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**STORE HOURS**  
Tenants open on March 24, 2020

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Your Safety Matters

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**RESTAURANTS TO REMAIN OPEN**  
Tenants open on March 24, 2020  
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Your Safety Matters

## DTI's SSF LIKHA Fab Lab makes face shields for frontline workers



As the number of COVID-19 cases increases in the country, there is also an increasingly growing concern about the lack of personal protective equipment for our frontline workers. Thus, the Lab-

space for Innovation, Knowledge-Honing and Application (LIKHA) Fab Lab of the Batangas State University, together with the Department of Trade and Industry Region 4-A, is manufacturing face

shields using 3D printed face bands and acetate films for our health workers as communities from makers and Fab Labs in and outside the Philippines are collaborating for this endeavor. **Cont. on Page 2**

# CARD thrift bank opens 34th branch in Bacoor

CARD SME Bank, a thrift bank under the CARD Mutually Reinforcing Institutions opened its 34th branch in Bacoor City on February 24, 2020.

Establishing branches in different parts of the country is one of CARD SME Bank's key strategies to make its products and services accessible to mSMEs or micro, small, and medium enterprises and to other businesses and individuals that may require them. "Expanding to Bacoor will enable us to reach our goal of serving more mSMEs through our micro and SME loan products. With each branch we open, we strive to provide opportunities for aspiring entrepreneurs in the country to grow their business and uplift their lives," said CARD SME Bank President and CEO Aristeo A. Dequito during the branch opening.

He also added that other prod-

ucts and services of the bank such as savings accounts and remittance will be available in the newly opened branch. "This is our sixth branch in the province of Cavite. We have seen the potential and development of our clients here and it's the time to respond closely to the growing needs of our microentrepreneur clients," Dequito concluded.

The branch opening was also attended by CARD SME Bank Executive Vice President and COO Cynthia B. Baldeo and CARD MBA President Flordeliza Cristobal. CARD MRI clients and staff, representatives from the local government unit, and other members of the community were also present.

Since its establishment in 2011, CARD SME Bank has a total of 975,070 clients with 319 offices and 34 branches nationwide.



CARD SME Bank opens newest branch in Bacoor City to serve mSMEs. Leading the ribbon cutting ceremony are CARD SME Bank President and CEO Aristeo A. Dequito and CARD MBA President Flordeliza Cristobal.



EDITORIAL: Stock up on this

It is easy to get disheartened by what is going on. The global pandemic continues to wreak havoc on many countries. It has reached home, threatening our way of life.

With the announcement Monday night of an enhanced community quarantine covering the entire Luzon, Filipinos, already reeling from fear and worry, also find themselves adjusting to the drastic situation where only limited services are available and public transportation is nonexistent.

Social distancing, which we hope results in flattening the curve of the virus' spread, has unfortunately highlighted the gaps between rich and poor Filipinos.

For example, a stark reminder of this inequity is an Instagram post by a socialite showing several grocery carts, all full to the brim, and a rather callous caption that said "Very good, my yayas and chef! Need to stock up!" The post was roundly criticized, and rightly so.

But there is one commodity everybody needs to stock up on amid the crisis we now face. That commodity is gratitude.

We are thankful to health workers and volunteers, as well as other frontliners, who brave the risks posed by exposure to COVID-19 so they can continue to be of service to others. Some volunteers stay on despite an order to pull out of duty.

We are thankful that these selfless individuals' efforts are being acknowledged by some sectors of society—some send food, personal protective equipment, other basic needs they can use while on duty.

We appreciate true leaders in government who have the foresight, decisiveness and compassion as they wage battle against the virus on behalf of their constituents.

We laud the scientists who devote their expertise to propose solutions like developing test kits or formulating a vaccine.

We are thankful that utility companies have extended deadlines for payments of bills, as well as employers who make special considerations—despite their own economic losses—for the benefit of their workers.

We are grateful that we know better than believe silly ideas like bananas being able to cure COVID-19 infections, even as we remain able to find humor in our predicament without necessarily trivializing the situation.

Finally we count ourselves lucky that this whole experience is heightening our awareness of the inequities we must help address, and is encouraging us to think independently and fairly, dispensing praise and criticism where they are due, all for the common objective of uplifting the lot of our people.

Stocking up on these positive thoughts will see us through these difficult times, which we hope will end sooner than later.

DTI's . . .

