



Republic of the Philippines  
**PROVINCE OF ISABELA**  
City of Ilagan

**OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT**  
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**ANNUAL REPORT**

of

Women and Children Protection Center

For Year: 2023

## **I. Introduction**

The Women and Children Protection Center (WCPC) is provincial temporary residential care facility owned and managed by the Provincial Government of Isabela, intended for 37 municipalities and cities in the province to cater Women in Especially Difficult Circumstances (WEDC) ages 18-59 who are victims of violence against women and for Children Needing Special Protection (CNSP) ages 0-17 who are victims of sexual abuse, exploitation, child trafficking and also children age ranging from 0-6 (male and female) who are abandoned, neglected, maltreated, and dependent of clients are all equally eligible for temporary shelter and protective custody.

The Center has the capacity to accommodate 20 to 25 clients. It is open and available 24/7 for inquiries and referral of clients. The center has an existing rehabilitation team, compose of Doctor/Pediatrician, Dentist, Teacher, PNP Women's Desk officer, Lawyer of Provincial Legal Office, Provincial Administrator, MSWDO/Social Worker, Prosecutor, Spiritual Coordinator and Psychologist/Psychometrician who used to stand and defend the Psychosocial well-being and other facets for possible healing and recovery of the client.

The Center has complete facility such as furniture, fixtures, indoor/outdoor play facilities, also has four (4) bedrooms including the nursery room, infirmary room, isolation room, playroom/mini-library, and counseling room and other areas needed for level I and level II standard. The center had maintained and sustained the level II standard with existing certificate of accreditation valid for 5 years, from June 29, 2021 to June 30, 2026 respectively.

There are seventeen (17) staff and three (3) lady guards managed the operation of the Center which compose of three (3) Social Workers including the Center Head, two (2) Psychometrician, In-House Nurse, six (6) House parents, Clerk, Cook, Utility, Laundry Worker and Administrative Aide-I all are permanent position except for two (2) hired contractual employees with existing item created and funded subject for deliberation.

The Provincial Government of Isabela allocated and appropriated regular fund for the operation of WCPC calendar year 2023 that includes the Personnel Services and benefits of 17 staff, Maintenance and Other Operating Expenditures (MOOE) and Gender and Development Fund (GAD).

II. Salient Accomplishment

A. Summary of Case/Case Management

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WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION CENTER

SUMMARY OF CASES

JANUARY- DECEMBER, 2023

CLIENTELE CATEGORY	CASES SERVED						DISCHARGES												T O T A L	STILL AT THE CENTER							
	CARRY-OVER		New		TOTAL		FAMILY		RELATIVE		Job placement		Transfer to other inst		Left w/out permission		Foster Family			REHABILITATE	Under assessment		Hard to place		With court cases		TOTAL
	WEDC	CEDC	WEDC	CEDC	WEDC	CEDC	W	C	W	C	W	C	W	C	W	C	W	C			W	C	W	C	W	C	
1. Victims of Sexual																											
a. Rape	1	11			7	1	18		5	1	3								9							10	10
b. Incest		5			5		10		2		2								4							6	6
c. Acts of Lasciviousness					2		2												1							2	2
2. Victims of Physical abuse																											
3. Victim of Child Trafficking																											
4. Abandoned/Foundling																											
5. Neglected																											
6. Others (CEDC)																											
7. WEDC	1				1				1										1								
a. WEDC's dependent		3				3				1									1			2					2
b. Stranded																											
c. Victim of Human Trafficking																											
SUB-TOTAL	2	19			14	2	33		7	2	6								15			2				18	20
GRAND TOTAL						35																					

B. Programs and Services

1. Home Life Services

- The Center has structured daily activities designed for women and children. The task assigned to every resident may vary according to their age and capability. As part of home life learning activities, the young residents will perform the light task while the teenagers and adult residents will carry out the household chores with the assistance and proper guidance from the house parents and other staff.
- Convened monthly meeting or setting up urgent meeting with the residents pertaining to their daily life experienced and other issues and concerns were immediately addressed and resolved.
- Inculcated character-building session to all residents as part of motivating positive behavior. Every month, the staff chose the Best Performer among the residents to recognized work life experience with simple incentive of token/gift for deserving client.
- Provision of food, complete set of clothes, under wears, school uniform, blanket, pillow & pillow case, toiletries and other essential needs have provided to all admitted clients.
- Inculcation of proper home management and simple household tasks were also discussed to all residents for them to become functional, responsible, and mindfulness.



