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MALACAÑAN PALACE  
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 411

DECLARING MONDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2018, AS A SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE CITY OF BAGO, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

WHEREAS, on Monday, 19 February 2018, the City of Bago, Negros Occidental, marks the celebration of its 52<sup>nd</sup> Charter Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, it is but fitting and proper that the people of the City of Bago be given full opportunity to celebrate and participate in the occasion with appropriate ceremonies;

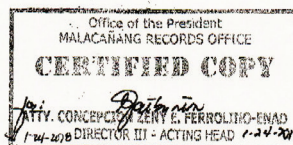
NOW, THEREFORE, I, SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA, Executive Secretary, by authority of the President, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, do hereby declare Monday, 19 February 2018, as a special (non-working) day in the City of Bago.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

By authority of the President:

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA  
 Executive Secretary



**About the Cover**

Lights of Bago  
 Photo Contest 2018  
**Conventional Category**  
**Toni Rose Burgos**  
**First Place**







## Message

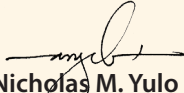
Any project which a group of people aims at with united minds and effort is bound to succeed; conversely, anything to be done without the solidarity of the group is bound to fail.

It is with this in mind that we observe the 52nd Charter Anniversary of the cityhood of our beloved city, Bago. Last year's theme, "In quest for the best" reflected our yearning to find what was best for our City. This year with our theme, "Working together...Achieving More for a Better Bago", we admit to the fact, that it is only by working together and enjoying together the fruits of such united effort that we can truly say that we have a better City.

The municipality of Bago became a City by virtue of Republic Act 4382. We owe much to the prominent Bagonhons of those decades that our town was recognized by the National Government as deserving to be a City after meeting the requirements to be one. Working together for the purpose of our town being recognized as a City, they succeeded in their mission. We want to emphasize that the cooperation of the residents then determined overwhelmingly the success of that endeavor. Then Bago was born a new City in 1966. We have been given a template on what unity can achieve.

Today, let us always bear this in mind: that nothing is too difficult, too tough if we all unite and buckle down to work together in order to achieve for our people. We believe the ultimate test of any effort is in the participation and sharing of the fruits of our achievements by the most number of our constituents.

HAPPY CELEBRATION, DEAR FELLOW BAGONHONS!

  
**Nicholas M. Yulo**  
City Mayor



## Message


All my life I have witnessed how Bago evolved from a simply peaceful community into becoming an emerging progressive and urbanizing City highlighted by massive infrastructure development undertaken by local and migrating investors who have seen its strategic economic potentials. The growth of the City and how it has become attractive to investors are results of years of hardwork, unity and cooperation among officials, bureaucracy and constituency of our predecessors in the public service sector and of the recent generation of Bagonhons who patiently worked and charted Bago into what it is today – a peaceful community of hospitable, united, and hardworking people.

This year's theme; "Working together... Achieving More For A Better Bago", amplifies our way of life and the strong bonds of unity, kinship, and cooperation that hold us Bagonhons as a people patiently pushing our city to greater heights in terms of sustainable economic development, political stability and dignified humane values of patriotism and empathy.


To all Bagonhons, it is my sincerest prayer that as individuals we will continue to realize our respective important roles in this noble effort, and, as a people, get involved in the efforts of our local government.

To our guests and other local and foreign tourists joining us in our festivities, welcome to Bago City and thank you for giving us the opportunity to showcase our best. Be captivated by the presentations of our barangays - from the native delicacies, agricultural products, crafts and cultural presentations; be embraced by the warmth of the hospitality and friendliness of Bagonhons; be awed by the uniqueness of our attractions and destinations; and, when you return home, share your experiences in Bago to your friends and relatives so that they too will be encouraged to come and visit this "Home of Historical and Natural Treasures".

Mabuhay ang Bago City, Mabuhay ang Bagonhons. Go, Bago!  
Bago City, Philippines.

  
**Ramon D. Torres**  
City Vice Mayor





# 52ND

## CHARTER ANNIVERSARY

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**FEBRUARY 11-19, 2018**

# Schedule of Activities



**Vhong Navarro**  
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**Yam Concepcion**  
February 12

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February 13

**Denita Nose &  
Super Tekla**  
February 14

**Ruru Madrid**  
February 17

**Parokya ni Edgar**  
February 19



DATE /TIME	EVENT	VENUE	SPONSORS
<b>11 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Sunday - 5:30AM	Alay Lakad	City Streets	DepEd <i>Dr. Lorlinie Ortillo, CESO VI</i> <i>Mr. Asahel Gayatin</i> Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Judee Lynn Lirazan</i>
<b>12 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Monday - 8:00AM	Thanksgiving Mass	St. John the Baptist Church	CSSDO <i>Ms. Ma. Elena Y. Millevo</i> Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i>
8:00AM - 12:00NN	Brookside Garden Academy Foundation Day	MYTMCCC	<i>Ms. Althea Milan</i>
9:30AM	Lechon Festival	Tourism Office Grounds	CSSDO <i>Ms. Ma. Elena Y. Millevo</i>
Whole Day	1st Mayor's Cup Sitting Volleyball	St. John the Baptist Multi Purpose Center	Persons with Disability <i>Mr. Rey Gumayan</i>
3:00PM	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair Opening Ceremony "One Barangay, One Product" Opening Day	Bantayan Park Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i> City Investment Promotion Center <i>Ms. Ma. Fe Villar</i>
6:00PM	Free Play Band	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
6:00PM	Pal et Band and Sound Wave Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	
7:00PM	Bailes del Fuego Patik Baylan Competition	Bantayan Park Stage 2	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Arlene C. Palco</i> <i>Mr. Wenceslao Narazo</i>
8:00PM	Opening Night Vhong Navarro and Yam Concepcion Live in Bago!	Bantayan Park Stage 1	CIO <i>Mr. Ace Balboa</i>
9:00PM	Fireworks Display	Bantayan Park (Bago River)	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
9:30PM	Rated PG Band and Foam Party with DJ RBX	Bantayan Park Stage 1	
<b>13 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Tuesday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
7:30PM	Jazz Night Nancy Brew/ Extrapolation/ Abyan Band	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
7:30PM	Bachelor Band and Barbie Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	
<b>14 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Wednesday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
Whole Day	City Government Employees Day with Guest Artists Donita Nose & Tekla	MYTMCCC	HRMO <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i>
8:00PM	Comedy Night at the Park with Donita Nose & Super Tekla	Bantayan Park Stage 1	CIO <i>Mr. Ace Balboa</i>
8:00PM	Middle of the Road Band and Fertz Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
8:00PM - 10:00PM	Feedback Band New Tone Band	Bantayan Park Stage 1	
10:00PM	Fireworks Display	Bantayan Park (Bago River)	
10:30PM	Foam Color Party with DJ Van Ex and DJ MZ Jean	Bantayan Park Stage 1	



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<b>15 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Thursday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
Whole Day	DepEd Promenade	MYTMCCC	DepEd <i>Dr. Lorlinie Ortillo, CESO VI</i>
10:00AM 1:00PM (Actual)	Paindis-indis sa Pinakamanamit nga Linuto Himu sa Bugas	Bantayan Park/Showroom Grounds	Soroptimist International <i>Ms. Mae Ann Furtos</i> Metro Bago
7:00PM	3rd Spin Band and Rated PG Band with comedians Joan, Marren, Ace, and Sylver	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
10:00PM	Infinite Rhythm Band and Abyan Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
<b>16 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Friday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
7:00AM	Skills Olympic	Bantayan Park	TLDC <i>Dr. Felicitas Acosido</i>
5:00PM	Boom Music Fest 2018 Neon Foam Party	Bantayan Park Stage 1	CIO <i>Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
7:00PM	Old School Band and Chakra Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
<b>17 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Saturday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
9:00AM – 12:00MN	Tatak Babaylan Arts Fest	Activity Center- Octagon	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Mr. Francis Lagradilla</i> <i>Mr. Geomel Balceda</i>
10:00AM – 4:00PM	1st Boom BMX Fest	Bantayan Park Parking Lot	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Arlene Palco</i> <i>Mr. John Rey Montales</i>
7:00PM	Diwata sang Bago with Celebrity Guest Ruru Madrid	MYTMCCC	HRMO/ TRY <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i>
7:00PM	13 Inch Band and Infinite Rhythm Band/Nuno sa Punso Band	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
9:00PM	Comedy Night with Sylver and Aya City Engineer's Band and Middle of the Road Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	
9:30PM	Fireworks Display	Bantayan Park(Bago River)	
10:30PM	Rated PG Band and Caliber M2 Band	Festival Street	



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<b>18 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Sunday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
Whole Day	Butterfly Garden	DENR Compound	DENR <i>Ms. Ginalyn Ecraela</i> <i>Ms. Mae Ann Furtos</i>
Whole Day	"One Barangay, One Product" Best Product Search Judging Day	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	City Investment Promotions Center <i>Ms. Ma. Fe Villar</i>
10:00AM	Gawad Bagonhon Awarding Ceremony	MYTMCCC	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i>
1:30PM	RTNHS Playground Demonstration	MYT Sports Center	<i>Mr. Fortunato Filomeno</i> <i>Mr. Kenwee Alipato</i>
7:00PM	Fantasia 2018	Bantayan Park Stage 2	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Mr. Francis Lagradilla</i> <i>Mr. Kenwee Alipato</i> <i>Mr. Paul Casiano</i>
7:00PM	City Engineer's Band and Sound Wave Band	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
7:00PM	Cali Island Band and Vertical Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	
7:00PM	Middle of the Road Band and Rated PG Band	Festival Street	
<b>19 FEBRUARY 2018</b> Monday - Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair	Barangay Booths Bantayan Park	Office of the City Mayor <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> ABC <i>Hon. Sergio T. Piansay</i>
Whole Day	Butterfly Garden	DENR Compound	DENR <i>Ms. Ginalyn Ecraela</i> <i>Ms. Mae Ann Furtos</i>
Whole Day	Farmer's Day	MYT Sports Center	City Agriculture Office City Veterinary Office <i>Mr. Carlito Indencia</i> <i>Dr. Martin SM. Y. Torres</i>
7:30AM	Charter Anniversary Parade	Major City Streets	DepEd/ PNP Tourism Affairs Office
8:00AM – 5:00PM	Job Fair 2018	Marhil Subd. Covered Court	TLDC <i>Dr. Felicitas Acosido</i>
9:00AM	Babaylan Forum "Ang Pulong, ang Bulong"	Bago City Community Center	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i> <i>Mr. Clem Del Castillo</i> <i>Mr. Joseph Aunzo</i>
1:00PM	Babaylan Street Dance Competition Babaylan Stage Competition Awarding Ceremony	MYTMCCC	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i> <i>Mr. Clem Del Castillo</i> <i>Mr. Joseph Aunzo</i>
6:00PM	Chakra Band/ Verra Band/ Infinite Rhythm Band and Sound Wave Band with DJ Van Ex and DJ MZ Jean	Bantayan Park Stage 1	Office of the City Mayor <i>Mr. Joe Jumabong</i>
6:00PM	City Engineer's Band/ Sound Wave Band/ Feedback Band/ Rated PG Band	Bantayan Park Stage 2	
7:00PM	Infinite Rhythm Band/ Caliber M2 Band and 13 Inch Band	Festival Street	
8:00PM	Parokya ni Edgar Free Concert	Festival Street	CIO <i>Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
10:00PM	Grand Fireworks Display	Bantayan Park (Bago River)	

# Malacañan Palace declares February 19 holiday in Bago

In celebration of the 52nd Charter Anniversary of Bago, Malacañan Palace declared February 19 as special non-working day here in the City.

Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea, by authority of the President, Rodrigo Roa Duterte, signed Proclamation No. 411 last January 23.

The holiday was declared for the people of Bago to be given full opportunity to celebrate and participate in the occasion with appropriate ceremonies, the proclamation said.

In a message, Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo thanked the Palace for the said proclamation.

Bago became a chartered city by virtue of Republic Act 4382 and was inaugurated on February 19, 1966 with former Executive Secretary Rafael M. Salas, a Bagonhon, as special guest.

Former Mayor Manuel "Tutay" Torres was the hold-over mayor along with Juan Y. Araneta as the first City Vice Mayor.

The first City Councilors include Atty. Arsenio B. Yulo, Romualdo S. Araneta, Gorgonio J. Ramos, Florencio Rosquillo, Alejandro Marquiño, Ramon M. Gonzaga, Donato T. Pison, and Querubin C. Villanueva, Sr.

Fifty two years ago, the first City Officials of Bago took their oath of

office before Secretary Salas and Judge Guillermo Torres at the public plaza. It was also on this day that the new Bago City Hall was inaugurated with Doña Eva Serra, sister of Don J. Amado Araneta, and two Executive Secretaries, Rafael Salas and Jorge Vargas as the special guests.



**AWARD.** City Information Officer Ace Balboa receives the award for the Citybridge as 3rd place Best Agency/ LGU Special Publication 2017 in Western Visayas from Philippine Information Agency Director General Harold Clavite (right), PIA RO 6 Director Atty. Ma. Janet Mesa (left), and PIA Managers of the different provinces in Region VI during the Information Officers' Year- End Conference and Awards in Iloilo City on December 6.

# Sigabong adjudged first runner up in Dulansangan 2018 Competition

The Sigabong sang mga Kanyon dancers of Bago City won first runner up in the recently concluded Dulansangan competition in connection with the Fiesta Republica 2018 of the City of Malolos in Bulacan.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo led the 100 delegation from Bago to defend the championship which was won by the city last 2017.

They participated in and competed with 7 other groups during the dance parade in the morning and the arena competition in the afternoon. In the end, the group settled as first runner-up and took home P200 thousand cash prize and a trophy. The City of Malabon won the grand prize followed by the City of Zambales.

Bago City showcased the merged stories of the Babaylan and the Al Cinco de Noviembre.

Dulansangan is a national street



**CONTINGENT.** STOO Rosseni Mina, Clemente del Castillo, Mae Ann Furtos, Judee Lyn Lirazan, Francis Lagradilla, and Paul Casiano together with some dancers present to Mayor Yulo the certificate and trophy won by Bago in Malolos.

dance-drama competition showcasing historical vignettes being staged in the streets depicting the distinctive heroic events in each participant's locality.

