QC allots P500/mo. aid for one year to 'most vulner-able' constituents

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THE Quezon City government is giving out P500 a month to qualified indigent senior citizens, solo parents and persons with disabilities in the city as financial assistance for one year.

The dole-out was embodied in City Ordinance No. SP-3115, S-2022 meant to help alleviate the adverse effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the "most vulnerable sectors of society," as well as the price increases of basic goods.

The measure covers indigent senior citizens, solo parents and PWDs who were not already benefiting from any other regular government financial assistance, such as social pension and cash transfer program.

Only one beneficiary per household can avail of the financial aid to be given following the approval of the implementing rules and regulations.

Prospective beneficiaries may submit their application to the Office for the Senior Citizens Affairs, Persons with Disability Office, or with the Social Services and Development Department for indigent solo parents.

After 12 months, these offices will conduct a re-evaluation to determine if beneficiaries remain eligible for the program.

A separate ordinance grants P500 weekly unemployment assistance to displaced workers for a maximum of eight weeks per year, to augment their meager resources