

Nutrition International Technical Assistance to the Philippines for Mobilizing Local Governments

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Webinar facilitator



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Background on Nutrition International's NTEAM and TAN project

Through its Nutrition Technical Assistance Mechanism (NTEAM), Nutrition International shares its expertise globally to support the scale-up of nutrition for the most vulnerable. We believe that knowledge, rigorously obtained and generously shared, is key to effective progress for nutrition.

NTEAM provides timely and coordinated expert technical assistance to governments, multilateral organizations, development banks and other global nutrition partners overcome gaps in capacity, design and delivery of multi-sectoral national nutrition action plans. NTEAM encourages broad use of knowledge by translating technical information and research into accessible guidance, tools and capacity strengthening resources. Across all areas in which we work and taking a gender-sensitive approach, we provide guidance, oversight and quality assurance to ensure relevant and impactful technical assistance.

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Speakers



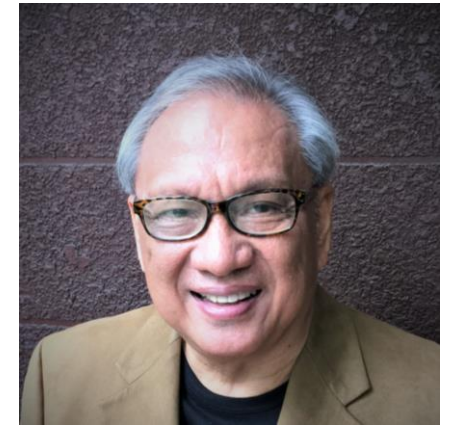
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Objectives and Agenda

Objectives

The Government of the Philippines and Nutrition International's TAN project share their experience with:

- Strategies for motivating and mobilizing local authorities to recognize and act upon local and national nutrition priorities
- Ways of working with local authorities to shape local nutrition plans and to find and allocate local funding to them

Agenda

- Presentations – 30 minutes
 - Reginaldo Guillen
 - Hon. Janette Aurestila-Garcia
 - Dr. Loreto and Cecilio Adorna
- Interactive Panel Discussion – 50 minutes
- Close

Presenter

Reginaldo Guillen (Reggie) is a development professional with more than 30 years of experience in various social development agencies in areas of program development and management, research, policy advocacy and networking. Reggie has a Master's in public administration with a focus on Public Policy and Program Administration, University of the Philippines, Diliman. He is currently the Nutrition Program Coordinator for Region VI at the National Nutrition Council, where he provides over-all direction and supervision on the nutrition program and policy. Importantly, Reggie played a crucial role in design and implementation of the LGU mobilization activities.



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LGU Mobilization Strategy : In Context

Devolution and Decentralization as the next phase of democratization began in 1991 via the legislation of a more responsive Local Government Code

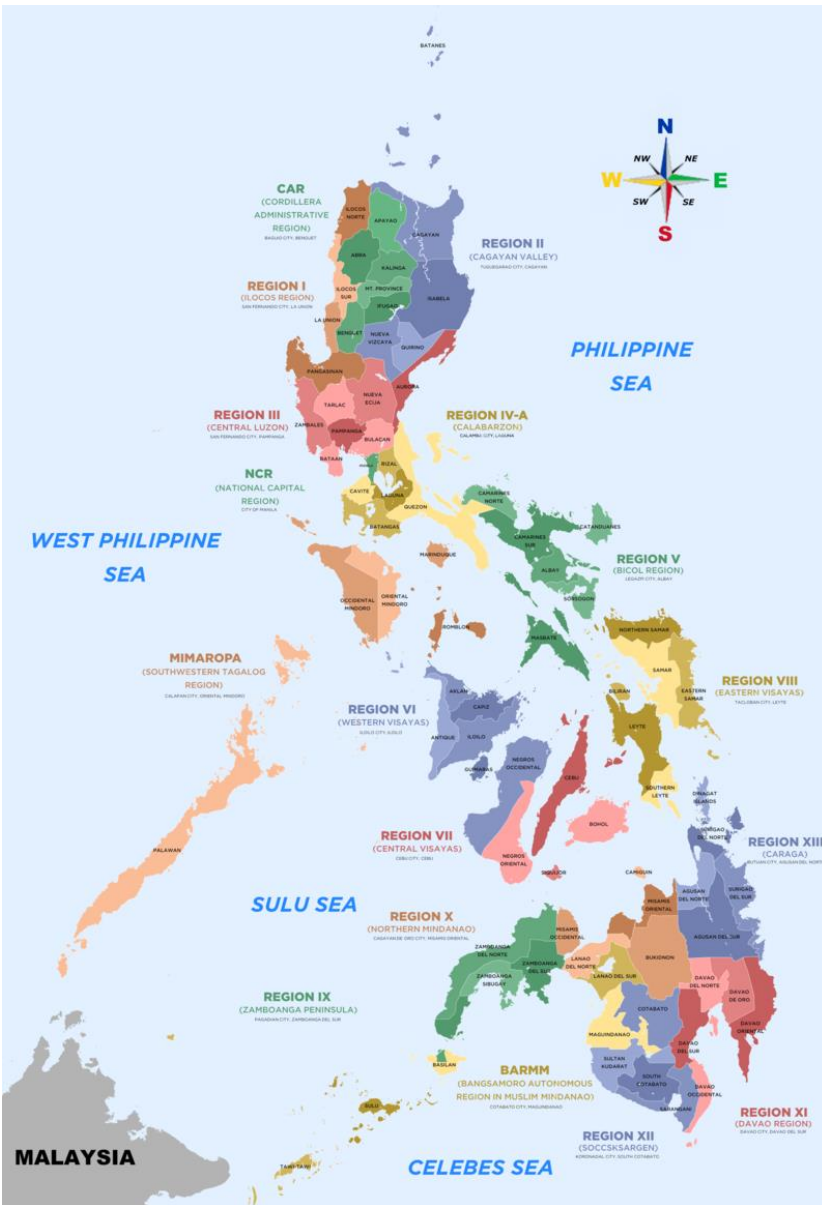
Decentralization of key services such as health, social welfare, agriculture and avenues for active people's participation