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The LIKHA Fab Lab, established on December 27, 2018, is a Shared Service Facility funded by the DTI 4-A where business enterprises engaged in top industries in the region such as furniture-related processes and electronics, can converge with modelers/designers to create and develop models/designs, and make prototypes for mass production. It is a digital fabrication that enables collaboration and promotes transparency among designers and modelers aided by computer-controlled machines. Stored digital design using the sophisticated technology provides an array of services to help the whole furniture design and manufacturing team for detailed designs, analysis, documentation, and fabrication.

"The supply of additional protective face shields is our way of solving the problem in the lack of PPE for our frontliners," said LIKHA Fab Lab Center Head Engr. Louie Villaverde.

According to Engr. Villaverde, they already donated 130 face shields to Batangas Medical Center. They are also planning to provide more by producing

DOLE 4A . . .

The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) CALABARZON has released a total of P3,660,000.00 for the P5,000 cash aid for workers in the private sector temporarily displaced by the implementation of the Luzon-wide enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) to contain the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

About 732 workers from 32 private establishments in CALABARZON are the 1st batch of beneficiaries of the cash aid granted thru the COVID-19 Adjustment Measures Program (CAMP), a safety net program of the government to cushion the effect of ECQ to workers in private establishments that adopted flexible work arrangement (FWA) or temporary closure.

"We are really fast tracking the processing of applications for

30-40 face shields a day to different hospitals in Batangas, then later on to the hospitals in the CALABARZON region and to other frontline workers like the PNP.

The team is composed of BatStateU President Dr. Tirso Ronquillo, Vice-President for Research Development and Extension Services Engr. Albertson Amante, Head of LIKHA FabLab Engr. Louie Villaverde, 2D/3D Designer Jo Louis Valencia, and Machine Operator Arvin Cedrick Gutierrez.

The team is currently working from home, operating at regular hours with 8 3D printers distributed in three locations. Through rapid prototyping, a machine can print a face shield within an hour and 42 minutes, allowing them to produce a maximum of 48 face shields a day with their 8 3D printers.

Engr. Villaverde noted that for now, they are in need of additional materials. Any donations or supplies of raw materials will be of great help.

"We are strongly supporting the effort and initiative of LIKHA in developing innovative and effective solutions to help in combating COVID-19. As we, in the DTI, work alongside with LIKHA, we are urging everyone, especially in the CALABARZON region, to support their very important work," said DTI 4-A Director Marilou Q. Toledo.

"We are in the position to help others. Kahit maliit o malaki, ito ay tulong pa rin," said Engr. Villaverde.

The Center for Technopreneurship and Innovation of the Batangas State University is accepting raw materials for fabrication of face shields:

- Acetate or PVC Sheets, Size A4
Rubber Bands (natara)
3D Printer Filament (PLA-type fro Ultimaker)
ABS Sheet and Acetate for Vacuum Forming Machine

Here are some suppliers that you can contact directly as it will be difficult for the Fab Lab to accept monetary donations:

- Puzzlebox (3D Printer Supplier) Mr. Clark Merano, 09663383175
ES Print Media, Inc. (ABS and Acetate) Mr. Ron Mariano, 09177129190
Donations may be sent to BatStateU Pablo Borbon Main II, Alangilan, Batangas City.

COVID-19 ADJUSTMENT MEASURES PROGRAM (CAMP)
Pursuant to Department Order No. 308 Series of 2020 and Labor Advisory 13 Series of 2020
The CAMP is a safety net program that offers financial support to affected workers in private establishments that have adopted Flexible Work Arrangements (FWA) or temporary closure during the COVID-19 pandemic.
DEFINITION OF AFFECTED WORKERS
PROGRAM COVERAGE
DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS
SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT
EFFECTIVITY

CAMP to give financial support as soon as possible to workers whose companies either implemented FWAs or had to close temporarily due to the government's lockdown order to stop the spread of COVID-19," DOLE IV-A Regional Director Henry John S. Jalbuena said.
The financial assistance, according to

Jalbuena, will be directly released to the employees' payroll account through bank transfer while for cash payroll, it shall be received through money remittance.

All affected workers in private establishments regardless of their status: permanent, probationary, and contractual are entitled to the CAMP P5,000 cash aid.

Documentary requirements such as application form, fully accomplished Establishment Report Form (ERF), and company payroll for the month of February 2020 or earlier must be submitted thru email to the DOLE provincial offices nearest to your location. (CPGonzaga, PIA 4A with report from DOLE-CALABARZON)

SM assures employee compensation, gives financial assistance for guards and janitors

With the unprecedented global health crisis, companies under SM today stand in solidarity with the nation and the citizenry in the battle against COVID-19.

