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TESDA Women's Center launched its Mini-Organic Farm



TWC staff members together with DDG Rosanna A. Urdaneta (2nd row, 8th from left), Deputy Director General for Policies and Planning, RD Conrado G. Bares (2nd row, 9th from left), Regional Director, TESDA NCR and Director Adzhar Albani (2nd row, 10th from left), Administrative Services

TESDA Officials led by DDG Rosanna A. Urdaneta (left) together with RD Conrado Bares (top) and AS Director Adzhar Albani (bottom) inaugurated the TWC Mini Organic Farm with a Tree Planting Ceremony.

On November 08, 2019, TESDA-NCR through TESDA Women's Center formally launched its Mini Organic Farm within the TESDA Complex. This is in line with Sec. Isidro S. Lapeña's thrust to make Organic Farming available in all TESDA Institutions across the country.

This Green TVET Project of TWC is aimed at creating a sustainable food-producing landscape using the concept of urban farming technologies supported by ecologically sound solid waste management activities. The project will also establish a green culture and a green community

which are sustainable enough to supply the needs of the TWC community, especially in TWC canteen operations and training supplies for Cookery, Food Processing, and Food and Beverage Services.

Present in the Launching are TESDA Officials: Deputy Director General for Policies and Planning, DDG Rosanna Urdaneta, AS Director-in-Charge, Dir. Adzhar Albani, NCR Regional Director, RD Conrado Bares and Executive Asst. to DDG Mike Velarde, Jr, Jose Ponciano Malonzo.

TWC Explores Opportunities for Women in the Construction Sector thru Stakeholder's Forum



Participants of the Stakeholder's Forum composed of the members of the Center Advisory Council of TESDA Women's Center, TWC trainers and staff together with representatives from the Construction Sector.

On December 3, 2019, the TESDA Women's Center (TWC) through the guidance and recommendations of the Center Advisory Council (CAC) organized a successful Stakeholders' Forum in the Construction Sector at Dusit Thani Manila, Makati City.

Infrastructure is one of the aspects that the current administration is focusing which gives way to the Build, Build, Build Program that will seek to accelerate infrastruc-

ture spending and develop industries that covers major roads and transportation infrastructure nationwide, other relevant sub-sectors in residential, commercial and institutional construction in order yield growth, create jobs and improve the lives of Filipinos.

In consonance, this current scenario became the basis of choosing the Construction Sector for the 2nd Stakeholders' Forum which aimed at achieving the following ob-

Mama Sita thru TWC Relive Traditional Filipino Cuisine by completing 3 batches for 2019



Filipino Cuisine is so diverse that every culture can taste a bit of their home in it. The Philippines also offers unique and varied flavours taken from the different places of the country with the abundance of geologic activities enabling us to harvest fresh produce from the lands and seas which gives a huge influence from what we cook and eat.

Thus, a program which highlights this Traditional Filipino Cuisine (TFC) was initiated by the Mama Sita Foundation in partnership with TESDA-NCR through TESDA Women's Center.

The training consisted of lecture-demonstrations and hands-on food preparation of Traditional Filipino Cuisine and was delivered for five (5) consecutive Saturdays which took place at the TWC Cookery Workshop which was facilitated by TWC's Cookery trainer Chef Charmaine P. Fider who in return imparted and gave

Batch 3 Trainees of the Traditional Filipino Cuisine finished the program on December 14, 2020. The Traditional Filipino Cuisine is a partnership between Mama Sita Foundation and TESDA NCR through the TESDA Women's Center

useful techniques and secrets in the kitchen among the trainees.

The third and last batch of the TFC program for the year 2019 started on November 09 and finished after five (5) consecutive Saturdays on December 14. Just like from the previous batches, recipes were provided and handed over by Mama Sita Foundation to Chef Charmaine Fider, TWC Cookery NC II trainer.

All the recipes were deliciously cooked using Mama Sita products to make the cooking easier, faster but at the same time enhancing the flavour and giving the vibe and taste of an authentic Filipino Food.

The TFC program was geared towards empowering women with participants consisting of ninety percent (90%) women per batch. The said program is also designed specifically in line with Teresita "Mama Sita" Reyes advocacy of promoting the Philippine Cuisine both in local and international, a lifetime passion passed on through generations which give opportunities for the trainees to trace back the rich culture and traditional taste of the Filipino Cuisine.



