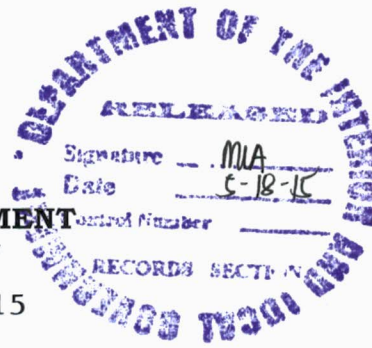




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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO. 2015-53

FOR : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY AND MUNICIPAL MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL / PROVINCIAL / CITY DIRECTORS, MLGOOs, AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS 2015

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Volunteers play a very important role as implementors of development initiatives for they perform multi-tasks of information dissemination, community education, skills building, entrepreneurship, resource mobilization, people organizing, project monitoring, and delivery of social services. Imbued with the spirit of goodwill, they help empower people without expecting any financial gains in return. To encourage the spirit of volunteerism and to recognize the important contributions of volunteers, Presidential Proclamation No. 194, dated 7 December 1987, declares every 5<sup>th</sup> day of December as the International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development in the Philippines. Furthermore, Presidential Proclamation No. 55, dated 5 December 1998, declares the month of December of every year as the National Volunteer Month.

In recognition of our volunteers' selfless dedication and exemplary performance to serve and help in development and nation-building, the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) in partnership with the National Volunteer Month Steering Committee (NVM-SC) is conducting the Search for Outstanding Volunteers 2015. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) is Co-Chair of the NVM-SC.

The Search for Outstanding Volunteers 2015 confers two (2) types of awards: (1) the National Outstanding Volunteer Award is given to an individual (youth and adult category) or organization (non-profit and corporate category) for outstanding volunteer service that has made a significant contribution to uplifting the lives of people and communities served; and (2) the Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award is given to an individual or organization for consistent and outstanding volunteer service and whose achievement is regarded as an inspiration and role model in the field of volunteerism.

The search is open to the following individuals and organizations currently providing volunteer assistance in the Philippines:

- Individuals of Filipino citizenship;



- Filipino or local chapters of foreign / international non-profit organizations; and
- Filipino or local chapters of foreign / international corporate organizations.

Nomination forms may be downloaded at [www.pnvzca.gov.ph](http://www.pnvzca.gov.ph) or may be obtained from the following agencies:

- PNVSCA
- National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Regional Offices
- Regional Planning and Development Office (RPDO) – Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao

The completed nomination forms must be submitted to the respective Regional Search Committee (RSC) that covers the area where the volunteer or volunteer organization is based. Deadline of submission of nominations is on June 30, 2015.

The RSCs are chaired by the NEDA Regional Offices, RPDO for the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and the Department of the Interior and Local Government – Bureau of Local Government Development for the National Capital Region.

All Regional / Provincial / City Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective jurisdictions.

For the information, guidance and compliance of all concerned.

  
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Secretary 



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