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REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

September 21, 2021

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. *368*, s. 2021

SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID 19 VOLUNTEERS (SOCV) 2021

To : Public Elementary School Heads
Public Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Enclosed is Regional Memorandum No. 0823, s. 2021 entitled, “ **Search for Outstanding COVID 19 Volunteers (SOCV) 2021** “.
2. This is an Advisory from Mr. Kenneth C. Cobonpue, the Chairperson, Regional Development Council in Central Visayas Region , disseminating the conduct of nationwide Search for Outstanding COVID 19 Volunteers to recognize the exceptional volunteer work of individuals and organizations that supplement the government response to the ongoing pandemic.
3. Should you have potential nominees, kindly fill-up the attached nomination forms and send it back through email, nro7@ned.gov.ph not later than 15 October, 2021.
4. For particulars, please refer to the attached communication and Guidelines on the Recognition of 2021 COVID 19 Volunteers.
5. For immediate and wide dissemination.

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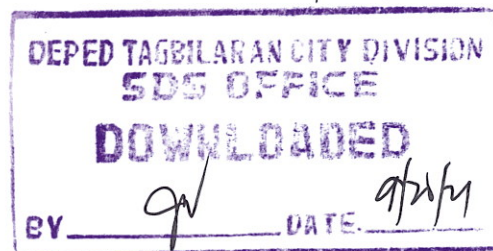
SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID 19 VOLUNTEERS (SOCV) 2021

To: Schools Division Superintendents (SDSs)
All Others Concerned

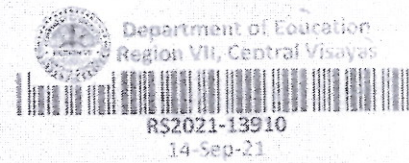
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1. The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA), an attached agency of NEDA, is currently conducting the nationwide Search for Outstanding COVID 19 Volunteers (SOCV) 2021 to recognize the exceptional volunteer work of individuals and organizations that supplement the government response to the on-going pandemic.
2. In relation to this, may we seek your assistance in recommending potential nominees especially those coming from your clients to represent Region 7 in the national level. The potential nominee (individual or organization) must have at least rendered 20 hours of volunteer services in response to COVID-19 pandemic and has served/assisted at least 20 beneficiaries from October 2020 to September 2021. The complete details of the search can be accessed through this link.

SOCV Materials:
https://www.pnvsca.gov.ph/?page_id=3370&fbclid=IwAR0cr9ndk5UnOpfroCCADFs691FXIpKD5w7Jkc0KMPzVw47ReEktTexMtKg
3. Should you have potential nominees, kindly fill-up the attached nomination forms and send it back to us through email, nro7@neda.gov.ph not later than 15 October 2021. You may also contact our focal staff, Ms. Edna M. Lusares at 0999-885-8937 or (032) 265-5250 loc.411, or email at emlusares@neda.gov.ph for further inquiries.
4. May we also request your good office to disseminate this information to your employees and clients and post the attached poster on SOCV Call for Nominations in your respective social media pages.

Thank you very much.

Kenneth Cobonpue
KENNETH C. COBONPUE
RDC7 Chairperson

GUIDELINES ON THE RECOGNITION OF 2021 COVID-19 VOLUNTEERS

I. Rationale

Through the Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV) which started in 2001, the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) has been recognizing the exemplary individuals and organizations which have significantly contributed to the country's development goals and objectives through volunteering.

The SOV is conducted in partnership with the Regional Search Committees (RSC) chaired by the NEDA Regional Offices (NROs), the Department of the Interior and Local Government – National Capital Region (DILG-NCR) for the National Capital Region (NCR) and the Bangsamoro Planning and Development Authority (BPDA) for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). The RSCs are in charge of the advocacy, receipt, validation and documentation of nominees in their region. Regional nominees are endorsed to the SOV National Selection Committee, which in turn conduct further validation and deliberation to select the national awardees subject to confirmation by the National Volunteer Month – Steering Committee (NVM-SC). The Search concludes with an Awarding Ceremony which also serves as the yearly centerpiece event in the celebration of the National Volunteer Month (NVM) every December. In addition, an appreciation ceremony is spearheaded by each of the SOV-RSCs in cooperation with their Regional Development Councils (RDC) as applicable.