The LGU Mobilization Strategy of the PPAN seeks to ensure that substantial delivery of key services are integral to the functioning of local government units



PHILIPPINE PLAN OF ACTION FOR NUTRITION

Scope and magnitude of LGUs in the Philippines



REGION	PROV.	CITIES	MUN.	BRGYS
NCR	-	16	1	1,710
CAR	6	2	75	1,178
I (ILOCOS REGION)	4	9	116	3,267
II (CAGAYAN VALLEY)	5	4	89	2,311
III (CENTRAL LUZON)	7	14	116	3,102
IV-A (CALABARZON)	5	20	122	4,019
MIMAROPA	5	2	71	1,460
V (BICOL REGION)	6	7	107	3,471
VI (WESTERN VISAYAS)	6	16	117	4,051
VII (CENTRAL VISAYAS)	4	16	116	3,003
VIII (EASTERN VISAYAS)	6	7	136	4,390
IX (ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA)	3	5	67	1,904
X (NORTHERN MINDANAO)	5	9	84	2,022
XI (DAVAO REGION)	5	6	43	1,162
XII (SOCCSKSARGEN)	4	5	45	1,195
XIII (CARAGA)	5	6	67	1,311
ARMM	5	2	116	2,490
TOTAL	81	146	1,488	42,046

Three Pillar Programs of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2017-2022

1. Nutrition-specific programs
2. Nutrition-sensitive programs
3. Enabling programs
 - Mobilization of local government units for nutrition outcomes
 - Policy development for food and nutrition
 - Strengthened management support to the PPAN 2017-2022