The participants were competing in three levels- local, provincial, and national. Bago City joined in the national level. /



# Longest 'Lights of Bago' draws thousands amid rains

The annual Lights of Bago at Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center in Bago City, Negros Occidental gathered thousands of spectators, including local and foreign tourists, amid rains on Monday night.

Now on its 10th year, the 20-minute synchronized fireworks display witnessed by at least 5,000 people was the longest so far since the activity started in 2008.

In the previous years, the fireworks display lasted for only about 16 minutes.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo, at the sidelines of the event, said the activity has become a tradition for Bagonhons after it was institutionalized during the time of former mayor Ramon Torres, who now sits as the vice mayor.

Yulo said that aside from being a tourist attraction, the fireworks display is also staged to lessen firecracker-related injuries in the city.

"The law now strictly prohibits the use of pyrotechnics and firecrackers in non-designated areas thus, we enjoined Bagonhons and those from other cities and towns in the province to instead join us in welcoming the New Year in a safe and colorful way," he said.

Like the colorful lights in the sky, the city continues to have brighter aspirations this 2018, the mayor added.

It can be recalled that the staging of the annual event every January 1 was started by European Raymond Stoffel, a retired international corporate lawyer from Luxembourg, whose wife has roots at Barangay Poblacion in Bago City.

Stoffel had to go back to Europe which paved way for the City Government to assume the hosting of the musical fireworks display since its second year.

From a Michael Jackson inspired display in 2017, this year's Lights of Bago

is centered on the theme "Love, Peace and Unity."

David Villanueva, the fireworks provider, said the city government wanted to highlight the message of love, peace and unity as this is what the world needs today.

"It gives hope to the people as the world gets more complicated and broken," Villanueva said, adding that this year's longer and grander sequence of fireworks were synchronized with more mellow songs bearing the said message.

Councilor Andrew Martin Torres, chairman of 10th Lights of Bago, said the annual activity has become a must-see event in the province every year.

"We are really trying our best to improve the Lights of Bago every year," he said, adding that this year's budget is bigger compared to those of the previous years. / **SunStar Bacolod**

## Lights of Bago photo contest winners named

The Bago City Government recently awarded the winners of the Lights of Bago Photo Contest which is in line with the 10th Lights of Bago Synchronized Fireworks Show, aptly themed, "Peace, Love and Unity".

For the conventional category, Toni Rose Burgos garnered first place, Quino Yao ranked second and Erwin Lim was declared as third placer.

Runners-up include John Kimwell Laluma, Famelyn Villiaras, Voltaire Siacor, Jimbo Araneta and Romil Bernaje.

The said category includes photos taken using digital single lens reflex (DSLR) cameras.

Meanwhile, the winners under the mobile photography category consist of Jannine Virgo, Ken Andrie Cezar, Jenine Arnido, Chelen Villanueva, and Julie Jan Pahilanga.

Winners received cash prizes and certificates.

Photo entries were judged according to visual impact, technical aspect, creativity, and composition.

A total of 53 photo entries were submitted in the contest.

Apart from the awarding ceremony,



**OPENING.** Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres with Councilors Ma. Josefa Matti, Ma. Femmy Alvarez- Martir, Danilo Famoso, and Andrew Martin Torres cut the ribbon to officially open the LOB Photo exhibit at Robinsons Place.

the city government likewise lauded its partner institutions such as the Philippine Coast Guard, Amity Public Safety Academy, Negros Occidental Provincial Disaster Management Program Division, La Carlota Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office and the Provincial Health Office for their dedication and support in maintaining, peace, order and safety during the event.

Held as a New Year tradition, the Lights of Bago musical fireworks display was first initiated by retired international corporate lawyer Raymond Stoffel who then sought partnership with the city government.

According to the city government, the annual attraction aims to usher brighter prospects among Negrenses and visitors. / **PIA6 Negros Occidental**

# Balingasag, Poblacion top Sigabong sang mga Kanyon contest



**WINNERS.** The winning kanyon and performers of Barangay Poblacion and Balingasag during the Sigabong sang mga Kanyon competition on November 5.

The merged Barangays of Balingasag and Poblacion won the 2017 Sigabong sang mga Kanyon competition in connection with the 119th Al Cinco de Noviembre celebration in Bago City.

They bested 12 competing merged barangays and received P15, 000 in cash prize. Barangays Ma-ao and Mailum

settled for the second place and won P10, 000 cash. Third place went to Barangays Dulao and Don Jorge Araneta with a cash prize of P7, 000.

The criteria for judging include best re-enactment of the Al Cinco revolution and the loudest sigabong of the cannons. The said event is sponsored

by the City Tourism Office led Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni Mina and Balay ni Tan Juan Museum curator Clem del Castillo.

Sigabong sang mga Kanyon is a one of a kind event which was hailed as Best Tourism Event in the country for Arts and Culture category in 2009 and 2010 by the Association of Tourism Officers of the Philippines.

Also, part of the celebration was the drum and lyre competition among the high schools and elementary schools in the Division of Bago City. In the secondary schools category, Ramon Torres Malingin National High School was the champion. They also awarded with Best Attire, Most Disciplined and Best Marching Band special awards.

In the elementary level, Best Attire and Most Disciplined awards went to Ma. Rosario Araneta Elementary School. Meanwhile, the best marching band went to Bago City Elementary School./

## First Area IV athletic meet in years opens in Bago

The Area IV Athletic Meet 2017 formally opened at the Manuel Y. Torres Sports Complex yesterday with the Theme: "Road to Solidarity and Prosperity in the Heart of the Asean Community" last November 15 until 17.

This was the first Area Meet held in years due to the creation of Negros Island Region.

Spearheading the opening ceremonies were Bago City Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo, Vice-Mayor Ramon D. Torres and SPM's as host, with La Carlota City headed by Vice-Mayor Dr. Rex R. Jalando-on representing Mayor Luis Jacky D. Jalandoni III, San Enrique Mayor Jilson Tubillara and Vice-Mayor Roy De Los Santos and SBMs, Pontevedra Mayor Jose Benito A. Alonso, Vice-Mayor Jimmy Gavan and SBM's, Mayor Enrique Miravalles and Vice-Mayor Octavio Pagsuberon and SBM's, Mayor Miguel Peña and Vice-Mayor Gerany Suatengco of Pulupandan and SBM's

Bago Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo challenged the athletes to be determined and work harder so they will persevere in the competition.



**MESSAGE.** Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo delivers his inspirational message before the City and Municipal officials, athletes, and DepEd personnel and officials during the opening ceremony of the Area IV Athletic Meet.

Ma. Lorlinie M. Ortillo, Ph.D. CESO VI, Schools Division Superintendent, DepEd, Bago City in her welcome message said, "Its time to shine and you have to work for it. Enjoy the camaraderie in this sports competition. Let us become all champions and be the bridge of friendship, understanding and cooperation with the values bringing in our heart the: Maka Dios, Maka-Tao, Maka-Kalikasan, Maka-Bayan.

Lighting of the Friendship Torch led by Junary Garcia, Carl Michael Romero- Arnis Gold Medalist, Pia Rose

Meravalles-Taekwando Silver Medalist, Kate Julienne Martines-Athletics Gold Medalist and Palarong Pambansa Record Breaker also led the Oath of Sportsmanship while Rogelyn Roque Officiating Official of NIRAA led the oath of officiating officials.

Bago Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres officially declared the formal opening of the athletic meet.

Bago City was declared the over-all champion during the closing ceremony followed by the City of La Carlota./ **Negros Daily Bulletin**



# EMEMHS wins Bago fancy drill competition 2017



**CHAMPION.** Enriqueta Montilla de Esteban Memorial High School of Pulupandan receiving their award from the judges and Bago City officials as first place winner of the 9th Bago City Invitational Fancy Drill Competition.

The Enriqueta Montilla de Esteban Memorial High School was declared the over- all champion during the 9th Invitational Fancy Drill Competition, in celebration of the 119th Al Cinco de Noviembre fiesta of Bago City.

EMEMHS, bested Negros Occidental High School (NOHS) which settled for first runner- up, Lopez Jaena National High School (LJNHS) of Murcia which won second runner- up, Philippine Normal University- Visayas of Cadiz City, Southland College- Kabankalan City, Domingo Lacson National High School,

and Bacolod City National High School.

The group from Pulupandan went home with the top prize of P20, 000 in cash and trophy. They were also adjudged best in Production Number and Best in Street Performance.

NOHS won P15, 000 cash and trophy and the Best Narration special award. Second runner-up LJNHS on the other hand received P10, 000 in cash.

Special awards were given to Bacolod City National High as Best in Uniform and Most Disciplined unit. Juric Jr Gequillana, platoon leader of Southland College

was awarded Best Platoon Leader. Each special award has a cash prize of P3, 000 each and a plaque of recognition.

The board of adjudicators from the Philippine Military Academy led by Colonel Reynaldo Balido, Jr., chose EMEMHS as champion after the said school accumulated the highest score from the different judging areas of the competition which include tactical inspection and street fancy drill in the morning, problem solving quiz for the platoon leaders, and the arena performance.

Bago Mayor Nicholas Yulo said that the competition was designed to make the ROTC and CAT program in the province alive. He added that the Bago fancy drill tilt is in support of the policy of President Rodrigo Duterte to revive and strengthen the military training program to instill discipline and patriotism among the youth.

Further, in his welcome message, Mayor Yulo thanked the schools, principals and university presidents for joining the competition, and urged more schools to participate next year in the 10th year of the said competition. /

## City stages Cinco de Noviembre competitions for millennials

In an attempt to inculcate in the millennials the rich history of Al Cinco de Noviembre, the City of Bago thru the Tourism Office organized an event dubbed as Millennial Perspective last November 4.

Series of competitions which was participated in by the different secondary schools in Bago were held.

For the Cinco on Stage, Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School won first place followed by Ramon Torres Taloc National High School and Ramon Torres Malingin National High School in second and third places respectively.

The history rap competition was won by Ramon Torres Louisiana National High School, second place went to Ramon Torres Sagasa National High School, and third place to Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School.

Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School got first place in the Cinco de Noviembre Film Festival.



**MILLENNIAL PERSPECTIVE.** Student performers during the Cinco de Noviembre on Stage event held at the Community Center last November 4.

They were awarded also with Best Cinematography, best director for Jenna Lim, and best screenplay for Mark Gil Apurado.

In the Selfie with my Hero event, the entry of Jhio Jan Navarro of Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National

High School settled in the first place followed by second placer Jules Carlo Gico, and third place winner Julie Jan Pahilanga.

The winners were awarded with cash prizes and plaques of recognition. /



# Bago City awarded as Most Improved LGU by the National Competitiveness Council

Bago City was awarded first place in the Most Improved LGU category by the National Competitiveness Council (NCC) during the unveiling of the Cities & Municipalities Competitiveness Index (CMCI) at the 5th Annual Regional Competitiveness Summit held at the Philippine International Convention Center in Manila.

CMCI is an annual ranking of Philippine cities and municipalities developed by the NCC through the Regional Competitiveness Committees (RCCs) with the assistance of the United States Agency for International Development.

CMCI recognizes the most competitive local government units (LGUs) based on the four pillars of competitiveness – Economic Dynamism, Government Efficiency, Infrastructure, and Resiliency.



**PLAQUE.** Councilor Ma. Josefa Matti together with Executive Assistant Bernadette Somcio, Investment and Promotions head Ma. Fe Villar, Permits and License Division head Ma. Carmen Lopez, and Administrative Officer Allan Señeres turn-over to Mayor Yulo the plaque of Bago City as Most Improved LGU.

Mayor Yulo said that Bago is elated and humbled to be given such award.

He added that “it poses a challenge for us to further improve our job as the constituents deserve no less than our best.”

Along with Bago, other winners in the most improved LGUs under component cities were San Carlos City in Pangasinan, Maasin City and Calapan City. /

# Bago receives 2017 National Seal of Good Local Governance



**SEAL.** Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, DILG Officer Rex Abello and Mayor Nicholas Yulo with the 2017 National Seal of Good Local Governance award given by Department of Interior and Local Government on November 27 at the Manila Hotel.

The Department of the Interior and Local Government-Region VI (DILG) recognized Bago City as one of the 9 LGUs in the province as one of the recipients of the 2017 Seal of Good Local Governance.

Other winners include Province of Negros Occidental, the cities of Sagay, San Carlos, and Silay and the municipalities of Candoni, Salvador Benedicto, Hinobaan, Pontevedra, and Valladolid.

The seal according to DILG “symbolizes integrity and good performance through continuing governance reform and sustained local development.”

The Seal of Good Local Governance is awarded to the best performing local government units (LGUs) after passing evaluations of certain areas, including financial administration, disaster preparedness, social protection, and peace and order.

LGUs must also pass one additional essential area, which could be business-friendliness and competitiveness; environmental protection; or tourism, arts and culture.

SGLG symbolizes integrity and good performance through continuing governance reform and sustained local development.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, and DILG Officer Rex Abello accepted the award during a ceremony held last November 27 at the Manila Hotel. /



# RDC- WV awards Bago as 'Most Improved City'



**AWARD.** City Investment and Promotions head Ma. Fe Villar with Permits and License Division head Ma. Carmen Lopez present to Mayor Nikko Yulo the award of the City given by the Regional Development Council.

The Regional Development Council (RDC) in Western Visayas recognized Bago City with 2 awards during the Competitive Local Government Units Awards held in Iloilo City last December.

Bago was awarded the number one most improved city and third in government efficiency.

It was among the nine LGUs from Negros Occidental which bagged a total of 17 awards based on the annual cities and municipalities competitiveness index (CMCI) survey.

The CMCI survey covers municipalities and cities in the region which submitted data to measure competitiveness based on indicators

under the pillars of economic dynamism, government efficiency, infrastructure, and resiliency.

The mayor said the achievement is mainly attributed to the enthusiasm of the city government employees.

Yulo said they established an all year round one-stop-shop processing center catering efficiently to businessmen.

Aside from the significant improvement in tax collection last year, the increasing number of businesses, even small ones, also contributed to the city's performance that resulted to the awards, Yulo said.

