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PSA awards 2nd batch of birth certificates to beneficiaries under BRAP



Helen L. Adolacion, Officer-in-Charge (2nd right) and Faith F. Rocamora, Statistical Specialist II (1st right), of NCR PSO II lead the Awarding of 2nd batch of Birth Certificate at Bgy. Pansol, Quezon City, together with Quezon City District Councilor Albert “Chuckie” Antonio.

QUEZON CITY, Philippines – The Philippine Statistics Office National Capital Region Provincial Statistical Office II (PSA NCR PSO II) continue to serve and help Quezon City residents to register their Certificate of Live Birth (COLB) under the Birth Registration Assistance Project (BRAP) to have a name and nationality.

A total of 854 people successfully registered their birth records through BRAP, with 11 individuals receiving their first-ever copy of birth certificates in security paper on June 7, 2024, and 20 others scheduled for awarding in July 2024, wherein Councilor Antonio always extend a helping hand specially in notarial services to pertinent documents needed for late registration.

BRAP, a joint project of the PSA and the Quezon City Civil Registry Office that began in February 2022, aims to extend its services to members of marginalized communities, Indigenous People, Muslim Filipinos, the poorest sector of the country, person living outside of their birth place, and senior citizens by registering their births and providing them with copies of their birth certificates in security paper (SECPA) free-of-charge.

Birth certificates are vital as it is one of the primary requirements in school enrolment, passports and job applications, among others.

“May mga nagtatanong kung may bayad ba itong BRAP, para po sa kaalaman ng lahat, itong BRAP ay walang bayad, ito po ay libre. Usually po kasi kapag delayed registration may bayad, pero sa BRAP, waived ang mga fees,” says Loralie O. Pagtakhan, Birth Registration Coordinator.

The awarding of the Certificate of Live Birth (COLB) is a result of the campaign to improve the civil registration aligned with the goals of the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) Decade for 2015–2024.

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