

## QC starts distribution of QCitizen ID to PWDs

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The **Quezon City government** has started the distribution of the unified QCitizen identification card to residents who are persons with disability (PWDs).

Launched in January, the unified ID for Quezon City residents aims to streamline city government services and prevent fraud.

Once fully rolled out, it will replace the existing IDs issued to senior citizens, solo parents and PWDs.

“As we start distributing QCitizen IDs, we are hoping to collect more comprehensive data about our residents who belong to different sectors, so that we can tailor-fit services to their needs and ensure that the city’s resources are distributed more equitably,” **Mayor Joy Belmonte** said.

An initial 1,000 PWDs received their QCitizen IDs this week. They were also provided assistance in registering for Philippine Health Insurance Corp. membership as mandated by Republic Act 11228.

Renato Cada, head of the **city’s Persons with Disability Affairs Office**, said they aim to register over 74,073 PWDs for the QCitizen ID early next year.

Aside from online registration, focal persons in every barangay also reach out to PWDs in their areas to provide assistance.

Pending the issuance of the QCitizen ID, the existing PWD card – as well as senior citizen and solo parent IDs – remains valid and may be used to avail of discounts and other services.

Appointed PWD focal persons per barangay will notify residents once their QCitizen ID is ready to be claimed in their respective barangays.

QC residents and those who are working or studying in the city can also avail of a QCitizen ID by registering at <https://qceservices.quezoncity.gov.ph/>.