Antique Governor Rhodora Cadiao, who chairs the RDC-Western Visayas, said the awards gave due recognition to LGUs in the region who topped the CY 2017 Cities and Municipalities Index Survey, under different categories, conducted by the National Competitiveness Council./

## 2018 Business One- Stop Shop (BOSS) a success

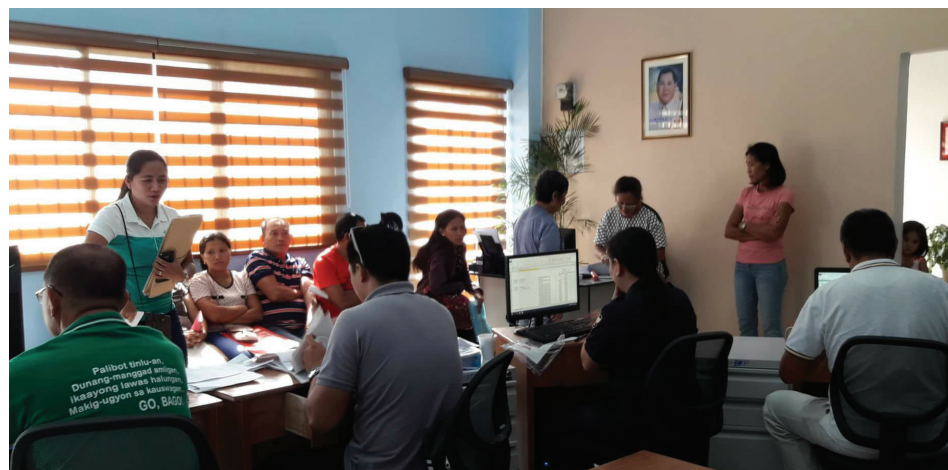
The conduct of Business One- Stop Shop (BOSS) in Bago City was successful according to the City Permits and Licensing Division which spearheaded the annual business permit processing every January.

Division head Ma. Carmen Lopez made the comment when asked about the annual BOSS which opened on January 3 and extended until February 8 at the Bago City Community Center and at the DTI Negosyo Center.

As of press time, the City Mayor's Office issued 4,045 business permits, 2,604 for tricycles and 1,441 for business renewal.

The BOSS aims to make easier and faster the business permit transaction in the city. It is also in line with the vision of the local government of making Bago a business-friendly city. Also, business owners were given No Smoking posters and stickers that they will post in compliance with the No Smoking ordinance of the City and the Executive Order from President Rodrigo Duterte.

With the one-stop shop, business owners can fast track the processing of permits, and save time and money at the same time. It caters to both renewal of business permits or registration of new businesses.



**BOSS.** Bago City's Business One-Stop Shop [BOSS] for business permit processing at the Negosyo Center started January 3.

All government agencies including Bureau of Fire Protection, City Health Office, Environment, Traffic, SSS, City Mayor's Office, Permits and Licensing Division, City Treasurer's Office-Licensing Division, and City Planning and Development Office-Zoning Division, needed to sign the business permits have set up their tables at the Community Center and Negosyo Center.

The process has been streamlined from five steps into three steps to ensure a faster service, and with accomplished requirements, the permit can be issued

in one to two days.

BOSS is in line with Republic Act 9485, or the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2009, which directs all government offices to improve efficiency in the delivery of government services to the public by reducing the bureaucratic red tape and preventing graft and corruption.

"Red tape" is a term for "excessive regulation or rigid conformity to formal rules that is considered redundant or bureaucratic and hinders or prevents action or decision-making.



# Firecracker-related injuries down 70% in Bago



**CARAVAN.** LDRRMO I Ric Donald B. Vicente holds an Iwas Papatok tarp in preparation for the Iwas Papatok Caravan participated in by various stakeholders which started from Barangay Taloc to City proper on December 29.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo lauded the Local Task Force on Iwas Papatok for the lower number of firecracker-related casualties this year and the police for a “generally peaceful” celebration of the holidays in Bago.

“I congratulate the City Task Force on Iwas Papatok for its very successful campaign and the Philippine National Police (PNP), together with the 24

barangay captains, for a generally peaceful celebration of Christmas and New Year,” Mayor Yulo said in a statement.

According to Violence and Injury Prevention Coordinator Ceander V. Rosquillo, Bago has only 6 cases of reported firecracker injuries from December 21, 2017 to January 5, 2018 and have greatly reduced by 70%

compared to the same surveillance period last year which resulted to 20 cases.

In 2017, Bago was number one in Western Visayas with the highest number of recorded cases. But this year, with massive information dissemination campaign on the hazards of firecrackers and with the order from President Duterte, a substantial decrease in the number of cases was recorded.

Mayor Yulo also added that the conduct of the Lights of Bago, a musical fireworks show, greatly helped in reducing the number of cases also. “The executive order from the President restricting the use of firecrackers to community zones was followed in our City,” the mayor added.

The Local Task Force on Iwas Papatok is comprise of City Health Office, Bago Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, Bago PNP, Bago Fire Station, City Engineer’s Office, Tourism Office, Bago City Hospital, Association of Bago Captains, Department of Education, and BPOs./



Ten professional rescuers from Bago CDRRMO underwent CSSR training on how to stabilize and extricate victims trapped in collapsed structures using the safest and most appropriate procedure at the Amity Public Safety Academy last December 12-19.

The CDRRMO of Bago in coordination with the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office conducted Community Action for Disaster Response (CADRE) Training in order to enhance the skills and knowledge of different Barangay Emergency Response Team members and as well as the CDRRMO emergency responders at Buenos Aires Mountain Resort from December 28-30.



# City joins 18- day Campaign to End VAW

The City Government of Bago observed the 18- day Campaign to End Violence against Women (VAW) by placing orange flag lets in front of the city hall to raise awareness about the issue last November 25 to December 12.

On December 15, 2017, 220 women leaders from the different barangays attended the culmination program. Atty. Aaron Lirazan was the guest speaker and he talked about the five pillars of justice.

The campaign originated from the First Women's Global Leadership Institute sponsored by the Center for Women's Global Leadership in 1991. The campaign links November 25



(International Day against VAW) and December 10 (International Human Rights Day) to emphasize that VAW is a human rights violation

During the culmination program, an awarding ceremony for the Search for the Best VAW-C Desk Officers was held.



The winners and the barangays both won cash prizes.

Juanita dela Torre of Brgy. Poblacion settled for first place. Second and third places went to Violeta Pellotes of Barangay Mailum and Lea Sailo of Barangay Caridad respectively.

# Bago celebrates National Children's month



In celebration of the National Children's month last November 2017, the City Government of Bago through the Local Council for the Protection of Children organized various activities for the children of Bago.



The Department of Education Division of Bago City sponsored the Kindergarten Festival of Talents from November 20-24.

Meanwhile, the City Social Services and Development Office held a

coronation ceremony at the Coliseum for Day Care Children.

Also the Voice of the Day Care Child was launched last November 8 at the Community Center participated in by 24 barangays.

RA 10661 (National Children's Month Act) is an act declaring November of every year as National Children's Month. Section 4 of the act encourages all local government units, private enterprises, CSO and people's organizations to observe said celebration. Further, the law also instructs the DSWD to spearhead the annual activity./



The City Social Services and Development Office conducted Gender Sensitivity Training (GST) and VAW-C Law (R.A. 9262) orientation to BCC students, Senior high Students of RTNHS-Main and to Sectoral groups from September- October 2017.

The said orientation is important in upholding gender equality especially to women and children who are vulnerable to abuse and discrimination.



**TURNOVER.** Mayor Nikko Yulo turn-over localised educational materials for the use of Bago school children to the Department of Education Division of Bago City represented by Dr. Ma. Lourdes Teodoro on November 20. It includes Great Men of Bago, City Symbols, and City Map posters.



# Negosyo Center opens in Bago

The Department of Trade and Industry opened its tenth Negosyo Center in the province here in Bago City last August 22 to boost the Micro-, Small and Medium-Enterprises in the locality.

The opening of the new center was led by Western Visayas Acting Director Rebecca Rascon, with Bago City Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres and City Councilors, DTI-Negros Occidental Director Lea Gonzales and some local MSMEs.

Mayor Yulo said the Negosyo Center will be vital for the growth of the economic arena in the city as it will help small entrepreneurs composed of almost 90 percent of the businesses in the country.

"This center will help encourage startups and existing businesses in Bago to improve," the mayor said, adding "And will encourage other people also to be self-employed through venturing in business."

Yulo also reported that as of August this year, the local government unit have



**RIBBON CUTTING.** Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo with DTI Western Visayas Acting Director Rebecca Rascon, DTI Provincial Director Lea Gonzales, Councilor Cleo Gaudite, and Councilor Ma. Josefa Matti during the ribbon-cutting ceremony of the newly-opened DTI Negosyo Center in Bago last August 22.

already recorded around 70 percent of business establishment in Bago have already registered and renewed business permits

With the new center, he hopes that it would boost the agriculture enterprises in the city as it is the primary source of living of the people./

# Bago implements Comprehensive Smoke Free Ordinance



City officials led by Mayor Yulo and Vice Mayor Torres join stakeholders in the official launching of the Comprehensive Smoke Free Ordinance in the City on November 5.

The City Government of Bago implemented the Comprehensive Smoke Free Ordinance of Bago City or Ordinance No. 17-03 on June 14, 2017.

It was formally launched on November 5 at the Balay ni Tan Juan Community Museum and was spearheaded by the City Health Office.

The event was attended by Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, City and barangay officials and different

sectors of the community.

The ordinance prohibits smoking and vaping or the use of electronic cigarettes in public places. Also, selling and distributing of the same to minors is also prohibited.

Also, no smoking signage were installed around the City last November. Various posters also on no smoking and no selling of cigarettes were distributed to store owners. No Smoking stickers



Enforcers who will implement the Comprehensive Smoke Free Ordinance of Bago City attended a training conducted by Iloilo City Anti-Smoking Taskforce last September 27 at the Coliseum.

were given to tricycle drivers during their renewal of franchise this January.

Last September, enforcers of the said ordinance underwent a one day training conducted by Iloilo City Anti-Smoking Taskforce.

Complainants can report violations at the City Health Office hotline (034) 461-0118. Violators of the said can be fined up to P5,000.



# Employees attend Year-End assembly



**ASSEMBLY.** More than 3,000 employees of the City Government of Bago attended the Year-End Assembly and Assessment last December 21 at the Coliseum.

Thousands of Bago City Government employees attend the first year-end assembly and assessment last December 21 at the Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Coliseum and Cultural Center.

The program started with the Christmas message from Mayor Nicholas Yulo. In his speech, Mayor Yulo thanked the employees for their support and cooperation with the thrusts of his administration.

Civil Service Commission's Atty. Erna Eliza was present to give her message to the employees of the City. She congratulated the City Government especially the Human Resource

Management Office under HRMO IV Tricia Matti for a job well done.

The State Auditor IV, OIC- Audit team leader Nemia Empales was also present to deliver her thank you and goodbye to the City Government of Bago as she being transferred to other government agency.

Vice Mayor Ramon Torres delivered his closing remarks and announced the additional extra cash gift of P25, 000, gaining a loud applaud from the employees.

Aside from the cash gifts, all employees received noche Buena goods from the City Government. Also, the



**GIFT.** Persons with Disability employees were the first to avail the Christmas noche Buena gift packs from the City Government.

raffle of the door prizes made the event more exciting for the employees.

Former Congressman Jeffrey Ferrer was also present, on behalf of his wife Congresswoman Juliet Marie Ferrer to extend their Christmas greetings to the employees. Also present were Board Member Jose Benito Alonso and Homer Bermudo, who along with Cong. Ferrer, to the surprise of the employees gave cash prizes for the raffle draw.

A medley of song and dance from the 4 groups and snacks shared by everyone capped the year- end assembly and assessment. /

# City Gawad Kalasag regional winner

The Bago City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office was adjudged the Gawad Kalasag for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction Management and Humanitarian Assistance Component City regional winner.

The awarding rites was held at Nature's Village Resort, Talisay City, on September 18.

The award is given by the Office of the Civil Defense-Negros Island Region to local government units with exemplary disaster management, after conducting an evaluation.

As regional winner, they received a trophy and a cash prize of P50,000.

In the secondary schools category, Ramon Torres National High won third place. Sagasa Elementary School settled for third place also in the Elementary School Category.

The Barangay Poblacion DRRM Committee won first place in the urban barangay category while Barangay Busay DRRM Committee won first place in the rural barangay category.



Mayor Yulo with LDRRM IV Dr. Merijene Ortizo and Myla Espende accepts the check amounting to P50,000 from the officials of the Office of Civil Defense.



Sagasa Elementary School representatives with their trophy and check as 3rd place winner in the Elementary School Category.

Also, the Bago Emergency Response Team was awarded first place in the Government Emergency Management-Rural.



Barangay Poblacion officials with their check for winning first place in the urban barangay category.



Faculty of Ramon Torres National High School led Principal Mr. Fortunato Filomeno receive their prize and trophy.

Kalasag stands for Kalamidad at Sakuna Labanan Sariling Galing ay Kaligtasan.



# City joins 117th Civil Service Commission anniversary



The City Government of Bago joined the entire Philippine bureaucracy in celebrating the 117th birth of Philippine Civil Service last September.

The month of September was devoted to the women and men of the City Government who continue to provide unselfish service to Bagonhons.

Spearheaded by the Human Resource Management Office led by HRMO IV/ City Administrator- Designate Tricia Y. Matti, various activities were launched to provide more opportunities for the continued growth of each employee.

The celebration kicked off with a flag raising ceremony last September 4 sponsored by the City Mayor's Office. Also, the BP Watch Month was launched with City Health Office personnel visting the different offices to check and monitor vital signs status of the employees.

A seminar workshop on office etiquette and professional development was held last September 6-7 attended by frontline employees of the City Government at the Community Center.

On September 8, the Bago Worksite Wellness Day was held. It was a one day event that provided employees with a time to rejuvenate and lessen physical work-related stresses thru a 20-minute foot reflex massage and haircut.

The Super September Bazaar opened last September 12 until 14, which aims to provide City Government employees with opportunities to improve their entrepreneurial skills, strengthen working and personal relationships towards better organizational productivity and individual efficiency.

A seminar on successful aging was held last September 20 at the Community Center. This was organized for employees aged 55 years old and above.

In partnership with the City Health Office, a blood-letting activity was organized last September 27. It was a venue for employees to donate blood

## Flag-Raising Ceremony



## Office Etiquette and Professional Development Seminar



## Work Well Day (Bago Worksite Wellness Day)



## Super September Bazaar



and help fellow Bagonhons needing blood assistance.

