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Conduct an impact study (indicating specific and concrete benefits in the <b>economic and or / social life</b> of the beneficiaries of each projects that us carried out.	Developed a comprehensive Impact Study for the Extension program and project currently under review.  Process evaluation was also conducted on the extension project of the program under review.	On-going	Impact study of the extension Program  Other extension activities



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## Impact Study

### DOLE's Starter Kit Beneficiaries Insights: Basis for New Initiatives for Sustainable Community Development

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#### Abstract

This study, titled "DOLE's Starter Kits Beneficiaries Insights: Basis for New Initiatives for Sustainable Community Development," employs a qualitative research method to analyze the insights and testimonials of ten beneficiaries who received starter kits from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE). The primary aim is to understand the impact of these starter kits on the beneficiaries' lives and derive recommendations for new initiatives to enhance sustainable community development.

Through in-depth interviews and thematic analysis, the study captures the beneficiaries' successes after receiving the starter kits. The findings reveal that the starter kits have significantly contributed to the recipients' economic empowerment, skill development, and self-sufficiency. Many beneficiaries reported an increase in their income and improvement in their family's standard of living, highlighting the positive economic impact of the program.

Additionally, the study underscores the importance of continuous support and training to sustain the benefits of the starter kits. Beneficiaries expressed gratitude for the assistance provided by DOLE, emphasizing the value of such programs in fostering community well-being and economic resilience.

Based on these insights, the study recommends several strategies for enhancing future initiatives, including ongoing training and capacity-building programs, regular monitoring and evaluation, and the provision of additional resources to support diverse livelihood activities. These recommendations aim to ensure the long-term success and sustainability of community development efforts initiated by DOLE.

The study concludes that the starter kits program has had a profound positive impact on the beneficiaries, and with strategic enhancements, it can serve as a model for other community development initiatives aimed at achieving sustainable economic growth and improving the quality of life for marginalized communities.

#### Introduction

The Department of Labor and Employment DOLE Philippines launched the livelihood program Starter kits in the country to address the increasing population of unemployed and generate initial capital investment to start a livelihood or support the small businesses in the barangay. With the increasing emphasis on sustainable community development, understanding the real-life impact of these starter kits is crucial for shaping future initiatives.

- Member Checking: Participants were given the opportunity to review and verify the accuracy of the transcriptions and interpretations of their interviews.
- Peer Review: The research findings and interpretations were reviewed by peers to ensure objectivity and credibility.

Ethical Considerations: Ethical guidelines were strictly adhered to throughout the study. Informed consent was obtained from all participants, ensuring they were aware of the study's purpose and their right to withdraw at any time. Confidentiality was maintained by anonymizing the data and securely storing all records.

By employing this robust qualitative methodology, the study was able to capture the nuanced experiences of the beneficiaries, providing valuable insights for developing new initiatives aimed at sustainable community development.

#### Results

The result is presented in tabular form to facilitate easy analysis of each beneficiaries' testimonies on the received starter kits from DOLE.

Beneficiary	Issued starter kit	Perceived changes to self / family and community	Translation
Adrian Mapada	Electric Planer	Nakakatulong po sa amin ang electric planer na ibinigay ng DoLE. ako po ay nakakapagtrabaho araw-araw bilang carpenter na may kaukulang bayad na P250/day. Malaking tulong po ito sa aking pamilya	"The electric planer provided by the DOLE has been a great help to us. I am able to work every day as a carpenter, earning a daily wage of P250. This is a significant help to my family."
Ricardo Jamita	Barbeque grill	Simula po ng makapagbigay ng pangkabubayaran ang Do LE. nagkaroon po ang aking pamilya ng daadag kita na pinagkukunan ng pang araw-araw na among ikinabubuhay. Labis po ang pasasalamat ko	"Since DOLE provided us with livelihood support, my family has gained additional income for our daily needs. I am extremely grateful."
Evilyn Manago	Manicure set	Nakakapaghouse to house po ako para mag manicure, pedicure pati na rin po pagpupalit ng buhok at pagblower.	"I can go house to house to offer manicure, pedicure, haircut, and blow-drying services. This helps my family

