

## Office of the President Commission on Higher Education

Caraga Region Butuan City

### **MEMORANDUM FROM THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR** No. 49, Series of 2016

TO

THE PRESIDENTS/HEADS

**PRIVATE AND PUBLIC HEIS** 

SUBJECT

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES FOR THE VOLUNTEERISM

ON HIGHER

STORY WRITING CONTEST ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 30,

2016

DATE

October 17, 2016

This Office hereby endorses the above mentioned activity for the support and participation of all concerned.

Attached is the communication from **DIR. MYLAH FAYE AURORA B. CARIÑO, CESO IV,** Regional Director of NEDA Caraga, which contains relevant information for your reference.

Wide dissemination of this information is desired.

MARICAR R. CASQUEJO, Ph.D., CESO III

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#### REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

# NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CARAGA REGION

06 October 2016

MS. MARICAR R. CASQUEJO, CESO III Regional Director Commission on Higher Education Caraga Region

Dear Director Casquejo:

This refers to the **Volunteerism Story Writing Contest,** a joint project of the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

We wish to inform you that the deadline for submission of entries has been moved from August 31, 2016 to October 30, 2016 to be able to accept more entries. Please find attached, the information materials regarding the contest. Kindly disseminate the information to all private and public higher education institutions in the region to encourage the participation of the students.

We hope to have entries from our region for the said contest. Other details on the competition is available through <a href="http://www.pnvsca.gov.ph/news/attachments/PNVSCA-StoryWriting-Brochure.pdf">http://www.pnvsca.gov.ph/news/attachments/PNVSCA-StoryWriting-Brochure.pdf</a>.

Thank you!

Very truly yours,

MYLAH FAYE AURORA B. CARIÑO, CESO IV

Regional Director





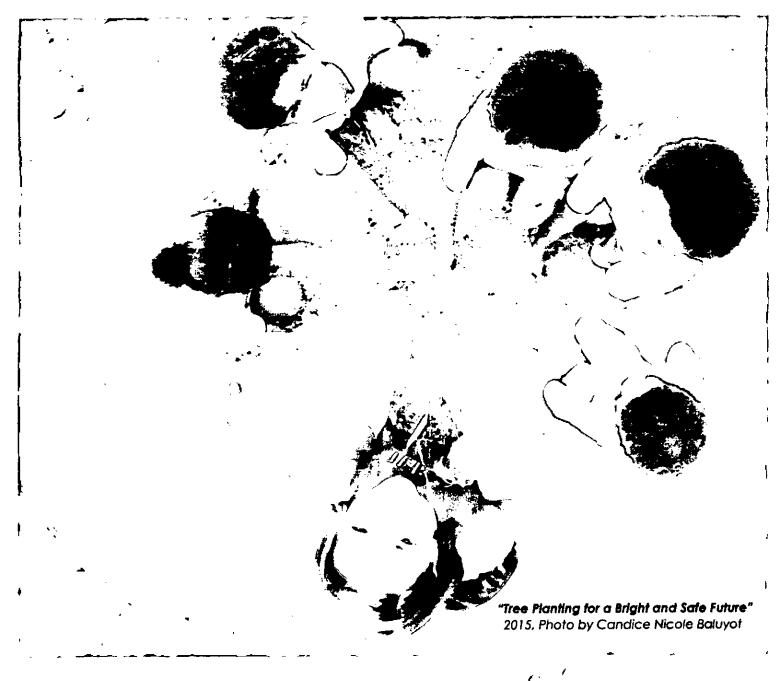
### **Volunteerism Story Writing Contest**

### **ENTRY FORM**

(Please write n/a if not applicable)

Please attach passport size (3.5 cm x 4.5 cm) photo with printed name of the participant at the back.

