

Corporate Social Responsibility: Fund provision for health and other services



The Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) identified the social impact of PCSO in fund provision or fund augmentation for universal health care under the 2011-2016 Medium Term Development Plan (MTDP) for poverty alleviation.

To this end, PCSO earmarked P15,399,943,452.27 in 2015 (*i.e., as charges against the net charity fund, to include forfeited prizes and prior year's savings*) to pay for

contributions under special laws/executive issuances and sustain its numerous charitable/health services and programs.

The agency's health and social welfare programs feature: (1) financial assistance for hospitalization and medical needs of indigents; and (2) fund provision for social development by augmenting scarce resources of governmental and non-governmental organizations in the promotion and provision of basic health services. The agency envisions

to make its health and social welfare programs felt in 17 regions in the Philippines, covering 80 provinces, to serve 143 cities and 1,484 municipalities by 2020.

I. Individual Medical Assistance Program (IMAP)



PCSO's Individual Medical Assistance Program (IMAP) aims to provide financial assistance to indigent patients through the issuance of guarantee letters (GL) addressed to hospitals, chemo/dialysis centers, and other health care facilities. The program covers the cost of hospitalization, medicines, medical supplies, diagnostic procedures, chemotherapy drugs, dialysis, hearing aid /

Left photo: President Benigno S. Aquino III tours the charity ward of various government hospitals. Upper right: PCSO Chairman Erineo Maliksi talks to IMAP applicants at the PCSO Extension Office-Lung Center of the Philippines accompanied by GM Jose Ferdinand M. Rojas II and Director Betty B. Nantes.

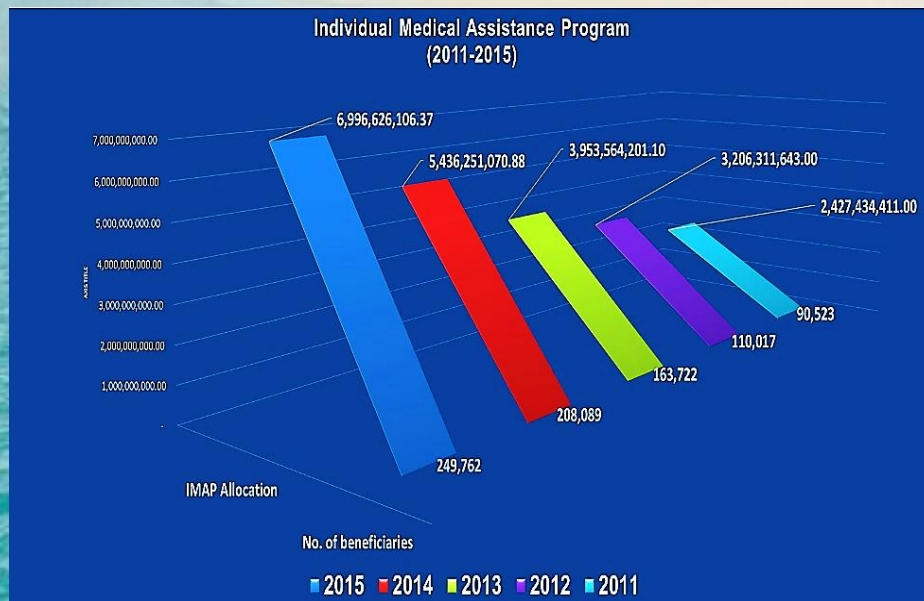
implants, prosthesis and other needs. In 2015, the agency approved the allocation of P 6,996,626,106.37 for medical/hospital guarantee letters. This represents a 22.30% increase from 2014 figures (P 5,436,251,00.00) including a 20% mark-up (249,762) in the number of beneficiaries nationwide. The rise in the number of IMAP applications may be attributed to the stoppage of financial assistance for health and medical needs previously funded by Congressional Offices after the Supreme Court's adverse decision on the Development Acceleration Program (DAP) and Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF).

To address the rise in the number of IMAP applications in its offices, PCSO introduced help desks in select partner hospitals in Metro Manila called "At Source Ang Processing" (ASAP) to effect a faster and more reliable delivery of services to its indigent clientele.