		Nakakatulong po ito sa aking pamilya dahil nagkaroon po ako ng hanapbuhay.	because I now have a source of livelihood."
Emma Lollo	Heavy duty and sewing machine	Nakakapagtrabaho po ako ng mga shorts pambata na nabibenta ko po ito na pagiging pamilya	"I am able to sew children's shorts, which I sell and has become a source of livelihood for my family."
Sonia Leop	Heavy duty Sewing machine	Bumibili po ako ng mga malaking tela sa ukayan para lahing shorts pambata at malibenta para kumita. Nakakatulong pong malaki ang ibinigay na gamit	"I buy large pieces of fabric from thrift stores to sew children's shorts and sell them for profit. The support provided has been a great help."
Jess Abraham	Electric Spray Gun for Painting	Nakakapagtrabaho po ako bilang magpipintura ng mga babay gamit and pangkabubayaran galling sa DOLE. Malaking tulong po ito sa pamilya ko	"I am able to work as a house painter using the livelihood support from DOLE. This has been a great help to my family."
Rodelio Laureles	Grinder Grill	Simula po ng magiging recipient po ako ng DOLE pangkabubayaran, nagkaroon po ako ng pagkakalalang nakapagtrabaho at makadulong sa araw araw na buhay	"Since becoming a recipient of DOLE's livelihood support, I have had the opportunity to work and sustain my daily living."
Danilo Zamudio	Burger Machine	Nakakapagtrabaho po ako ng burger malapit sa paaralan. Malaking tulong po sa amin ang ibinigay ng DOLE bilang aring pangkabubayaran	"I am able to sell burgers near the school. The livelihood support provided by DOLE has been a great help to us."
Alex Tubien	Compressor	Nakakapagtrabaho ako gamit ang compressor. Nakakatulong sa pang araw araw naming kabuhaya	"I am able to work using the compressor. It helps with our daily livelihood."
Ronnie Ramos	Grinder / Drill	Labis po ang pasasalamat namin sa ibinigay na pangkabubayaran ng	"We are extremely grateful for the livelihood support





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### Key Themes Generated

#### Economic Empowerment:

Increased Income: The livelihood support from Dole has enabled recipients to generate additional income, significantly improving their financial stability. Statements highlight earnings from carpentry, selling children's shorts, and burger sales.

Among the provided statements, the following fall under the theme of economic empowerment:

- "The electric planer provided by the Dole has been a great help to us. I am able to work every day as a carpenter, earning a daily wage of P250. This is a significant help to my family."
- "Since Dole provided us with livelihood support, my family has gained additional income for our daily needs. I am extremely grateful."
- "I am able to work as a house painter using the livelihood support from Dole. This has been a great help to my family."
- "Since becoming a recipient of Dole's livelihood support, I have had the opportunity to work and sustain my daily living."
- "I am able to sell burgers near the school. The livelihood support provided by Dole has been a great help to us."
- "I am able to work using the compressor. It helps with our daily livelihood."

These statements specifically highlight how the Dole's support has enabled individuals to generate income, thereby enhancing their economic stability and overall well-being.

#### Skill Utilization and Development:

Diverse Skills and Trades: Beneficiaries are applying a variety of skills and trades, from carpentry and house painting to sewing, manicure, pedicure, and hairstyling. This variety shows the versatility and adaptability of the individuals in maximizing the provided support.

Among the provided statements, those that fall under the theme of skills utilization and development are:

- "I can go house to house to offer manicure, pedicure, haircut, and blow-drying services. This helps my family because I now have a source of livelihood."
- "I am able to sew children's shorts, which I sell and has become a source of livelihood for my family."
- "I buy large pieces of fabric from thrift stores to sew children's shorts and sell them for profit. The support provided has been a great help."

- "I am able to work as a house painter using the livelihood support from Dole. This has been a great help to my family."
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These statements highlight how individuals are utilizing and developing their skills in various trades and services as part of their livelihood activities.

#### Self-Sufficiency:

Daily Sustenance: The support has allowed individuals to sustain their daily needs, reducing dependency and fostering self-reliance. The ability to earn a daily wage and maintain livelihood activities showcases this shift towards self-sufficiency.

Among the provided statements, those that fall under the theme of self-sufficiency are:

- "Since Dole provided us with livelihood support, my family has gained additional income for our daily needs. I am extremely grateful."
- "Since becoming a recipient of Dole's livelihood support, I have had the opportunity to work and sustain my daily living."

These statements specifically highlight how the support from Dole has enabled individuals and their families to sustain their daily lives independently, reflecting their move towards self-sufficiency.

#### Family Welfare:

Family Support: The additional income and employment opportunities have had a positive impact on the families of the recipients. Statements frequently mention the significant help these opportunities provide for their families' well-being.

