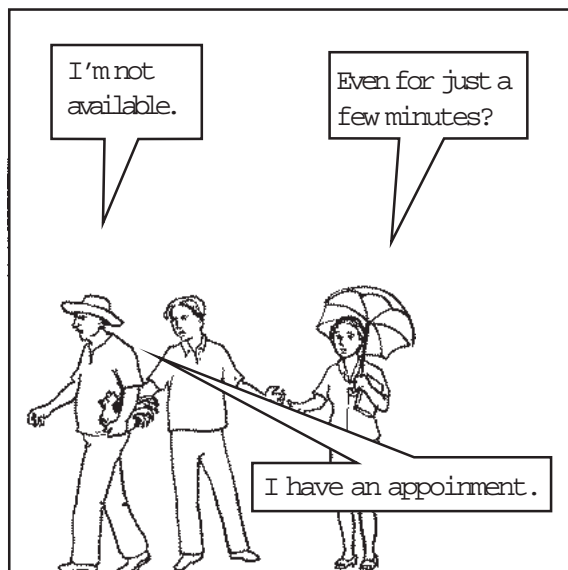
Anton, come on. Let's get going as it's already late.

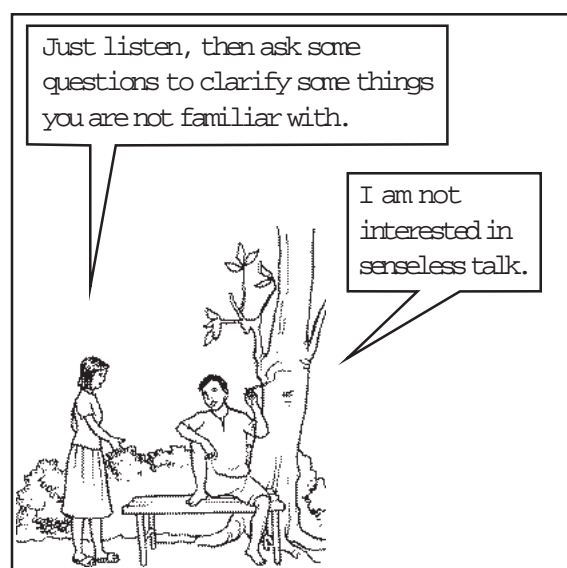
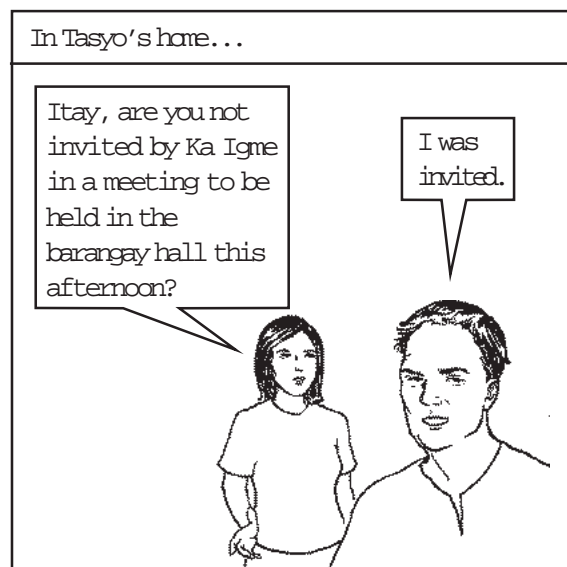
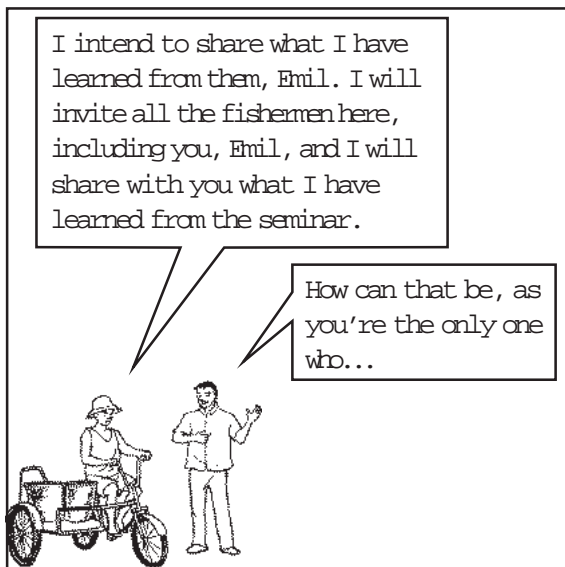
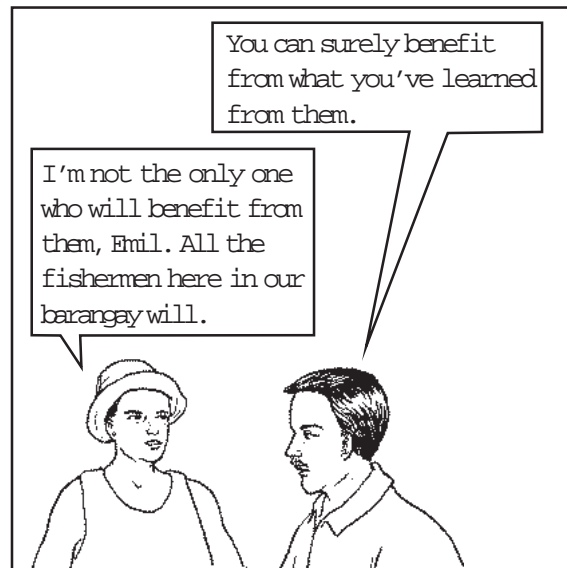
Yes, Uncle Tasyo.



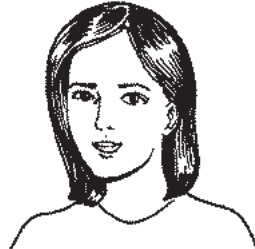








Itay, it's not senseless talk. It has something to do with your livelihood, with fishing. Are you not interested in learning the modern ways of fishing?



I'm contented with what I know. And besides I'd been fishing since I was still in my shorts. What else can anyone teach me about fishing?



Meanwhile...

We need the cooperation of your father in our desire to develop the resources of our ocean, Cita. It's not that we are suspecting your father. But if he will not cooperate with us and be concerned about the fishes and coral reefs in the ocean, then the very resources that provide us our livelihood will be destroyed.



What I can do to help, Mang Igme?

Try to convince your father to join us.



When Cita got home...