The 4th Bago City Government Sunset Run dubbed as RUnDom was successfully held. It was a fun run and Zumba activity that will involve City Government

employees and the members of their families.

The theme for this year's CSC anniversary was "Tugon sa Hamon ng Pagbabago: Malasakit ng Lingkod Bayani".



## Super September Bazaar Activity - The Chef is IN



## Super September Bazaar Activity - Talents Unlimited



## Successful Aging Seminar



## Give Blood (Blood Letting Activity)



## RUNdom- 4th Bago City Government Sunset Run



**RUNDOM** CITY OF BAGO PHILIPPINES



4TH BAGO CITY GOVERNMENT SUNSET RUN  
29TH SEPTEMBER 2017

## RUNdom 2017 Results

Category A (Open) – Male			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	A-73	13.24.22	Rommel Hulleza
2nd	A-60	13.30.42	John Mark Jacinto
3rd	A-86	14.07.35	John Christian Pamati-an
Category A (Open) – Female			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	A-36	16.04.50	Ann Magdalene Tubal
2nd	A-62	16.18.12	Stephanie Soledad
3rd	A-52	18.18.25	Jelca Villarte
Category B (Casual) – Male			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	B-107	40.37.48	Israel Malunes
2nd	B-36	41.05.32	Jack Louse Piansay
3rd	B-41	41.42.38	Arthur Abian
Category B (Casual) – Female			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	B-72	49.03.33	Gemma Jaga
2nd	B-64	49.28.44	Gerty Marie Elefante
3rd	B-7	55.21.56	Jenelyn Palicte
Category C (Regular Employee) – Male			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	C-157	18.43	Joeven Perocho
2nd	C-79	19.24	Ryan Makilan
3rd	C-17	19.48	Emmanuel Sevilla, Jr.
Category C (Regular Employee) – Male			
Place	Singlet No.	Time	Name
1st	C-21	26.02	Emilie Cuarom
2nd	C-67	25.17	Ellen Faith Agonace
3rd	C-121	30.08	Judee Dionido

# Cooperative Organization & Management



**BCCDC MEETINGS.** The Bago City Cooperative Development Council (BCCDC) conducted meetings to discuss issues and concerns of primary cooperatives, compliance of mandatory trainings, reportorial requirements and CDA Updates were also given importance.



**TREE PLANTING.** A tree planting activity was held at Buenos Aires Mountain Resort last July 14, 2017. The activity was participated by 80 members from different cooperatives and partner agencies with Chair Andrew Martin Torres heading the activity. 80 seedlings of mahogany tree were planted at the upland area of the resort. This expresses the cooperatives' concern for the environment.



**KABUHAYAN PARA SA BARANGAY PROGRAM.** July 19, 2017. A collaboration efforts with the Manila Water District Foundation's – Kabuhayan Para sa Barangay Program to reach-out with our cooperatives and bring opportunities to enhance their coop business. The KPSB programs offers to assist community-based cooperatives who are financially struggling but have potential to grow and expand their business thus this provision of non-interest-bearing loans amounting to P100,000.00. Mailum Minuyan United Farmers MPC (MMUFAMPC) and Hacenderos ARC were able to avail of this partnership.



**SEMINAR ON FUNDAMENTALS OF COOPERATIVE AND COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT & GOVERNANCE.** The Bago City Cooperative Office in collaboration with the Department of Agrarian Reform Negros Occidental II conducted the Fundamentals of Cooperatives and Cooperative management and Governance Seminar. It was participated by 42 officers from the 18 cooperatives in the city. The seminar aims to enhance cooperatives' capacity to operate and manage their respective organizations efficiently and also to address their low level or no compliance at all to the mandatory trainings as required by law. DAR funded the seminars and were conducted for free at the City Cooperative Office on September 14-15, 2017.



**17TH CITY COOPERATIVE DAY.** October 30, 2017, the city celebrated its 17th Cooperative Day at the Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Coliseum and Cultural Center. The event was participated by the 18 cooperatives in the city, partner agencies, SPM Andrew Martin Torres, Vice-Mayor Ramon Torres and Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo with Dr. Enrique Paderes from Provincial Agrarian Reform Office as guest speaker. The Gawad Kooperatiba (Search for the Best Cooperative), Solidarity games and contests (Coop Wiz and Coop Voice) highlighted the occasion.



**PROVINCIAL COOPERATIVE DAY 2017.** On October 28, 2017, the 38th Provincial Cooperative Day was held in Cadiz City. The Bago City Cooperative Development Council participated together with the entire cooperative sector in Negros Occidental in celebrating the role, accomplishments and significant contributions of the cooperative to community development.



# Technology and Livelihood Development



**TRAINING NEEDS ANALYSIS.** TLDC conducted Training Needs Analysis (TNA) to five (5) Home Owners Association in coordination with the City Planning Office. The TNA were aimed at identifying livelihood training programs that are viable and feasible in order to augment the income of the members thus they could pay their monthly amortization.



**SKILLS TRAINING ON SARDINES MAKING.** Facilitated the conduct of Skills training on Sardines Making: Spanish and Tomato Style to 30 members of the Federation of Bago City Association of Basic Sectors (FEBCABS) held at the Technology and Livelihood Development Center. This was through the partnership of the Philippine Commission on Urban Poor (PCUP) and the City Government of Bago funded by the Provincial Government of Negros Occidental. The training aimed to supplement the skills of the basic sectors to expand their source of livelihood.

# Public Employment Service



**JOB FAIR.** A Job Fair was held on November 2, 2017 at the Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Coliseum and Cultural Center. It was participated by 30 employers, local and abroad. There were 206 applicants (76 male and 130 female) and 35 of which were hired on the spot.



## Special Recruitment Activities



**OFW DAY.** In coordination with the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), the City conducted the 1st OFW Day last November 2, 2017 at the Community Center. This event was participated by 256 ex-OFWs and OFW beneficiaries. This was a pioneering activity for PESO to create awareness to our OFWs about OWWA programs and services they are qualified to avail e.g scholarships and livelihood grants.

Name of Agency	Date of SRA	No. of Applicants	No. of Placed
Zontar Manpower Agency	July 20-21, 2017	3	On process
Rafi Microfinance	July 26, 2017	16	2
Michael Angelo Manpower Exponent, Inc.	July 27-28, 2017	7	On process
Al Alamia	August 9, 2017	3	10
	September 12-13, 2017	3	
	December 7, 2017	4	
Oasia Global Resources Inc.	September 5-6, 2017	29	3 on process
	December 28, 2017	17	
Baguio Benguet International Recruitment Agency	September 15, 2017	1	On process
Mardel International Management & Services, Inc.	September 18, 2017	2	On process
Ramasia	September 20, 2017	1	On process
MMML Recruitment Agency	November 9, 2017	13	6
	December 20, 2017	5	
Savmore	September 19, 2017	7	2
Anifel Manpower Agency	October 24-27, 2017	3	On process
5 Star Recruitment & Manpower Corp.	July 24-25, 2017	5	On process
	November 10, 2017	-	
Jenerick Manpower Agency	December 8, 2017	4	On process
<b>Total</b>		<b>117</b>	<b>21</b>

# Tourism Week held

The City of Bago thru the Tourism Affairs Office held week-long activities to celebrate the Tourism Month last September. The event is aligned with this year's theme of the United Nations World Tourism Organization, "Tourism for Sustainable Development."

The Tourism Week kicked off last September 20 with a motorcade joined by various stakeholders of the City.

Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni G. Mina said that they lined up various events for the celebration. It is also aimed to instill in the minds of Bagonhons the love for their city and their appreciation for their brand of culture and history. For his part, Mayor Nicholas Yulo said that tourism in Bago plays a vital role in the economic development of the city.

The activities will include, among others, Tourism Quiz Bee, Dress Up Your Dog Contest, Arko Signage and Landscape Competition among the store owners at Bantayan Park, and the Bantayan Park Canvass Painting Contest. The winners were awarded during the awarding ceremony at Tourism Office grounds, Bantayan Park last September 29.

Here are the winners of the different competitions:

## Dress Up Your Dog Contest

First Place- Lucy  
Owner: Patricia Angelica Lavadia

Second Place- Sassy  
Owner- Kent Daryl Memoria

Third Place- Sniffy  
Owner- Ma. Elena Millevo

## Arko Signage and Landscape Competition

First Place- Biker's Corner / Bikestop

Second Place- Tok's Eatery

Third Place- 3 EL's Food Hub

## Bantayan Park Canvass Painting Contest

First Place- JB Maridable

Second Place- Albert Magbanua

Third Place- Nephamy Arsenio



**NEW SP MEMBER.** Governor Alfredo G. Marañon, Jr., administers the oath of the newly appointed councilor of Bago City, Ma. Femmy Martir, at the Governor's Office, on October 24, 2017 in the presence of Board Member Victor Javellana, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, Board Member Salvador Escalante, and her sister Salve.

# Bago wins Best Tourism- Oriented LGU in Negros Occidental



**WINNER.** The booth of Bago City at Robinsons Place-Bacolod was adjudged third place in the Best Booth competition.

Bago City was awarded with two major awards by the Negros Occidental Tourism Office during the annual Provincial Tourism Excellence Awards at the Capitol in Bacolod City on September 29.

The City was awarded as one of the tourism- oriented local government units in Negros Occidental.

Also, it was given the distinction as the third placer among the top 5 LGUs in the City Category with highest tourist arrivals in the year 2016.

The booth of Bago was also awarded third place winner in the best booth



**AWARD.** Councilors Ma. Josefa Matti and Cleo Gaudite accept the award of Bago City during the awards night at the Provincial Capitol on September 29.

competition during the Negros Occidental Tourism Fair at Robinsons Place Bacolod.

Mayor Yulo in a message congratulated the Tourism Affairs Office staff led by its dynamic Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni G. Mina.

The awards were received by Councilor Joy Matti- SP Committee on Tourism, Councilor Cleo Gaudite and STOO Ana Freida Mayores

The ceremony capped this year's celebration of the 17th Provincial Tourism Week, on the theme "Tourism for Sustainable Development."/





Bernadette M. Somcio  
Executive Assistant III

# Togetherness

**THERE** was this story about several members of a gang who decided to eliminate somebody so they could rob him of his properties and millions in cash.

They knew about this wealth; the would-be victim was also a one-time small fry like them. The group of five men hatched an impossible-to-fail crime; and consequently they executed their plan successfully.

When the time came for the division of lot; however, they could not agree on how to share the wealth they have so cunningly acquired.

What happened was they shoot each other during the heated altercation; and, all five died: three at the table whereat they were discussing, one on the way to the hospital and the one to seemingly make it died two months after due to complications. He was diabetic! Speak of Divine Justice!

The group described above is admirable in the sense that they were able to agree and execute the plan for their project in perfect understanding of the role of each. They did all the right move. They were on the verge of success until selfishness overtook them. They did not see clearly that for the project to really succeed they must also share with each other the fruits of their 'labor', so to speak. Each became greedy and thought only of himself, forgetting the vision that all of them could become millionaires in their own right.

Something has to be said about the

theme of the celebration of the 52nd Charter Anniversary of Bago City. While the introduction of this article seems far-fetched; it is true, that sometimes fiction is as strange as reality. Can you imagine or believe that? Well, fiction allows a writer to create as wild a situation as he or she can imagine. But, no further argument, let us go back to our intended topic.



The theme for this year's celebration is "Working together...Achieving More for a Better Bago". Many plans, indeed, are seemingly bright at its inception; how they flop is a study in failed leadership or management which has not taken into consideration the cooperation of everyone involved in the project.

True leadership considers the least of all the members of the group in successful accomplishment. "For want of a nail, the horse is lost" goes to show that the smallest consideration for the least among the team members counts most in the attainment of a mission.

Here we have to consider the clarity

and effectivity of communication that the leader is imparting to his mates so every one understands and is convinced of the significance of the project on hand.

It is very important that each member of the group understands why something is to be done, how it is to be done, and the very advantage that each gets or the bigger society gets out of the project. It is important that the least of the member understands the important role he/she plays in the attainment of the project.

Of course, we cannot discount the fact that there will always be people who are selfish. Some people in the know who think only of themselves and what they get out of the project. Always their question is: "What's in it for me?" They will never be convinced of sane arguments no matter what. The bigger loser, of course, will always be the organization or the community as a whole.

So with the government, be it national or local. With their avowed mission to make the lives of their constituents better, each agency or department should be able to understand and perform to the best they can so their mission to serve the people is realized. Every employee in the department should be able to do their level best, knowing that they are important people and without them the mission cannot be accomplished.

Serves me right if you rouse me to wakefulness from the dream. Let me say; however, that this is not an impossible dream, is it? So for the Bagonhons, the theme of this celebration: "Working Together...Achieving More for a Better Bago"!



## Mayor Yulo delivers first SOCA

Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo delivered his first State of the City Address (SOCA) during the 1, 888th regular session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bago at Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Coliseum and Cultural Center on August 30.

Mayor Yulo said his administration will focus on agricultural productivity and tourism promotions and development.

“Ours is an agri-industrial economy and there is no perfect way to better improve the standard of living of our people except by encouraging our agricultural producers to improve their craft and be the best that they can be,” he said.

He said the government should also provide technical, logistical and market support to ensure that agricultural remains a sustainable livelihood for the Bagonhons.

He said he is sensitive to the the calling of Governor Alfredo Marañon about food security.

Bago is the rice granary of Negros Occidental and he wants to position the city as the food basket of the province, adding that his administration have to concentrate on their strength which is agriculture.

He said in the area of tourism, Bago City is blessed with natural endowments, historical significance, and cultural

heritage.

“What we need to focus on is improving the culture of tourism among our people, instill a sense of discipline and order, and develop our attractions and facilities to be more tourist-friendly,” Yulo said.

“We are capitalizing on agriculture and tourism because these are our biggest potentials,” he added.

The mayor said that as urbanization expansion of the neighboring Bacolod City is going towards north, his administration will concentrate on developing their agricultural strengths.

Among agricultural sector gains he reported included the city’s rice development and hybridization programs which provided farm inputs to about 1, 200 rice farmers totaling to about P13 million funded through the trust fund and the Department of Agriculture budget.

The City Government has also initiated the rehabilitation and development programs for rice and the other crop farmers, and fisherfolks by collaborating with the DA, Provincial Government, and other government agencies.

Yulo said Bago is also taking pride in having one of the most outstanding farmers in the Philippines in the person

of Pastor Jerry Dionson, who is again vying for this year’s National Organic Agriculture Achiever’s Award.