Among the provided statements, those that fall under the theme of family welfare are:

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- "I am able to work as a house painter using the livelihood support from Dole. This has been a great help to my family."
- "I am able to sell burgers near the school. The livelihood support provided by Dole has been a great help to us."

These statements highlight the positive impact of Dole's support on the well-being and financial stability of the recipients' families.

#### Gratitude and Appreciation:

Expressed Gratitude: Many statements reflect deep gratitude towards Dole for the livelihood support, emphasizing its positive impact on their lives. This gratitude underscores the importance and value of such support programs in improving community well-being.

The following statements fall under the theme of gratitude and appreciation:

- "Since Dole provided us with livelihood support, my family has gained additional income for our daily needs. I am extremely grateful."
- "I buy large pieces of fabric from thrift stores to sew children's shorts and sell them for profit. The support provided has been a great help."
- "I am able to sell burgers near the school. The livelihood support provided by Dole has been a great help to us."
- "We are extremely grateful for the livelihood support provided by Dole. I use it daily for my work."

These statements specifically express appreciation and gratitude towards the support provided by Dole, highlighting the positive impact it has had on their lives.

#### Community Impact:

Broad Beneficiary Base: The support has not only benefited individual recipients but also had a ripple effect on the broader community, as seen in statements about house-to-house services and selling near schools.

The statement that falls under the theme of community impact is:

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These themes underscore the transformative impact of Dole's livelihood support on the recipients' economic stability, skill utilization, and overall quality of life.

#### Discussion and Interpretation

Economic Empowerment: The theme of economic empowerment is vividly illustrated by the recipients' ability to generate additional income through various trades. The earnings from carpentry, selling children's shorts, and burger sales have significantly bolstered their financial stability. This newfound income not only enhances their living standards but also reduces the financial pressures on their families. This increased income underscores the importance of providing tangible support that directly translates into economic gains for the community members.

Skill Utilization and Development: The diverse skills and trades embraced by the beneficiaries, ranging from carpentry and house painting to sewing, manicure, pedicure, and hairstyling, highlight the versatility and adaptability of the individuals. This variety shows how effectively the Dole support has been utilized, maximizing the potential of each beneficiary. It also underscores the vital role of skill development in community outreach programs, enabling individuals to leverage their talents and training to create sustainable livelihoods.

Self-Sufficiency: The ability to sustain daily needs through earned wages and livelihood activities marks a significant shift towards self-reliance. The support from Dole has diminished dependency, empowering individuals to provide for themselves and their families consistently. This shift not only enhances the recipients' confidence and independence but also fosters a stronger, more resilient community.



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**Family Welfare:** Additional income and employment opportunities have positively impacted the welfare of the recipients' families. Statements frequently highlight the substantial help these opportunities provide, allowing families to meet daily needs and improve their overall quality of life. This theme reflects the broader social benefits of economic empowerment, where supporting one individual can uplift entire households.

**Gratitude and Appreciation:** Expressions of deep gratitude towards DoLE for the livelihood support emphasize the program's positive impact. This gratitude illustrates the significant difference such support can make in the lives of beneficiaries, reinforcing the value of continued investment in similar programs. The heartfelt thanks from recipients highlight how much they value the opportunities provided, which in turn motivates the continuation and expansion of these support initiatives.

**Community Impact:** The ripple effect of DoLE's support on the broader community is evident, as beneficiaries extend their services beyond their households. For instance, house-to-house services and selling near schools illustrate how the benefits of the program reach a wider audience. This broad beneficiary base not only spreads the economic benefits but also strengthens community bonds and fosters a culture of mutual support and cooperation.

Together, these themes paint a comprehensive picture of the transformational impact of DoLE's livelihood support on both individual recipients and their communities. The insights derived from these themes can guide the enhancement of existing programs and the development of new initiatives aimed at fostering sustainable community development.

### Conclusion

The Gawad Kalinga Caretaker Program, supported by DoLE, has demonstrated significant positive impacts across multiple dimensions of community development. The program has empowered beneficiaries economically, enhancing their financial stability through various trades. Skill utilization and development have been maximized, showcasing the versatility and adaptability of individuals in leveraging the support provided. The shift towards self-sufficiency has been profound, with beneficiaries able to sustain their daily needs independently.

Family welfare has improved markedly, with additional income and employment opportunities uplifting entire households. Expressions of gratitude and appreciation reflect the beneficiaries' deep acknowledgment of the support's positive impact, motivating continued and expanded efforts. The ripple effect on the broader community underscores the program's success in fostering a culture of mutual support and cooperation.