SM today assured all of its employees their regular compensation as well as the extension of an Emergency Financial Assistance to its front liners, security guards and janitorial staff during the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) period from March 16 to April 14, 2020. The extent of this assistance includes the following:

All employees will receive their regularly scheduled salaries during the ECQ period without deductions made against their Vacation and Sick Leaves; The company's front liners, who comprise the skeletal workforce, will, in addition, be provided with premium pay;

All Security Guards and Janitorial staff will receive financial assistance of PHP5,000 for the period. It is focused on helping these key resources so that they in turn can be of service to others.

On a daily basis since the ECQ, SM has also been undertaking measures to protect the safety and welfare of its front line personnel with protective gear, meals, and transportation whenever possible.

"In these trying times, we are in uncharted territory. Let's be one with each other, united in the spirit of service. Let's be mindful of our front liners and help with their need to be alert so they can continue to do their best in working for the safety and health of our communities," said Hans T. Sy on behalf of the Sy family.

SM continues to assess the health crisis with vigilance; enjoining its employees and the public to follow guidelines and precautions to help combat the virus.

This financial assistance is another commitment to fighting the negative effects of COVID-19. Earlier, SM made separate announcements to waive tenant rentals nationwide as well as to support health workers as they actively fight the spread of COVID-19 with PHP100 million worth of protective equipment, testing kits and supplies. (SM Supermalls)

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Gov't should extend help to PUV drivers affected by Luzon lockdown

Senator Win Gatchalian said the government has failed to mention how it intends to help drivers of public utility vehicles (PUVs) who are reeling too from the imposed month-long enhanced community quarantine due to COVID-19. PUV drivers are left with no choice but to stop operating while all modes of public transportation have been suspended.

Citing data from the 2018 PUV modernization program report of the DOTr, Gatchalian said a jeepney driver, for instance, usually takes home P14,685 a month. Each driver has up to seven family members on the average who entirely depend on the driver's daily take home pay for their expenses. The same data showed that 40 percent or 84,443 out of the total 209,124 jeepney drivers in the country are in Metro Manila.

That is why Gatchalian said the Department of Transportation (DOTr) should roll out the Pantawid Pasada Program (PPP) to financially aid these jeepney drivers.

The DOTr has earlier confirmed to the Office of Senator Gatchalian that there will be no Pantawid Pasada this year as concluded by the interagency committee for social mitigating measures under the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law.

"Ngayong mayroong enhanced community quarantine, isa sa mga naapektuhan ay ang ating mga public utility vehicle drivers. Gaya ng karamihan dito sa bansa, sila rin ay masasabing namumuhay ng arawang kita. Kung may tigil pasada, ano na lamang ang ipapakain nila sa pamilya nila," Gatchalian said.

The PPP was initiated in 2018 to cushion the impact of higher fuel excise tax through the TRAIN law which funds the fuel subsidy given to jeepney drivers.

Gatchalian also proposes for the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) to have these displaced drivers covered by the department's emergency employment program where they can help in disinfecting their community.

SM, NAGBAHAGI NG TULONG SA MGA EMPLEYADO AT HEALTH WORKERS

Sa hinaharap na krisis na sanhi ng COVID, ang kapakanan ng mga empleyado ay pangunahing layunin ng SM.

Sa panahon ng Enhanced Community Quarantine mula March 17 hanggang April 12, 2020, ang mga empleyado ay makakatanggap ng kanilang karampatang sahod. Hindi rin mababawasan ang kanilang Vacation at Sick Leaves.

Ang mga Rank and File hanggang Department Managers na patuloy na nagtatrabaho sa mga bukas na tindahan sa lugar na appektado ng quarantine at doon sa mga bumubuo ng skeletal force na mahalaga o "crucial" sa pagpapatakbo ng negosyo ay bibigyan ng karampatang premium

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
BRANCH 16
CAVITE CITY

SP. PROC. NO. N-9015

IN RE: PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF ENTRY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF MARK ACE V. MALLO

MARCJ ACE V. MALLO

- versus -

CIVIL REGISTRY OF ROSARIO, CAVITE AND ALL PERSONS WHO MAY BE AFFECTED THEREBY.

Respondent,

x - - - - - x

NOTICE OF HEARING

A verified amended petition was filed by Mark Ace V. Mallo praying that after due notice and publication, an order be issued for correction of entries in his birth certificate.

It appearing that said petition is sufficient in form and substance, that hearing of this case is set on April 3, 2020 on which date hour and place, Interested parties may appear and show cause why the same should not be granted.

Let this Notice be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the province and the city of Cavite.

Finish the office of the Solicitor General, the City Civil Registrar of Rosario, Cavite and the petitioner with copies of this notice and petition.