In the livestock industry development, he said, that the Karabag-o Carabao Development Program continues to increase the genetic potential of the native carabao especially for meat and milk which has significantly helped increase income and nutritional status of farming communities.

He further reported that the city-owned and operated resorts continue to attract local and foreign tourists.

He said the city has generated almost P10.6 million in sales since last year in Buenos Aires Mountain Resort alone.

Upon his assumption into office last year, he had called upon the bureaucracy in various meetings and have endeavored to assess the performance of the different offices, and together they have slowly implemented the suggested recommendations on how they can improve the delivery of services to the constituency, he said.

Bago City have surpassed the 2016 business revenue collections amounting to P16.5 million by collecting P20.2 million as of August, or an increase of P3.7 million or about 22.8 percent.

The City have implemented a total of P 105.5 million worth of either completed





Mayor Nicholas Yulo and Vice Mayor Ramon Torres (4th and 5th from left, front) with Councilors Jorge Araneta, Jozsef Dexter Somcio, ABC President Sergio Piansay, Mae Javellana, Ma. Josefa Matti (front row, l-r); Councilors Carlos Mondia, Allan Galunan, Cleo Gaudite, Danilo Famoso and Andrew Martin Torres (back, l-r).



Mayor Yulo and Vice Mayor Torres (front, center) with Barangay Captains Elvira Zulueta – Atipulan, Hermelinda Javellana – Lag-asan, Atty. Rosalina Isuga – Sagasa, Janet Yasay – Malingin (front, l-r); Hernani Abindan – Ilijan, Sergio Piansay – Poblacion, Michael Bernudez – Abuanan and Maria May Suarez – Tabunan (back row, l-r)

or ongoing infrastructure projects, and spent P25.8 million in the implementation of various water supply projects, he said.

They also plan to construct a 2-storey Jubilee Building where the first floor will be where the Sanggunian session hall will be located, while the ground floor will be an open space for meetings or conferences, he said.

Other points the Mayor mentioned in his address included city's major accomplishments including awards and recognitions, infrastructure development, provision of more health and education services, livelihood programs, and improved peace and order, among others.

"We continue to ask for the cooperation of our constituents especially in sustaining and flourishing these initial gains," Yulo said.

He also pointed out that Bagonhons are now receptive to the programs of the government and they just need a little more encouragement and support. /



Mayor Yulo (center) with First Lady Jeanne Louise Jalandoni Yulo and sister Mary Joan Yulo Rojas (right).





## Feature Story

### Catubay, Landero head Linggo ng Kabataan 2017



Girl Mayor Jie Ann B. Catubay with Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo

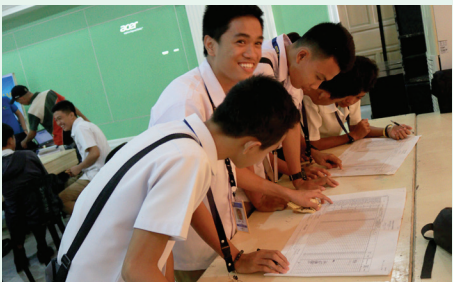


Girl Vice Mayor Christine Kaye A. Landero with Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres

Jie Ann Catubay of Ramon Torres Louisiana National High School and Christine Kaye Landero of the Our Lady of the Pillar Academy held the offices of City Mayor and City Vice Mayor respectively during the Linggo ng Kabataan (LnK) held in November 13-17, 2017 here at Bago City.

Seventy-three other boys and girls from the 9 public high schools and 5 private schools in the City; likewise, headed the different national and local offices in the City including that of the elected officials of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Orientation and Election of the student officials were held on October 20, 2017 at the Bago City Community



Center while their Oathtaking was conducted on Monday, February 13 at the MYTMCCC.

For a week, the student officials reported to their offices, observed and did actual work with their counterparts, had a tour of the City premises, and attended several fora on different topics and issues relevant to the life of young people, and on their responsibilities in their communities and the country.

The Girl Vice Mayor with the B/G SP Members conducted the week's session together with the regular members.

Last year's Linggo ng Kabataan was the 9th to be held under the administrations of former Mayor now,

Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres and the present Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo.

The activity responds to two of the mandates or gifts for children which are Development and Participation. It is greatly hoped that out of these activities young people can be developed to become concerned citizens and good leaders today and in the future.

The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) was the sponsor of the activity.

Funds in the conduct of the LnK was sourced from the 1% of the City's IRA as promulgated by DILG Memo Circular No. 2012 – 120 issued July 4, 2012.

/BMS





# Linggo ng Kabataan

November 13-17, 2017

## BOY & GIRL CITY OFFICIALS

OFFICE	NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL
Office of the City Mayor	Jie Ann B. Catubay	City Mayor	RTLOUISIANA-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Christine Kaye A. Landero	City Vice Mayor	OUR LADY OF PILLAR ACADEMY
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Renz Roland A. Ejcs	SP Member	RTSAGASA-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Isaiah Roem S. Gayares	SP Member	TALOC BAPTIST PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Aira Mae D. Arcilla	SP Member	RTTALOC-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Ynna D. Ramirez	SP Member	RTSAGASA-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Kyla Charm B. Emilia	SP Member	RTSAGASA-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Jim Ehmer Navarro	SP Member	RTSAGASA-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Marc Alfred Saylo	SP Member	RTNHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	MayloJean R. Garcia	SP Member	RTDULAO-NHS
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Jannoel D. Peduhan	SP Member	TALOC BAPTIST PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Jed Jorem Magbanua	SP Member	BROOKSIDE GARDEN ACADEMY
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Bobby A. Rodriguez III	ABC President	RTMALINGNI-NHS-ATIPULUAN EXT.
Sangguniang Panlungsod	Cathy S. Villaruz	City Secretary	RTNHS

## BOYS & GIRLS DEPARTMENT HEADS 2017

OFFICE	NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL
City Planning & Development Office	Meluny L. Bregariel	City Planning & Development Coordinator	RTLOUISIANA-NHS
	Mae Ann T. Guarra	Zoning Officer II - Designate (CPDO)	RTMALINGIN-NHS
Human Resource Management Office	Billie Joe D. Alicante	Human Resource Management Officer IV & City Admin. - Designate	OUR LADY OF PILLAR ACADEMY
City Treasurer's Office	Carl Louise G. Carsula	City Treasurer	RTMALINGIN-NHS
	Zyrl Joy T. Evangelista	Chief, License Division	RTLOUISIANA-NHS
	Jezreel B. Teodosio	Chief, Land Tax Division	SILOAM FAITH INSTITUTE, INC.
City Budget and Management Office	Ariane U. Galas	Chief, Cash Division	BROOKSIDE GARDEN ACADEMY
	Grace Ann L. Paris	City Budget Officer	RTMALINGIN-NHS
City Legal Office	John Loyd T. Luhan	City Legal Officer	RTLOUISIANA-NHS-BACONG EXT.
Office for Veterinary Services	Shaira Grace E. Arabelo	City Veterinarian	SILOAM FAITH INSTITUTE, INC.
Local Civil Registrar's Office	Fritz C. Apostolero	City Civil Registrar	RTTALOC-NHS
Office of the City Cooperative Officer/ TLDC Manager	Jexter J. Palma	City Cooperative Officer/TLDC Manager	RTSAGASA-NHS
Office of the City Engineer	Charity Kim V. Galea	City Engineer	TALOC BAPTIST PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
	James Richard R. Dingcong	Engineer IV	BROOKSIDE GARDEN ACADEMY
	Jay Lyn S. Barcelona	Engineer III	RTLOUISIANA-NHS-BACONG EXT.
	Aian Joi Pasco	Engineer III	RTDULAO-NHS
Office of the City Agriculturist	Danica Q. Gonzales	City Agriculturist	OUR LADY OF PILLAR ACADEMY
Office of the City Assessor	Reynaldo D. Victorama, JR.	City Assessor	RTDULAO-NHS
Office of the City Accountant	Je-Anne L. Pamilangco	City Accountant	RTTALOC-NHS
	Jezza M. Alaran	Barangay Accountant	RTMALINGIN-NHS-ATIPULUAN EXT.
General Services Office	Mike Angelo B. Oreta	City General Services Officer-Designate	RTMALINGIN-NHS-ATIPULUAN EXT.
Office of the City Social Services and Dev't. Officer	Ryza Jean Granada	City Social Welfare & Dev't. Officer	RTDULAO-NHS
	Roxan F. Ballenas	Social Welfare Officer I	RTLOUISIANA-NHS
Crisis Center	Aira Mae V. Jaro	Social Welfare Officer I	RTDULAO-NHS
	Faith Gabrielle L. Simora	Head, Crisis Center	RTLOUISIANA-NHS
City Population Office	Sophia Ysabelle F. Gico	City Population Program Officer	RTMSC-NHS
City Health Office	Antoinette L. Anacita	City Health Officer	BROOKSIDE GARDEN ACADEMY
	Leandre Laguerder	City Dentist	RTNHS
	Sharon Rose R. Algara	Nurse Supervisor-CHO	RTMALINGIN-NHS-ATIPULUAN EXT.
	John Carlo C. Oliveros	Public Health Nurse	BETHANY LIFE CENTER ACADEMY
	Sherilyn Grace Lucero	Public Health Nurse	SILOAM FAITH INSTITUTE, INC.
Bago City Hospital	Michael Angelo Montaña	Chief of Hospital	TALOC BAPTIST PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
	Kevin B. Moya	Administrative Officer, BCH	BETHANY LIFE CENTER ACADEMY
	Rolando Vargas	Head Nurse, BCH	BETHANY LIFE CENTER ACADEMY
Bago City College	Ma Therese P. Aguirre	College Administrator	OUR LADY OF PILLAR ACADEMY
	Angilyn C. Lachica	Chairperson, Technical Dept.	RTMALINGIN-NHS
Information Center for Environment (CMO)	Joshua Romano	Administrative Officer	BROOKSIDE GARDEN ACADEMY
	Althea Mae S. Eduria	SEMS/CSWMB Officer/CITY ENRO	RTLOUISIANA-NHS-BACONG EXT.
City Tourism Office	Benijan Niko F. Jeruta	Senior Tourism Operations Officer	RTNHS
Bids and Awards Committee	Lyann Ysabel Castillo	Senior Tourism Operations Officer	RTNHS
	Aj T. Jemilo	Head, BAC Secretariat	RTLOUISIANA-NHS-BACONG EXT.
City Mayor's Office	Janin G. Monibit	Records Officer IV	RTSAGASA-NHS
	Jouhan Earl Prestin	Executive Assistant III	BETHANY LIFE CENTER ACADEMY
	Jude C. Lomollo	Administrative Officer I	RTTALOC-NHS
Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs	Lilia Jean Garovillo	OSCA Head	SILOAM FAITH INSTITUTE, INC.
City DRRM (Disaster)	Enrique Olindo Servancia, JR.	DRRM Officer	BETHANY LIFE CENTER ACADEMY
Department of Education	Danica Rose B. Sueco	Schools Division Superintendent	RTMALINGIN-NHS-ATIPULUAN EXT.
	Chiny Calacat	Chief Education Supervisor, School Governance & Operations Division	SILOAM FAITH INSTITUTE, INC.
	Liezel Mitz Torrefranca	Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division	RTMSC-NHS
PNP	Jervin Ryan Olvido	Chief of Police	RTTALOC-NHS
	Trishia Ann Villahermosa	Women's Desk Officer	RTMALINGIN-NHS
	Anne Clarice P. Suelo	Police Officer (PNP-Admin)	OUR LADY OF PILLAR ACADEMY
Local Economic Investment and Promotions Office	Macy Alaine Albarico	Local Economic & Investment Promotion Officer (LEIPO)	RTMSC-NHS
Bureau of Fire and Protection	Jeri John O. Gonzaga	City Fire Marshal	RTMSC-NHS
Bureau of Jail Management & Penology	Chrisan Julag-ay	City Jail Warden	RTLOUISIANA-NHS-BACONG EXT.
Bago City Library	Ariane Claire L. Mediodia	City Librarian	TALOC BAPTIST PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



# 10 Years of Lights of Bago

**Photo Exhibit**  
**Robinsons Place - Bacolod**  
**January 5-12, 2018**

The City Government of Bago sponsored a photo exhibit at Robinsons Place- Bacolod to celebrate the 10 years of Lights of Bago known today as the biggest and grandest musical display in the province from January 5-12, 2018.

The 8-day exhibit was formally opened with a short program. Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres, and Councilors Ma. Josefa Y. Matti, Danilo U. Famoso, Ma. Femmy A. Martir, and Andrew Martin Y. Torres did the ribbon cutting.

The Bago City Employees Chorale rendered the prayer and the singing of the Philippine National Anthem. Boom, the official mascot of Bago with his dancers perform the Bago City jingle.

On January 7, Bago City home grown talents showcased their best in a show dubbed as "Bugal sang Bago." The program opened with the melodic Bago City Employees Chorale singing the prayer and the national anthem. The also led the all-star finale at the end.

It was followed by the Ma-ao Sugar Central Elementary School Ibaraki Performers who mesmerized the audience with their flutes playing Fireworks and Flashlight tunes. The all-female NBAF Crew set the stage on fire with their moves and grooves.

Munting Tinig Learning Montessori performers wowed the mall goers with their dance performances. The dancing partners Rica Ramos and Robert Vince Balboa, Shane Tenerife and Gienel Heires Fregil, and Jia Marie Torres and







Gene Manuel Torres amazed everyone with their gracefulness. The cute members who performed gymnastics creative dance won the nod of the crowd.

Bago City pride Lemrick John Villaflo, performed his original composition "Ginatago Lang," a local hit being played on MOR 101.5

Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School performed Visayan Folk Dances "Ohoy Alibangbang" and "Kuracha de Bago" made popular by Bagonhon Libertad Fajardo known as the Mother of Visayan Folk Dances.

ABS-CBN's disc jockey James King and Lin-ay sang Negros 2017 Angelica Esther Portugaleza hosted the program.







Photographers Billy Lopue, Jay Jallorina, Ronnie Baldonado, and Gary Lake Liza, hobbyist Ma. Rosalie D. Quinto, a Bagonhon in the USA, Provincial Tourism Officer Dr. Jennylynd Cordero, ABS-CBN's Leilani Salem-Alba, and Mary Christine Tomas of Robinsons Place served as judges of the photo competition.