**NNC Governing
Board Approval
of the LGU
Mobilization
Strategy
April 2019**

OBJECTIVES



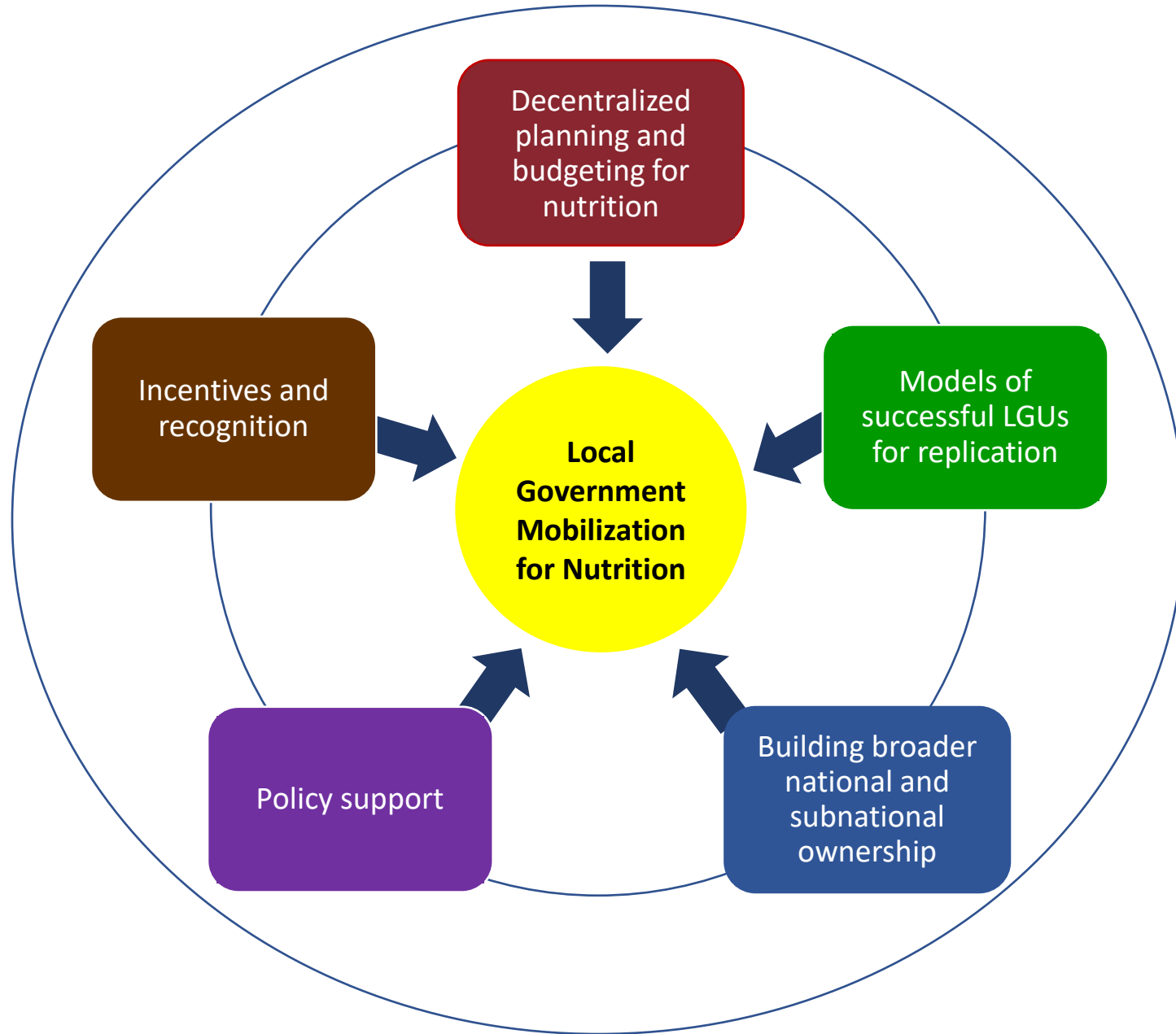
Increase the number of LGUs implementing quality nutrition programs



LGUs to contribute to the delivery of Nutrition Outcomes



Increased LGU investments for nutrition



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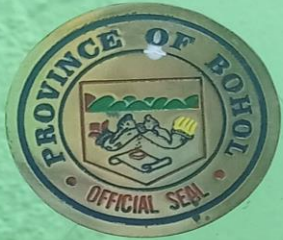
Janet was elected Mayor of municipality of Talibon, Bohol in May 2019. Janet has a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication at St. Teresa's College, Cebu City and completed Bachelor of Laws at Southwestern University – Phinma, Cebu City.



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Perspective on LGU Mobilization for Nutrition

Presentation by Janette Arestila-Garcia



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Bohol
PROVINCIAL NUTRITION COUNCIL
Presents this

Plaque of Recognition
to
MUNICIPAL NUTRITION COUNCIL
Talibon, Bohol

for having successfully maintaining the Nutrition Honor Award given last 2004, the highest award on Nutrition, through efficient and effective implementation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition.

Given this 9th day of December 2009 during the Nutrition awarding ceremony at JJ'S Seafood Village, Tagbilaran City.