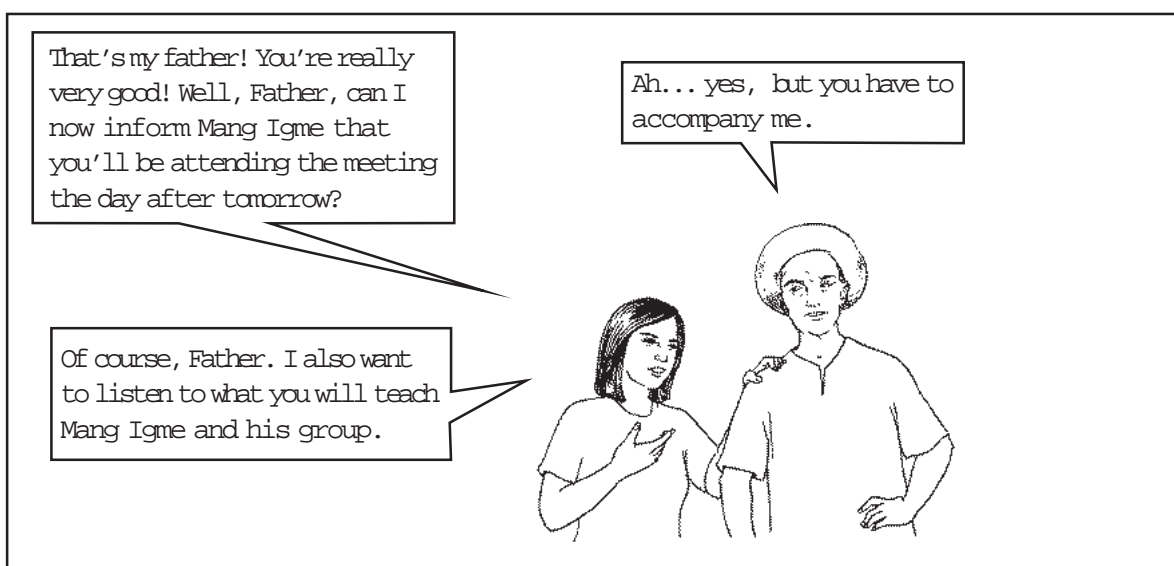
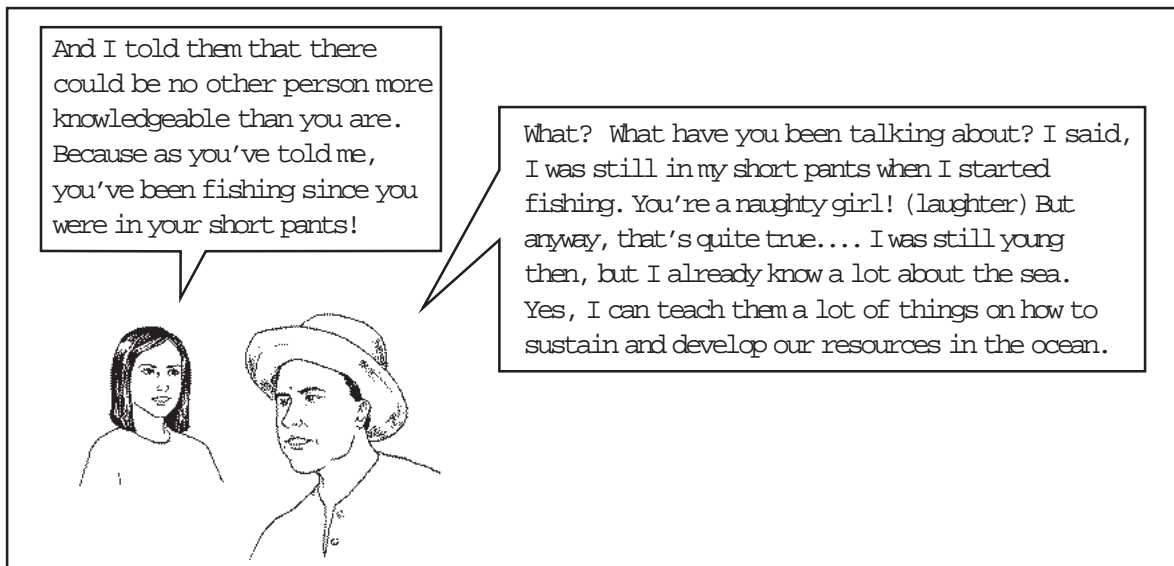
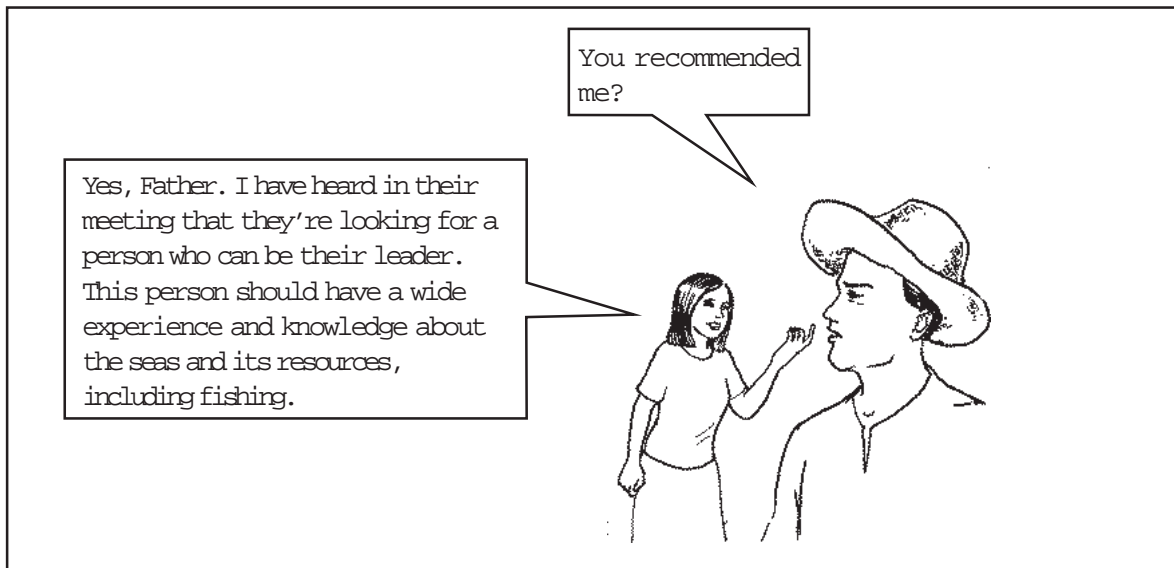
Father, you have been chosen to be the leader of a project. The project is about how to care for, save and develop the coral reefs in our seas.



And who do you think gave Igme and his group the authority to choose me as their leader? I'm not going to join their foolishness!

I was the one who recommended you, Itay.







## Let's Review

Answer the following questions.

1. What was Mang Tasyo's initial attitude to participating in their community project?

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2. What kind of a person was Mang Igme when it comes to participating in community activities?

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3. What did Mang Igme do to convince Mang Tasyo to join in their effort of improving the barangay?

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4. How could Mang Igme convince Mang Tasyo to stop using dynamite for fishing? Do you think Mang Igme would be successful?

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5. What lessons can you draw from the story of Mang Tasyo about the importance of participating in your barangay activities?

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Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 60 to 61.



## Let's Think About This

In the previous activity you discussed the importance of participation in the community.

How would you define *participation*?

We can say that participation is the involvement of individuals or groups in your community who working together to try and solve our community problems.

How can we participate in solving our community's problems?

Describe any activity you have participated in which seeks to improve the quality of life in your community. Write your answer in the spaces provided below.

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Why is it important to participate in community development projects or activities?

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Have you ever heard the saying "two heads are better than one"? Do you still remember how we can attain development in the community?

We said in the previous lesson that any community project or activity should be based on the needs of the people in the community. *Participation* is important in implementing projects or activities in the community because the people are taught how to address their community needs. These projects or activities require the help of each member of the community and they also need to be sustained. From participation, the people learn how to be independent. They also learn how to tap their community and outside resources. There is a sense of ownership for the residents in these development projects or activities. The people's participation can lead their unity and mobilization. Unity and mobilization may lead to better ideas for projects or activities which may be useful for the community.



## Let's Study and Analyze

As a participating member of your community, you have different role to play in helping solve your community's problems. One of these roles is for you to become an instrument of change or a *change agent*.

A person who is an instrument of change or change agent is someone who can introduce change in the community based on his/her observations about the community. An example of this is someone who may introduce new methods or technologies in fishing. This person may know someone or an institution who could teach fellow fishermen about these new methods or technologies.

Do you remember Igme in Tasyo's story? Igme is a change agent in their community because he wants his fellow fishermen to learn on new methods in fishing.

Another role is for you to become a volunteer in any of the community's development projects. As a resident of your community, it is expected that you take an active part and give your full support to the projects of your community. Just like Igme and Emil, these two fishermen participate actively in activities concerning the development of their community. Igme shared his new knowledge in fishing with his fellow fishermen. This is to help educate everyone about new technologies in fishing. Emil on the other hand is eager to learn new methods on how he and his fellow fishermen could improve their means of income.

Aside from these roles already mentioned, you can also serve as a link to the different experts of any field study which may help your community in addressing its problems. This expert may be a doctor, an ecologist, an engineer, a lawyer or anyone who can help address the problems of the community.

Can you think of other ways through which you may participate in the community development activities of your barangay?

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Have you ever volunteered as a poll watcher in your barangay? Have you ever joined the "Clean and Green Campaign" in your community? Did you ever disseminate information about the harmful effects of addictive and dangerous drugs?

