

# Quezon City to adopt Davao emergency response practices

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QUEZON City Vice Mayor **Joy Belmonte** plans to adopt the disaster risk reduction scheme of Davao City to improve the responsiveness to emergencies and accidents of villages ( barangay) and the city disaster management council.

As an example, Belmonte cited the recent fire incident at Brgy. Manresa where almost 100 houses and 200 families were affected, saying that she was dismayed with the inadequate number of person-

“The incident has made me realize that we have to do something about it. We have to improve our responses,” Belmonte said. “I went to Davao last year, and I saw how advanced their emergency team is. They have this warehouse full of emergency vehicles like ambulances and buses for mass transport to hospitals. They are prepared for all kinds of accidents and I want Quezon City to have something similar.”

Belmonte also admired the response team of Davao which she thinks has deployed effective measures to provide better services during emergencies.

Moreover, the vice mayor has made agreements with Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte-Carpio for the training and seminars on disaster risk reduction for the barangay captains including members of the (SK).