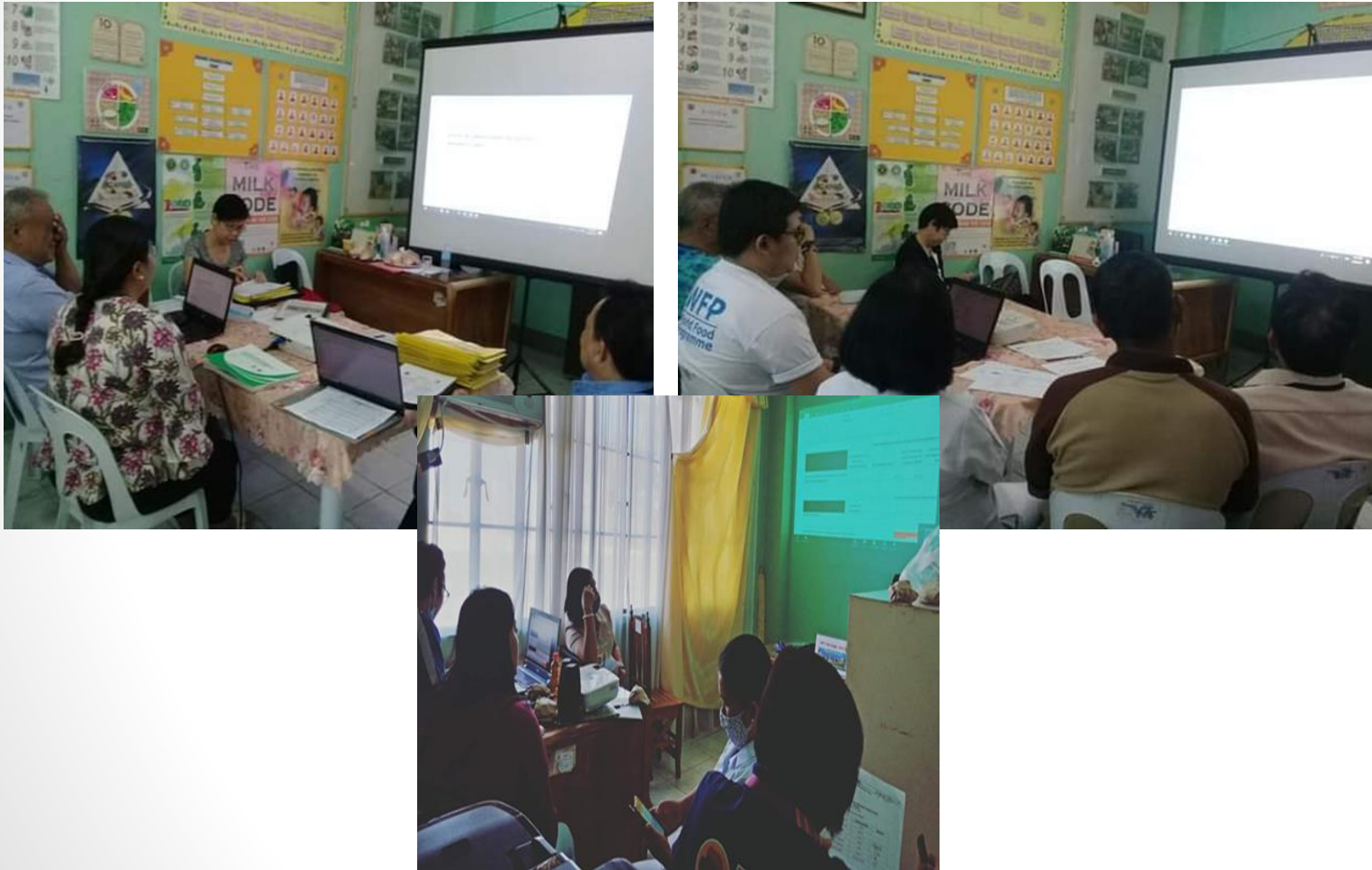
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IMPROVING NUTRITION REQUIRES:

- RECOGNIZING THE RATIONALE FOR INVESTING IN NUTRITION
- PLANNING AND BUDGETING FOR NUTRITION



- CONTINUOUS LEARNING AND MOBILIZATION OF OTHER LGUS
- EXPANDING OWNERSHIP AND BUILDING SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH THE COMPREHENSIVE NUTRITION PROGRAM ORDINANCE



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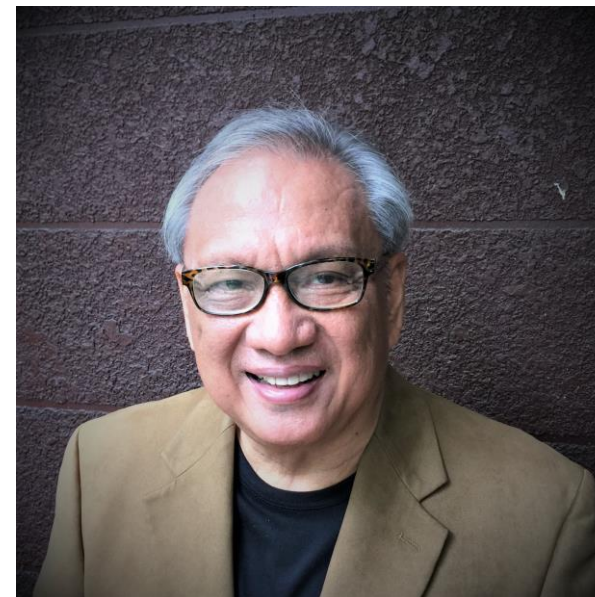
Dr. Loreto B. Roquero Jr., the Country Director for Nutrition International (NI) in Philippines, is a public health specialist with over 20 years of program and technical experience in health and nutrition. He has a keen interest in the field of maternal, adolescent and child health; also having gained vast experience working for improving reproductive health and HIV/AIDS; in health systems strengthening, program strategy, design and implementation; and evidence-based advocacy and policy dialogue. Prior to joining NI, Dr. Roquero has worked in a technical lead capacity for organizations such as Family Health International 360 (Philippines), Pathfinder International (Vietnam), UNFPA (Lao PDR), ASEAN Secretariat (Indonesia), EngenderHealth (Philippines), and the Philippine National AIDS Council.



Dr. Loreto Roquero
Country Director, Philippines
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Presenter

Cecilio Adorna (Ces) is the lead consultant of the NTEAM TA Providers in the Philippines working with the National Nutrition Council and other stakeholders to advance the national nutrition agenda in the country. He studied economics at the University of the Philippines School of Economics and public administration at Harvard Kennedy School of Government. He has four decades of experience, including 28 years with UNICEF and other UN agencies in strategic planning, leading and managing organizational and social change in areas of child rights and poverty reduction including food security and nutrition across five continents including in his own country, the Philippines. Ces and wife Luzeta reside in Quezon City enjoying semi-retired life with children and grandchildren.