With the implementation of the Community Quarantine beginning March 2020 as one of the precautionary measures of the government to the COVID-19 pandemic, the conduct of field work and mass gatherings have been strictly prohibited. These activities are crucial part of the Search validation and selection process; hence, the conduct of regular SOV 2020 was cancelled last year.

But despite the restrictions and risks brought by the health crisis, volunteerism still thrives, as individuals and organizations mobilize resources and render assistance to address the needs of patients, frontliners, and other individuals and communities adversely affected by the pandemic. PNVSCA, NROs, and BARMM-BPDA have also been collaboratively implementing the “Be a Volunteer Platform”, to encourage the general public to become partners of the government in its COVID-19 response efforts. Non-profit organizations and corporations have also extended invaluable assistance and utilized volunteerism as a strategy in the country's fight against COVID-19.

As a tribute to the COVID-19 donors and volunteers and in lieu of the 2020 SOV, the Search for Outstanding COVID-19 Volunteers (SOCV) was launched last year. This recognition project was implemented in collaboration with the NROs, DILG-NCR, and BPDA.

II. Objectives

Towards the vision of a society where volunteerism is a way of life of everyone, this initiative aims to:

1. Recognize the contributions of individual and group volunteers (including organizations) to the COVID-19 response;
2. Promote the experiences and good practices of these volunteers in responding to a pandemic; and
3. Encourage the general public to continuously engage in volunteer work even in non-emergency/disaster situations.

III. Duration of Volunteer Service

The period covered for volunteer work/services shall be from October 2020 up to September 2021.

IV. Eligibility/Qualifications/Criteria for Recognition

1. General Recognition – each will receive a Certificate of Appreciation

1. Individuals

- Has rendered at least 20 hours of volunteer services in response to COVID-19 for the period of October 2020 to September 2021;
- Has served/assisted at least 20 individual beneficiaries; and
- Volunteer work may be carried out solely by the nominated volunteer or in partnership with groups, companies and/or organizations.

2. Organizations

- Has rendered at least 20 hours of volunteer services in response to COVID-19 for the period of October 2020 to September 2021; volunteer hours will be computed as the total number of hours rendered by the company (per project/activity) and not per volunteer mobilized;
- Has mobilized at least 20 individual volunteers in carrying out their volunteer projects/activities;
- Has served/assisted at least 20 individual beneficiaries; and
- Volunteer work may be carried out solely by the nominated organization or in partnership with groups, companies and/or other organizations.

V. Recognition Ceremonies/Activities

1. The Search will have two levels of recognition: regional and national.

Regional Recognition

- An online ceremony for the recognition of regional recipients will be spearheaded by the NROs, DILG-NCR, and BPDA.
- Each of the eligible volunteers will be given a Certificate of Appreciation. On the other hand, a plaque of recognition will be provided to the Most Outstanding Volunteer (individual and organization) and they will be endorsed for recognition on a national level.

National Recognition

An online ceremony will be conducted in December to formally present the recipients of the national award. Each awardee will be given a plaque of recognition and a simple token. (All awardees of the Most Outstanding Volunteer per region will be invited to attend the said event.)



SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID19 VOLUNTEERS (Individuals)



Deadline for submission of this form, together with all the attachments, is on 15 OCTOBER 2021. Late submissions will no longer be entertained. You may accomplish this form and email it back to us at info@pnvsca.gov.ph with the name of the nominee and SOCV 2021 in the subject line. You may also access and accomplish this in Google form through this link – [bit.ly//SOCV2021Ind](https://bit.ly/SOCV2021Ind)

(PNVSCA promotes inclusivity and equality and welcomes nomination of individuals regardless of sex, age, religion, race, class, ability, language, sexual orientation or gender identity.)