There are many community development activities or projects we can join in our community.



Do you know that if Mang Tasyo will change his attitude, he can do a lot in improving his community? Like many communities his barangay has plenty of problems. However, there are many programs and projects that are being implemented by different groups in various barangays to solve these problems. These are the programs and projects which have been developed to address the problems identified by the community.

Here are some of the programs and projects that ordinary Filipinos like you and Mang Tasyo can join:

<i>Programs</i>	<i>Example of ways to participate</i>
◆ Clean and Green Campaign	You can join your neighbors in clean your surroundings.
◆ Livelihood Programs	You may invite fellow neighbors to attend livelihood and training seminars in the community.
◆ Day-care Centers	You can be a volunteer worker for the day-care center.
◆ Feeding Program for the children	You can inform all mothers in your community about the importance and schedule of the feeding program for children.
◆ Re-forestation Program	You can plant trees and plants in your community. You can also make posters emphasizing the importance of plants.
◆ Care for the Coral Reefs	You may solicit old tires from bus owners and car owners which may be used as artificial coral reefs. You may also disseminate information on the importance of coral reefs to man.
◆ Food Storage	You may share any knowledge you have on food preservation.
◆ Literacy and Numeracy	If you are good in math and in other subjects like English and Science, you may teach these subjects to the residents in your community. You can help educate them.
◆ Health Programs (malnutrition)	You may help in informing residents about programs and services offered by your health center. You may also help health officials in your community draw a nutrition map of your community. Or you may volunteer as a community health worker.
◆ Waste Management	You may participate by making posters with slogans on cleanliness. You may also convince fellow residents to form a committee or group that will ensure the cleanliness of your community.
◆ Educating Fishermen on New Technologies in Fishing	You may help convince fellow fishermen to attend seminars, meetings and training about new technologies in fishing. You may also invite a resource person for the seminar.

Aside from the programs and projects mentioned, you can still find other programs and projects being implemented by other barangays. These projects may also be relevant to your barangay. They may also provide opportunities for you to participate in your community. The following are possible projects:

<i><b>Projects</b></i>	<i><b>Examples of ways to participate</b></i>
◆ Correct Preparation of Food	You may invite a resource person for the seminar on Food Preparation.
◆ Clean-up drive for canals, rivers and seas	You may volunteer to be a member of the group that will clean the canals and river in your community.
◆ Adult Education Program	You may volunteer to teach adults in your community.
◆ Progressive Farming	You can encourage farmers in your community to attend seminars on new technologies in farming.
◆ Safeguarding the children	You may encourage the members of your community to form a group that will look after the children in the community.
◆ Self-employment Project	You may coordinate with your community leader in scheduling seminars and training for self-employment.
◆ Campaign against illegal drugs	You may disseminate information about the harmful effects of illegal drugs.
◆ Reading centers	You may donate old books to reading centers in your community.
◆ Responsible parenthood	You may encourage couples and parents in your community to attend seminars on responsible parenthood.
◆ Family Planning	You may conduct focus group discussions with your friends and talk about the importance of family planning.
◆ Food Production Campaign	You may convince your neighbors to plant crops and vegetables in their backyards.
◆ Toilet Cleaning	You may discuss with your neighbors the importance of a clean toilet. You may also discuss possible diseases which may affect residents and children if toilets are unclean.

There are be many other possible projects and programs aimed at improving the community. Maybe you can add to the list above. Write them below.

<i>Projects</i>	<i>Examples of ways to participate</i>

Show your list to your Instructional Manager, family members, friends and even your barangay leader. Discuss with them the ways through which you can participate to support such projects in your barangay. Write some of their ideas you discussed in the space below.

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Most of the community projects that are listed are initiated by the different government agencies such as the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Health (DOH) and Department of Agriculture (DA).

There are also projects initiated and implemented by the private sector and non-government organizations, as well as by community-based groups such as the Sangguniang Barangay, Parent-Teachers Association, The Farmers and Fishermen's Group, Youth Organization and Association of Mothers.

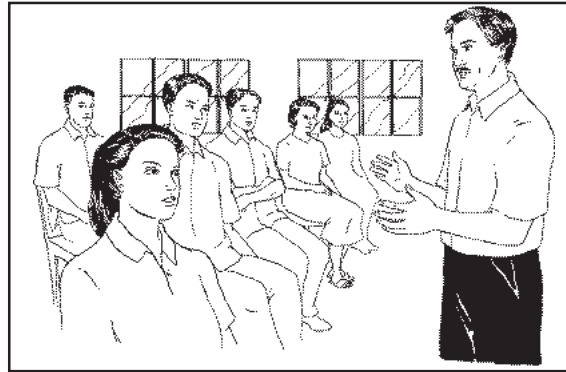


## Let's Learn

Do you know that there are two ways of initiating or bringing about participation?

Participation can be initiated through the following methods:

- ◆ *Top-down* — people are motivated to participate because they have excellent community leaders. These leaders are able to emphasize to the residents the need to participate in community activities in order to improve their quality of life.



- ◆ *Bottom-up* — the residents in the community are able to push for activities or projects which needs to be implemented in the community. The residents see these activities or projects as solutions in addressing their needs.



Through these means of initiating participation, we can say that participation involves both leadership commitment from the top and people's motivation from the bottom.



## Let's Study and Analyze

As an instrument of change or change agent in your community, you may organize groups in your community. You and this group can plan and initiate activities to help solve the problems in your community.

For example, in helping solve the problem of malnutrition:

1. You may invite the different groups in your community to conduct a survey on the nutritional status of children below six years.
2. In conducting the survey, you can ask the help of the Punong Barangay and the members of the Barangay Council.
3. You can also ask the help of the school principal or the school superintendents, representative of the Department of Health (DOH), a representative from the National Nutrition Council (NNC), the church and the youth groups.
4. After conducting the survey, you may organize a forum where you can inform the people of the result of the survey. You can invite a medical doctor or a barangay health officer as speakers or lecturers. They can talk about the cases of malnutrition and its effects on the growth of children six years old and below.
5. The members of the group that you invited may form a core group. This core group will initiate projects to help address the problem of malnutrition in your community.
6. You may also help the core group present the problem to the Barangay Council. If you have the data to illustrate the the seriousness of the problem, it may be easier to convince the Barangay Council to prepare a plan of action to address the problem of malnutrition. This plan of action (or action plan) may include activities such as:
  - ◆ Conducting an information campaign about the causes and bad effects of malnutrition and preparation of inexpensive but nutritious food through seminars, posters, leaflets and jingles.
  - ◆ A campaign to deworm children in the barangay from 2 to 6 years.

The action plan will include the objectives of the activity, the strategies to be used, the persons responsible and the expected completion date.

Here is a detailed example of an action plan:

Objectives/Aims	Activities	Strategy	Persons/ Group Responsible	Completion Date
Educate the community residents on nutritious foods	Conduct a seminar or forum with the community residents on nutritious foods	Invite a speaker or a lecturer from the National Nutrition Council and from the Department of Health	The community organization and the barangay officials Tap non-government organizations with programs and services on nutrition The rural health unit	November 30, 2000
Teach the community residents about how they can plant vegetables in their backyards.	Conduct a training-seminar on the different types of vegetables which could be easily planted by the residents.	Invite a training officer from the Department of Agriculture	The community organization	December 4, 2000

We will study how to prepare a community development project action plan in Lesson 3. We must remember however that in attaining development in the community, we should implement our plans. An action plan is useless unless it is implemented.



## Let's See What You Have Learned

Read the story below and help Mang Pepe and his neighbors in addressing their community problems.

Mang Pepe has been living in Barangay Lumang Lipunan for 5 years now. While living in the community, he observed many problems. Their community has problems concerning garbage disposal, lack of health facilities, rampant gambling among the youth and malnutrition among children. He wants to help solve these problems.

Mang Pepe finally decided to talk to their barangay captain. He presented and discussed his observations in their community. Their newly elected barangay captain, Ka Siso also had similar observations. Thus, he assured Mang Pepe that he would discuss it with the councilors in the community.

