

QC allots P3.7 B for street lights

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The Quezon City government has earmarked an estimated P3.7 billion for a program that aims to put up 24,480 street lights in an effort to fight crimes.

Mayor Joy Belmonte said the installation of street lights is part of her 14-point agenda to ensure public safety and maintain peace and order in the city.

“Since most crimes are committed in dark streets and alleys, we want to provide additional protection to the people by installing street lamp posts that will illuminate barangays, roads and other public places,” Belmonte said.

The five-year program is set to begin this year, with a task force to be established to oversee the installment, retrofitting, repair and maintenance of the street lights. Barangay authorities will be tasked to maintain the street lights.

Belmonte said the city government would coordinate with power provider Manila Electric Co. for the application and connection of electricity for the street lights.

“The street lighting program will be implemented as an economical approach to promoting safety in the barangays,” she said.

A similar program was implemented by former speaker and Quezon City mayor Sonny Belmonte in 2005.

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