



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
**BUREAU OF CUSTOMS**

21 November 2018

**CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
NO. 240-2018

**To: All Customs Officials and Employees**

**Subject: December 2018/National Volunteer Month (NVM)**

Attached is the Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 01-2018 issued on 26 September 2018 by the National Economic and Development Authority regarding the **CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH (NVM) IN DECEMBER 2018**, with the theme: **"Boluntarismo: Daan Tungo sa Pagbabago!"**.

The NVM celebration aims to:

- Build nationwide public awareness and appreciation of volunteerism and the role it plays in social, economic and political development of the country.
- Create the environment for bolstering voluntary action in development.
- Recognizing the noble acts of volunteerism by individuals, families, institutions and communities as vital partners in economic and community development.

For your information and guidance.

For record purposes, please confirm the dissemination of this circular throughout your offices within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof.

Bureau of Customs  
REY LEONARDO B. GUERRERO  
Commissioner  
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Commissioner

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH STEERING COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 01-2018

**FOR** : The Heads of Departments, Agencies, Bureaus, Offices and Instrumentalities of the National Government, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations, Government Financing Institutions, State Universities and Colleges, Local Government Units and the Private Sector

**SUBJECT** : Celebration of the National Volunteer Month (NVM) in December 2018

**DATE** : 26 September 2018

**I. Rationale**

The Philippine Government gives paramount importance to people's participation as prime movers of development. Creating a self-resilient and self-sustaining nation entails proactive citizens who work hand-in-hand with the duty bearers through volunteer engagements. Filipinos are known for the culture of "*bayanihan*" where each and every *Juan* or *Juana* readily lends a hand when needed.

In recognition of the dedicated service of Filipino volunteers, the month of December was declared as the National Volunteer Month (NVM) per Presidential Proclamation No. 55, series of 1998.

**II. Purpose**

This Memorandum Circular is issued to enjoin all government institutions including national government agencies (NGAs), local government units (LGUs), government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs) and government financing institutions (GFIs); civil society and non-government organizations, corporate and business entities; and the academe in celebrating NVM 2018 and together, promote volunteerism as a way of life.

**III. Objectives**

The NVM celebration aims to:

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- Create the environment for bolstering voluntary action in development.
- Recognize the noble acts of volunteerism by individuals, families, institutions and communities as vital partners in economic and community development.

**IV. Theme**

The theme for NVM 2018 celebration is "*Boluntarismo: Daan Tungo sa Pagbabago!*" to highlight the role and contributions of volunteerism to socioeconomic development and the government's agenda for reforms and change in consonance with the Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022.

**V. Suggested Activities**

1. *Advocacy*. Raise the awareness on volunteerism as a tool for national development and to promote the celebration of NVM 2018 through information dissemination activities which include but not limited to: sharing and publication of NVM advocacy materials and volunteer stories in various media platforms such as print, broadcast, film, social media, and office publications; display of NVM 2018 banner, poster and brochure in conspicuous areas; conducting public fora; and promotion through the institution's public information facilities. NGAs are enjoined to route this Memorandum Circular to their regional, provincial, municipal, or area offices. NGOs and NGO networks are requested to disseminate information regarding NVM 2018 to their member and partner organizations.
2. *Volunteer Services*. Organize or participate in volunteer services such as blood letting, medical mission, feeding program, tutorial sessions, visits to residential and care centers for the elderly, children, prisoners and persons with disabilities, coastal clean-up, tree planting, disaster risk reduction and management activities, etc. These activities may be done throughout the year as part of the build-up campaign for NVM.
3. *Volunteer Events*. Conduct events to bring together volunteers for learning exchange and to facilitate networking and linkaging between and among volunteers and volunteer groups/organizations.
4. *Volunteer Awards*. Recognize and give awards to show appreciation to the volunteers' contributions to society.

**VI. Focal Agency**

The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA), an attached agency of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), shall spearhead the celebration of the NVM 2018.

**VII. Coordination of Activities at the National Level**

PNVSCA is assisted by the National Volunteer Month Steering Committee (NVM-SC) in planning, advocacy, and conduct of NVM events and activities. The NVM-SC is composed of the following:

Chair	National Economic and Development Authority
Co-Chairs	Department of Foreign Affairs Department of the Interior and Local Government
Vice Chair	Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency
Members	Civil Service Commission Commission on Higher Education Department of Budget and Management

Department of Education  
 National Youth Commission  
 Philippine Information Agency  
 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority  
 University of the Philippines  
 Filipino UNV Association  
 International Association for Volunteer Effort-Philippines  
 BPI Foundation, Inc.  
 United Nations Volunteers/United Nations Development Programme  
 United States Peace Corps

Honorary Chair 2017-2018 Ambassador Henrietta Tambunting- De Villa  
 SOV 2011 Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Awardee

**VIII. Coordination of Activities at the Regional Level**

The NVM Regional Committees chaired by the NEDA Regional Offices (NROs) and the Regional Planning and Development Office of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (RPDO-ARMM) shall spearhead the celebration of NVM 2018 in the region.