## 2. Psycho-Social Services

- Out of 35 admitted clients, a total of 29 have undergone Psychological Testing Assessment & Evaluation. Likewise, individual counseling, psychotherapy session and group dynamics were provided to addressed manifestation of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and strengthened coping skills. Gender and Development (GAD) Fund was utilized in implementing these provisions with a total of P87,800.00. On the other hand, six (6) clients are not required for psychological testing like the two (2) dependents' babies, a person with disability, and the three (3) clients who stayed in the center for a short term.
- The center Psychometricians also conducted Growth Sessions about Mental Health and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder to the residents as well as a separate session for the staff.





### 3. Educational Services

- Among 35 admitted clients, there are 29 who were formally enrolled in formal education; one (1) in college, three (3) are in senior high school (modular class), twelve (12) are elementary graders (face to face class), and one (1) client enrolled in Alternative Learning System (ALS).
- Provision of school needs like supplies, projects, minimal contribution, daily transportation allowance and snacks were regularly provided to all elementary, secondary & college and for high school students, also provided expenses for projects, transportation expenses in going to school for quarterly appearance, submission of answered modules, and picking-up summative/periodical test with their respective class advisers.
- The Center Head, Psychometrician, and House Parent also conducted regular school visitation to children in their respective classroom for monitoring of safety and protection as well as performance in their class. Likewise, continuous collaboration with the School Principal and Teachers on other issues and concerns for immediate action was also made.



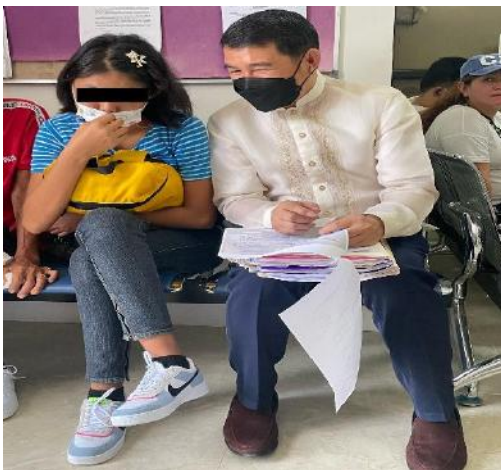
#### 4. Health Services

- The In-House Nurse regularly conducted physical examination including checking of height and weight to all residents for health monitoring and for possible referral depending on the health status and findings.
- There are two (2) residents' babies were confined at the GFNDM Hospital who availed of free confinement, medicines, and laboratories. One among the babies also referred for Electroencephalogram (EEG) at the Isabela United Doctors Medical Center in Cauayan City. Likewise, they completed the basic required immunization such as BCG, Hepa. B, DPT-Hepa., B-HiB, OPV, IPV, & MMR at the nearby Barangay Alibagu Health Center.
- This year, there are about 25 clients who have spontaneously experienced stomach ache, prolonged cough, colds, on & off fever immediately catered by the In-House Nurse and Rescuers from the PDRPMC and assisted them in going to the GFNDM Hospital for medical intervention: check-up, laboratories, ECG and CT-Scan at the private hospital. While 13 clients referred for dental services like tooth extraction at the FNDM Hospital and 1 client for filling/pasta at a private dental clinic.
- Provision of deworming to all residents as part of health protocol and prerequisite especially for newly admitted client for the purpose of monitoring health condition including weight & height using the Body Mass Index (BMI) Chart.
- For health promotion and intervention, at least twice a month in conducting health awareness session like hand washing, bathing, trimming of nails, tooth brushing and discussion of common illness like measles, sore eyes, skin disease, hair parasite and the like, was taught by the In-House Nurse to all residents for proper hygiene, home tips remedies, and prevention.
- Basic First-Aid and Safety Drill Training and Fire Safety Awareness was conducted by the Provincial Risk Reduction Management Office and Bureau of Fire Protection Provincial Office to all residents and staff.



## 5. Legal Services

- Relative to criminal cases filed by the victims/survivors, there are seven (7) clients have attained justice with fair decisions promulgated at the Regional Trial Court of Br. 4 Family Court Tuguegarao City, Br. 22, 18, 19, & 40 respectively. There are nineteen (19) cases are still ongoing court proceedings, while five (5) clients whose perpetrators are fugitive in justice.
- The Center Head and the Social Workers are properly accredited by the DSWD Standards Bureau in handling court related cases. As Case Managers of 35 clients, they served and considered as prosecution witnesses, also assisted the Prosecutors in preparing the survivors in court appearance & proceedings, and psychologically preparing the victims especially during the direct & cross examinations inside the court room or chamber.
- At least twice a year, residents who are covered by the witness protection program of the Department of Justice were presented to the Office of the Regional Prosecutor/Dir. Rommel C. Baligod to give update on the court status, issues, and concerns on legal matter.