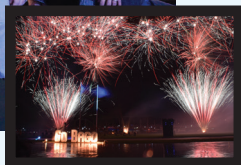
The winners were awarded during the closing ceremonies on January 12. The Bago City DRRM led by Dr. Merijene C. Ortizo also recognized the partners of the City in the conduct of Lights of Bago.







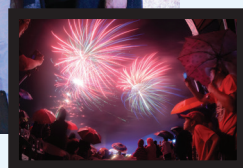
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035-A Quino Y. Yao



034-A Erwin T. Lim



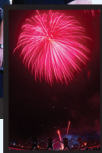
Runners Up



019-A Famelyn G. Villarias



021-A Jimbo Araneta



006-A John Kimwell Laluma



044-A Voltaire P. Siacor



039-A Romil R. Bernaje



Special Award



001-A Toni Rose Burgos



006-A John Kimwell Laluma



018-A Julie Andrew D. Varrera







007-B Ken Andrie A. Cezar



035-B Jenine P. Arnido



025-B Julie Jan G. Pahilanga



033-B Jannine Virgo



015-B Chelen D. Villanueva

Special Award



015-B Chelen D. Villanueva



001-B Ian Bel C. Lacson



006-B Florence Nichol Villanueva





December 18-20, 2017





### Ana Mae Galido

- 15 years old
- Grade VI-I
- Abuanan Elementary School
- Brgy. Abuanan, Bago City



Sponsor: CSSDO-Pantawid

Ana Mae Galido, 15 years old, is the 3rd among the six (6) children of Juanito and Analina Galido. Her father died in 2009, since then her mother has to work for the family. Her family usually has eggs, vegetables, or dried fish for meal. There are times that they have nothing on the table but rice. Her family also raises chickens and sells them in times of need. Her family is not a 4P's beneficiary.



### Charlene G. Segara

- 10 years old
- Grade V-Rose
- Alianza Elementary School
- Brgy. Alianza, Bago City



Sponsor: COOP

Charlene is a timid child from Barangay Alianza. She is the 5th among the seven (7) children of Rafael and Cecile Segara. Both her parents works in the sugarcane field. Their house is made of old bamboo, nipa and tarpaulin. They don't have any source of electricity. At night, the family uses an emergency light. Despite of the family's income and the assistance from the government, the family is financially hard up most of the time.



### Ryan Escalona

- 7 years old
- Grade II -2
- Atipulan Elementary School
- Brgy. Atipulan, Bago City



Sponsor: GSO

Seven years old, Ryan Escalona is a Grade II-2 student of Atipulan Elementary School. He is the oldest among the 3 Escalona siblings. Their house was built above a small water irrigation. Both his parents are farm workers. He and his cousin walk a 3-km of rough road to school. Whenever it is raining they have nothing to cover their selves with. He dreams to becoming a policeman someday.



### Jasmine Vicentino

- 10 years old
- Grade V-I
- J. Montilla Elementary School
- Brgy. Bacong, Bago City



Sponsor: LCR

Jasmine is the 6th among the seven (7) siblings of the Vicentino Family. Their family is living in one of the farthest barangays of Barangay in Bago City. Her parents are both natives of Barangay Bacong and work as sugarcane field workers. Her dream is to become a teacher for she wanted to help the children who are in need of learning.



### Cheryl Escaner

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-I
- Dr. P. F. Elizalde Elementary School
- Brgy. Bacong, Bago City



Sponsor: BCH-Nursing Services

Cheryl Escaner is a beautiful, brown-eyed young lady from Barangay Bacong. She is 9 years old and is currently in Grade IV-I. She is the second among the five (5) children of Michelle and Dennis Escaner. She dreams of working abroad in the future to overcome poverty.



### Jhemuel Lominoque

- 10 years old
- Grade V -I
- Bagroy Elementary School
- Brgy. Bagroy, Bago City



Sponsor: POPCOM-Library-OSCA

Jhemuel Lominoque is a polite and bright 10-year-old child of Barangay Bagroy. He is the eldest among the two (2) children of Leny and Joerge Lominoque. Jhemuel and his sister Jhemelyn, six (6) years of age, are under the care of their grandmother. He is considered a bright student for he ranks #8 in his class. He is also good in drawing.



### Charles Vicente

- 12 years old
- Grade II-2
- Dela Rama Elementary School
- Brgy. Balingasag, Bago City



Sponsor: Agriculture

Charles Vicente, 12 years old is the fourth child of Virgilio, Jr. and Chona Vicente. His father is 47 years old and a native of Barangay Balingasag. He works as a carpenter twice a week and earns P250.00 a day. Ten years ago, for an known reason, Charles's mother left them just three (3) days after giving birth to his youngest sister. His father took the responsibility of taking care of them ever since his mother left. Charles' dream is to become a policeman someday.



### Ronnie Lapore

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-2
- D. Benedicto Elementary School
- Brgy. Binubuhan, Bago City



Sponsor: BAC, CDRMO, Investment

Ronnie Lapore, 9 yrs.old is the 3rd among the four (4) children of Ronaldo and Anabel Lapore. His parents are natives of Barangay Binubuhan and work in a sugarcane field. He and his father have to walk three (3) kilometres of rough road amidst an array of sugarcane fields to reach the road proper. From there, Ronnie will take a ride in a tricycle for Php2.00 to school. He would like to become a policeman someday.



### Arjohn M. Muyo

- 11 years old
- Grade V-3
- M.L. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Busay, Bago City



Sponsor: CMO-Admin

Arjohn is a very determined, 11-year old Grade V-3 student of M. L. Araneta Elementary School. He is the only child of Roseni Muyo, 39 years old and used to earn her living as a laundry woman. At present, she has Tuberculosis and unemployed. His father, who now lives in Antique, was only known by his mother as "Joshua". Her mother has no knowledge of the real name of her partner. Arjohn's mother has never gone to school. Arjohn's dream is to become a Policeman someday so he could help his mother.





**Jemuel Alfonso**

- 7 years old
- Grade II-Faith
- T. Morada Elementary School
- Brgy. Calumangan, Bago City

Jemuel Alfonso, seven (7) years old, is the younger of the two sons of Edna Buenafe and Mariano Alfonso. He is currently a Grade II-Faith student of T. Morada Elementary School. He lives within walking distance from his school but has to cross the national highway which is quite dangerous for school kids. Young Jemuel wants to be a policeman someday.



Sponsor: CHO



**Mary Jane Mendoza**

- 8 years old
- Grade III -1
- Caridad Elementary School
- Brgy. Caridad, Bago City

Mary Jane Mendoza, eight (8) years old, is the 4th among the six (6) siblings. The Mendoza siblings are known for their very small body structure and are considered as one of the malnourished children in Caridad Elementary School. Her usual school allowance ranges from Php5.00-P10.00. Fortunately she is a School Based Feeding Program beneficiary. She dreams of becoming a pediatrician in the future.



Sponsor: T&DC



**Chloe Ann L. Alfara**

- 8 years old
- Grade III-4
- Maa Sugar Central Elementary School
- DJA, Bago City

Chloe Ann Alfara, eight (8) years of age is the eldest child of Jeremy Labrador and Eduardo Alfara. Her parents are separated. At present, she is under the care of her grandparents. She walks 2.5 kilometers walk amidst an array of sugarcane fields to school. Often times her teacher provides for her lunch. Despite of all of the difficulties, she ranks #6 in her class.



Sponsor: BCH



**Andrea B. Castillo**

- 10 years old
- Grade V-1
- Astro Farms Elementary School
- DJA, Bago City

Andrea B. Castillo is 10 years old and a Grade V student of Astro Farms Elementary School. She is the 3rd among the five (5) children of Arnold and Ana Mae Castillo. Both her parents work in the sugarcane field. As early as 6:00 in the morning, Andrea leaves home for school and walks 2-3 kilometers amidst the sugarcane field. She receives prizes from her teacher for her perfect attendance in school. She dreams of becoming a nurse so she could save lives in the future.



Sponsor: BCC-SSG



**Johanna Hershey Seban**

- 8 years old
- Grade III-A
- A.M. Espinos Elementary School
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Johanna Hershey Seban is the youngest of the two (2) children of Jona and Joeven Seban. Two years ago, her mother had a stroke and as a result suffered paralysis on the other half of her body. Johanna Hershey and her sister use plastic sheet as a cover whenever it rains. They leave early in the morning so they could start their four (4) kilometers journey amidst rice fields. Despite of all her hardships, Johanna still excels in her class. She ranks # 1. Her dream is to become a teacher someday so she could teach other children.



Sponsor: CHO



**Christine Joy Carmona**

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-1
- Guanzon - Balgos Elementary School
- Dulao, Bago City

Emelda Galvez and Delfin Carmona Jr. are the loving parents of Christine Joy Carmona, nine (9) years old and a Grade IV-1 student of Guanzon-Balgos Elementary School. Both Christine Joy's parents are sugarcane field workers. As early as 6:00 in the morning, she leaves home for school. Her dream is to become a teacher. Her parents dream is for her to finish her studies and be determined in reaching for her dreams.



Sponsor: Assessor



**Jay Jalea**

- 12 years old
- Grade VI-I
- I. Lucasan Elementary School
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Twelve years old Jay Jalea is the 4th among the six (6) children of Gemma and Joemar. Both her parents are farmers. As early as 6:00AM, she starts her journey to school. She has to walk for one (1) kilometer across a rice field and another two (2) kilometers to reach school. According to her teachers, she is always present in her classes even if sometimes she is not feeling well. Jay's dream is to become a doctor someday. For her, to finish her studies and help her family will make her happy.



Sponsor: Tourism



**Rochelle Maravilla**

- 10 years old
- Grade V-4
- V. Cauntyo Elementary School
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Rochelle Maravilla is the "Aling Maliit" of V. Cauntyo Elementary School. She is ten (10) years old and in Grade V-4. She is the 2nd among the five (5) children of Jemelyn and Rene Maravilla. She has to walk four (4) kilometers on her way to school. The rains do not hinder her from attending her classes. In spite of poverty, she dreams of becoming a flight attendant someday.



Sponsor: CSSDO



**Mary Chris Sarabia**

- 6 years old
- Grade I-2
- R. S. Abindan Elementary School
- Brgy. Ilijan, Bago City

Mary Chris Sarabia is a cute little girl living in Barangay Ilijan. She is the 4th among the eight (8) Sarabia siblings. The siblings are under the care of their grandparents including the 7- month old baby. Her parents left several months ago to work in Manila. She leaves early in the morning for school and walks two (2) kilometers to reach the Buenos Aires Mountain Resort. From there, she rides a tricycle to reach her destination. Mary Chris dreams of becoming a teacher in the future.



Sponsor: Budget





### Christian Toledo

- 12 years old
- Grade V-Venus
- Louisiana Elementary School
- Brgy. Ma-ao, Bago City

Christian Toledo, 12 years of age is the younger of the two (2) children of Retchel and Joebert Toledo. He is an orphan. His mother died eight (8) years ago while his father died on March 26, 2017. Though he walks his way to school, he is never late for his classes. He dreams of becoming a policeman someday.



Sponsor: SP



### Egelyn Sabiate

- 9 years old
- Grade III-4
- Maa Elementary School
- Brgy. Maa, Bago City

Egelyn Sabiate is a 9-year old "Aling Maliit" of Barangay Maa. She is the oldest among the four (4) Sabiate siblings. Sabiate's house is located above a compilation of a pile of big rocks in Purok Rene in the boundary of Barangay Bacong and Barangay Ma-ao. Her parents are natives of Barangay Ma-ao and work as sugarcane filed workers. She has to walk four kilometers to reach the road proper and walks another four (4) kilometers where she would take for a tricycle ride to school.



Sponsor: CEO



### Erica Montales

- 10 years old
- Grade IV-Jupiter
- C.A. Dormido Elementary School
- Pataan, Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Erica Montales, 10 years old is the 7th among the nine (9) children of Evelyn and Dan Montales. Both her parents are farm workers. Everyday she walks three (3) kilometers to school. Yet, she has never been late for school. Her dream is to become a teacher in the future.



Sponsor: Legal



### Sheila Mae D. Erpe

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-I
- Mailum Elementary School
- Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Sheila Mae is an 11-year old little girl from Alabang, Manila. In 2015, her family moved from Manila because of poverty. Her father, Ramy Erpe, is a native of Barangay Mailum. He is a sugarcane field worker and Her mother, Marivic, is a laundry woman. Sheila Mae ranks #11 in her class. She does her very best to study really hard so she could fulfill her dream of becoming a teacher someday.



Sponsor: CIO



### Rodel Tun-ugan

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-2
- R.M. Araneta Elementary School
- Lunao, Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Rodel Tun-ugan, 11 years old is the eldest son of Rosalinda and Rolando. Both his parents are natives of Barangay Mailum. His house, which is only about four (4) square meter wide, is three (3) kilometers away from his school. His dream is to become a teacher someday so he could teach and help the children.



Sponsor: CEO



### John Quirwen Ortalia

- 7 years old
- Grade I-I
- Jalsis Elementary School
- Brgy. Malingin, Bago City

John Quirwen Ortalia, seven (7) years old, is the younger of the two (2) children of Rhoda Ortalia and Quirwen Laguda. His parents are separated. He and his sister Rose Ann are under the care of their grandparents. He is good in reading and has good manners according to his teacher.



Sponsor: Nutrition ICE



### Joy Bantoto

- 12 years old
- Grade V-Manga
- B. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Napoles, Bago City

Joy Bantoto, 12 years of age, is the youngest of the nine (9) children of the late Hermogenes Bantoto and Ma. Luz. Joy and her siblings started to live on their own when their mother left them. Her older brothers support the family. Joy's dream is to become a teacher. Her siblings want her to finish her studies and to realize her dreams.



Sponsor: CTO



### Alexander Villaflor

- 11 years old
- Grade IV-I
- Dr. A.R. Sian Elementary School
- Brgy. Napoles, Bago City

Alexander is a very responsible and trustworthy son of Remia and Abelardo. His parents are high school graduates and work in a farm. As early as 6:00 AM he leaves for school to start his 2.5 kilometers journey across an array of rice field to school. His dream is to become a policeman so he could help his parents in the future



Sponsor: BCC TECHVOC



### Rey Joshua M. Tenerife

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-Enthusiasm
- R. M. Salas Elementary School
- Purok. Kamatis, Brgy. Pacol, Bago City

Rey Joshua is a bright and talented 11 years old Grade VI student of R. M. Salas Elementary School. He is the Filipino Editorial Cartoonist of his school. In November 2017 he was hailed as the champion in the Filipino Editorial Cartooning Competition held in the City. In the same month, he competed for the Regional Competition in Iloilo City. He is the 4th among the five (5) children of Pilita and Rez Tenerife. Both his parents work in a rice field. He dreams of becoming an architect in the future.