After two weeks, the community leaders decided to hold community meetings and consultations with the residents. Each community official was very persuasive in inviting each resident in the community to attend the meetings. Their meetings were focused on the problems and needs of the community. All of the residents in the community were able to attend the meetings.

In their meetings they discussed the observations of Mang Pepe in their community. Most of the residents also shared the same observations. They also wished that these problems be properly addressed. They all realized that these are problems of their community which also affect them and their families.

The leaders and the residents, including Mang Pepe, decided to take action in addressing their community problems. They decided to form committees which would be in charge of each problem identified by the community members.

Answer the following questions:

1. How would the committees be able to address the problems of your community?

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2. Mang Pepe is a change agent of Barangay Lumang Lipunan. What action did he take which made him a change agent?

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3. Do you think that Mang Pepe, the leaders and residents of Barangay Lumang Lipunan will succeed in addressing their community problems? Why?

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4. Would you be like Mang Pepe if you have observed problems and needs in your community? Why do you think so?

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5. If you were Mang Pepe, how will you encourage participation among your neighbors so that they will join community projects or activities?

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6. Why is participation important in order to attain the development of a community?

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7. Would community projects be successful if there is no participation from residents? Why?

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Compare your answers with those found in the *Answer Key* on pages 61 to 62.



## Let's Remember

These are the things you should remember from this lesson:

- ◆ You have a role to play in helping your community become progressive. Be involved and committed.
- ◆ A community's development depends much on its members. If the community has a dedicated leader with members who participate actively in community development efforts, and with the help of concerned government agencies and the private sector, then that community has a better chances of progressing.
- ◆ A community will not be as progressive as it could be if it's members just depend on the government to solve their problems.
- ◆ Get involved! Join and actively participate in community development projects to help solve your community problems.
- ◆ A barangay's progress is not just through the efforts of one, two persons or three but through the collective effort of each member of the community. These members include its leaders, change agents and volunteers.



# Initiating, Planning and Implementing Projects for Your Community

Can you still remember what you have learned in Lesson 2? You learned that you should accept the challenge of participating in community development projects to help solve the problems in your community. You have also learned that your efforts, together with the cooperation of other members of your community, contribute to making your community progressive.

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- ◆ initiate and plan a project that can be implemented in your community;
- ◆ explain the steps or procedures in the implementation of project plans;
- ◆ identify people or organizations who can help in the implementation of projects in your barangay; and
- ◆ prepare a project plan in support of the Barangay Development Plan.



## Let's Read

A community survey was conducted in Barangay Mapayapa about six months ago. Based on the results of the community survey. The following were considered as the top ten problems in the community:

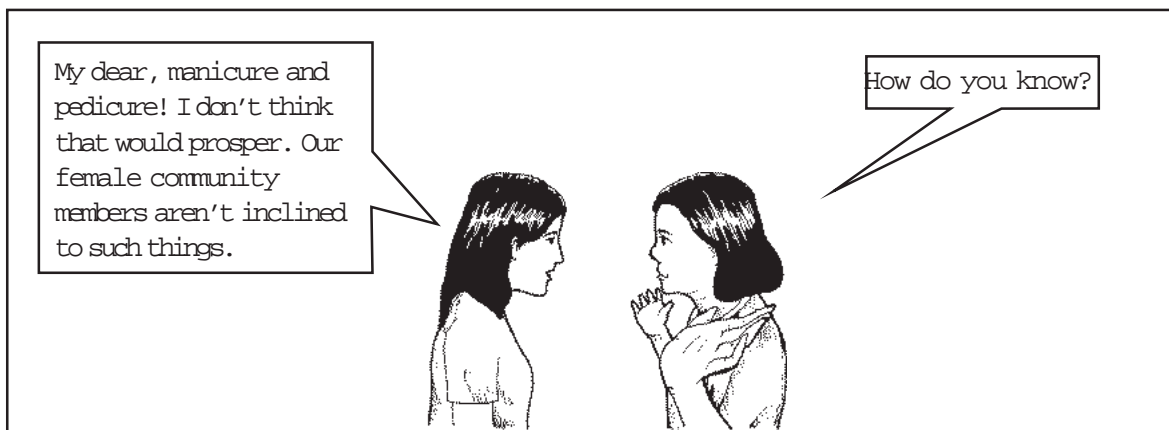
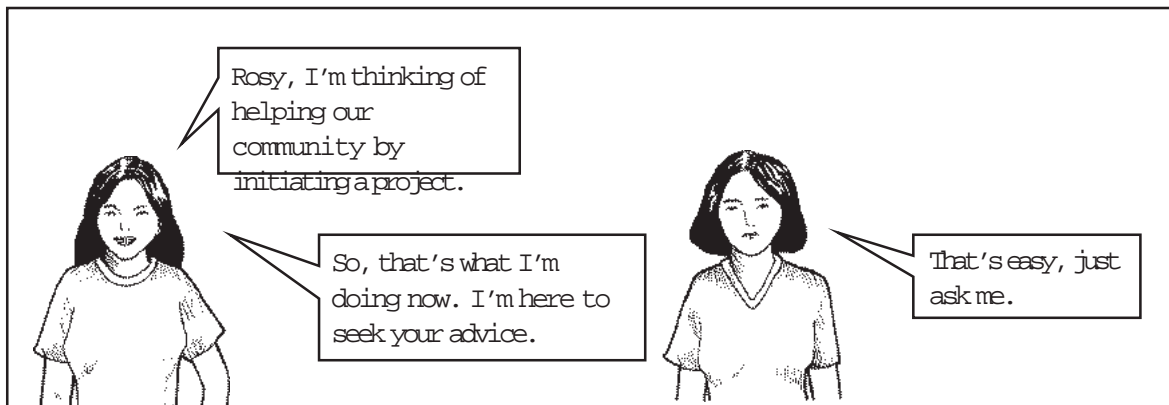
- ◆ lack of clean and safe water to drink;
- ◆ lack of employment opportunities for male members including the out-of-school youth;
- ◆ low educational attainment of most of the members of the barangay;
- ◆ malnutrition among children 2 to 6 years of age;
- ◆ prevalence of the following diseases: dengue, colds, cough, arthritis and tuberculosis;
- ◆ poor housing facilities;
- ◆ lack of sanitary toilet facilities;
- ◆ prevalence of child abuse;

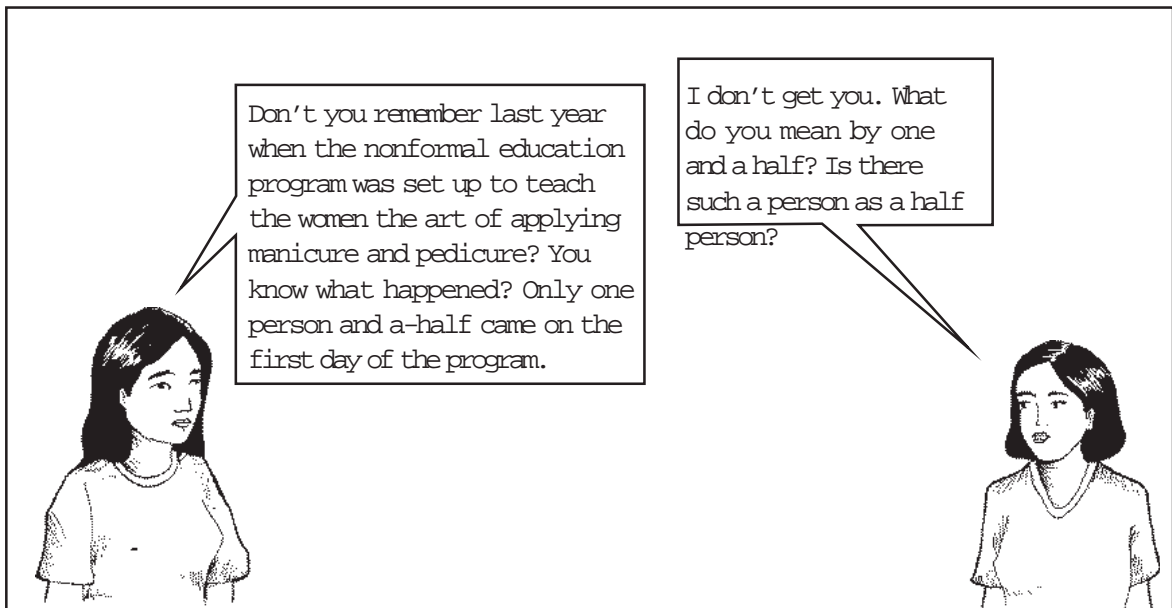
- ◆ increasing population; and
- ◆ poor waste management.