| Pr  | ofile of the Participant   |
|---|--|
| Name:   | Age:   |
| School/University:  | Course and Year Level:   |
| Date Enrolled in NSTP:  | Name of NSTP Coordinator:  |
| Mailing Address:  |  |
| Telephone No.:  | Mobile No:   |
| Email Address:  |  |
| Profile of the  | Volunteer/ Volunteer Organization  |
| Name:   |  |
| Volunteer Activity/Project:   |  |
| Duration of Volunteer Engagement  |  |
| Mailing Address:  |  |
| Telephone:  | Mobile No:   |
| Email Address:  |  |
|   |  |
| A   | GREEMENT/AUTHORIZATION   |
| I agree to abide by the rules and regul<br>CHED and PNVSCA.   | lations of the volunteerism story writing contest as promulgated by  |
| 2. I declare that all information submitted   | by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and any or addition, shall be ground for disqualification in this contest.                                   |
| I declare that I have secured permissio story.  | n from concerned volunteer/volunteer organization featured in the  |
| <ol> <li>I declare that the entry/ies I submitted at<br/>shall be ground for disqualification in al</li> </ol>  | re original and in cases of fraud, deception or plagiarism on my part<br>Il current and future contests and activities of PNVSCA, as well as                       |
| forfeiture of prize won by fraudulent mea  5. I agree that the entry/ies I submitted sha  | all be the property of PNVSCA, shall not be returned to me, and may  |
| <ol> <li>be used, in whole or in part, by PNVSCA</li> <li>CHED and PNVSCA shall be exempt fr<br/>found to infringe on the intellectual prope</li> </ol> | A for the Agency's promotion and advocacy activities.  From any liability in the circumstances that the entry/ies submitted is erty rights of any copyright owner. |
| SIGNATURE OVER PRINTED  | NAME DATE  |



# VOLUNTEERISM STORY WRITING CONTEST





### **VOLUNTEERISM STORY WRITING CONTEST**

A Joint Project of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA).

PNVSCA is the government agency mandated by Republic Act 9418 or" The Volunteer Act of 2007" to coordinate the implementation of the national volunteer service program and to take the lead in advocating the contributions of volunteers to nation-building and international understanding.

Through the Volunteerism Story Writing Contest, PNVSCA partners with CHED in engaging the Filipino youth in the promotion of volunteerism both as a way of life and cross-cutting tool for socio-economic development.

The contest serves as a platform for students to discover and share the diverse experiences and insights of people and organizations who render volunteer service for community empowerment and sustainable development.

### I. SCOPE

The Contest is open to Filipino college/university students nationwide who are currently enrolled in or who have completed the National Service Training Program (NSTP) at the time of the submission of the entry.

### II. THEME

The theme of the contest is "Volunteering for Sustainable Development", in support of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

### III. EXPECTED OUTPUT

The expected outputs are feature stories on the experiences and contributions of volunteers towards the achievement of the SDGs.

Each participant shall choose one SDG and shall write a feature article on an individual or group/organization whose volunteer work is aligned with the achievement of the chosen SDG.

- 12. PNVSCA and CHED reserve the right to extend the deadline of the contest..
- 13. PNVSCA and CHED shall invite representatives from the government and private sector to comprise the panel of judges. The decision of the Panel of Judges will be final and unappealable.
- 14. Winners must agree that the PNVSCA and CHED shall disclose their identities during the announcement of winners.
- 15. All entries shall be the property of the PNVSCA and may be used by the Agency in its advocacy activities without compensation but with due credit to the author.

### V. FORMAT

- Title of the story should be provided
- Should be in portable document format (PDF)
- Written in English, typewritten, double-spaced, font size Arial, 11
- Top, bottom, left, and right margins must be one (1) inch
- Maximum number of words is 1,800
- Name and signature of the participant are written at the top left-hand corner of each page.

#### VI. CRITERIA

|   |   | 100 % |
|---|---|-------|
| • | <b>Language Proficiency</b> Good grammar, style and organization  | 20 %  |
| • | Creativity Discussion of the ideas in a unique and engaging manner  | 20 %  |
| • | Understanding of volunteerism for development Articulation of the importance of volunteering as a tool for supporting development initiatives | 20 %  |
| • | Relevance to the Theme Experiences and accomplishments of the featured volunteer are relevant to the chosen SDG                               | 40 %  |

#### VII. PRIZES

One winner will be selected per region and each regional winner will receive **Php 3,000.00.** 

For more information, please contact PNVSCA: Tel. No. 277-7389 E-mail address: info@pnvsca.gov.ph