

## QC is finalist in WWF's One Planet challenge

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QUEZON City has been selected as one of three national finalists for the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) One Planet City Challenge (OPCC) 2021-2022.

Two other major cities - Davao and Dipolog City were also selected along with Quezon City. These three cities were selected among the 16 qualified cities from the Philippines.

The OPCC is a friendly global competition initiated by the WWF to recognize cities for their climate actions and ambitions and assess whether they align with the goals set forth in the Paris Agreement in limiting climate change to 1.5 °C.

Cities are also key contributors to climate change, as urban activities are significant sources of greenhouse gas emissions. An estimated 75 percent of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are from cities, with transport and buildings being among the largest contributors.

But some cities have started to use renewable energy sources, implement regulations to limit industrial emissions, and institute energy efficiency measures

Quezon City Mayor Josefina "Joy" Belmonte expressed her gratitude to WWF-OPCC for selecting her city as one of the finalists.