The Sangguniang Barangay and other cause-oriented groups are addressing the top five identified problems. No action is being done for the other five problems.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the barangay are two good friends, Aling Dely and Aling Rosy. They have been thinking about how they can help in the improvement and development of their barangay. They want to initiate a project which they think can help their barangay become progressive.

Read what the two friends have been discussing.







## Let's Try This

Answer the following:

1. Based on the discussion of the two friends, Aling Dely and Aling Rosy, what can you say about the project they are planning to initiate?

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2. Do you think their project will succeed? Why or why not?

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3. What can you suggest to the two friends about planning a community project?

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Unfortunately, although Aling Dely and Aling Rosy have good intentions, it is clear that the project being planned by the two friends is not based on the list of identified needs or problems of the community. This is just based on their individual perception. Although what they are proposing may also be important, this may not become effective compared to a project based on identified needs of most of the residents.

It may be better if Aling Dely and Aling Rosy consulted their Punong Barangay or any member of the Sangguniang Barangay. They could be advised on what to consider in planning a project that would help uplift the quality of life of their barangay members. There are still several important problems identified by the community survey which are not being addressed in Barangay Mapayapa. Aling Dely and Aling Rosy could start by reviewing the list of there problems as the basis for developing their projects clearly.

We discussed earlier that the community survey is a formal or an official study conducted to identify the problems and needs of the community. We can review the list of problems and needs in the community by looking at the community survey report. This report has a conclusion and recommendation about the study. You can review the identified problems by reading the conclusion and recommendation.

In Lesson 1 of this module, we said that community development projects or activities should be based on the needs of the residents. Why? Because the success of these development projects or activities depend on the participation of the members in the community.

How do you think should one start planning and implementing a project for the community? What are the ways by which a project can address the needs of the majority of the members in the community? You will find out in the activity.



## Let's Learn

### Ways of Initiating, Planning and Implementing a Community Development Project

#### **Step 1:** Consult or check the *Barangay Development Plan*.

A Barangay Development Plan is based on the community survey or situational analysis conducted by the members of the Sangguniang Barangay or leaders of the community organization with the help of change agents. This is a list of all programs and projects for the community. All barangays have a Barangay Development Plan. You can also consult your Punong Barangay or member of the Barangay Council about a project that has not been implemented yet. You can select a project from the list.

Here is a sample list of projects or activities which may help Barangay Mapayapa address its problems:

- ◆ Water supply project
- ◆ Livelihood programs
- ◆ Literacy and Numeracy programs
- ◆ Feeding program for children
- ◆ Seminars on common diseases in the community
- ◆ Toilet cleaning project
- ◆ Seminars on Child Abuse
- ◆ Family Planning Seminars
- ◆ Waste Management Seminars

#### **Step 2:** Choose the project which you think you and your group can implement. You may also consult the members of your community about which project will meet their primary need.

Since Barangay Mapayapa has a problem with its increasing population, it may conduct a Family Planning Seminar for its residents.

<b>Step 3:</b> Prepare the project plan. It contains the following:
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- A. Name of the Project: (Example: Seminar on Family Planning)
- B. Time Frame of the Project: (Example: January 16 – January 17, 2001)
- C. Objective of the Project: (Example: To educate the residents of Barangay Mapayapa about the different methods of family planning)
- D. Expected Output (Example: After the seminar, the residents of Barangay Mapayapa will be informed about the different methods of Family Planning)
- E. Strategies:
  - ◆ Invite speakers to discuss the advantages of Family Planning. These speakers may come from the Department of Health (DOH), Population Commission (POPCOM) and from the Family Planning Organization of the Philippines (FPOP).
  - ◆ Distribute information and education materials on the different methods of Family Planning.
  - ◆ Seek the financial support of the Barangay Council or the community organization.
- F. Schedule of tasks and persons responsible for each task.

We discussed in the previous lessons that in order for a community to attain development, there should be participation from members. How can community members and organizations participate in the implementation of projects? Do you remember the action plan we discussed in Lesson 2?

The schedule of tasks and persons responsible is part of the action plan. It assigns a specific task to a specific person or organization. These tasks and responsibilities present the detailed activities that community members and organizations must do when implementing a specific project in the community.

Below is an example of a schedule of tasks or activities for a project.

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>
Asking permission from the Punong Barangay and the community leaders to hold a meeting of heads of families	December 3, 2000	Noel Saliendra
Inviting a resource person or an expert	December 4, 2000	Leticia Zamora
Asking budget from the Sanggunian or from the community organization	December 10, 2000	Caridad Santos
Confirmation of resource speakers or experts.	December 12, 2000	Miguelito Rosal
Conducting the Seminar on Family Planning	January 16 – 17, 2001	Residents or members of the community organization

G. Prepare a Budget of the expected expenses needed to complete the project:

Expenses on Food	₱ 2,000
Honorarium of resource person's	₱ 1,000
Miscellaneous	₱ 1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>₱ 4,000</b>

Did you understand the steps involved in making a Community Development Project successful? If you did, great! If it is still not clear to you, just review what is discussed above. You may also wish to review Lesson 3 so that you will understand better the part on project planning, including the example given.

This is important, because soon, you are going to develop your own action plan as your assignment.

Now, you can continue reading the next steps in initiating, planning and implementing a project.

**Step 4:** Conduct your activities and monitor the activities according to the Plan of Action

For example, you may ask other members who were given tasks and responsibilities about their status. Will all the expected speakers and resource persons be available on the planned day for the seminar? You may also make a follow-up for the budget of your activity or project. When will the budget be available? Most importantly, check if all preparations have been made regarding the facilities and materials to be used for the seminar. You may do this a week earlier before the planned seminar.

Be present on the implementation of the activity or project. Check if the invited participants or audience are present during the implementation of the activity or project.

Check if your schedules are met according to your plan of action.

**Step 5:** Evaluate if the activity or project met the objectives of your action plan.

Evaluation is very important in assessing our community activities and projects. We should remember that the projects or activities we implement in our community have a purpose. Our projects or activities aim to address the identified problems of our community.

Through evaluation, we are able to gauge if we met our objectives. We may also assess the learning of each participant in the activity. If we conducted a family planning seminar, we should ask ourselves what our expectations were for the participants? Did we meet these expectations? What did they learn from the seminar? How can they apply it in their daily lives?

We may evaluate the Family Planning Seminar using an evaluation tool (this may be a questionnaire). This questionnaire may ask the participants about the different methods for family planning and how they could apply family planning in their daily lives.

We could also create a monitoring group that would go around in the community. This group may ask residents how they intend to apply what they have learned from the seminar. They may also inform families about the available services in their community health center.

**Step 6:** Based on the results of your evaluation, you or your group can determine if the participants need a follow-up activity about the topic you discussed. Then you can start a new project again.

For example, after conducting the seminar on family planning, the participants or the residents may want to form a team or a group which will help promote family planning in the community. This team may coordinate with the health center or the rural health unit of the community. This may be a new project which is still connected to your previous project.



Have you finished reading the six steps? I'm sure all the steps are now clear to you. You can now start thinking of a project you can implement in your barangay. Are you ready to do it?



## Let's See What You Have Learned

This is your assignment for this module. One problem of Barangay Mapayapa is on proper waste management or proper garbage disposal. Prepare a project plan which will help Barangay Mapayapa solve this problem. Below is an outline that you can follow in preparing your project plan:

1. Name of the Project
2. Time Frame of the Project
3. Objective of the Project
4. Expected Output
5. Strategies to implement the Project
6. Schedule of Activities
7. Budget

A form has been provided below. Just fill it up with the correct information. (If you want, you may use a separate sheet of paper for your plan of action but as much as possible, follow the same format.)