WITNESS the Honorable ROWENA R. MOJARES-AREVALO, Pairing Judge of this Court, this 13th day of March 2020.

(sgd.) DIANNE LIZ A. NGO
Branch Clerk of Court

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DA proposes . . .

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To ensure production of adequate, accessible and affordable food, the Department of Agriculture (DA) is requesting for a P32-billion supplemental budget to implement a food security program, dubbed as "Ahon Lahat, Pagkaing Sapat (ALPAS) Kontra sa COVID-19."

"This initiative, on top of the Department's existing programs, is aimed at averting food shortage, supply disruptions, and unstable prices due to the adverse impact of Covid-19 on farm and fishery production, and transport of basic commodities and processed food products to urban areas, particularly Metro Manila," said agriculture secretary William Dar.

"The ALPAS COVID-19 program will enable the country to attain a food-secure Philippines during this national emergency period," the DA chief added.

"With the Covid-19 pandemic, we expect a tightening of global food supply. We are aware that when there is not enough food, disorder is probable," he said.

"While improving our food adequacy level, we should aim for food security. If no action is done, the threat of hunger is as real as the threat of the virus," he noted.

"Therefore, we will expand farm areas, improve production efficiencies, and enhance projects and activities to ensure affordability and availability of food supply," secretary Dar added.

- The P32-B supplemental budget includes:
P8.5B - rice resiliency project;
P7B - palay procurement fund of the National Food Authority;
P3B - expanded SURE Aid and recovery project;
P3B - expanded agriculture insurance project;
P3B - social amelioration for farmers and farm workers;
P1B - upscaling of KADIWA ni Ani at Kita;
P1B - integrated livestock and corn resiliency project;
P1B - expanded small ruminants and poultry project;
P1B - coconut-based diversification project;
P1B - fisheries resiliency project;
P1B - revitalized gulayan project;
P500M - urban agriculture project;
P500M - acquisition of protective personal equipment;
P300M - corn for food project; and
P200M - information, education and communications project.
### (Adora Rodriguez, DA-AFID)

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate comprising a parcel of land with Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-645105 located at Brgy. Buenavista 2, General Trias City, Cavite under the name of the deceased FERNANDO NOMBRADO, who died intestate on April 26, 2011 at General Trias City, Cavite, has been extra-judicially settled in favor of NOEMI NOMBRADO ULGADO and MELANIE NOMBRADO ABLAN, per deed executed on February 7, 2020 at General Trias City, Cavite before Notary Public Christopher P. Columna, per Doc. No. 168; Page No. 35; Book No. 8; Series of 2020.

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protective equipment, testing kits, disinfectant, para sa mga health workers.

In support of the government's efforts to fight against the spread of COVID-19, SM City Bacoor, SM City Molino and SM Center Imus will be closed starting March 24, 2020 until further notice.

However, those establishments offering basic necessities will remain open.

#TogetherAtSM, let's be one in this fight against COVID-19.
#SMCares
#EverythingHereAtSM



# Economic team thanks Congress for swift action on bill granting special powers to President Duterte

Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez III has thanked the Congress for acting quickly during its break on a legislative measure empowering President Duterte to tap all available state resources to contain the spread of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and provide a multibillion-peso economic relief package primarily for the 18 million poor and low-income households most affected by this global health crisis.

Following the bill's congressional approval on Monday, Dominguez--the head of the state economic team--assured the Congress that state funds that President Duterte is now authorized under the measure to reprogram, realign, reallocate or reutilize would not affect the government's economic pump-priming and anti-poverty measures, such as its centerpiece infrastructure program "Build, Build, Build."

"We thank Senate President Vicente Sotto III, Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano and the rest of the members of the 18th Congress for convening a special session during their Lenten break to approve right away this urgent bill. The sense of urgency our lawmakers in both chambers have demonstrated in passing this measure shows their solidarity with the Administration, the Filipino people and the private sector in defeating the pandemic and providing succor to families most affected by government efforts to defeat the coronavirus," Dominguez said.

The House of Representatives adopted the Senate-approved version of the measure--Senate Bill (SB) No. 1418--which included provisions on the grant of subsidies of between P5,000 and P8,000 to poor and low-income households, depending on the prevailing minimum wage rates in their regions; additional risk allowance for frontline healthcare personnel on top of their hazard pay; and compensation for healthcare workers infected by COVID-19 and for the families of those who

died in the line of duty. Dominguez said the Executive Branch and the Legislature are in agreement that the utmost priority of the measure, dubbed the Bayanihan to Heal as One Act, is to provide food rations, cash transfers and other forms of emergency assistance to an estimated 18 million families who were either deprived, or have no means of, livelihood when the Luzon-wide Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) was carried out to restrict the movement of people and slow the spread of the highly infectious virus.