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16 June 2021

Overview of NI TA Support to the NNC



Synergies with the NI Country Program

- NI Country Program works with national and local governments to enhance, expand, accelerate delivery of crucial nutrition interventions
- Leveraging on LGU mobilization activities with provinces and municipalities strengthens implementation, promotes ownership and sustainability of F1KD interventions in NI project areas
- LGU mobilization cascaded by NI country program to the level of barangays for active community engagement and frontline actions



Sustainability

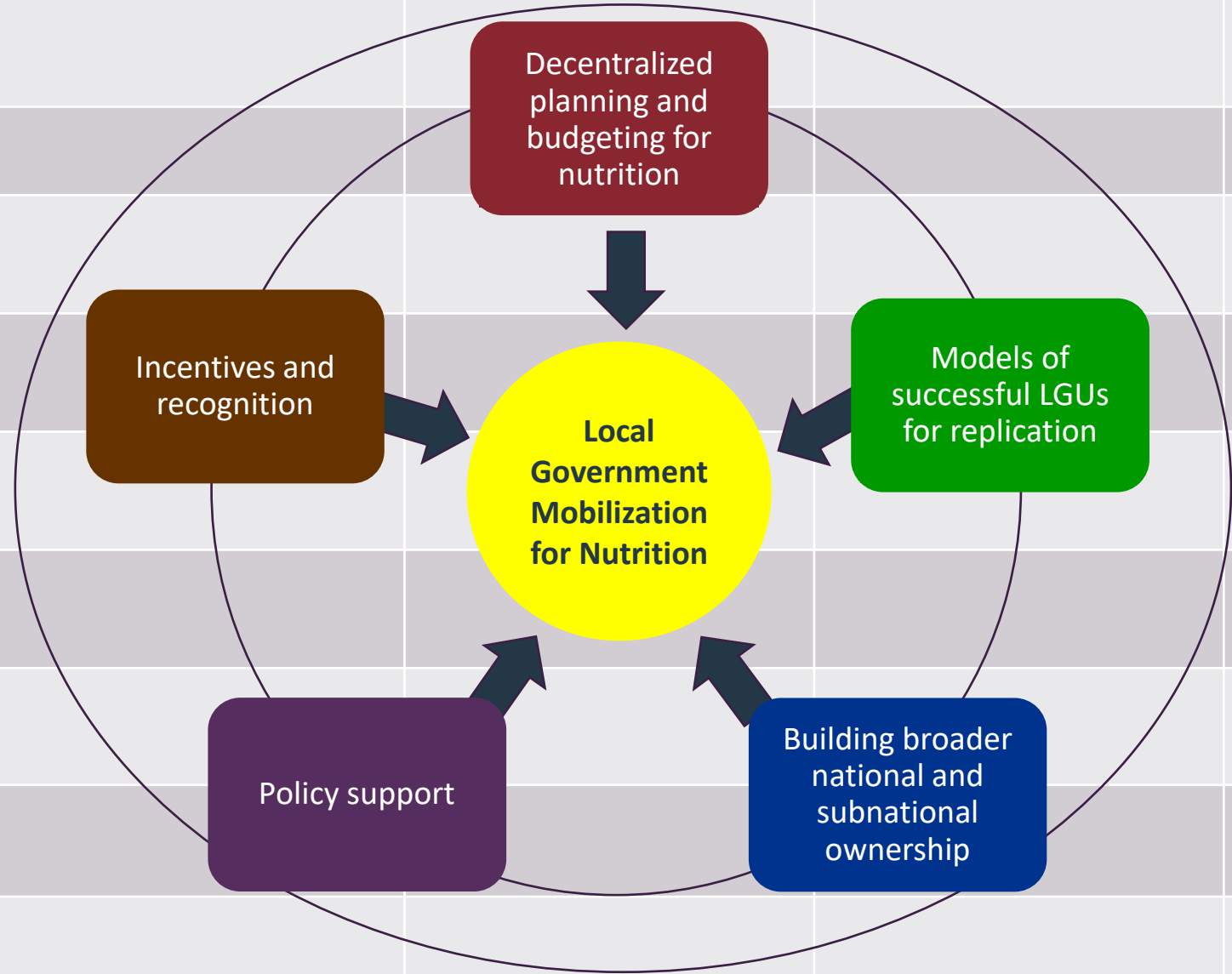
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Capacity Strengthening

Gender Transformation



Broadening Ownership 

Government Leadership

Summary of Advances Made in LGU Mobilization for PPAN 2017-2022

1. Established policy and program framework for LGU mobilization
2. Developed tools and processes
3. Extensive exercises on LGU integration of nutrition in local plans and budgets
4. Built ownership and co-ownership
5. Strengthened capacity of the LGUs, NNC and its stakeholders