1. Name of the Project: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Time Frame of the Project: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Objective/s of the Project:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Expected Output: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Strategies to implement the Project:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Schedule of Activities

Activity	Schedule	Person Responsible

## 7. Budget for the Project

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After preparing your action plan, you compare it with the one in the *Answer Key* on pages 62–63. It also suggested that you show it to your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for additional feedback. You can also show your project plan to a co-learner, to your Punong Barangay or to a member of the Barangay Council. You can also show it to your family members or friends. They can help you improve what you have done.

Remember what we said at the end of Lesson 2 — an action plan is useless unless it is implemented. Your next challenge is to talk to your Punong Barangay or to a member of the Barangay Council about ways your plan of action can be implemented. This may mean working with community members or organizations in the community. By working together in the spirit of participation and cooperation, you will hopefully be able to improve the quality of life of your community.



## Let's Remember

It is very important to remember the following:

- ◆ There are six steps in initiating, planning and implementing a community development project. These are:

**Step 1:** Consult or check the *Barangay Development Plan*.

**Step 2:** Choose the project which you think you and your group can implement. You may also consult the members of your community about the project which will meet their primary needs.

**Step 3:** Prepare the project plan.

**Step 4:** Conduct your activities and monitor the activities according to the action plan.

**Step 5:** Evaluate if the activity or project met the objectives of your action plan.

**Step 6:** Based on the result of your evaluation, you or your group should determine if the participants need a follow-up activity about the topic you discussed. Then you can start a new project again.

- ◆ An action plan contains the following:

1. Name of the Project
2. Time Frame of the Project
3. Objective of the Project
4. Expected Output
5. Strategies in implementing the community project or activity
6. Schedule of tasks and persons responsible for each task
7. Budget

Well, this is the end of the module! Congratulations on finishing it! Did you like the module? Did you learn something useful from it? A summary of its main points is given on the next page so you can review what you learned.



## Let's Sum Up

After studying this module, it is important for you to remember the following:

*Community development* aims to attain growth and progress in the community to improve the quality of life of the residents.

The development of a community depends on the following factors:

- ◆ Effective mobilization of residents during emergencies or when faced with problems.
- ◆ Projects or activities initiated and implemented should be based on the identified needs of the people.
- ◆ Dedication and interest of community leaders in solving the problems of the community and in improving the lives of their fellow residents.
- ◆ Due recognition given by the leaders to community members for their involvement of the community members is in projects and activities.
- ◆ Involvement of community members in decision-making, as well as in analyzing the problem, and in identifying and prioritizing needs.
- ◆ People, is awareness of their strengths and weaknesses.
- ◆ People, unity in the attainment of their goals.
- ◆ The methods we can use to identify the problems and needs of our community are the following:
  - ◆ community survey
  - ◆ participant appraisal
  - ◆ community consultations
  - ◆ direct observation
  - ◆ focus group discussions

A community's development can be attained if its members work together in addressing the community's needs and problems. Residents should recognize their role in participating in community projects and activities. They can contribute by attending community meetings, participating in community cleanliness campaigns,

A community's development depends its members. If the community has a dedicated leader with members who participate actively in community development efforts, then that community has a better chance of progressing.

- ◆ A barangay's progress is not just through the efforts of one, two, or three persons, but through the collective efforts of each members of the community. These member include its leaders, change agents and volunteers.



## What Have You Learned?

Study the situation below. Then, based on what you have learned about participation, answer the questions that follow.

Barangay Murphy is a progressing community in Quezon City. It has a wet market, and business establishments such as hardware stores, food establishments and mini-malls. It is also near schools and other residential areas. However, Barangay Murphy also have problems such as on the disposal of garbage, traffic, clogged canals, increasing crime rate among youths and the use of drugs among youths and adults.

The organization of Barangay Murphy which is composed of residents in the community have many times approached their leaders about their problems in the community. The organization also noticed that the projects being implemented by their barangay officials are all focused on infrastructure projects. They deem these projects useless for the people. The residents in the community are more in need of health facilities and medicines because many are getting sick of common illnesses in the community.

Their barangay captain and councilors recognize these concerns, but they don't act on it. They believe that as long as the community is generating income from business establishments, there is no problem. They have also been bragging that their community is a developed community because of the profits they have been earning from tax collections and other revenues. They also justified the projects they have been implementing. According to them infrastructure projects such as waiting shed and road improvements are needed to encourage other businessmen to invest in their community. The organization of Barangay Murphy is saddened by the response of their leaders. They don't know what to do anymore.

1. Do you agree with the leaders of Barangay Murphy that their community is a developed community? Why? (2 points)

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2. Based on what you have learned from this module, what is your concept of a developed community? (2 points)

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3. If you were a member of the environmental group, how can you encourage the leaders and other residents of Barangay Murphy to cooperate in addressing the identified problems in their community? (2 points)
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4. Can Barangay Murphy attain development if there is no participation from its leaders? Why? (2 points)
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5. What role does the group play in their community? Why? (2 points)
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6. Make a plan of action that would address the identified problems of Barangay Murphy. (2 points)
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Compare your answers with those found in the *Answer Key* on pages 64 to 66.

If you got:

- 11 – 12 You should study the whole module again.
- 8 – 10 You just need to go back to the lessons you did not understand.
- 5 – 7 Good! You just need to go back to the items of the module that you didn't understand.
- 0 – 4 Very good! You may now proceed to the next module.



## Answer Key

### A. Let's See What You Already Know (*pages 2–4*)

1. **Agree** – It is important for the community to implement or act on projects and activities which will improve the quality of life of its residents. Community projects or activities that are based on people's needs can help people attain a better quality of life in their community.
2. **Disagree** – A person initiating change in the community may be from outside or inside of the community. This person is called a change agent because he or she can help the community in addressing its problems and needs.
3. **Agree** – A responsible citizen is someone who observes the needs of his or her community. He/she doesn't stop at observation, he/she also participates in the implementation of projects or activities which will help his/her fellow residents.
4. **Agree** – One factor which contributes to the development of the community is the preserve of members that are united and who can be easily mobilized. It is difficult for a community to implement development projects and activities if the members will not participate.
5. **Disagree** – Any member of the community who does not want to participate and get involved in community projects should be encouraged to join. Fellow members should explain to non-participating members that any community project or activity could help improve the quality of life of the people in the community. This member should also realize that he or she has a role in the community. This is because community problems don't only affect one family in the community, it affects all the families in the community.
6. **Disagree** – A community survey is only one activity that can help the residents identify and prioritize their needs in the community. There are other means or ways that can be used to identify problems in the community.
7. **Agree** – If the projects aims to help only a minority of the residents in the community, it is likely that other members will not participate. A community project or activity that is based on the needs of all the people will encourage the participation of the residents. The residents will participate because they know that the project or activity will help them improve their quality of life in the community.

8. **Agree** – The Barangay Development Plan is a list of projects or activities in the community which is based on the needs of the people. This list can help leaders and community members identify important projects to be implemented in the community that will be beneficial to all.
9. **Disagree** – Any form of participation in the community will help in the development of the community, whether this may be as a volunteer or a change agent.
10. **Disagree** – Any person from within or outside the community could be a resource person or expert as long as the person is well educated or well informed about the topics, programs and services which can be discussed when addressing a specific problem.

## **B. Lesson 1**

*Let's Think About This (page 8)*

These are sample answers, however your answers should be similar to these answers. You may show your work to your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for comments:

1. Reasons behind the development of Barangay Buena are:
  - A. the leadership of their barangay captain – Their barangay captain exerts effort in talking to residents about their needs in the community.
  - B. the participation of the residents in the community – The residents are very responsible in attending their meetings in the community.
  - C. effective mobilization of residents during emergencies or when the community faces problems - Effective mobilization means organizing the people for collective action to address the problems which affects the whole community including the victims, the organized as well as unorganized groups in the community.
  - D. projects or activities successfully initiated and implemented based on the identified needs of the people.
  - E. dedicated community leaders whose interest is only to solve the problems of the community.
  - F. due recognition given by the leaders to the community members for involvement in projects and activities.