Sponsor: CPDO





**Rochelle Ann Hamias** Sponsor: Accounting

- 11 years old
- Grade V-I
- Sagasa Elementary School
- Brgy. Sagasa, Bago City



Rochelle, 11 years old is the 7th among the eight (8) children of Rita and Remy Hamias. Her parents are farm workers. Rochelle's parents have transferred residences several times in search of a greener pasture. Her house is located several kilometers from school. Due to distance, she and her brother leave the house at 6:00 in the morning to start their way to school. She dreams of working in an office someday.



**Dina Jonson** Sponsor: SP

- 10 years old
- Grade IV-4
- I. Makilan Elementary School
- Prk. Irigasyon, Brgy. Tabunan, Bago City

Dina Jonson is a cute 10-year old, morena girl from Purok. Irigasyon, Barangay Tabunan. She is the 3rd among the five (5) children of Norma and Dionisio Jonson. Her parents works in a farm. Dina always walks a three - kilometre of rough road, in an array of rice fields and a flower garden in her way to school. She dreams of becoming a nurse someday so she could help people in need.



**Jellena Llames** Sponsor: BCC-ADMIN

- 8 years old
- Grade III-5
- J. L. Araneta Elementary School
- Purok Baybay, Brgy. Taloc, Bago City

Jellena Llames, eight (8) years old is the second among the three (3) children of Gemma Llames of Purok. Baybay, Barangay Taloc. She was only two (2) years old when her mother entrusted her to her uncle's care. Jellena is a bright child. She excels and ranks #1 in class. Her dream is to finish her studies and become a nurse someday.



**Rio Fernandez** Sponsor: City Vet

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-Venus
- Newton Jison Elementary School
- Purok. Kamingawan, Brgy. Taloc, Bago City

Rio Fernandez is a 9-year old Grade IV student of Newton Jison Elementary School. He is the youngest among the four (4) children of Elna and the late Renando Fernandez. His mother is a laundry woman and sometimes works in a rice field to support the family. Rio dreams of becoming a policeman someday.



Barangays	Date	Time	Target Beneficiaries	Actual Beneficiaries
Paskwa Sang Pag-asa Kids	December 18-20, 2017	3 days	31	31
Inmates - BJMP	Thursday January 11, 2018	11AM	218	260
PWD & War Veterans	Friday January 12, 2018	10AM (MYTMCCC)	50 + 50	100
Brgy. Ma-ao	Monday January 15, 2018	2:00PM	90	100
Brgy. Atipulan		4:00PM	90	100
Brgy. Taloc	Tuesday January 16, 2018	2:00PM	90	100
Brgy. Calumangan		4:00PM	90	100
Brgy. DJLA	Wednesday January 17, 2018	2:00PM	90	115
Brgy. Alianza		4:00PM	90	96
Brgy. Balingasag	Thursday January 18, 2018	9:00AM	90	120
Brgy. Lag-asan		10:30AM	90	120
Brgy. Busay		3:00PM	90	128
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1370</b>



# Photo Gallery

## Photo Gallery



Mayor Nicholas Yulo celebrates his 57th birthday with the employees of the City Government last December 6.



Mayor Yulo delivers his Christmas message to the people of Bago during the lights-on ceremony at the public plaza last December 1.



Mayor Nikko joined by Vice Mayor Torres during a Pulong-Pulong held at Ramon Torres Malingin National High School.



Pulong Pulong at Barangay Dulao, Bago City with Mayor Yulo, Councilors Jorge Araneta, Joy Matti, and Cleo Gaudite, DepEd and Barangay Dulao officials led by Brgy. Captain Eliseo Carmona, Sr.



Mayor Yulo together with City Engineer Joenil Lavadia during a visit at the Bago City Public Market.



City officials visit New Bago City Slaughterhouse.



Mayor Nikko Yulo listen to BCC Administrator Dr. Gorgonio Parroco and Japanese guests after the MOA signing for exchange student program from OISCA Japan last September.



Mayor Yulo gave his message during the DILG- National Validation of Bago City for the SGLG award last August 23 with DILG Region XIII Officer Lolita Go.



Mayor Yulo welcomes to Bago City the evaluation team from the 1st National Organic Achievers Award who came to evaluate Pastor Jerry Dionson.



Mayor Yulo during the DepEd Musical Presentation organized by DepEd- Division of Bago City last August 24 2017.



Mayor Nikko in the presence of ABC President Sergio Piansay turn-over additional ammunition to Bago City PNP led by Police Chief Inspector Joeffer Cabural.



Mayor Nikko officiates the induction of office of the newly elected ERPAT (Empowerment and Affirmation of Paternal Responsibilities) Provincial Federation Officers last August 29.



Blessing and turn-over of one unit ambulance and one unit multi-purpose vehicle funded by the Province of Negros Occidental to Barangay Don Jorge Araneta led by Brgy. Captain Rosendo Locsin III last September 7, 2017.



City officials join Barangay Don Jorge officials during the blessing of water system facility in the said barangay.



Bago City officials led by Mayor Nikko Yulo during the blessing of the newly repaired roofing of Barangay Don Jorge Araneta Public Market last September 7, 2017.



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Mayor Yulo speaks before the City Employees during the flag raising ceremony in celebration of the Civil Service Month.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo join DepEd Officials led by SDS Ma. Lorlinie Ortillo during the blessing and inauguration of Bago City Senior High School last September 8.



Members of the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) with Mayor Yulo after the First Quarter Meeting on January 25, 2018.



Mayor Yulo and Vice Mayor Torres join the Family Week celebration last September 18 sponsored by the CSSDO at the City Coliseum.



Mayor Nikko in a dialog with tricycle drivers at the City Hall last September 19



Mayor Nicholas Yulo meets with the Presidents of Tricycle Operators and Drivers Associations regarding the new Road Safety Ordinance last September 19 at the Social Hall.



Thunderbugs Motorcycle Club visit Mayor Yulo in his office for the 45th Visayas Unity Ride on October 14 at Bantayan Park.



Mayor Yulo together with the Board of Directos of FilChi Love and Care Foundation Inc.



Mayor Yulo signs the marriage certificates of the 94 couples during the mass wedding held last September 18-22 at the Coliseum in celebration of the Family Week.



PWD members of Bago with Mayor Yulo, Secretary Manny Piñol of Agriculture and Governor Alfredo Marañon, Jr., during the turn-over ceremony of farm equipment last September 28.



Mr. Shigemi Watanabe tours Secretary Piñol and Mayor Yulo at the OISCA Sericulture Plant in Barangay Tabunan.



DA Secretary Manny Piñol visit the Negros Rice Processing Center in Tabunan.



Mayor Yulo with BM Victor Javellana, Ignacio Denila, Leo Dayot, and Roseller Monteras during the turn-over of boxing gloves and foul protector from Philippine Sports Commission Director for Western Visayas Art Puntevella.



City officials and board of directors of FilChi foundation congratulate the 1,200 graduates from the 24 barangays of the City during their 104th Commencement Exercises.



City officials welcome visitors from Municipality of Miag-ao led by Mayor Macario Napulan.



## Photo Gallery



Mayor Yulo and SDS Ortillo during the launching of Teen Center at Ramon Torres Louisiana National High School last July 21.



Opening of Purok Narra Water Supply System Level III at Barangay Malingin last August 1 attended by City and Malingin Officials.



Bago CDRRM Office with the Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor conduct Disaster Preparedness Information Dissemination for Federation of Bago City.



Distribution of livelihood projects to members of Bago City Market Vendors Multi Purpose Cooperative and Saklay Ko Bago by City officials and Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor.



Mayor Yulo with Coun. Andrew Torres, Ignacio Denila, Leo Dayot and Ruben Liansing during the Negros First Football League hosted by Bago City last July 30, 2017 at the Sports Center.



Vice Mayor Ramon Torres officiates the induction of officers of Dr. Alfredo Sian Elementary School last July 27.



Mayor Yulo speaks during the CLOA distribution at the Coliseum.



Members of the Green Warrior Movement paid Mayor Yulo a visit.



Mayor Yulo, City Agriculturist Carlito Indencia, and BM Javellana during the turn-over of farm inputs by PRISM to beneficiaries from Barangays Taloc, Busay, Dulao, Balingasag, Lag-asan, Sampinit, Calumangan, and Tabunan.



Pulong Pulong at Ma-ao Sugar Central Elementary School.



Vice Mayor Monet Torres during the Pulong Pulong at Barangay Sagasa.



Mayor Nikko joins the Mount Kanlaon Natural Park Festival dubbed as "Halad Kay Kang Laon" last 11 August 2017 at Sitio Guintubdan, Brgy. Ara-al, La Carlota City.



CCO, TLDC and PESO Manager Dr. Felicitas S. Acosido and staff Jessa Paras present to Mayor Yulo the special recognition given by the Liga ng mga Cooperative Development Officers sa Pilipinas (LCDOP).



City officials led by Mayor Nikko visit the Material Recovery Facility of Barangay Ususan, Taguig City.



Mayor Yulo joins the CENECCORD Lakbay Aral in Las Piñas where they meet with Senator Cynthia Villar last November 23.



## Photo Gallery



Aston "Mighty" Palicte retains his NABF Super Flyweight championship after knocking out former interim WBA world light flyweight champion Jose Alfredo Rodriguez in Texas last December 9.



Bago Athletics team win big in the Antique International Marathon 2017. Ann Magdalene Tubal- 10km Champion Women Open Category, Stephanie Soledad- 5km Champion Women Open Category, and John Elmer Valles- 5km Men's Open Division 2nd Runner Up. Their coach is Mr. Reynaldo C. Jolito.



The Bago DRRM conducts orientation on Road Safety to the tricycle drivers and operators in Bago City at the City Coliseum.



Coach Jenny Orcajada presents to Mayor Nicholas Yulo and ABC President Sergio Piansay the trophy of the Bago City Swimming Team as Champion during the 10th Mayor Zayco Cup Swimming Competition held in Kabankalan City last July 28, 2017.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo together with Negros Occidental Governor Alfredo Maraon, Jr., at the field demo of rice harvester at Barangay Napoles last November 14.



Turn-over of 20 units of two-way handheld radio equipment to the different barangay captains of Bago, the Bago City District Jail, and the Bureau of Fire Protection as part of the Early Warning, Monitoring, Surveillance of Hazards and emergency telecommunications of the City last November 20.



Beneficiaries of the Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) of the 4th District, Negros Occidental undergo Financial Management Training with Mr. Gerard Ray Abad from Department of Trade and Industry as speaker last October 18-19.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo and Vice Mayor Ramon Torres together with representatives from DSWD RO6, Provincial SWAD Office, DTI, SSS, CSWDO and MSWDO of the Fourth District during the opening of the Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) exhibit and two day 4th District SLP Summit at MYTMCCC which opened last October 18, 2017.



The City Government of Bago embarks with the construction of the 2- storey Jubilee Hall Building at the Bago City Hall compound last October 19.



The City Government of Bago through the CSSDO and the Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) is conducting Skills Training on Flower Arrangement at the VIP Room of MYTMCCC last September 11-12.



The City of Bago through the City Social Services and Livelihood Program and the Sustainable Livelihood Program conducted two Skills Training on Housekeeping for Buenos Aires Mountain Resort staff, Bago City Hospital Staff, and Crisis Center House Parents last August 24-25 and September 9-11, 2017 at Buenos Aires Mountain Resort.



**Batang Pinoy 2017 Visayas Games**  
November 10-16, 2017  
Dumaguete City

Ryle Simon Biadora  
Gold - 110m Hurdle, Silver - 400m Hurdle

Yessamin Carbonilla  
Gold - 2000m Walkathon

Shenny Enero  
Gold - High Jump

John Christian Pamatian  
Gold - 5000m Run, Silver - 800m Run

Flint Jara  
Gold - Boxing (50 kgs.)

Emma Jean Sevilla  
4th Place - 110m Hurdle - 400m Hurdle



A five-day Capacity Building Seminar on the Enhanced Electronic New Government Accounting System (eNGAS) and Electronic Budget (eBudget) System version 2. was attended by 11 employees from the City Accountant's Office and Budget Office of Bago City last December 11-15, 2017 at the Professional Development Center (PDC), COA Compound, Commonwealth Ave., Quezon City. Bago City is the first LGU in the Negros Occidental to implement the new version.