Contribution of the NTEAM TA Providers

Under the leadership of the National Nutrition Council (NNC) and the support of agency partners and NTEAM TA providers:

1. Facilitated the participatory conceptualization and production of outputs and processes
2. Contributed to effective advocacy and mobilization for policy support
3. Identified entry points and opportunities for strengthening LGU mobilization
4. Purposively integrated sustainability, gender transformation, ownership, and capacity strengthening in TA provision in LGU mobilization

Lessons on LGU Mobilization

We learned that:

1. There is no one magic bullet in advancing LGU mobilization for nutrition. The synergistic combination of five sets of actions was effective.
2. Broadening ownership, strengthening capacity and gender sensitivity, as well as building sustainability and as TA providers, adhering to the principle of government leadership, can be achieved while producing TA deliverables
3. Early successes were important confidence building measures.
4. Adaptive TA provision was necessary.
5. Remaining priorities to further consolidate LGU mobilization

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17 Regional Plans of Action for Nutrition (RPAN) formulated and approved

Compendium of Actions on Nutrition (CAN)

Record time of completion from Feb 2018 to July 2018

Clear signal of ability to deliver significant outputs on time, with full respect to the principle of government leadership

The NNC gains increased confidence in the NTEAM's capacity as providers of technical assistance, facilitating its further work

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Decentralized planning and budgeting for nutrition

1. Landscape Analysis of the Nutrition Situation in the Philippines and the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2017 – 2022

2. Seventeen (17) Regional Plans of Action for Nutrition (RPAAN)

3. Workshops to integrate nutrition in the 2019 AIP in 36 PPAN provinces and 598 constituent LGUs

6. Workshops to integrate nutrition in development plans and budgets in 32 PPAN-GOP priority provinces and 713 LGUs

8. Online Workshops on Integrating Nutrition in the 2021 Annual Investment Program (AIP) in 400 LGUs

4. Facilitator's Guide in Integrating Nutrition in Plans and Budgets with accompanying Worksheets and Costing Template for Nutrition

7. Capacity Building of Department of the Interior and Local Government Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) Specialists and LGU Planners on Integrating Nutrition in Plans & Budgets

9. Inter-divisional NNC LGU Mobilization Group

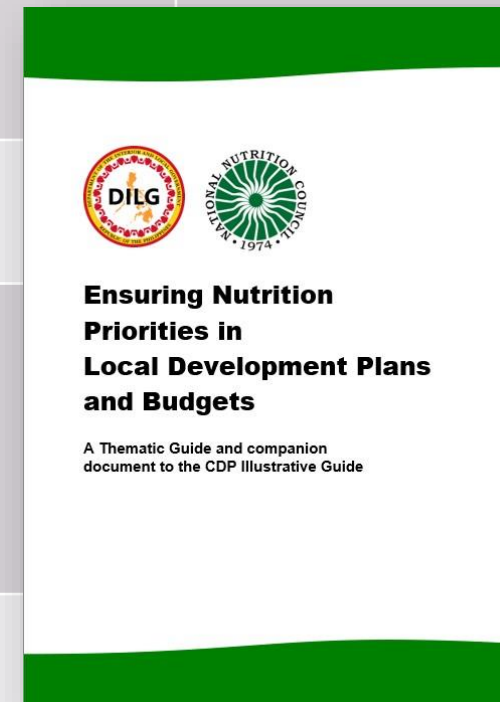
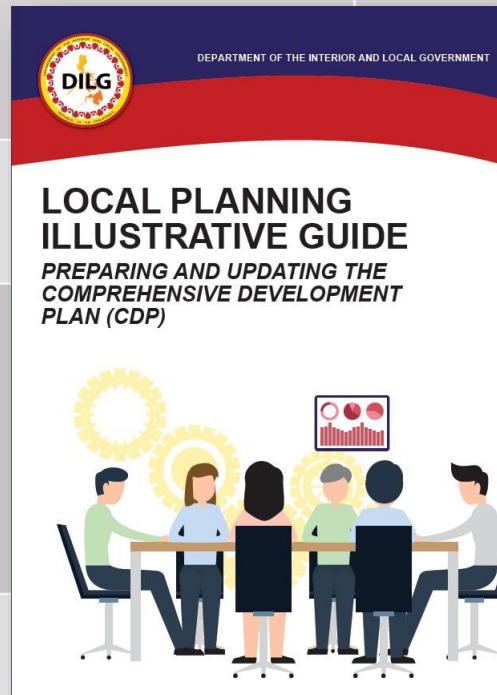
11. NNC Supplemental Guidelines for LGU Mobilization for 2021