2. Charity clinic, medical/dental missions, and medicine donation program. — Around P 68,597,838.83 was allocated to maintain PCSO's free diagnostic laboratory/dental clinic and buy medicines for about 32,588 referred and walk-in indigent patients seeking medical attention at the PCSO Extension Office inside the Lung Center of the Philippines (PCSO-LCP).

The agency's Medical Services Department also conducted forty-six (46) medical and dental missions for the benefit of 11, 853 patients, in collaboration with barangays and socio-civic organizations. Similarly, the agency also funded the procurement of medicines and various medical apparatus in the amount of P 1,608,562.01 for 92 barangays under its primary health care capability program in 2015.



3. Other Health & Social Welfare Programs

- I. **Hospital Endowment Fund Program.** — In 2015, PCSO funded the hospitalization of indigent or charity patients in fifty-two (52) partner government and private hospitals with the approval of P 142,900,000.00.



- II. **Institutional Partnership.** — PCSO also supported charities of national character (*Abiertas House of Friendship, Inc.; Daughters of Mary Providence Sacred Heart Center; Asilo de San Vicente de Paul; Friendship Home Fr. Luis Amigo; Golden Reception and Action Center for the Elderly and Other Special Cases; Manila Youth Reception Center; Philippine Band of Mercy; Kaisahang Buhay Foundation, Inc.; Camillan Sisters – Bahay Kanlungan ni Maria Domenica, Inc.; Kanlungan ni Maria – Home for the Aged, Inc.; Cottolengo Filipino, Inc.; Madre de Amor Hospice Foundation, Inc.; Ladies of Charity – AIC Phils., Inc.; Bacolod Boys Home Foundation, Inc.; Asilo de Molo, Inc.; Foundation of Balay Pasilungan, Inc.; Por Cristo Foundation, Inc.*) by allocating P 24,819,570.00 to help serve 11,361 sick, poor and marginalized Filipinos nationwide.



- III. Ambulance donation program. — PCSO's ambulance donation program is fondly referred to as “Charity on Wheels”. It aims to make emergency health care services available in far flung areas where access to health care is nil or wanting.



The present Board took initiative to rationalize the “Charity on Wheels” program by introducing: 1) 100% donation scheme for 4th-6th class Local Government Units (LGUs) considering that they have meager internal revenue allotment (IRA) to procure ambulance units; and 2) 60% donation (PCSO funded) and 40% (LGU funded) scheme for 1st-3rd class cities and municipalities. Some worthy socio-civic organizations engaged in non-profit medical services for the poor and marginalized sectors of the society are also qualified to apply under the Ambulance Donation Program.

(L-R): Director Francisco G. Joaquin III, Chairman Erineo S. Maliksi, GM Jose Ferdinand M. Rojas, II, Davao Mayor Rodrigo Duterte, Directors Mabel V. Mamba, Betty B. Nantes and former PCSO Director Florencio Gabriel “Bem” Noel during the turn-over ceremony of PCSO ambulances

PCSO donates ambulances to government hospitals in Zamboanga del Norte. (L-R): PCSO Board Secretary Abdiel Dan Elijah Fajardo, Director Arnel D. Naidas, Chairman Erineo S. Maliksi, Manukan Mayor Enriqueta Winters, Chief of Hospital Reiner Alonzo, Pinan Medical Health Officer Adonis Valmora, Sibutad Chief of Hospital Maria Margarita Romanillos and Sindangan Chief of Hospital Marcelito Lacaya





PCSO is delighted to report that 678 ambulance units from its inventory were distributed and earmarked P 483,556,200.00 to procure additional ambulance units in 2015.

- IV. Aid during national calamities. — Due to global climate change, the Philippines is visited, on the average, by twenty (20) tropical cyclones/ storms per year.

The severity of storms, susceptibility of highly urbanized areas to flooding and landslides in rural areas make the Government's provision for disaster relief and rehabilitation scarce such that, PCSO allocated P3,932,096.50 to augment the relief efforts of the National Government for medicines and survival kits.



- V. Burial assistance, taxes, licenses and fees. — PCSO provided burial assistance to the poorest of the poor in the amount of P 89,900.00 906,500.00 including P 23,759,437.89 for taxes, licenses and fees incidental to the implementation of its various social and health related programs in 2015.