## Report on Utilization of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund

For the Quarter DECEMBER 31, CY 2017  
Province/City/Municipality BAGUIO

Particulars	LDRRMF		NDRRMF (PRIZES-GAWAD KALASAG)	From Other LGUs	From Other Sources	Total
	Quick Response Fund (QRF) 30%	Mitigation Fund 70%				
A. Sources of Funds						
Current Appropriations	P10,778,256.00	P18,945,013.82				P29,723,269.82
Continuing Appropriations (CO)		15,634,046.81				15,634,046.81
Prev. Year's Appropriations transferred to the Special Trust Fund		59,983,446.42	375,000.00			60,358,446.42
Transfers/ Grants				-	-	-
Total Funds Available	P10,778,256.00	P94,562,507.05	375,000.00	-	-	P105,715,763.05
B. Utilization						
Medicines		600.00				600.00
Food Supplies		-				-
Repair of Evacuation Center		-				-
Travelling Expenses		-				-
Other Repair and Maintenance		3,611,385.20				3,611,385.20
Trainings		1,272,791.04				1,272,791.04
Construction of Evacuation Center		-				-
CIP - Artesian Wells, Reservoirs, Pumping Stations & Conduits		81,000.00				81,000.00
Construction in Progress - Other Public Infrastructures		273,000.00				273,000.00
Motor Vehicles		2,830,250.00				2,830,250.00
Equipment		1,327,122.50				1,327,122.50
Transfer to Other LGUs		-				-
Total Utilization		P9,396,148.74				P9,396,148.74
Unutilized Balance	P10,778,256.00	P85,166,358.31	375,000.00			P96,319,614.31

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Prepared by:

**RUBY V. ABELLAR**  
City Accountant

Approved by:

**NICHOLAS M. YULO**  
City Mayor  
LCE, Chairman, LSB





### Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow

For the period December 31, 2017  
Province, City or Municipality: BAGO

#### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Cash Inflows:	
Collection from Taxes	P 51,745,194.62
Share from Internal Revenue Collections	176,512,815.00
Receipts from Sale of Goods and Services	14,426,010.21
Interest Income	-
Other Receipts	<u>32,678,902.78</u>
Total Cash Inflows	<u>P275,362,922.61</u>
Cash Outflows:	
Payments	-
To Suppliers/Creditors	P74,310,208.13
To Employees	146,781,248.51
Interest Expenses	-
Other expenses	<u>44,567,206.52</u>
Total Cash Outflows	<u>P265,658,663.16</u>
Net Cash Operating Activities	<u>P9,704,259.45</u>

#### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Cash Inflows:	
From Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	-
From Sale of Debt Securities of Other Entities	-
From Collection of Principal on Loans to Other Entities	-
From Proceeds from Dropping of PPE from Records thru payment of remaining book value(Lost Property)	-
Total Cash Inflows	-
Cash Outflows:	
To Purchase Property, Plant and Equipment	<u>P11,882,534.77</u>
To Purchase Debt Securities of Other Entities	-
Total Cash Outflows	<u>P11,882,534.77</u>
Net Cash Investing Activities	<u>P(11,882,534.77)</u>

#### Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Cash Inflows:	
From Issuance of Debt Securities	-
From Acquisition of Loan	<u>P5,129,368.70</u>
Total Cash Inflows	<u>P5,129,368.70</u>
Cash Outflows:	
Retirement/Redemption of Debt Securities	-
Payment of Loan Amortization	-
Total Cash Outflows	-
Net Cash Financing Activities	<u>P5,129,368.70</u>
Net Increase in Cash	2,951,093.38
Cash at the Beginning of the Period, October 01, 2017	<u>587,824,950.58</u>
Cash at the End of the Period, December 31, 2017	<u>P590,776,043.96</u>

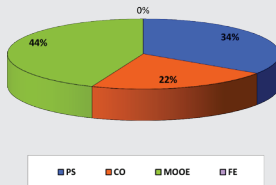


### Expenditures By Expense Class

For the period January 1 to December 31, 2017  
Republic of the Philippines

City of Bago

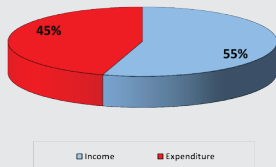
OFFICE OF THE CITY ACCOUNTANT



Expenditure Classification	Amount
Personal Services (PS)	305,318,199.49
Capital Outlay	193,845,305.98
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE)	389,893,010.27
Financial Expenses	164,453.37
Total	889,220,969.11

#### Income vs. Expenditures

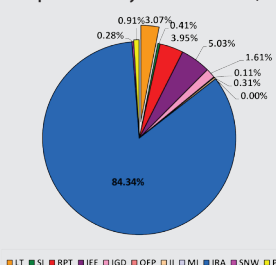
For the period January 1 to December 31, 2017



Classification	Amount
Income	841,337,668.74
Expenditures	695,188,126.31

#### Income by Source

For the period January 1 to December 31, 2017



Income Classification	Amount
Local Taxes (LT)	25,669,233.95
Service Income (SI)	3,411,652.03
Real Property Tax (RPT)	33,048,805.38
Income from Economic Enterprise (IEE)	42,122,880.22
Income from Grants and Donations (IGD)	13,469,199.33
Other Fines and Penalties (OFP)	918,516.13
Interest Income (II)	2,553,749.84
Miscellaneous Income (MI)	4,211,728.04
Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA)	706,015,251.00
Share from National Wealth (SNW)	2,313,630.00
Permit and Licenses (PL)	7,603,022.82
Total	841,337,668.74



### REPORT OF SEF UTILIZATION

For the Quarter December 31, 2017  
City of Bago

#### Receipt from SEF

P2,172,522.52

Less: DISBURSEMENTS (broken down by expense class and by object of expenditures class and by object of expenditure)

#### Personal Services

- Salaries and Wages-Regular
- Personnel Economic Relief Allowance (PERA)
- Clothing/Uniform Allowance
- Productivity Incentive Allowance
- Cash Gift
- Year End Bonus
- Life and Retirement Insurance Contributions
- PAG-IBIG Contributions
- PHILHEALTH Contributions
- ECC Contributions
- Other Personnel Benefits

#### Total

P2,172,522.52

#### Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses

- Travelling Expenses - Local -
- Training Expenses -
- Office Supplies Expense -
- Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants Expenses -
- Textbooks and Instructional Materials Expenses -
- Other Supplies Expenses -
- Water Expenses P81,293.32
- Electricity Expenses P1,748,665.86
- Telephone Expenses-Landline -
- Telephone Expenses-Mobile -
- General Services P3,213,600.00
- Janitorial Services -
- Security Expenses -
- Other Professional Services -
- Repairs and Maintenance - School Buildings -
- Repairs and Maintenance - IT Equipment and Software -
- Depreciation Expenses P265,487.64
- Discount on Special Education Tax P57,822.74
- Other Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses P2,592,577.40

#### Total

P7,959,446.96

#### Capital Outlay

P(17,002.64)

#### Financial Expenses

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#### Sub-Total

P7,942,444.32

#### Balance

P(5,769,921.80)

We hereby certify that we have reviewed the contents and hereby attest to the veracity and correctness of the data or information contained in this document.

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*Nicholas M. Yulo*  
NICHOLAS M. YULO  
City Mayor  
LCE, Chairman, LSB



**CONSOLIDATED QUARTERLY REPORT ON GOVERNMENT PROJECTS, PROGRAMS or ACTIVITIES**FOR THE 4TH QUARTER, CY 2017  
Province/City/Municipality BAGO

Program or Project	Locations	Total Cost	Date Started	Target Completion Date	Project Status		No. of Extensions, if any	Remarks
					% of Completion	Total Cost Incurred to Date		
SUPPLEMENTARY FEEDING PROGRAM	BAGO CITY	P4,923,600.00	4/20/17		92%	P4,513,300.00		on - going
DA ORGANIC RICE RATIONING PROGRAM	BAGO CITY	P197,250.00	11/10/17					new
IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIAL PENSION	BAGO CITY	P16,578,000.00	4/03/17		49%	P8,172,000.00		on - going / addtl. Appro.
DA - DIVERSIFIED FARMING THRU ORGANIC AGRIULTURE FOR MARGINALIZED FARMERS	BAGO CITY	P1,080,000.00	3/10/17		53%	P569,424.00		on - going
TESDA - PAYMENT OF TRAINING COST IN THE CONDUCT OF BUB 2014	BAGO CITY	P39,960.00	4/14/16		25%	P10,000.00		on - going
LGSF - LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM	BAGO CITY	P11,300,000.00	4/12/16		68%	P7,645,923.10		on - going
DILG - CONSTRUCTION OF GENDER SENSITIVE EVACUATION CENTER	BAGO CITY	P3,000,000.00	10/01/15		79%	P2,372,995.00		on - going / addtl. Appro.
DA SWINE CHAIN PROJECT	BAGO CITY	P250,000.00	6/17/15					
DA - KARABAG-O PROJECT	BAGO CITY	P2,424,551.43	1/22/15		65.94%	P1,598,801.43		on - going / addtl. Appro.
DSWD - SEED CAPITAL TO 4P'S BENEFICIARIES	BAGO CITY	P4,000,000.00	9/27/16		100.00%	P4,000,000.00		addtl. Appro.
LDRRMF - (SPECIAL TRUST FUND)	BAGO CITY	P106,158,569.97	2/01/13		48%	P51,304,027.09		on - going

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**MANPOWER COMPLEMENT**  
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Nature of Appointment or Employment	Number	Compensation and Other Benefit		Total
		Salaries and Wages	Other Monetary Benefits	
I. Permanent / Temporary	748/13	P41,255,378.79	P55,500,228.97	P96,755,607.76
II. Contractual / Casual	11/38	P1,403,675.32	P2,445,821.10	P 3,849,496.42
IV. Job Order/Contract of Service	1542/292	P14,227,300.00		P14,227,300.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>P56,886,354.11</b>	<b>P57,946,050.07</b>	<b>P114,832,404.18</b>

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## *Divata sang Bago 2018*

The Festival Queen Search

7:30PM • February 17, 2018 • MYTMCCC

# *Divata sang Bago 2018 Candidates*



*Antonette Anne G. Entera*



*Gly Jane P. Simon*



*Crissa May C. Pablito*



*Shiela Mae C. Magna*



*Kryzstar Angel P. Gustilo*



*Jacqueline L. Almogen*



*Diana Dawn S. Eirasas*



*Vina Marie S. Pena*



*Krizia Christine M. Romero*



*Marione Angel C. Dela Mirez*



*Klarence D. Gruy*



*Love Joy G. Bolisa*





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5PM | February 16, 2018 | Friday  
Bantayan Park, Bago City

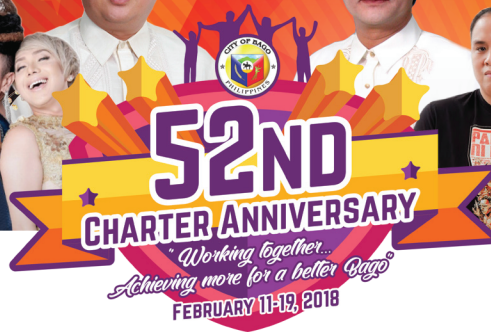




# Schedule of Activities

Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo

Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres



## 11 FEBRUARY 2018

**Alay Lakad**  
5:30 AM

## 12 FEBRUARY 2018

**Thanksgiving Mass**  
8:00 AM (St. John the Baptist Church)  
**Brookside Garden Academy Foundation Day**  
8:00 - 12:00 NN (MYTMCCC)  
**Lechon Festival**  
9:30 AM (Tourism Office Grounds)  
**1st Mayor's Cup Sitting Volleyball** Whole Day  
(St. John the Baptist Multi Purpose Center)  
**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair Opening Ceremony**  
4:00 PM (Bantayan Park)  
**"One Barangay, One Product"**  
**Opening Day**  
4:00 PM (Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Patik Baylan Competition**  
5:30 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Free Play Band**  
6:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Pal et Band and Sound Wave Band**  
6:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Opening Night with Vhong Navarro and Yam Concepcion**  
8:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Fireworks Display**  
9:00 PM (Bantayan Park - Bago River)  
**Rated PG Band Foam Party with DJ RBX**  
9:30 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)

## 13 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Jazz Night with Nancy Brew and Extrapolation/ Abyan Band**  
7:30 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Bachelor Band and Barbie Band**  
7:30 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)

## 14 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**City Government Employees Day with Donita Nose & Tekla** Whole Day (MYTMCCC)  
**Comedy Night at the Park with Donita Nose & Tekla**  
8:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Middle of the Road Band and Fertz Band**  
8:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Feedback Band and New Tone Band**  
8:00 - 10:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)

## Fireworks Display

10:00 PM (Bantayan Park - Bago River)

## Foam Color Party with DJ Van Ex and DJ MZ Jean

10:30 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)

## 15 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**DepEd Promenade** Whole Day (MYTMCCC)  
**Paindis-indis sa Pinakamanamit nga Linuto Himu sa Bugas**  
10:00 AM (Bantayan Park - Showroom Grounds)  
**3rd Spin Band and Rated PG Band with Joan, Marren, Ace, and Sylver**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Infinite Rhythm Band and Abyan Band**  
10:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)

## 16 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Skills Olympic**  
7:00 AM (Bantayan Park)  
**Boom Music Fest 2018 & Neon Foam Party**  
5:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Old School Band and Chakra Band**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)

## 17 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**1st Boom BMX Fest**  
10:00 - 4:00 PM (Bantayan Park Parking Lot)  
**Tatak Babaylan Arts Fest**  
9:00 - 7:00 PM (Activity Center- Octagon)  
**Diwata sang Bago with Ruru Madrid**  
7:00 PM (MYTMCCC)  
**13 Inch Band, Infinite Rhythm Band, and Nuno sa Punso Band**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Comedy Night with Sylver and Aya/ City Engineer's Band and Middle of the Road Band**  
9:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Fireworks Display**  
9:30 PM (Bantayan Park - Bago River)  
**Rated PG Band and Caliber M2 Band**  
10:30 PM (Festival Street)

## 18 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Butterfly Garden** Whole Day (DENR Compound)  
**"One Barangay, One Product"**  
**Best Product Search Judging Day** Whole Day (Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Gawad Bagonhon Awarding Ceremony**  
10:00 AM (MYTMCCC)  
**RTNHS Playground Demonstration**  
1:30 PM (MYT Sports Center)  
**Fantasia 2018**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**City Engineer's Band and Sound Wave Band**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**Cali Island Band and Vertical Band**  
7:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Middle of the Road Band and Rated PG Band**  
(7:00 PM Festival Street)

## 19 FEBRUARY 2018

**Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair** Whole Day  
(Barangay Booths, Bantayan Park)  
**Butterfly Garden** Whole Day (DENR Compound)  
**Farmer's Day** Whole Day (MYT Sports Center)  
**Charter Anniversary Parade**  
7:30 AM (Major City Streets)  
**Job Fair 2018**  
8:00 - 5:00 PM (Marhil Subd. Covered Court)  
**Babaylan Forum**  
**"Ang Pulong, ang Bulong"**  
9:00 AM (Bago City Community Center)  
**Babaylan Street Dance Competition/ Babaylan Stage Competition Awarding Ceremony**  
1:00 PM (MYTMCCC)  
**Chakra Band/ Verra Band/ Infinite Rhythm Band and Sound Wave Band With DJ Van Ex and DJ MZ Jean**  
6:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 1)  
**City Engineer's Band/ Sound Wave Band/ Feedback Band/ and Rated PG Band**  
6:00 PM (Bantayan Park Stage 2)  
**Infinite Rhythm Band/ Caliber M2 Band and 13 Inch Band**  
7:00 PM (Festival Street)  
**Parokya ni Edgar Free Concert**  
8:00 PM (Festival Street)  
**Grand Fireworks Display**  
10:00 PM (Bantayan Park - Bago River)