Nominee's Profile	
Name:	
Address:	
E-mail address:	Contact Number:
Age:	Sex: () Female () Male
Occupation:	Facebook Page:
Is the nominee a member of an organization () Yes () No	
Is yes, please specify the name of the organization and his/her position	
Motivation for volunteering	
() Give back to the community / Help others in need	
() Does not want to be idle	
() Gain work experience/develop skills	
() Meet new people or bond with friends	
() Get/Receive allowance	
() Others, please specify	

Characteristics of Actual Volunteer Assistance rendered	
Volunteer activities conducted (please enumerate)	
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
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6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	
<i>(Please attach additional sheet if needed)</i>	
Manner of doing volunteer work () Frontline worker () Face to face and/or virtual but not necessarily frontline () Virtual only	Total number of volunteer hours rendered (please indicate period covered, e.g. Oct 2020-Sept 2021)



SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID19 VOLUNTEERS (Individuals)



Beneficiaries of volunteer service <input type="checkbox"/> frontline workers <input type="checkbox"/> vulnerable groups (women, children, indigenous people, elderly, PWDs, repatriated OFWs) <input type="checkbox"/> general public <input type="checkbox"/> members/employees of the organization the nominee is affiliated with <input type="checkbox"/> family members <input type="checkbox"/> others, please specify _____		Number of beneficiaries served/assisted
Area of Coverage Number of barangays covered _____ Names of barangays/areas: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. <i>(Please attach additional sheet if needed.)</i>	Mode of Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> done alone <input type="checkbox"/> conducted with family members/informal group/s <input type="checkbox"/> conducted with a formal or an accredited organization/company <input type="checkbox"/> others, please specify _____	
Additional information you wish to provide regarding the volunteer assistance rendered 		
Who can we contact to verify and request further information? <i>(When this section is left blank or the contact information is incomplete, the nomination will not be considered.)</i>		
Name of Person/Organization/LGU	Contact Number	Email address:
Name of Person/Organization/LGU	Contact Number	Email address:
Are you willing to be part of the Regional Network of Volunteers and continue volunteering? <input type="checkbox"/> Willing <input type="checkbox"/> Willing with some conditions		



SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID19 VOLUNTEERS (Individuals)



Please cite conditions _____

Not Willing

Please check the supporting documents/materials on the list below which you can submit and attach to this form.

- pictures with beneficiaries of volunteer service/s rendered
- receiving copy of donation or Certificate of Appearance in the volunteer activity
- certificate of good moral/good standing issued by the barangay
- copy of a government ID of the nominee
- one-page description of volunteer work

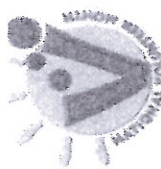
Please send the documents to info@pnvsca.gov.ph with the subject “(Complete Name of the Nominee) Search for Outstanding COVID19 Volunteers”. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES IS ON 15 OCTOBER 2021. When the checked supported documents are not submitted within the prescribed timeframe, the nomination will not be considered.

Name of Person who answered this form/Nominator:	Relationship with the nominee (e.g. employee):
Contact Number of Nominator and Nominee: <i>Nominator:</i> <i>Nominee:</i>	E-mail address of Nominator and Nominee: <i>Nominator:</i> <i>Nominee:</i>
<i>Signature of the Nominee:</i>	<i>Signature of the Nominator:</i>

By completing this form, I declare that the information herein provided is true and correct. I also give my consent to PNVSCA, NEDA Regional Offices, DILG-NCR, and BARMM- BPDA to verify the information provided in this form.



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SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID19 VOLUNTEERS (Organizations)



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Nominee's Profile		
Name of Organization/Agency:		
Type of Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Society Organization/Non-profit/Academic Institution <input type="checkbox"/> Private Company/Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Informal organization		
Address:		
Name and Designation of the Head of Organization/Agency:		
Name of (Volunteer) Focal Person, if any:		
E-mail address:	Contact Number:	
Website:	Facebook Page:	
Name of agency/organization where the nominated organization is registered/accredited, e.g. SEC, DSWD, PNVSCA: (answer N/A if not applicable)		
Motivation for volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Give back to the community / Help people/communities in need <input type="checkbox"/> For tax-incentive purposes <input type="checkbox"/> For accreditation purposes <input type="checkbox"/> For promotional purposes <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify <hr style="width: 50%; margin-left: 0;"/>		
Characteristics of Actual Volunteer Assistance rendered		
Volunteer activities conducted (please enumerate)		
1. 2. 3. 4. 5.		
<i>(Please attach additional sheet if needed.)</i>		
Manner of doing volunteer work	Total number of	Total number



