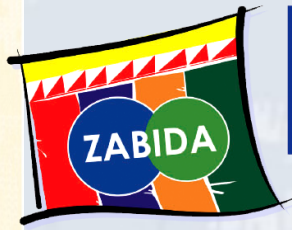


MINDANAO WEEK OF PEACE 2020

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Zamboanga City

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#MWOP2020 Edition



#MWOP2020: CONTINUING THE PEACE ADVOCACY AMIDST THE CURRENT PANDEMIC

The Peace banners are on the road. Security sector join effort during the Pre Mindanao Week of Peace 2020

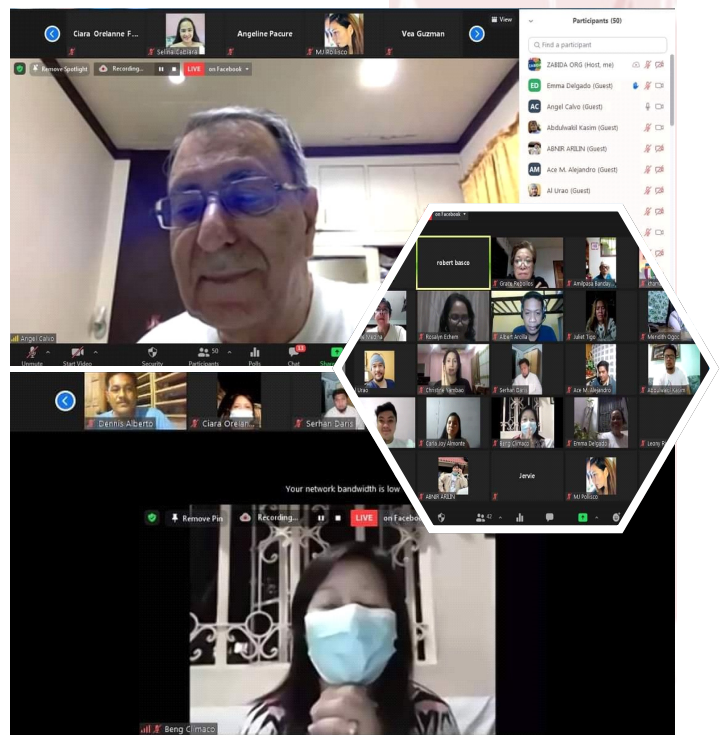
ZAMBOANGA CITY COMMENCED WOP2020 WITH A VIRTUAL OPENING CEREMONY

Zamboanga City — ZABIDA family with Mayor Beng Climaco-Salazar and Ka-Peace! from various partnering organizations and interreligious communities joined the first ever Virtual Opening Ceremony of the Mindanao Week of Peace last November 26, 2020, after more than 2 decades of parade in Zamboanga City.

Pursuing the gains in peace and security while valuing the collective efforts in this time of the COVID 19 pandemic, the Annual Mindanao Week of Peace commemorated its 23rd year of observance with the theme: Continuing the Peace Advocacy amidst the current Pandemic.

Over the years, the Week of Peace celebration served as a platform of convergence and solidarity in the significance of peace in Mindanao and the entire country.

as it face the challenges of the new normal, the peace advocacy continues on to the path of greater value of humanity, respect amidst diversity, self-sufficiency and resiliency.



ISABELA CITY KICKED-OFF Week of Peace 2020 with “HAPISABELA TRYKE FOR PEACE”

Dec 29 — Nagdilaab Foundation Incorporated in partnership with the local government of Isabela Basilan hanged artworks of youth and children depicting peace on tricycles who are serving commuters and are mobiles of economy in the locality. This is how they welcomed the observance and celebration of the Mindanao Week of Peace this year.

Isabela City Tourism Officer, Mr. Claudio Ramos II and realized through stakeholders collaborative efforts and support of the City's Lady Executive, Hon. Sitti-Djalila Turabbin Hataman. The event was as symbolic as the pictures drawn on paper and as colorful as the stories of peace it carries and graced by representatives from different government agencies, religious sector, CSO's and the Executive Director of Nagdilaab FOUNDATION Incorporated herself, Ms. Miriam L. Suacito.



to our FRONTLINERS: We “THANK YOU”

Nov 26 — The Opening Ceremony of the Mindanao Week of Peace 2020 paid tribute to the front liners that was conducted in 5 hospitals in the city and a check-point in Barangay Calarian. A simple token of gratitude was distributed by select partner-barangays and Interreligious Solidarity for Peace convener.