### Recommendations:

1. **Sustain and Expand Livelihood Support:**
  - o Continue providing tangible support like tools and equipment to enable beneficiaries to generate income and improve their financial stability.
2. **Enhance Skill Development Programs:**

- o Implement continuous training and workshops to further develop diverse skills and trades, ensuring that beneficiaries can maximize their potential.
3. **Strengthen Self-Sufficiency Initiatives:**
    - o Develop additional programs focused on fostering self-reliance, encouraging beneficiaries to maintain their livelihood activities independently.
  4. **Focus on Family-Centric Programs:**
    - o Introduce initiatives specifically designed to improve family welfare, recognizing the broader social benefits of uplifting entire households.
  5. **Maintain Regular Monitoring and Evaluation:**
    - o Conduct ongoing assessments to identify areas for improvement and ensure that the support provided continues to meet the evolving needs of the beneficiaries.
  6. **Foster Community Engagement and Collaboration:**
    - o Promote activities that encourage community involvement, strengthening bonds and fostering a culture of mutual support.





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## Case Study in Pamorangon

### Unveiling Community Challenges: A Case Study on Identifying Issues in Barangay Pamorangon

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KEYWORDS: Community, Problems

#### ABSTRACT

Addressing a community's challenges is crucial for fostering development, resilience, and harmony. Every community, from bustling urban areas to close-knit rural communities, encounters its unique set of difficulties impacting its dynamics. Pamorangon is a local barangay in Daet, Camarines Norte, characterized as a semi-urban area with a diverse population encompassing various origins and vocations. Despite its picturesque setting within the town, it grapples with distinct challenges significantly influencing its interrelationships. This study aims to identify prevalent challenges in the barangay and propose an effective framework, strategy, and recommendations for enhancing community development. Employing a descriptive approach using mixed methods, data was gathered through personal interviews and survey questionnaires, analyzed via simple percentage analysis. The results indicate a dominant concern in medical health problems, accounting for a significant 44% of identified issues. This emphasizes the urgent need for healthcare interventions within the community. Conversely, peace and order, as well as senior citizens' pension, emerge as the least problematic issues.

#### INTRODUCTION

Understanding a community's challenges is pivotal in fostering growth, resilience, and unity. From bustling urban neighborhoods to close-knit rural towns, each community faces its distinct set of obstacles shaping its dynamics. Pamorangon, situated in Daet, Camarines Norte, represents a semi-urban area with a diverse populace spanning various backgrounds and occupations. Despite its picturesque setting and proximity to the town, it grapples with unique hurdles profoundly influencing its interrelationships. This study seeks to identify prevalent issues

within the barangay and aims to develop an effective framework, plan, and recommendations to enhance the community's quality of life.

According to RA 9155, the Governance of Basic Education Act, Section E (10), school leaders have a pivotal role in establishing school and community networks, fostering active participation among teacher organizations, non-academic personnel, and parent-teacher-community associations. This underscores the crucial role of school leaders in bridging gaps, fostering collaboration, and enhancing holistic student development and the educational ecosystem.

J. Shultz & M. F. Ongha's (2020) study, "Finding Solutions to Challenges Faced in Community-Based Participatory Research between Academic and Community Organizations," highlights the significance of partnerships between communities and academic institutions in addressing complex health and psychosocial issues faced by culturally diverse and hard-to-reach populations. Community-based participatory research (CBPR) emerges as a strategy to build trust and leverage the strengths of partners from diverse settings to address persistent health disparities among minority populations.

These studies underscore the vital role of partnerships between academic institutions and communities, not only in building educational ecosystems but also in fostering mutual benefit and support. Identifying common issues not only sheds light on shared experiences but also opens doors to collaborative solutions. Whether addressing financial gaps, environmental concerns, or cultural barriers, delving into these complexities unveils pathways toward a more cohesive and supportive communal fabric.

#### METHODOLOGY

##### RESEARCH DESIGN

This study employs a descriptive approach to elucidate and explore the concept and information related to identifying the common problems encountered in Brgy. Pamorangon. To reinforce and interpret the gathered data, statistical analysis will be utilized, aiming to identify the most prevalent issues faced by the community. Consequently, this research utilizes a mixed-methods approach, combining qualitative and quantitative methods.



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### INSTRUMENT OF THE STUDY

The study gathered necessary information and data from key individuals interviewed in **Panuraggon**. This included SK officials (SK chairman and SK councilors), senior citizens (senior officers, P.I.O./MUSE/BHW), barangay officials (barangay chairman, secretary, barangay councilors, and broadcast journalists), and barangay health workers (health officers). The data collection was conducted through survey questionnaires and personal interviews, serving as mediums to identify specific problems within the barangay.