Participating institutions in the regions are enjoined to coordinate with the NROs and RPDO-ARMM.

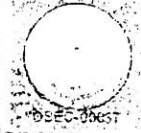
**IX. Submission and Sharing of Activities**

Participating institutions are requested to accomplish the NVM PARTICIPATION FORM and submit this to PNVSCA for purposes of documentation and information sharing on NVM activities for 2018.

Please submit the accomplished form to:

Mr. Joselito C. de Vera  
 Executive Director  
 PNVSCA  
 Sugar Center Building, North Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

For further information, please visit [www.pnvsca.gov.ph](http://www.pnvsca.gov.ph) and [www.facebook.com/PNVSCA](https://www.facebook.com/PNVSCA) or contact the NVM Secretariat c/o Ms. Vlaire Formento or Ms. Janine Francisco at telephone nos: (02) 927 68 47 or e-mail [info@pnvsca.gov.ph](mailto:info@pnvsca.gov.ph).



**ERNESTO M. PERNIA**  
 Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning  
 and Chair, National Volunteer Month Steering Committee

Attested:

**JOSELITO C. DE VERA**  
 Executive Director, PNVSCA  
 and Vice Chair, NVM-SC

- Annex A. Proclamation No. 55
- Annex B. NVM 2018 Participation Form
- Annex C. NVM 2018 Promotional Materials

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH 2018  
Theme: *Boluntarismo: Daan Tungo sa Pagbabago!*  
PARTICIPATION FORM

I. Institution's Profile:

Agency/Organization : \_\_\_\_\_

Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Nos. : \_\_\_\_\_

Email : \_\_\_\_\_

Head of Agency : \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person : \_\_\_\_\_

Designation : \_\_\_\_\_

II. NVM 2018 Activities

1. Advocacy

- Sharing and publication of volunteer stories, news, press release, and/or announcements

If online, please provide link: \_\_\_\_\_

If in print, please provide name and date of publication: \_\_\_\_\_

- Hanging of NVM Banner
- Display of NVM 2018 poster and brochure
- Conduct forum and/or briefing on volunteerism
- Radio or TV guesting
- Issuance of circulars to regional and local offices and announcements to member/partner organizations
- Others (Pls. specify) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Volunteering Services

Activity	Date	Venue	Participants	Organizer	Beneficiary

3. Volunteering Events

Title of Event	Date	Venue	Participants	Organizer

4. Volunteer Awards

Title of Recognition Activity	Date	Venue	Name/s of Recognized Volunteers	Sector (Health, Education, Governance, Trade and Industry, etc.)	Award/s received (Most Outstanding Volunteer, Most number of hours rendered, etc.)

Please send the participation form to PNVSCA at telefax no. (02) 927 68 47 or email the scanned copy to [info@pnvsca.gov.ph](mailto:info@pnvsca.gov.ph).

Thank you.

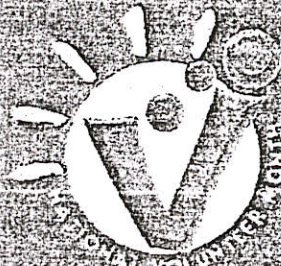
NVM 2018 Poster

**Boluntarismo:  
Daan tungo sa  
Pagbabago!**



**December 2018**

**NATIONAL  
VOLUNTEER  
MONTH**



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
 NATIONAL YOUTH COMMISSION  
**PHILIPPINE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER  
 SERVICE COORDINATING AGENCY**

WAG MOY PARTICIPATE! CONTACT US FOR DETAILS!  
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 WWW.PNVSCA.GOV.PH

NVM 2018 Brochure

**NVM REGIONAL COMMITTEES**

**Region I**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region II**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region III**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region IV**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region V**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region VI**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region VII**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