Muchas Gracias to our front liners in Zamboanga City Medical Hospital, Ciudad Medical Hospital, West Metro Medical Center, Universidad de Zamboanga Medical Center, Brent Hospital, our select Convenio 3 Partner-Barangays and the Markaz At-tarbiyatul Islamiya of Ustadz Abdulwakim Kasim. In solidarity with our front liners they handed over a token and well wishes as we continue our [#Journey-ForPeace](#) advocacy in this time of pandemic.

The Philippine Information Agency - Regional Office IX (PIA Western Mindanao) also joined this meaningful activity.



INTERRELIGIOUS SOLIDARITY FOR PEACE ON MWOP 2020



CONTINUING OUR PEACE ADVOCACY AMIDST THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC

Since early this year, we have seen the dreaded COVID 19 virus touch off a dark wave of casualties in our communities and the whole world. It has not discriminated between young and elderly, rich and poor, and swept across our nation with victims of a unique kind of war largely in the realm of health. In a world that is full of diversity – religiously, ethnically, socio-economically – it has led to more stresses, heightening tension because of shifts in our usual lifestyles and forms of expression. Indeed its consequences have been far-reaching and deep.

We have been ushered into the new normal - a new consciousness of protection and way of doing things. It has become a duty to keep the hands clean and disinfected, to wear face masks and shields. Now the term “social distance” has become the new mantra. Air hugs, fist or elbow bumps, or the Wuhan shake (touching feet) have taken the place of the handshake. And to further avoid contact, we more frequently resort to hand gestures like the V of peace, the “namaste”, the finger heart, and even the shaka (rotating the thumb and pinky). All these show that we have tried to sustain our solidarity through friendly salutation and the basic desire to maintain the goodwill despite the pandemic.

Yet the challenges of COVID 19 have forced upon us the need to respond more decisively to the serious widespread effects of ill health and economic losses. For Muslims, Christians, indigenous communities, and everyone, the effects have been unselective - low or no income, the hunger, the emerging marks of severe economic recession, with some driven to acts of desperation, depression, and even self-destruction. To match these, the efforts of our government authorities, civil society, the business sector, and various other supportive groups and individuals have been tremendous. Despite our resource constraints their responses have been life-giving. Consider the sacrificial efforts of our frontline workers battling in the zones of health care and public service, including food security, education, and transportation. As one, we note how all of our society now comes together to heal, stand and deliver, trying to contribute to cushioning the impact of these adversities.

This year’s celebration of the Mindanao Week of Peace stands out for its grave challenges to our common notions of peace. It is not the final stillness of the graveyard, but a dynamic peace that synergizes the multi-dimensional forces of good. It is a divine gift that impels us to move through the many questions that confront us all in these days of the pandemic. It is a peace that responds to the questions of many vulnerable communities desperately calling for compassion and social responsibility to help them not to be hurt further. How are we to help ensure their access to essential health services? How are we to help them cope with adversity, recover economically, and move toward greater resiliency? This is our peace.

The walk for peace continues in Zamboanga Hermosa today and everyday. It is ours to share.

- A STATEMENT IN OBSERVANCE OF THE MINDANAO WEEK OF PEACE 2020

SOLIDARITY AND HISTORICAL JOURNEY:

Conceptualization of Mindanao Week of Peace

Nov 27 — Interreligious Solidarity for Peace (ISP) Executive Committee and its Conveners gathered and unveiled the Solidarity marker of Commemorative Plaque at Zamboanga State College of Marine Sciences and Technology (ZSCMST). The marker symbolizes the commemoration of the first formal collaboration of muslim, christian and religious community in 1997. Fr. Angel C Calvo, CMF Lead Convener of ISP and Chairperson of ZABIDA ended his speech with a reminder to all the main message of the Mindanao Week of Peace "Solidarity for peace...Let us speak peace"

The ISP paid gratitude to Dr. Jaime G Jalon, President, ZSCMST, Pendatum Talib, IP Leader of Sama-Bangingi, Prof. Ali T. Yacub, Al-Hj - ISP lead Convener, Muslim,

Mr. Avelino Sulit -Evangelical, ISP member, Mr. Jaafar Kimpa - ISP member, Dr. Lagbas - ISP member, Engr. Al Urao - Interfaith Council, Engr. George Jocutan - NCIP, Shiekh Abduwakil Kasim - MAI-UCZP, Atty. Jose Manuel Mamauag- ZABIDA Board Member, Nasir Usman -IPCL, and Joan Coroneel -ISP core group member of Barangay Tugbungan

Brenda Castillo - ISP core group member of Barangay Malagutay who rendered their time today to witness this historical activity.