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Willing with some conditions

Please cite conditions _____

Not Willing

Please check the supporting documents/materials on the list below which you can submit and attach to this form.

pictures with beneficiaries of volunteer service/s rendered

receiving copy of donation or Certificate of Appearance in the volunteer activity

copy of registration documents

high-resolution copy of the organization's logo

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Name of Person who answered this form/Nominator:

Relationship with the nominee (e.g. employee):

Contact Number of Nominator and Nominee:

E-mail address of Nominator and Nominee:

Nominator:

Nominator:

Nominee:

Nominee:

Signature of the Nominator:

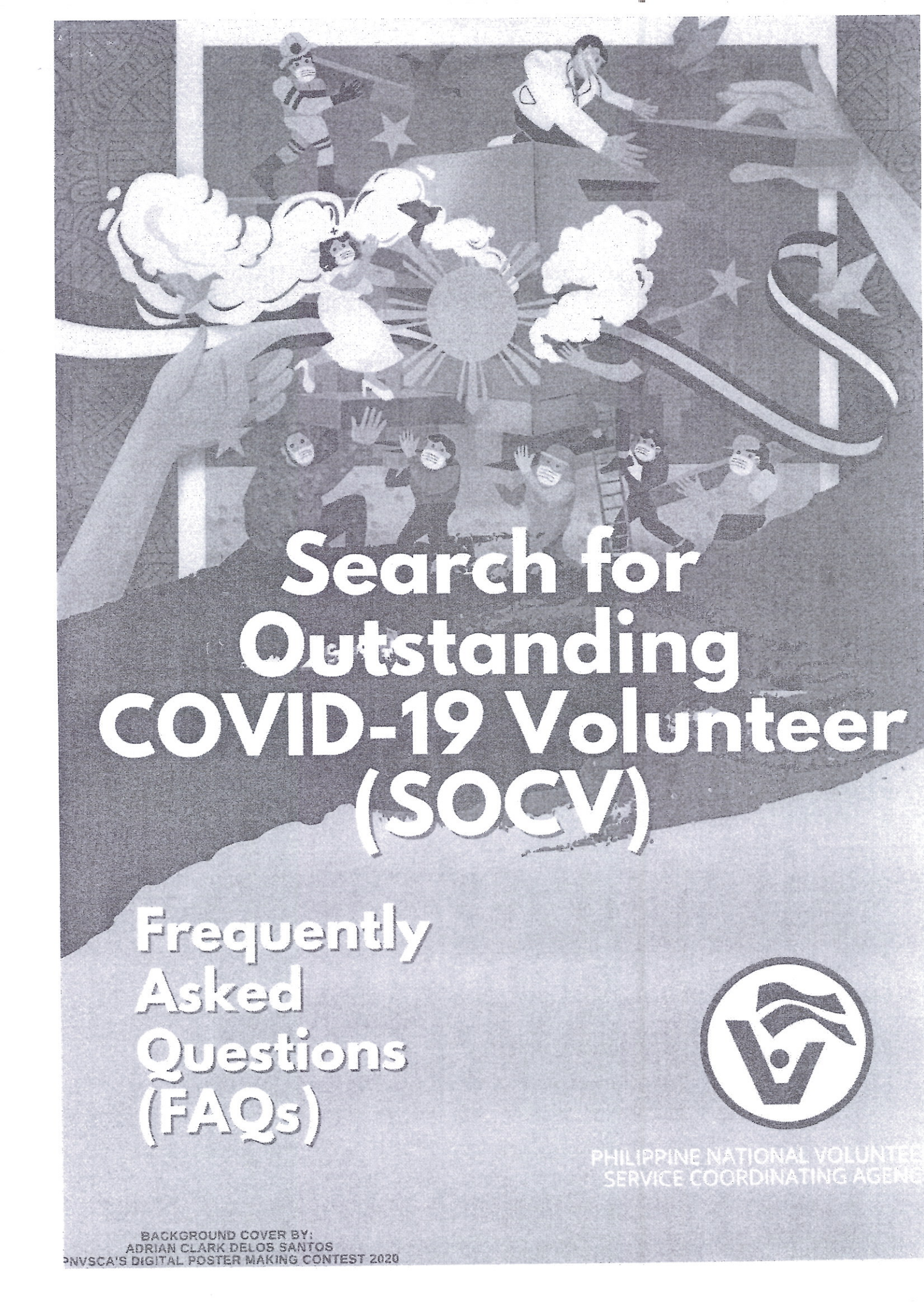
Signature of the Nominee:

