

Fire safety measures pushed

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The Quezon City local government has partnered with the Bureau of Fire Prevention (BFP)-QC Fire District to intensively promote fire safety measures in barangays, especially in fire-prone communities.

The QC Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council will adopt BFP-QC's Oplan "Ligtas Pamayanan," a massive, comprehensive and strategic fire prevention campaign that aims to intensify fire safety in barangays.

City officials stated the need to reduce the incidence of fire to prevent damage to properties of city residents.

Mike Marasigan, Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office head, said the creation of Community Fire Auxiliary Groups (CFAG) is one of the key components of the campaign.

The CFAG is composed of trained volunteer residents and civil society organizations. These auxiliary brigades will serve as front line defense of the community in times of fire incidents.

"With the participation of the residents themselves, we will make a plan on how to address fire risks and problems," Marasigan added, noting that base line data is important in planning and crafting the Community Fire Protection Plan. He added residents will be taught practical ways in preventing fire incidents among house hold areas.