5. Organized and trained a National Team of Planning Facilitators

10. Approach Paper on Nutrition Budget Tagging and Tracking System

12. Thematic Guide on Ensuring Nutrition Priorities in local development plans & budgets

Decentralized planning and budgeting for nutrition



An accompanying document to the Department of the Interior and Local Government's Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) Illustrative Guide, the principal reference document of LGUs for planning and budgeting

12. Thematic Guide on Ensuring Nutrition Priorities in Local Development Plans and Budgets

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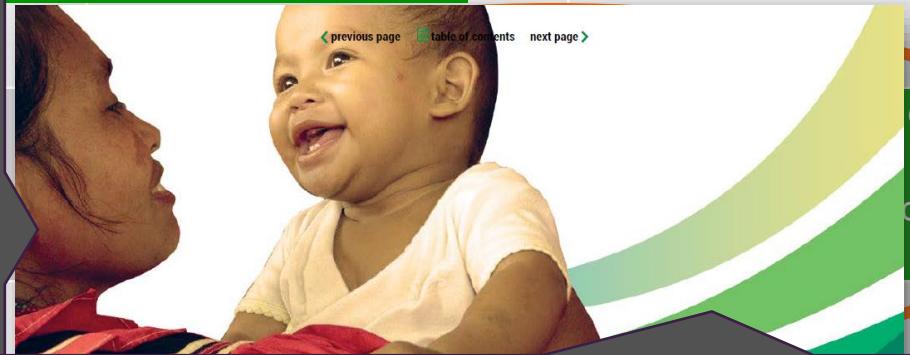
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Established as an enhanced peer-to-peer knowledge sharing and learning platform for LGUs

The online portal contains 208 local ordinances and 45 executive orders from LGUs nationwide which are grouped according to various thematic clusters on nutrition.

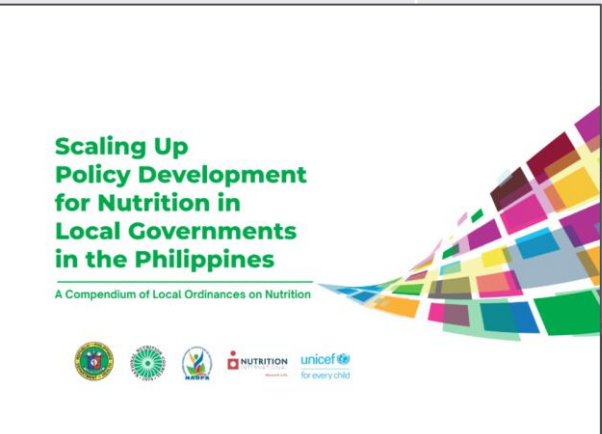
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Features the stories of 20 outstanding local ordinances on nutrition, representing all 17 Regions and eight thematic clusters namely: First 1000 Days, Nutrition-supportive, Food Security, Program Management, Human Resources, Financial

Compendium of Actions on Nutrition



Compendium of Local Ordinances on Nutrition



Online Portal of the Compendium of Local Ordinances and Issuances on Nutrition
<https://www.nnc.gov.ph/compendium>



Orientation of NAOs on the CAN
National Conference of Nutrition Action Officers, Aug 2018

2016 - 2017

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Building broader national and subnational ownership

1. Building Partnership for PPAN 2017-2022: National Government Agencies – Local Governments Dialogue

2. Winning the Malnutrition War: A Roundtable Experience for Governors on Nutrition

5. Advocacy to Newly Elected Officials (NEO) Orientation of DILG

9. Summit for Scaled Up Actions for Nutrition in the Philippines

3. Developing the case for the imperatives for investing in nutrition (Why Invest in Nutrition)

6. PPAN Midterm Review

10. DILG Webinar on Ensuring Food Security and Proper Nutrition to Fight COVID-19

4. Scaling Up Nutrition Joint Assessment 2018

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11. Scaling Up Nutrition Joint Assessment 2020

8. Zuellig Family Foundation (ZFF) Models for Nutrition Leadership and Governance Program

12. Reactivation of the Nutrition Champions Program

13. Learning Hub for Enhanced and Revitalized Nutrition (LHEARN) Program

14. LGU Shepherding Initiative

15. Overall Nutrition Leadership & Governance Program (ONLGP)



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Policy support

4. NNC Governing Board Resolution No. 5 - Policy on LGU Mobilization for Nutrition

Four components of the LGU Mobilization Strategy:

- 1) Local planning and budgeting
- 2) Advocacy to Local Chief Executives
- 3) Follow up and provision of TA
- 4) Nutrition Leadership and Governance Program



1. Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular 2018-42 providing guidelines to LGUs on the adoption and implementation of the PPAN 2017-2022

5. DILG-DOH-NNC Joint Memorandum Circular 2019-0001 providing guidelines on the integration of nutrition in local development plans and budgets

