

# QC celebrates Earth Day 2019

THE Quezon City government, through its **Environment Protection and Waste Management Department (EPWMD)**, conducted a series of activities in celebration of the 2019 Earth Day.

According to EPWMD-Special Cleaning Group Section Chief Manny Rios, the city government initiated the month-long program to promote the importance of protecting the environment.

Activities include clean-up drives, ecobrick-making workshop, trading of single-use PET to reusable plastic bottles and Earth Day jam.

Residents from various barangays attended the ecobrick-making workshop, organized by the city government with Pure Earth, Global Ecobrick Alliance, and Ecobricks Philippines.

Over 1,500 kilos of PET bottles

were collected at the trading of single-use PET bottles to reusable plastic bottles, a program pioneered by the city.

Barangays from district 6 also participated in the clean-up drive in Dario Creek and Talipapa Creek.

The celebration concluded with Earth Day jam, an annual environmental summer concert.

Rios urged the city residents to continue to protect the environment, even if it is not earth day.

QC, under the administration of Mayor **Herbert Bautista**, has been continuously conducting measures to protect and preserve the environment.

In 2014, Quezon City clinched the Environmental Compliance Audit award from the Department of Interior and Local Government for the city's efforts and programs in protecting the environment.