PROVISION OF PROGRAMMES OR INITIATIVES TO ASSIST STUDENTS WHO FALL INTO THE BOTTOM 20% OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME GROUP IN THE COUNTRY TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THEIR STUDIES

TSU OGAD, SFAU launch Project DIEMS

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Tarlac State University's Office of Gender and Development, in partnership with the Scholarship and Financial Assistance Unit, launched Project DIEMS today (November 17) at the ground floor of the Student Center, Lucinda Campus.

DIEMS, which means Diversity, Inclusivity, and Equality for the Marginalized Scholarship, is an initiative that aims to financially assist students who are solo parents, indigent, and those belonging to Indigenous Peoples communities. The selected students will be supported every semester until they graduate as long as they maintain passing grades without incurring any incomplete grade (INC).

TSU President Dr. Arnold E. Velasco reminded the recipients how lucky they are to be chosen as scholars.

"Napakapalad po ninyo mga anak because wala pong scholarship noong time namin. Be a dreamer—walang dahilan para hindi ninyo matapos ang inyong pag-aaral. Huwag ninyong sayangin itong opportunity na binigay ng GAD sa inyo. The greatest gift that you can give your life is for you to finish your studies. Walang makakapag-limit sa mga pangarap ninyo," he said in his message.

Vice presidents Dr. Jasper Jay N. Mendoza and Atty. Gherold C. Benitez also shared words of support for the project.

Former OGAD Director Dr. Rita E. Pulmano, the initiative's main proponent, shared that she pushed for the approval of the DIEMS project before her retirement.

"Although retired na ko, andito pa din ako supporting this project and all the advocacies and endeavors of the Gender and Development Office," she said.

Moreover, she also imparted words of encouragement to the marginalized students.

"We all experienced the same struggles when we were studying, but we did not stop. Those struggles, those experiences have made us stronger. 'Yun 'yung mga ginamit nating paraan to continue life and to say to ourselves na, 'Malalampasan mo 'yan. Darating ang panahon, magiging maganda din ang buhay ko.' But never compare yourself to others," she reminded.

Dr. Pulmano was invited to give a seminar on gender equality. She talked about SDG 5 (Gender Equality), including its targets and goals, barriers, and driving progress towards gender equality.

In her closing remarks, OGAD OIC-Director Prof. Christine Janelle M. Santiago said this scholarship is one of the ways that will bridge the gap between inequality and development.

"This is not just a program but a promise that no learner will be left behind—that every dream deserves a chance, that opportunity must never be determined by any circumstance. Let this opportunity fuel your determination na maabot natin ang ating pangarap. You are not defined kung saan ka nanggaling," she said.

Present also in the event are Student Affairs and Services Institutional Student Program and Services Asst. Director Dr. Dexter Manzano, SFAU OIC-Head Ms. Sarah Gonzales, OGAD Unit Head Prof. Jovy Tomas, and representatives from the Cashiering Unit. (jlm-OPA)

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TSU FACILITATES STIPEND RELEASE FOR FIRST BATCH OF NINOY AND CORY AQUIUNO FOUNDATION, INC.



On October 23, 2025, the Scholarship and Financial Assistance Unit (SFAU) of Tarlac State University facilitated the stipend release for the first batch of seven (7) Ninoy and Cory Aquino Foundation, Inc. (NCAF) Scholars at the TSU Cashier's Office.

The activity aims to provide financial assistance to deserving TSUians under the NCAF Scholarship Program, reaffirming the Foundation's commitment to supporting education and empowering youth through academic opportunities.

Through this partnership, TSU and NCAF continue to uphold their shared goal of fostering academic excellence and nurturing future leaders guided by integrity and service.

This initiative reflects both institutions' dedication to creating meaningful opportunities for students to pursue higher education and contribute to nation-building.

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EMPOWERING SCHOLARS THROUGH SUPPORT AND OPPORTUNITY



The successful stipend distribution for twelve (12) San Andres Farm scholars on October 10, 2025, reflects the university's steadfast commitment to supporting students' educational pursuits through meaningful financial assistance.

This initiative exemplifies the shared dedication of the university and its benefactors to promoting accessible, equitable, and empowering education for all learners.

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PAFCPIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM STRENGTHENS SUPPORT FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOLARS



On September 4, 2025, the Philippine Army Finance Center Producers Integrated Cooperative (PAFCPIC) Scholarship Program released financial benefits including stipends, graduate allowances, Latin honor incentives, and summer allowances to 39 deserving scholars.

This decisive action demonstrates PAFCPC's steadfast commitment to fostering academic excellence and honoring the hard work and achievements of its grantees

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CHED Tulong Dunong Program’s Scholars Receive their Stipend



One hundred fifty-two Tarlac State University students received their stipend for the first semester of the academic year 2024–2025 under the Commission on Higher Education's Tulong Dunong Program.

The CHED TDP ceremonial payout was held today (November 7) at the TSU Gymnasium through the Scholarship and Financial Assistance Unit.

"This 'tulong' is not a charity, it is a recognition of your 'dunong'—an investment in your potential and a partnership in the leader you are becoming. You all earned this," Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Jasper Jay N. Mendoza said in his message.

The funding for this scholarship program is an initiative of Senator Christopher Lawrence 'Bong' T. Go.

Present during the event were key TSU officials, including TSU President Dr. Arnold E. Velasco, Vice President for Administration Atty. Gherold C. Benitez, Student Affairs and Services Director Dr. Gladie Cabanizas, and SAS Assistant Director Dr. Dexter L. Manzano.

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