## 6. Spiritual Services

- All residents spiritually guided in their daily life experienced through daily group prayer and devotion every morning and evening, Bible sharing, and memorizing Bible verses facilitated by the religious groups, house parents, and other staff.
- With proper coordination, all religious organization came from different sectors (CWL, OFS, & other groups) are allowed to conduct spiritual formation but on limited number to enter and served in the WCPC.
- For spiritual enrichment of the residents and staff, Holy Mass Celebration was also commended inside the WCPC, presided by Fr. Gerry Sabado and Fr. Herman Bugakti.
- All staff and residents have undergone recollection in observation of Holy Week/Lenten Season.
- Residents' babies were also baptized, an important foundation of Christian life of every child.



**7. Recreational, Sports, and other Socio-Cultural Activities**

- Special events like birthdays, christening, Valentine’s Day, Women’s Month, Nutrition Month, Family Week, Children’s Month, Christmas, and other related activities were celebrated for purpose of social awareness, interaction, socialization, and also developed life skills and talents of every client. A total amount of P97,222.00 was spend on this event and charged to GAD Fund.
- Recreational activity: Family Day was celebrated with the theme “kainang Pamilya Mahalaga Day” wherein all residents assisted by the staff and PGI Lady Guards have given opportunity to go out and buy their favorite stuffs, having leisure & fun activity and dining thereafter at the nearby North Star Mall, Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela, sponsored by the Provincial Administrator, Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez.
- The residents have given opportunity in utilizing outdoor play ground facilities, playing ball games, and zumba dance, also provided some indoor board games like snake & ladder, chess, sungka, and scrabble for physical, mental, and social development.
- During Children’s Month celebration, the WCPC conducted theater art competition composed of two (2) genres: interpretative dance and stage play. This activity somehow developed their artistic abilities and creative ideas. Also, the children were competitive, enthusiastic and have so much fun in joining “Laro ng lahi” like kadang-kadang, patintero, tumbang preso, breaking the pot, pabitin, sack race and trip to Jerusalem.





### 8. Economic and Livelihood Skills and Development

- For possible adeptness of skills learned (meat processing, beauty care, baking/pastry making, rug making, & others), return demo of skills acquired were accorded to some young adult residents. Likewise, inculcation on sharing of profits among residents out of their livelihood activity. Using of skills learned is very important to every client in preparation for their reintegration to augment family income or for possible independent living for adult client.
- All residents were motivated in joining income generating & skills/livelihood activity on baking and pastry, free training from the TESDA during the celebration of Women’s Month conducted by Mrs. Leona Cayapan.



### 9. Financial Assistance/

- For parents and relatives who came to the WCPC to visit their children, provision of financial assistance was provided to them by the PGI-PSWDO.
- Provision of financial assistance also availed by the resident’s baby for EEG and CT Scan for client having Seizure.



**III. Other significant information**

**Physical Structure**

**Accomplishments based on Plan for 2023**

- Replacement of damaged window screen (resident's living area, Infirmary Room, Staff Room, four (4) bedrooms including Nursery Room, and Play Room)
- Replacement of damaged gate
- Replacement of rotten door jambs (4) and 1 glass door (Office of the Center Head)
- Repair of office ceiling
- Repair of CCTV and installation of additional channels
- Repainting of interior part (wall & ceiling) of WCPC building

**Plans for 2024**

- Installation of pump well
- Repair of rotten fence
- Renovation of residents' toilet/comfort room
- Improvement of laundry area for dryer and lavatory for washing
- Possible vehicle utilized by the WCPC & other Centers
- Repair of gutter


**Program Management/Admin**

- Request for filling up of permanent position for In-House Nurse and Psychologist
- Request for additional Utility Worker

**IV. Problems encountered**

- Shortage of water supply or absence of other source of water for augmentation or back-up in case of natural disaster or during summer season.
- Limited vehicle to be utilized during emergency cases (sick resident), attend court hearings, and service of in-school residents who are at risk especially for those enrolled in elementary school

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