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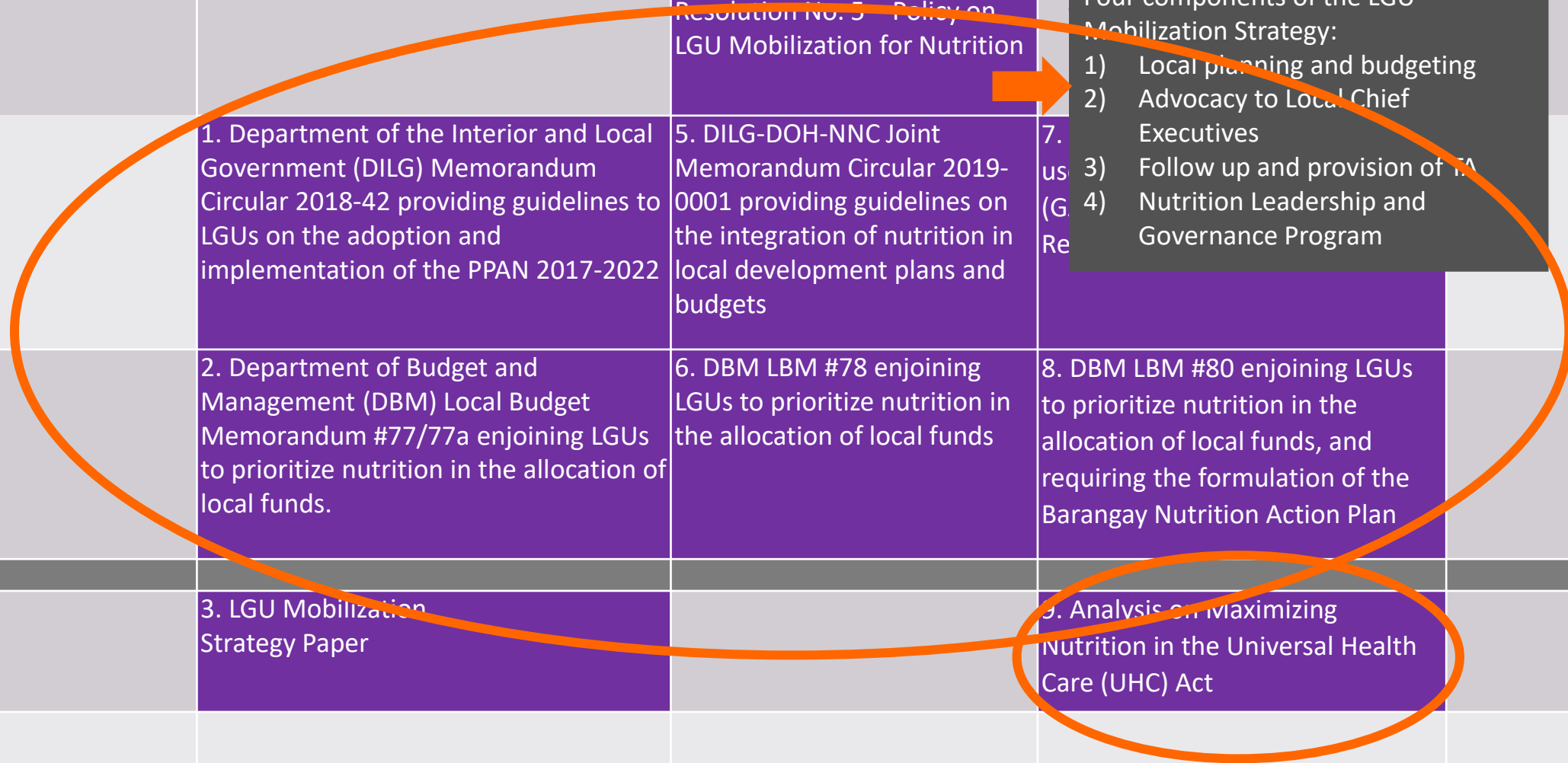
2. Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Local Budget Memorandum #77/77a enjoining LGUs to prioritize nutrition in the allocation of local funds.

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8. DBM LBM #80 enjoining LGUs to prioritize nutrition in the allocation of local funds, and requiring the formulation of the Barangay Nutrition Action Plan

3. LGU Mobilization Strategy Paper

9. Analysis on Maximizing Nutrition in the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act



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Incentives and recognition

1. Updating of MELLPI PRO (LGU Performance Monitoring System)

2. NNC LGU Nutrition Awards system

3. Incorporating Nutrition in the Seal of Good Local Governance Award

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	15. LGU Nutrition Awards System			

Consolidating the Gains in LGU Mobilization for PPAN

- Strengthening the regional platform for the Overall Nutrition Leadership and Governance Program
- Securing nutrition in the Seal of Good Local Governance Award
- Establishment of the Nutrition Budget Tagging and Tracking System
- Complementary approaches to improve the OPT+ (Nutrition surveillance) System
- Maximizing the First 1000 Days Law, piggybacking on the Universal Health Care Law, and optimization of nutrition in the Interagency Task Force on Zero Hunger



Thank you

Interactive Panel Discussion



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Closing remarks



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