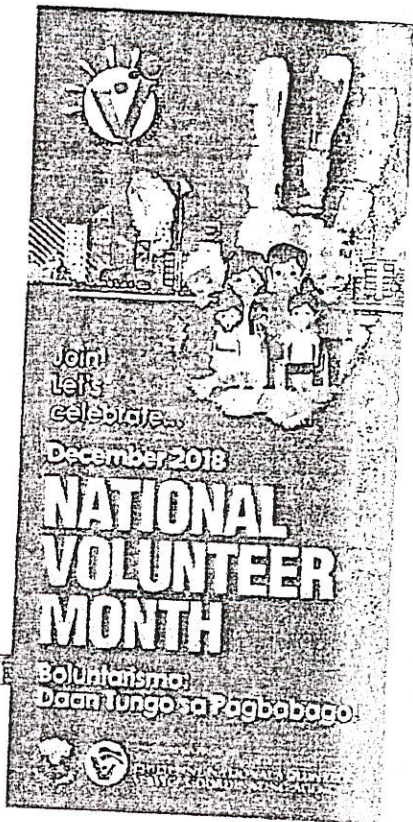
**Region VIII**  
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 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region IX**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**Region X**  
 Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Vice-Chairman: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**  
 Members: **Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala, Dr. Romeo M. Alcala**

**NVM STEERING COMMITTEE**

- HONORARY CHAIR** (2018)  
 Ambassador: **Heleneta Tambunting de Vito**
- CHAIR**: National Economic and Development Authority
- CO-CHAIRS**: Department of Foreign Affairs  
 Department of the Interior and Local Government
- VICE-CHAIR**: Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency
- MEMBERS**: Department of Budget and Management  
 Department of Education  
 Civil Service Commission  
 Commission on Higher Education  
 National Youth Commission  
 Philippine Information Agency  
 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority  
 University of the Philippines - Diliman  
 Filipino UNV Association  
 International Association for Volunteer Effort - Philippines  
 IRI Foundation, Inc.  
 United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Volunteers  
 United States Peace Corps



Join  
 Let's  
 Celebrate  
**December 2018**  
**NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH**  
 Boluntarismo  
 Daan Ungos sa Pagbabago

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The National Government gives paramount importance to the role of citizens and citizens' organizations in the development of the country. The culture of volunteerism remains an essential element in the development of the country and the promotion of the welfare of the people. The National Volunteer Month (NVM) is a celebration that recognizes the spirit of volunteerism and the contribution of volunteers to the development of the country.

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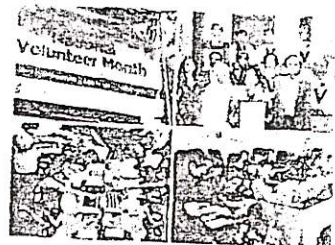
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**THE THEME**

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**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- Advocacy**: Promote the celebration of NVM 2018 and the importance of volunteerism. Use the media to disseminate information on the importance of volunteerism and the celebration of NVM 2018. Use the media to disseminate information on the importance of volunteerism and the celebration of NVM 2018.
- Volunteer Activities**: Organize volunteer activities and projects. Organize volunteer activities and projects. Organize volunteer activities and projects. Organize volunteer activities and projects.
- Volunteer Services**: Offer volunteer services to the community. Offer volunteer services to the community. Offer volunteer services to the community. Offer volunteer services to the community.
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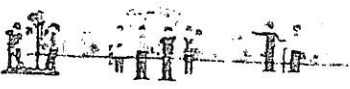
Photos from the NVM 2017 Activities

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE**

Participating groups, individuals, and activities are encouraged to coordinate with the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSICA), the NCA Regional Office (NCA-RO) or the Regional Executive and Development Office (REDO) or the Regional Office (RO).

The Participation Form to be downloaded by participants is available on the website of PNVSICA.

For more information, please visit the website of PNVSICA or contact the NCA-RO or the REDO or the RO.





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MANILA

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES  
PROCLAMATION NO. 55

DECLARING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS THE  
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

WHEREAS, organized and spontaneous, volunteerism contribute to the improvement of welfare and realization of peoples' aspirations, develop leadership, empower the citizenry and unify civil society;

WHEREAS, volunteers imbued with a humanitarian spirit and selfless service to others, in times past and present, shall be given official recognition for the dedication of their time, talent and money in making a difference in the community and country;

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Volunteer Month will promote volunteerism as a tool for development in both government and private sectors, heighten the "bayanihan" spirit and instill the value of service to others;

WHEREAS, an overall coordinating body tasked to oversee the activities is needed to ensure the effective celebration of National Volunteer Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of December of every year as National Volunteer Month under the auspices of the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency.

All departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the national government units, the private sector and the public at large are hereby enjoined to actively participate and support activities and programs for the celebration of National Volunteer Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 5th Day of December in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety eight.

By the President:

RONALDO B. ZAMORA  
Executive Secretary



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