

HARNESSING MULTISECTORAL COLLABORATION FOR NUTRITION THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL NUTRITION GOVERNANCE PROGRAM: THE EXPERIENCE OF SIARGAO ISLANDS, PHILIPPINES

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CHILD MALNUTRITION IN THE PHILIPPINES



1 IN EVERY 4 (23.6%)

FILIPINO CHILDREN ARE **STUNTED**

**2.8
MILLION
CHILDREN**



5.6% FILIPINO CHILDREN
ARE **WASTED**

**680
THOUSAND
CHILDREN**

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**1 IN EVERY 4 (20%)
UNDER-FIVE CHILDREN ARE STUNTED**



**5% UNDER-FIVE CHILDREN
ARE WASTED**

SIARGAO ISLANDS
Malnutrition worsened by the
COVID-19 pandemic and a
Super Typhoon

A Tourism Hotspot: Known as a world-class surfing destination, tourism is a major economic driver in the island.





Source: Philippine Star

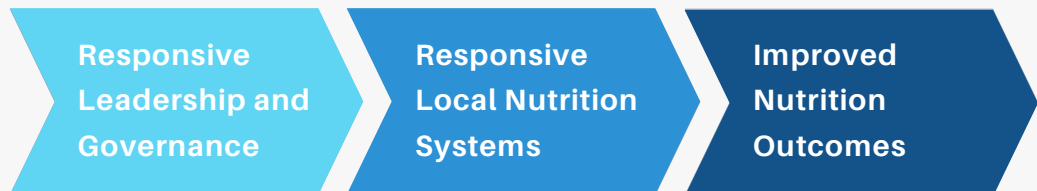
Ground Zero of Super Typhoon Odette (2021): Highlighted the vulnerability of the island's coastal communities to extreme disasters.

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ZFF'S MUNICIPAL NUTRITION GOVERNANCE PROGRAM (MNGP)

AN OVERVIEW

ZFF Health Change Model



Responsive Leadership and Governance	Responsive Local Nutrition Systems	Improved Nutrition Outcomes
ZFF MNGP	Integrating the F1KD System	Improve Health Service Delivery
Nutrition governance for mayors and local nutrition committees	Participation of different sectors in nutrition program	Contribute to the reduction of stunting and wasting prevalence

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METHODOLOGY

THE FIRST 1000 DAYS ROADMAP

CITY / MUNICIPAL TECHNICAL ROADMAP FOR FIRST 1000 DAYS							
Goal - Contribute to stunting prevalence reduction among children 0-23 months old from baseline prevalence							
Leadership & Governance	Financing	Human Resource	Access to Commodities	Information System	Service Delivery	Social Determinants	
City / Municipal Leadership and Governance	City / Municipal Financing	City / Municipal Human Resource	City / Municipal Access to Commodities	City / Municipal Information System	City / Municipal Service Delivery	City / Municipal	Social Determinants

Based on the WHO's Six Health System Building Blocks

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METHODOLOGY

ROADMAP ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Main Block

Leadership and Governance

Sub-block

Functional and Expanded Municipal Nutrition Committee

Performance Indicators

(1) Presence of approved local policy supporting the organization of the Municipal Nutrition Committee, its members and their functions

(2) Expanded the committee to ensure the participation of the IPs, Women's Group, Adolescent and Youth and other People's Organization

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RESULTS

Municipality of Burgos

1. Integrated municipal and barangay level nutrition services	2. Invested in improving their health and nutrition information systems	3. Trained health and nutrition workers for improved service delivery
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Integrated municipal and barangay level nutrition services

Municipality of Pilar

1. Integrated municipal and barangay level nutrition services	2. Invested in improving their health and nutrition information systems	3. Trained health and nutrition workers for improved service delivery
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Invested in improving their health and nutrition information systems

Municipality of Sta. Monica

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Trained health and nutrition workers for improved service delivery

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RESULTS



“..we created a **Municipal Nutrition Committee**, chaired by me, and co-chaired by our municipal health officer. We **conducted quarterly meetings** to come up with various activities which does not only involve the nutrition officer and the health unit, but also **encouraged the active participation of the different offices and NGOs.** ”

“I have learned the importance of the **Municipal Nutrition Action Officer** who would become our anchor in converging the municipal nutrition council. I have also learned that without the **partnership of the barangay leaders and the community**, we would not create a sense of ownership in solving the problems of our community.”

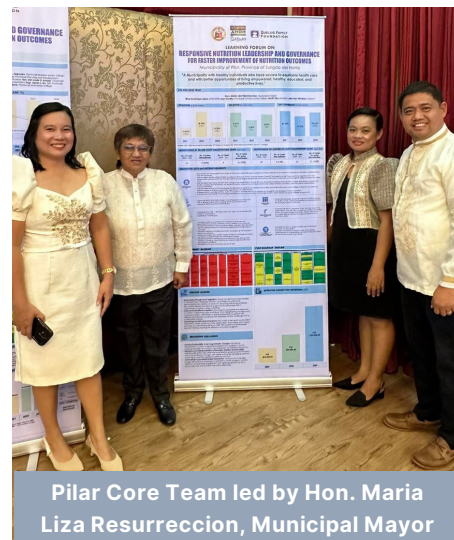


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DISCUSSION

Key Learnings

- 01 **Effective leadership** at the local government level is essential for driving multisectoral collaboration
- 02 Improved local **information systems** lead to better data-driven planning
- 03 Continuous **capacity building**, including leadership, communication, and data analysis training, is crucial for success



Pilar Core Team led by Hon. Maria Liza Resurreccion, Municipal Mayor

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CONCLUSION

Implications for Policy and Practice in Child Development

- 01 Foster collaboration at the local level by **enhancing multisectoral coordination mechanisms** for child development
- 02 Utilize **comprehensive assessment tools** such as the "*First 1000 Days Roadmap*" to strengthen local governance for child development, thereby enhancing accountability, transparency, and facilitating continuous learning.

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Maraming salamat!

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