The facilitator of the forum Ms. Luzviminda A. Villanueva explained the inputs needed from the participants during a workshop session at the Stakeholder's Forum

trades and the Agency's full support to women empowerment which already gained recognition through the GAD-timpala award; an award given by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) to a gender-responsive agency. She added that the stakeholder's forum is among the activities that hope to pave way to more women actively seizing the opportunities for employment in different industry sectors.



CAC Chairperson Ms. Pacita "Chit" U. Juan delivers the Closing Remarks to conclude the 2nd Stake Holder's Forum.

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Assistant Regional Director of NCR, Dir. Cecilia Z. Amaro deliver the welcome remarks during the Stakeholder's Forum for the Construction Sector

jectives: (1) To generate updates on jobs, technical skills requirements of companies and other industry stakeholders; (2) To identify opportunities for women in specific jobs/job groups; (3) To identify opportunities for partnerships with TWC, i.e., enterprise-based trainings, job placement, curriculum development, and/or Trainers' development.

A message from the Assistant Regional Director of NCR, Cecilia Z. Amaro highlighted TESDA's GAD programs that attempt to facilitate the increase of women in non-traditional

Companies and organizations that were present during the stakeholders forum includes: D.M. Consunji, Inc., EEI Corporation, DDT Konstruct, Inc., Federal Land, Inc., Monolith Construction and Development Corporation, DTI - Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines, and National Union of Building and Construction workers. The event was also graced by the CAC members namely: Carolyn Sobritchea, Ma. Aurora "Boots" D. Geotina-Garcia, Gilda Patricia C. Maquilan, Fatima Aliah Dimaporo Cimafranca and the CAC Chairperson Pacita "Chit" U. Juan.

Monitoring and Center Engagement Visit of Institute of Motor Industry (IMI) to TESDA Women's Center (TWC)



Mr. Mark Bartle (2nd from right), External Quality Assurer of Institute of Motor Industry (IMI) with Ms. Gerrelen D. Balbin (3rd from left), Head of Training Management Unit with Mr. Carmelo Jesus, Centre Coordinator (1st from right) with TWC Trainers Mr. Bryan Landicho (2nd from left) and Mr. Richard Robles (1st from left) during an Engagement Visit of IMI to TWC

Monday, November 11, 2019. The Institute of Motor Industry (IMI) thru Mr. Mark Bartle, External Quality Assurer, conducted an engagement visit with TWC officials held at TWC APACC Room.

The purpose of the meeting was to track updates from two (2) initial candidates namely Bryan Landicho and Richard Robles who are opting for

Level 2 in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Certification and Assessorship and also to get updates from the training center for another set of candidates for registration which will be composed of female graduates from Automotive and Motorcycle and Small Engine Servicing.

The TESDA Women's Center was recognized last July 2018 as the first

TESDA Technology Institution in the country as an Institute of Motor Industry (IMI) Approved Centre of Excellence for Level 2 in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair. It is expected that the partnership with IMI would assist TWC to become globally competitive by acquiring skills which are at par with the international standards.

In line with this, TWC's two (2) Trainers are in quest to finish all the necessary documents and assessments to comply and be certified as assessors for the Level 2 Certificate in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair.

Present during the meeting were: Mylene H. Somera, Officer-In-Charge of TWC; Gerrelen D. Balbin, TMU Head, TWC; and Carmelo Jesus Camon, Centre Coordinator.

PDEA Conducts Drug Prevention and Awareness Campaign at TWC



Resource Persons from PDEA: Mr. Rio C. Arizala (2nd from right), Intelligence Officer IV; Ms. Hazel Kristian Manuel (3rd from left), Information Officer III and Retired 2LT. Benito Ponteras, former Master Sergeant, AFP (4th from left) with Ms. Kimberly G. Bautista (1st from left), Mr. Michael William H. Del Rosario (2nd from left) and Mr. Jean Maurice Constantino during the Drug Prevention and Awareness Campaign at the TWC

On November 21, 2019 TESDA Women's Center in collaboration with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency – NCR, conducted an orientation among TWC trainees focusing on "Preventive Measures on Drug Use and Awareness on Matters Relating to Drug Abuse" which was held at the Tandang Sora Hall, TWC, Taguig City.