The survey questionnaire comprises two parts. The initial section focuses on personal information, encompassing details such as name, position or occupation, address, and years of residency. Meanwhile, the second part is divided into four columns. The first column involves ranking the identified community problems. Subsequently, the following columns are dedicated to understanding the root causes of the issues and proposing suggested solutions.

### STATISTICS TO BE USED

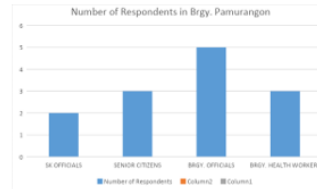
To interpret the gathered data, three statistical methods will be employed: frequency count, ranking, and percentage calculation. The frequency count will determine the number of participants who responded to each questionnaire section, providing an exact count of respondents. Subsequently, ranking will be used, assigning 1 as the highest rank and 5 as the lowest, to assess the prioritization of identified community problems.

Following the ranking, percentage analysis will be applied to measure the equivalent percentage of responses from each participant regarding the identified community problems. Simple Percentage Analysis will be conducted to interpret and analyze the gathered data. The formula used to compute the percentage will be:  $P = (n/N) \times 100$ , where 'n' represents the number of respondents for each specific issue and 'N' denotes the total number of participants.

### RESULTS

Utilizing personal interviews and survey questionnaires, the researchers effectively collected the requisite data for the study. Employing techniques such as frequency count, ranking, and simple percentage analysis, the gathered data underwent interpretation and analysis.

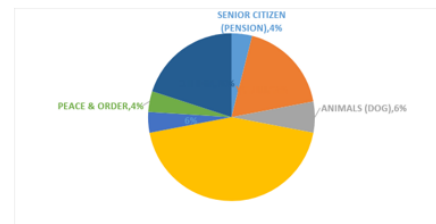
Table 1. Number of Respondents



Graph 1

Number of Respondents

Prior to presenting the research findings and analysis, it's crucial to highlight the respondent demographics. The questionnaires were completed by a total of 13 participants, consisting of 2 SK Officials, 3 Senior Citizens, 5 Barangay Officials, and 3 Barangay Health Workers from Barangay **Panuraggon**. These respondents, comprised of barangay officials and organization officers, possess significant social experience and comprehensive awareness of the issues within their barangay.



Graph 2

Identified Problems in Brgy. **Panuraggon**



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The data reveals a striking prevalence of medical health problems, accounting for a significant 44% of the identified issues. This substantial percentage underscores the urgent need for healthcare interventions to address pressing health-related challenges within the community. Youth-related concerns follow at 18%, signifying a notable but secondary position among the highlighted issues.

Further, livelihood and unemployment, as well as the presence of stray dogs, each represent 6% of reported problems, indicating their presence but at a comparatively lower frequency compared to the dominance of medical health problems.

Additionally, senior citizen pension concerns and issues related to peace and order allocate 4% each, demonstrating a moderate yet tangible presence of these matters within the community. Remarkably, the remaining 20% encompasses a variety of challenges grouped under 'others,' highlighting a diverse array of issues beyond the major categories. This amalgamated category underscores the multifaceted nature of the community's challenges.

In sum, these figures offer a comprehensive snapshot of the community's diverse problems, emphasizing the need for a multifaceted approach to tackle the spectrum of challenges impacting the lives of its citizens.

### DISCUSSION

### CONCLUSION

The researchers successfully gathered crucial data through personal interviews and survey questionnaires. This collected data underwent evaluation and analysis, utilizing methods such as frequency count, ranking, and basic percentage analysis. The survey responses highlighted medical health as a prevalent issue, signifying its potential impact on the development of Barangay ~~Pamorangon~~.

### RECOMMENDATION

The prevalent responses point to family or financial problems as the leading cause of mental health issues. Therefore, a recommended intervention involves organizing seminars or counseling sessions focused on mental health awareness. Additionally, teaching the residents of

Barangay ~~Pamorangon~~ how to prepare 'Veggie balls,' a nutritious vegetarian alternative to meatballs, is proposed. Beyond its nutritional benefits, this initiative aims to empower individuals to address their challenges and generate income by selling these nutritious products within the community. These proactive interventions are crucial in safeguarding the barangay, addressing root causes, and preventing the exacerbation of problems.

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