The bill was first discussed during a meeting called by President Duterte last Saturday with Cabinet officials and leaders of the Senate and the House of Representatives. Dominguez was among the Cabinet officials present at the meeting.

"With the help of the Congress, the Duterte administration will be able to use all available state resources to slow the spread of this COVID-19 virus and cushion its adverse economic impact on marginalized and vulnerable sectors," Dominguez said.

President Duterte issued Proclamation No. 929 on March 17 placing the entire country under a state of calamity for six months following the sustained community transmission of COVID-19, which has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Before that, on March 16, the President placed Metro Manila and the rest of Luzon under an ECQ to restrict personal movement in a bid to prevent the exponential spread of this lethal virus. The ECQ will last until April 12.

According to WHO data, the number of confirmed COVID-19 infections worldwide went up to 372,757 with 16,231 deaths as of March 24.

In the Philippines, the Department of Health (DOH) reported a spike in the caseload to 552 infections and 35 deaths as of Wednesday. (dof.gov)

# The Body Shop's Coastal Clean-up with Planet CORA

Conscious of the social and environmental problems the society of today exposes its inhabitants, The Body Shop has been one of the pioneers of sustainability. With that, it constantly seeks for new projects in order to help the world we live in.

In the Philippines, as well as the rest of the world, piles of our mismanaged wastes wind up on our shores. Plastics and other non-biodegradable wastes may be low-cost and convenient but they stay long in our environment and may kill marine animals as they mistaken plastics for food. Single-used plastics such as plastic straws, plastic bottles and plastic bags are big contributors to pollution.

In line with this, The Body Shop Philippines partnered with Planet CORA a non-profit organization dedicated in protecting the planet in gathering almost 200 volunteers for a Coastal Clean-up in Las Piñas Parañaque Critical Habitat Eco-Tourism Area



Planet CORA founder Antoinette Taus and Cleanup volunteer Yassi Pressman.



Antoinette Taus with the little eco hero Dianelle Mikaella.

(LPPCHEA). This cleanup helped in physically reducing wastes as well as creating awareness and inspiration for the volunteers to instill change in their lifestyles. A total of 2.29 tons of waste were collected in just a span of two hours wherein majority of the collected were plastic bottles.

The Ocean Cleanup with Planet CORA is just one of the many advocacies of The Body Shop Philippines.

## About The Body Shop

The Body Shop was founded in 1976 by Dame Anita Roddick in Little Hampton, England. The beauty brand pioneered corporate activism and was built on a philosophy that business can be a force for good. With its brand expression, Beauty with Heart, the company continues to be focused on five core values: Against Animal Testing, Support Community Fair Trade, Activate Self Esteem, Defend Human Rights and Protect The Planet.

All products are created

using the finest ingredients sourced from the four corners of the globe, which are not tested on animals and are 100% vegetarian. The Body Shop has been in the Philippine market for eighteen years with over 55 strategically located stores nationwide.



Joey Mead King, who has always been passionate in beating the alarming rise of plastic pollution, joined the group in this endeavor.



**Carmona and Biñan join forces for Extreme Enhanced Community Quarantine:** On March 26, 2020, the Municipal Government of Carmona and Municipal Government of Biñan released a Joint Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) Order No. 01-2020 in which "Extreme Enhanced Community Quarantine" will be implemented at Carmona Estates Phase 10 in Biñan, Laguna. This is after the City Health Office of Biñan reported a positive coronavirus disease (COVID-19) case of a patient currently residing at the said location on March 25, 2020 to prevent and control the spread of the virus in the community.



**BML Delivery transports maintenance medications to Carmona residents:** The Bayan, May Libreng (BML)



**Carmona LGU holds meeting with Barangay Captains regarding COVID-19 updates:** The local government of Carmona conducted a meeting with Barangay Captains on March 26, 2020 to discuss the updates on COVID-19, as well as assess the preventive measures and mitigation efforts being implemented in each barangay. Reminders were also given to barangay captains regarding the enhanced community quarantine.



**Carmona continues to give financial assistance to displaced transportation drivers:** In line with the social assistance programs of the Municipal Government of Carmona during the health crisis brought by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, financial assistance were continuously given to displaced public transportation drivers on March 26, 2020 at the Municipal Hall.

Delivery continues to convey maintenance medications to Carmona residents who are diabetic, pregnant, and are DOTS patients on March 26, 2020. Health workers from the Carmona Municipal Health Office personally visited the residents from house to house to give them their medications.