- G. involvement of community members in decision-making, as well as in analyzing problems, and in identifying and prioritizing needs. The residents are also involved in the planning process and also participate in the implementation of projects as well. What is important is that they are the beneficiaries of these projects.
  - H. people's awareness of their strengths and weaknesses – The residents and their leaders take appropriate actions to overcome their weaknesses by asking help from government agencies or the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or people's organizations (POs).
  - I. people's unity in the attainment of their goals - they act together to help one another achieve their goals.
2. The non-participation of the residents in Barangay Mala is an obstacle the progress of their community. They may have a leader similar to Barangay Buena's who is also concerned about obtaining progress and change, but the residents of Barangay Mala may not be attending their community meetings or assisting in the implementation of their community projects. Other reasons may also be the following:
    - ◆ the needs of the community are not being identified and prioritized properly by community leaders and residents: and/or
    - ◆ there are no community projects or activities which will address the needs of the people in the community.
  3. Yes, Barangay Mala can be as progressive as Barangay Buena if the residents and the leaders work together in solving the problems of the community. The residents should recognize their role in the development of their community by attending meetings regularly. They must also cooperate in the implementation of their community projects and activities. Other factors which can contribute to the development of Barangay Mala are:
    - ◆ proper identification and prioritization of the needs in the community;
    - ◆ cooperation between the leaders and the residents in implementing community development projects or activities;
    - ◆ resident's active participation and involvement in any kind of community activity; and
    - ◆ leader's consultation with residents of the community about projects they need to implement.

4. a. Community development aims to attain growth and progress in the community to improve the quality of life of the residents.

It is important to attain development in the community because a developed community can stand on its own and meet the needs of its residents. Community residents are able to identify their needs and initiate actions in order to address such needs.

- b. The factors which contribute to the development of the community are:
  - ◆ the community identify the problems which need to be addressed.
  - ◆ community projects aimed at solving the problems of the residents in the community. It should be beneficial to all residents and not only to a few.
  - ◆ the community's ability to implement its projects and activities through its leaders and residents.

*Let's Review (pages 16–17)*

1. Community development projects or activities are implemented for the members of the community. This means that the community members themselves are the beneficiaries of such projects or activities.
2. Community development projects or activities aim to improve the quality of life of all members in the community by addressing their needs. For example, a community establishes a day-care center since most of the parents in the community are working. The center has an administrator and a volunteer whom the residents feel will be able to take care of their children. Through this kind of project, working parents will feel at ease when they leave their children in the day-care center while they are at work.
3. It is important that development projects or activities are based on the needs of the people because these projects aim to help residents in improving their quality of life. For example, instead of focusing on infrastructure projects such as waiting sheds and construction of deep wells, the community leaders may analyze the health condition of the community. People may need to have health services such as distribution of medicines, feeding programs for children or nutrition seminars.

*Let's See What You Have Learned (pages 17–18)*

These are sample answers. Your answers may depend on your perception. However, your answers should be similar to the ones below. You may show your answers to your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for additional feedback.

1. A community is most likely to experience development if:
  - a. the people are able to identify their problems and needs in the community;
  - b. the leaders of the community consult the members of the community about the problems and needs they have identified;
  - c. the residents are given the chance to participate in identifying their problems and needs in the community;
  - d. the residents actively participate in the implementation of community projects and activities;
  - e. the members of the community (leaders and residents) are mobilized effectively during emergencies such as typhoons, floods and other calamities;
  - f. the members of the community know their strengths and weaknesses. They take appropriate actions to overcome their weaknesses by asking help of government agencies or private sector, the non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or people's organizations (POs); and
  - g. the people are united in the attainment of their goals. They cooperate with each other to achieve their goals.
2. Residents should be involved in addressing the problems and needs of the community because they are the ones who are or will be directly affected by these problems or needs. Through their participation, they become more critical and analytical of their condition in the community. They also learn to become self-reliant or independent. Most importantly, their involvement in community projects and activities will make the implementation of these projects or activities easier.
3. Participation is important in community development because it enables the people to realize their capabilities in solving their community problems and needs. Thus they become more aware of their condition in the community and become more sensitive to other people's needs in the community. Participation plays an important role in bringing together all the efforts of the people in the community to solve a specific problem or need they have identified.

4. Community projects can help improve the quality of life of residents because they are based on the needs of the people in the community. These projects also provide additional learning and education to residents in the course of their implementation. These projects not only help residents meet their needs, but they also help people develop their skills and capabilities.

For example, the people in the community saw a need to have seminars on livelihood. Many of the residents are earning less in their work which is why they need to have another source of income. They requested for a livelihood seminar on food preservation. During the course of the seminar, some people may realize that they already know how to preserve food. They just didn't see the point of making it an option for business. The seminar made them realize that food preservation can be considered as an alternative to earn additional income more money in order to meet the needs of daily living.

## **C. Lesson 2**

*Let's Review (page 30)*

1. Mang Tasyo is a non-participating member of the community. He hasn't attend any community meetings even though he has been invited so many times.
2. Mang Igme is a participating member of the community because he encourages everyone to attend community meetings. He is also an instrument of change or change agent because he shares what he has learned with his fellow residents.
3. Mang Igme encouraged Mang Tasyo's daughter to convince her father to join their effort in improving the barangay.
4. Mang Igme can convince Mang Tasyo to stop dynamite fishing through the following:
  - ◆ informing Mang Tasyo about the effects of dynamite fishing on coral reefs and fish;
  - ◆ informing Mang Tasyo how dynamite fishing can affect their fishing harvest in the future; and
  - ◆ informing Mang Tasyo about the existing laws against dynamite fishing.
5. This is a sample answer. Your answer may depend on your perception. Discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator. You may also discuss your answer with a member of your family, a friend or a co-learner.

I learned that it is important to participate in the activities of my community. I have a responsibility in the development of my community. I can participate by attending community meetings. These meetings will not only inform me of the situation of my community, it will also enable me to know other things like new community projects. If there are community projects and activities, I should participate because the development of my community is also my development.

*Let's See What You Have Learned (pages 38–40)*

Below are sample answers. However, your answers should be similar to them. Discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for additional feedback.

1. The committees will address the problems of the community by assigning a specific problem for each committee. For example, one problem of Barangay Lumang Lipunan concerns waste management. The committee on waste management will then be tasked to do the following:
  - ◆ provide seminars on proper management of garbage such as garbage segregation, composting and recycling;
  - ◆ disseminate information about ordinances, resolutions or laws referring to proper waste disposal in the community;
  - ◆ mobilize campaigns on cleanliness in the community (the youth may be encouraged to participate in these campaigns); and
  - ◆ coordinate with government agencies which can help educate residents in the community on how they could properly dispose of their garbage.
2. Mang Pepe became a change agent in their community because he presented and discussed with their barangay captain his observations about their community. He didn't hesitate to air the problems he observed in their community. He was also willing to share his observations with his fellow residents. Mang Pepe did this because he wanted to help solve their community problems.
3. Yes, Mang Pepe the leaders and community members will succeed because they have identified and recognized their community problems. All of them are willing to solve the problems of their community which led to the creation of committees that will focus on each problem.
4. Yes, I would be like Mang Pepe if I had similar observations in my community. It is important that I am able to contribute to my community and fellow residents in any way that I can. I believe I can empower my community by helping the people realize our problems and needs. I will not hesitate to talk to our barangay captain or other community leaders about our community problems because these problems don't only affect me—these problems affect all of us.

5. I can encourage other members in the community to participate by discussing with them how our community problems can affect our lives and our children's lives. I will also discuss with them that we have roles to play in the development of our community. We should try to perform these roles for we are the key participants in development. If we have any complaints about our community's condition, we should think about what we have contributed before we blame others.

#### **D. Lesson 3**

*Let's See What You Have Learned (pages 49–50)*

This is a sample plan of action (action plan). You may show your plan of action to the Instructional Manager for comments. You can also discuss your plan of action with your Barangay Captain or community members.