Masjid-Church disinfection and Sani-Sink distribution, ZABIDA COVID-19 Response

As we continue our [#JourneyForPeace](#), these activities are in preparation for the gradual opening of places of worship to the public organized by Interreligious Solidarity for Peace (ISP).

The disinfection took place at: Jaafar Mosque, Iglesia ng Dios para Hesu Cristo, One way Outreach and Tugbungan Alliance Church (CAMACOP)



#MWOP2020: "YOUTH-MOVE ON VALUING EARTH"



In preparation for the November 29, 2020 activity "You-MOVE (Youth Movement on Valuing the Earth)"

Turnover of Vegetable Seeds from OCA through Ms. Carmencita Sanchez, City Agriculturist.

Facilitated by Chariza Gregorio, DRRM-Environment Coordinator.



54 Bgy SK Council held simultaneous E-Care action

Nov 29 — Sanguniang Kabataan (SK) from various Barangays in Zamboanga City simultaneously took part in a clean-up drive as an Environmental Care action dubbed as YOU-MOVE or "Youth Movement on Valuing the Earth", spearheaded by ZABIDA-YSP in collaboration with partners from BFP, Triskelion Tau Gamma Phi, Tyro Gyn Phi Lambda Gamma and other kids-youth organizations, among the activities conducted are



Coastal, river and street clean-up, Garbage bin deployment, vegetable planting, etc.

Participating LGUs highlighted in line with the observance of this year's Mindanao Week of Peace are Barangays Ayala, Tugbungan, Camino Nuevo, Recodo, Lapaz, Tumaga, Guisao, Pamucutan, Cawit, Zone-3, Cabatangan, Sinunuc, among others.



50 WOMEN come together, talk Peace

| November 29, 2020 |

Bp.Querexeta Formation Center, Isabela City, Basilan —WOMEN in the context of the Quran and the Bible: A Conversation. A Celebration.

Some 50 women from different organizations and sectors come together in solidarity, sharing Stories of their faith and religion, citing similarities and celebrating those. The 4th day of the Mindanao Week of Peace 2020 was held and designed especially for the inclusion of women in in-depth talks as it is today.

Women in the Quran was tackled by Dr. Al-sad Sattar from the Basilan Ulama Supreme Council and Women in the Bible was discussed



by Sr. Luciana Arana,

OND. The sessions indeed casts understanding and appreciation of both Muslim and Christians.

Nagdilaab Foundation Incorporated, Ms. Miriam L. Suacito states in her message, that this activity doesn't mark the first and last, hence, first of the many.. Lady Executive of the City of Isabela de Basilan, Hon. Sitti Djalila Turabbin-Hataman shared in her message, her high hopes amidst this pandemic, and also her knowledge of the 3 most revered women in the Quran who also has its counterpart in the Christian Religion..

This event served as a gathering of the multi-facets of women in the society as religion, beliefs, culture and tradition provides.

KKI's Tanglaw Buhay, Guhit Pinas Creative art session

This WOP activity is in collaboration with young artists from Guhit Pinas - Zamboanga given to the girls of Tanglaw Buhay Center of Katilingban Sa Kalambuan, Inc. wherein they were taught basic sketching, lines and shapes.



15 BHERTS, GAs underwent Reflection Session

Dec 3 — Pause and Reflect Session for the 15 Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERTS) together with the Line Agencies which includes Maam Maria Christine Lim (HEPO-CHO), Maam Ginagene Vaño-Uy (City DILG), Mr. Sammy Jammang (DOH) and Engr Al Urao (Office of the City Mayor). This is the first of the two pause and reflect session to be conducted by ZABIDA USAID ReachHealth.

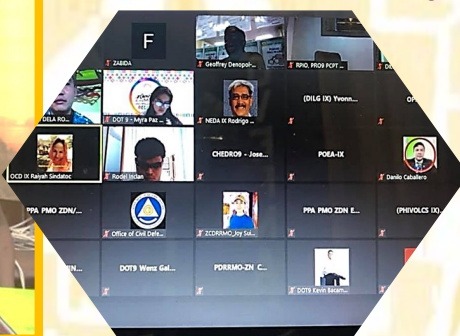
This pause and reflect activity will focus on the concept of CLA (Collaboration, Learning and Adapting). This activity was done last December 3, 2020 at Crystal Ballroom, Grand Astoria Hotel, Zamboanga City.