Three resource persons were invited to talk in the orientation starting with Rio C. Arizala, Intelligence Officer

IV; followed by Hazel Kristian Manuel, Information Officer III and Retired 2LT. Benito Ponteras, former Master Sergeant, AFP.

The program started with a context setting thru an Audio-Visual Presentation on news related to drugs which was followed by a session tackling about the origin of drugs; classification and kinds of drugs; laws on drugs; effects of drug abuse; and was concluded with an open forum were

students shared their thoughts and further asked the resource persons on things that are unclear to them with regard to drug issues.

This initiative is in line with TWC's support services given to all its trainees with various empowerment courses under the Life Long Learning Programs (LLLPP) to formally give an enrichment program on Drug Prevention and Awareness to equip the trainees with the necessary knowledge and correct information on this timely issue in our country today. This effort of TWC is also in line with PDEA's goal for preventing, investigating and combating any dangerous drugs within the Philippines.

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TWC conducts a Job Fair for its graduates

Mr. Dominador Aquino (3rd from left), Supervising Labor and Employment Officer from the Bureau of Local Employment (BLE) Mr. Norman M. Mirabel (4th from left), Manager of Public Employment Service Office (PESO) – Taguig received a Certificate of Appreciation and Tokens from TWC..

(below) An applicant being interviewed during the TWC Job Fair



On November 7, 2019 a total of 132 applicants composed of 35 males and 97 females mostly TESDA Women's Center (TWC) graduates participated in the TWC Job Fair 2019 with theme: "Keeping Attuned with Industry 4.0" held at the TESDA Covered Court. This is the 2nd Job Fair event for the year 2019.



The event started with welcome remarks from the Officer-in-Charge of TWC, Ms. Myelene H. Somera and followed by a program-orientation of the services provided by the Department of Labor and Employment through its attached agencies. Mr. Dominador Aquino, Supervising Labor and Employment Officer from the Bureau of Local Employment (BLE) regarding services provided by DOLE-BLE. Mr. Norman M. Mirabel, Manager of Public Employment Service Office (PESO) – Taguig gave tips to the applicants the DOs and DONTs during a job application process. Mr. Rustico Mendrato R. Banal, III, Administrative Officer III of the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) gave a brief orientation about the services provided by the POEA, he also presented the correct procedures in applying for a job abroad to avoid being a victim of illegal recruiter. Ms. Joann Roussel A. Goingo of Advanced Global Skills gave an orientation on International Internship Program where she presented different opportunities for the trainees and graduates to continue studying/training in a prestigious company outside the country.

Also, government service providers and TWC Graduates exhibitors were present in the event. The employers/recruitment firms are from the sector of tourism, electronics, construction and BPO/IT. Out of 132 applicants, 8 individuals were hired on the spot for a local job.

The event was organized by TESDA Women's Center, TESDA Women's Center Alumni Association, TWC Trainees Council and PESO – Taguig. Mr. Michael William H. Del Rosario hosted the event.

QCLBDC conducts STAR Benchmarking to TWC

TESDA Women's Center having numerous STAR rated training programs was selected by the Quezon City Lingkodbayan Development Center (QCLBDC), headed by its administrator, Elvis A. Del Castillo, to conduct their benchmarking activity and emulate TWC's Best Practices. The activity was held last October 9, 2019 at the APACC Room of TWC.

The System for TVET Accreditation and Recognition (STAR) Program is a system of recognizing TVET programs that have exceeded the minimum requirements of program registration set by TESDA. It also provided a basis in classifying which programs of TVIs are good, better, and best through the STAR Level Award.

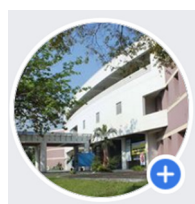
In lieu of this, QCLBDC have plans of applying for the STAR Program; thus, conducting the said activity with TWC.

During the benchmarking activity, a presentation on the guidelines for application procedures for the STAR Program was delivered by Mr. Michael William Del Rosario, Guidance Counselor, TWC which was followed by a discussion and coaching session with Ms. Gerrelen D. Balbin, TMU Head, TWC and Kimberly G. Bautista, TWC Trainer among the QCLBDC employee participants.

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"TESDA Women's Center is the lead TVET Institution of excellence in empowering Filipino women."

Mission

"As the lead TVET Institution of Excellence in Women Empowerment, TESDA Women's Center advocates and provides programs and services geared towards quality-assured, inclusive and gender-fair TVET."

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