1. Name of the Project: **Oplan Kalinisan ng Kapaligiran**
2. Time Frame of the Project: **January 6, 2001 – January 27, 2001**
3. Objectives of the Project:
  - ◆ to teach the people proper waste management;
  - ◆ to inform the people about existing community ordinances, resolutions, and laws on the disposal of garbage; and
  - ◆ to explain to people the importance of discipline in the implementation of proper waste management projects.
4. Expected Output:

After this project, the residents should be able to:

  - ◆ use proper methods of waste management such as recycling, composting and garbage segregation;
  - ◆ reinforce the strict implementation of proper waste management in the community;
  - ◆ initiate campaign/drives for cleanliness; and
  - ◆ mobilize youth to encourage the members of the community to practice proper waste management.
5. Strategies to implement the Project:
  - ◆ coordinate with the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) regarding available resource persons and speakers for the seminars and training to be conducted in the community;
  - ◆ rent videos picturing the different methods for proper waste management – a video or documentary on recycling, composting and garbage segregation in other countries;
  - ◆ invite the barangay captain or lawyer to discuss ordinances and resolutions or laws referring to waste management;
  - ◆ invite all sectors in the community for the seminar and training on waste management; and

- ◆ mobilize the youth group of the community in inviting other participants to attend the seminar and training;

6. Schedule of Activities:

Activity	Schedule	Person Responsible
Make a letter of invitation for possible speakers and resource persons of the seminar.	January 9, 2001	Youth Coordinator
Ask permission from the barangay captain for the use of the multi-purpose hall for the waste management seminar.	January 11, 2001	Manong Procarpio (Community organization president)
Coordinate with the MMDA for available video tapes on waste management in other countries	January 15, 2001	Manang Precy (Community organization secretary)
Inform community residents (including youth and other sectors) about the seminar on waste management.	January 15, 2001	Youth Coordinator
Follow-up on the guests and resource persons for the seminar. Follow-up for the use of the multi-purpose hall. Remind residents about the seminar.	January 22, 2001	Manang Tesi
Buy snacks and foods for the participants of the seminar.	January 23, 2001	Youth Coordinator
Prepare the materials for the seminars (VHS, TV, manila paper, etc.)	January 24, 2001	Youth volunteers
Actual seminar on Waste Management.	January 27, 2001	All the people in the community should be involved

7. Budget for the Project:

Expenses on food:	₱ 2,500
Expenses on materials:	₱ 500
Honorarium for resource persons:	₱ 1,000
Miscellaneous:	₱ 1,000
Total:	₱ 5,000



## **E. What Have You Learned?** (*pages 53–54*)

These are sample answers. Your answers may depend on your perception. Show your answers with the Instructional Manager or Facilitator for comments.

1. No, I disagree with the leaders of Barangay Murphy. Their community can be considered a developed community if the problems and needs of the residents are properly addressed and met by the people and their leaders. In the story, the organization of the community has been informing their leaders about the problems they have observed in their community. The leaders on their part recognize these observations but justified the existing situation since for them, it is more important that their community is generating more income.
2. A developed community is a community where residents and leaders work together in solving their community problems and needs. The residents are given the opportunity by their leaders to participate in any community project or activity. Most importantly, a developed community is a community that is able to identify and prioritize its problems and can solve these problems. It is a community where participation exists among residents and leaders. They work together in addressing their needs.
3. If I were a member of the organization, I can do the following:
  - ◆ I would make a petition letter requesting our leaders to act on our complaints. This letter will be passed on to other members of the community for their signatures. The letter aims to convince our leaders that we want our community problems to be resolved.
  - ◆ I can suggest that the environmental group can have a dialogue with our leaders. This dialogue will be our means to tell them our problems and that we hope for the immediate solution of these problems.

You may have several answers to this question. You may show them to the Instructional Manager.

4. No, Barangay Murphy cannot attain development if there is no participation by the members of community. The leaders of the Barangay Murphy should realize their role in helping the residents of the community. They should understand that they have been chosen to be leaders for a purpose, which is to serve their fellow residents. Their participation is important because they can easily implement programs and projects which will be useful for the people. If they continue not to perform their duties as leaders, the projects and programs they will be implementing will be useless since these are not based on the needs and concerns of the people.



Cannot solve their community problems alone. They also need support in terms of campaigns and funding. Likewise, the non-participation of the leaders in Barangay Murphy will set a bad example for other residents. Other residents may think that they have no responsibility in the development of their community.

5. The group plays the role of a change agent. It is a change agent because it aims to solve community problems which were identified by the residents. The group, through its members, exerts effort in solving the community's problems by informing their leaders.
6. This is a sample plan of action (action plan). You may show your plan of action to the Instructional Manager for comments.
  1. Name of the Project: **Luntiang Kapaligiran**
  2. Time Frame of the Project:  
**February 5, 2001 to February 26, 2001**
  3. Objectives of the Project:
    - ◆ to explain the importance of forests compare to pure urban areas;
    - ◆ to explain to the residents as well as to the leaders the benefits of trees to the community; and
    - ◆ to convince the leaders that environmental considerations should never be sacrificed over income-generation.
  4. Expected Output:

After this project, the residents and leaders should be able to:

    - ◆ know what uses can be obtained from forests;
    - ◆ plant trees (or other plants) in their garden, yard or open spaces in the neighborhood and on previously forested areas and;
    - ◆ prevent unnecessary cutting of trees in the neighborhood.
  5. Strategies to implement the Project:
    - ◆ coordinate with the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) regarding available resource persons and speakers for the seminars and training to be conducted in the community;
    - ◆ rent videos showing communities that have been successful in their tree-planting projects or documentaries on the benefits of trees as well as the failures of those who sacrificed environmental concern over income-generation;
    - ◆ invite environmentalists to discuss the importance of trees; and
    - ◆ coordinate the youth group to ask for volunteers to encourage the residents to participate in the project.

## 6. Schedule of Activities:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>
Make a letter of invitation for possible speakers and resource persons of the seminar.	February 5, 2001	Youth Coordinator
Ask permission from the barangay captain for the use of the multi-purpose hall for the waste management seminar.	February 7, 2001	Mr. Rodriguez, President of the Environmental group
Coordinate with the MMDA and the DENR for available videotapes about the importance of trees in local communities.	February 11, 2001	Mrs. Verdad, Secretary of the Environmental group
Inform community residents (including youth and other sectors) about the seminar on reforestation.	February 11, 2001	Youth Coordinator and Volunteers
Follow-up on the guests and resource persons for the seminar. Follow-up on the permit to use the multi-purpose hall. Remind residents and the leaders about the seminar.	February 18, 2001	Barangay Councilors
Buy snacks and foods for the participants of the seminar.	February 19, 2001	Youth Coordinator and Volunteers
Prepare the materials for the seminars (VHS, TV, manila paper, etc.)	February 20, 2001	Volunteers
Actual seminar on reforestation.	February 24, 2001	All the residents in the community should be involved.

## 7. Budget for the Project:

Expenses on food:	₱ 2,500
Expenses on seminar materials:	₱ 500
Honorarium for resource persons:	₱ 1,000
Seedlings and planting tools	₱ 3,000
Miscellaneous:	₱ 1,000

Total:	<hr/> ₱ 8,000
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## Glossary

- Change agent** A person who can introduce change in the community based on his/her observations
- Community development** Aims to attain growth and progress in the community to improve the quality of life of the residents
- Community survey** An activity that makes use of interviews to identify the concerns of the community members and the needs of the community: also called *Community Needs Assessment*
- Barangay development plan** This is a list of all programs and projects for the community
- Honorarium** A fee paid to someone
- Non-government organization (NGO)** Organizations that cater to the needs of different disadvantaged sectors like fishermen and farmers
- Participation** Action of individuals or groups in a community
- People's organization (PO)** Organization established by residents of a community in order to meet or address the concerns of their fellow residents
- Plan of action** It is a list of actions and strategies that will be taken to address problems or needs in the community that have been identified



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