This activity is made possible by support from USAID in partnership with RTI, Zamboanga Basilan Integrated Development Alliance (ZABIDA), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the City Government of Zamboanga.



4th Quarter Virtual Meeting on Disaster Preparedness

Dec 2 — the RDDRM IX of the DILG - Regional Office IX called together the members of the Committee on Disaster Preparedness. The meeting was participated by the Governance Team component led by Khamar Amsain, Program Coordinator together with Chariza Gregorio, DRRM Coordinator.



Women encouraged NewNow EntrePEACE!, Understanding Online business



Dec 01 — 30 women entrepreneurs participated in a one-day seminar on understanding online platform for business and catching up with the New Normal.

The activity held at Grand Astoria Hotel dubbed as 'EntrePeace'. acknowledging Peace is not just the absence of war or violence.

We believed building small businesses and making them competitive in using the new platform is one of the most effective ways to rebuild lives and support communities to live in peace.

This initiative is with support from the FSP, DTI and DICT. special thanks to those who shared the vision and success stories in the NewNow with Ms Christine Faith Baltazar of Sweets Necessities

and Miss Christine Mae Balais, Gold Director of USANA Health Sciences Inc.





EntrePeace socmed biz via ZOOM

Legalities, tips, and experiences through stories on online businesses are discussed via zoom by respected speakers and young entrepreneurs Christine Mae Balais and Garry Micubo of DTI, ZCO.

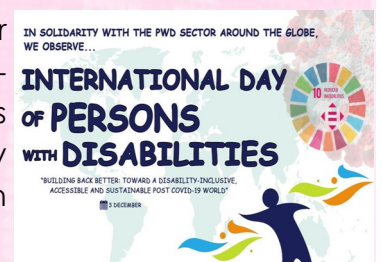
ZABIDA on online GAD advocacy

ZABIDA strengthens its advocacy on Gender and Development, rights education, among others through online platform reaching out to social media for awareness and promotion.



International Day of Person with Disabilities

Dec 03 — We observe the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The PWD is one of our priority sectors in ensuring that their agenda is realized and heard by the duty-bearers through partnership.



YSP held Virtual Peace CAMP, Empowering the Youth amidst Pandemic

Dec 11— ZABIDA with Youth Solidarity for Peace opens the Youth Virtual Peace Camp 2.0 with Barangay Partners (Ayala, Malagutay, San Jose Gusu, San Roque, Campo Islam, Tumaga, Tugbungan, Tolosa, Lanzones) in spirit of the Week of Peace Celebration 2020 and the efforts to empower Youth engagement during these times of pandemic.





ZABIDA reached Pangapuyan Island, celebrated Human Rights Day

Dec 07—Observance of Mindanao Week of Peace and Human Rights Day 2020 through reaching out indigent communities in Island Barangays of Zamboanga City.

Joining the out reach activity of the the Marine Battalion Landing Team-11 and other stakeholders. The ZABIDA is supported by Manos Unidas and AECID.



Lamitan CSWD, LGUs gathered for International Day of HUMAN RIGHTS

Dec 09 — Sectoral Group leaders composed of Women, Youth, Children, Persons With Disability, Farmers and IPs from the partner Barangays of #NagdilaabFoundationInc. in Lantawan, Maluso Municipality and Lamitan City, Basilan, together with our partner duty bearer from the Lamitan City CSWD Office gathered yesterday, December 9, 2020 at Bp. Querexeta Formation Center to join the online seminar hosted by Zambaonga Basilan Integrated Development Alliance (ZABIDA) in solidarity with the International Day of Human Rights, December 10, 2020. The gathering thru Zoom platform was also joined by the different stakeholders in Zamboanga City.



In Solidarity with the defenders of Human Rights and the marginalized sectors around the world, we observe...

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HUMAN RIGHTS

"RECOVER BETTER - STAND UP FOR HUMAN RIGHTS"

10 DECEMBER



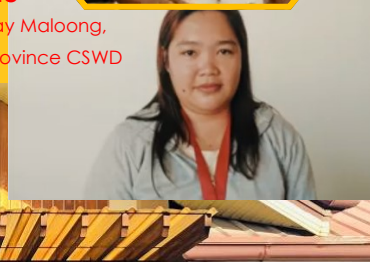
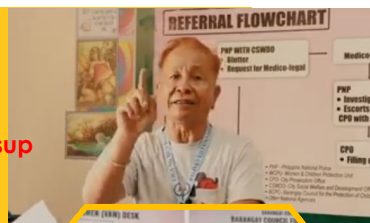
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