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Search for Outstanding COVID-19 Volunteer (SOCV)

Frequently
Asked
Questions
(FAQs)



PHILIPPINE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER
SERVICE COORDINATING AGENCY

1. What is the Search for Outstanding COVID-19 Volunteers?

The Search for Outstanding COVID-19 Volunteers (SOCV) is a Recognition Project aimed to highlight the contribution of individual volunteers and organizations (LGUs not included) who offered their services, skills and resources at this time of pandemic, specifically for the period of October 2020 to September 2021.

This project was initiated by the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) in coordination with the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) through their Secretariats, the National Economic and Development Authority Regional Offices (NROs), and the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) through the Bangsamoro Planning and Development Authority (BPDA).

As with the annual SOV, the objective of the SOCV is the same which is to identify and recognize outstanding Filipino volunteers/organizations and their exemplary performance and achievements in empowering communities and promoting volunteerism as a way of life, contributory to nation-building.

2. Is there an age requirement for a possible nominee under the Individual Category?

There is no age requirement for a possible nominee. Anybody who volunteered during the pandemic may qualify for the award.

3. Do organizations need to be registered in order to qualify for the nomination?

Nominated organizations must be registered with/accredited by a government agency (e.g. SEC, DTI, DOLE-BRW/CDA, LGU, DSWD) and/or relevant accreditation group/organization (public or private) in order to qualify for the Award.

4. Can government employees qualify for the award?

Yes, government employees may qualify for the award as long as the volunteer work is carried out outside/beyond their duties/responsibilities as government employees.

5. Is self-nomination allowed?

Yes, self-nomination is allowed.



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<https://www.linkedin.com/company/philippine-national-volunteer-service-coordinating-agency>



6. Can I nominate more than one individual/organization?

Yes, you may nominate as many individuals/organizations as you want.

7. Can I nominate an individual/organization who is a recipient of another volunteer award?

Yes, individuals/organizations who received an award from another group/organization/company may be nominated as long as he/she/they meet the criteria.

8. Can I nominate an organization (for the Organization Category) as well as any of its employees/members (for the Individual Category) at the same time?

Yes, you may nominate an Organization and its employees/members for the Award as long as they meet the criteria.

9. Can the SOV (Search for Outstanding Volunteers) Awardees and the 2020 SOCV Awardees be nominated for the SOCV Award?

Yes, SOV Individual and Organization Awardees as well as the 2020 SOCV Awardees may be nominated as long as they meet the criteria.

10. Is there a required area of coverage for the volunteer work carried out?

Volunteer work may have been done anywhere in the Philippines: barangay, community, city, etc. Volunteer work outside the country (e.g. OFWs helping fellow distressed OFWs) may be considered if the regions have a way to conduct the validation.



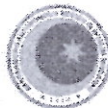
For information on the eligibility criteria, nomination process (including downloading and submission of nomination forms as well as the list of supporting documents), judging and selection of winners, prizes and recognition ceremonies, please check this link <https://bit.ly/SOCV2021>. You may also send us an email at info@pnvsca.gov.ph for further questions/inquiries.

Thank you!



SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING COVID-19 VOLUNTEERS 2021

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