## **2021 SDA GAD ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Despite all the odds brought by the Pandemic, the year 2021 for the SRA GAD has continued its momentum in doing significant activities for the year including its commitment to serve and reach out to SRA Community especially during these difficult times. Among the significant accomplishments of the SRA GAD are the following:

WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION As a kickstart activity in the observance of the 2021 National Women's Month celebration in March, the SRA Gender and Development (GAD) committee in Quezon City distributed plants with gender statements as give aways to agency personnel. This is a timely project which is in line with the current PCW theme, "Juana Laban sa Pande-

mya: Kaya!" Growing plants is very relevant especially during these pandemic times.

Apart from its health benefits, it also serves as one worthwhile and enjoyable form of recreation.

There was also a photo booth where the employees and COS personnel posed for souvenir shots.

The SRA-GAD sponsored a contest for all male and female employees of the agency in which they submitted heartwarming and inspiring stories during these pandemic times that mirror their being modern-day superheroes in their own rights. Truly, in a time when many men and women are broken both in emotion and spirit, stories like theirs make the heart whole once again.

SRA Personnel who participated in this contest were given recognition and special grocery items as token.



**GAD CORNER** was maintained the whole year wherein gender-related matters, announcements and celebrations were featured





for the awareness and information of the agency. Every month, the GAD Corner also has inspiring themes which not only reminded everybody to al-



ways be on the alert but also to remain optimistic despite these challenging and trying times.

























ATTENDANCE TO PCW-SPONSORED WEBINAR AND MEETINGS. SRA GAD Vice Chairperson and Technical Working Group Members were constantly attending webinars and meetings on GAD related issues thru different platforms. One example is the webinar on The GAD Agenda Formulating the GAD Strategic Framework and GAD Strategic Plan via Zoom platform.



**SACKS OF RICE AND HEALTH ESSENTIALS** were distributed to agency employees as part of its Covid 19-related projects for the year. Recipients were very glad and grateful for this timely, meaningful and relevant assistance provided for them.



## NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK CELEBRATION and NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

The SRA GAD joined in the celebration of these two important celebrations. Last 2021 These are really a fitting tribute to what is referred to as the basic unit of the society and highlighting the value of children as the hope and future of our country.

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**ADOPT A SMALL SUGARCANE FARMING FAMILY** is one of SRA -GAD's attributed projects in 2021 of Extension Services Division under the Research, Development and Extension (RDE) Dept.

Its main objective is to help mitigate the impact of Covid-19 to

small sugarcane farming families in all the mill districts na-

tionwide by increasing their productivity. Ten target beneficiaries will be chosen in every mill district in which one family will be provided with funding support amounting to Php 85,000.00 per hectare.

As of November 31, 2021, a total of 91 farmers were validated and identified for the said program. Carsumco has already established its ten beneficiaries while Isabela has six. For its part, Tarlac has already validated its ten beneficiaries which are ready for implementation. Meanwhile, Pampanga has already established its three beneficiaries followed by Bukidnon which has ten. On its end, Davao has three beneficiaries and Cotabato has ten.

Truly, it is one worthwhile endeavor and SRA-GAD takes pride that this is one of its attributed projects.

**CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL RURAL WOMEN'S MONTH** Through SRA's Research Extension and Development (RDE) Department, another exemplary Client-Focused project is the provision of planting materials/tools, seeds and seedlings. All of these were distributed to block farm beneficiaries in Luzon and Mindanao Sugarcane Mill Districts. This project aims to provide incentives to rural women. Lastly, this is also SRA's response and contribution in support to the DA's Plant, Plant, Plant program.



**18 DAY CAMPAIGN TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (VAW).** The SRA joined in the observance of this campaign led by SRA GAD Technical Working Group (TWG) by wearing especially designed T-shirt sand face masks prescribed by Philippine Commission on Women (PCW). Vicinity in SRA Visayas were filled with orange balloons and orange lights especially during the night time.



Philippine Commission on Women's resident Supervising GAD Specialist Kahleen Sasuman as Resource Speaker, this activity were participated by SPA CAD Technical Working Croup and SPA Or

source Speaker, this activity were participated by SRA GAD Technical Working Group and SRA Organizations' Key Representatives. The event is an essential step to further strengthen and improve the committee's planning strategy in 2022 and is a fitting culminating activity for the year 2021.





