

Metro cities start giving cash aid

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MOST cities in Metro Manila had started distributing cash aid to their constituents.



Each family can receive a maximum of P4,000, with each beneficiary getting P1,000.

Manila started doling out the cash aid on Tuesday. There are more than 366,000 beneficiaries in the city.

Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso said the city also distributed the allowances of some 16,000 senior citizens on Wednesday. The P61,834,000 allotted for the project comes from the coffers of the local government.

Parañaque Mayor Edwin Olivarez said that the local government started giving the cash aid on Wednesday. The city received P604 million from the government for 151,000 aid beneficiaries.

Taguig City also distributed the financial assistance after getting P805 million.

Pasay City also started giving cash assistance on Wednesday, having gotten P348 million for 123,000 residents.

Meanwhile, Mayor Victor Ma. Regis “Vico” Sotto said that 681,743 Pasig City residents will receive the aid.

The cities of Muntinlupa and San Juan will begin the distribution of cash aid on Thursday.

Mandaluyong City received P364 million from the national government, while the municipality of Pateros got P52 million for around 75 percent of its population. The date of distribution has yet to be announced.

In Makati, Mayor Mar-Len Abigail Binay said 517,000 low-income residents will get the cash aid through electronic transactions, but the date is yet to be announced.

Meanwhile, P4.7 billion was released by the national government for millions of residents in the cities of Quezon, Caloocan, Malabon, Navotas and Valenzuela.

Quezon City got the bulk of the cash assistance in the amount of P2.4 billion, followed by Caloocan City, P1,336,190.

QC Administrator Mike Alimurung said at least 30 sites were set up to ensure the steady and unhampered distribution of the cash aid to “QCitizens.”

Around 2.4 million residents will each receive P1,000.

In Caloocan, Mayor Oscar “Oca” Malapitan told The Manila Times that 368,925 residents were qualified to receive the financial aid from the national government.