



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION IV-A CALABARZON

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**Regional Memorandum**  
No.616 s.2025

**2025 SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS**

To **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. In reference to the Memorandum of the Regional Development Council Region IV-A CALABARZON No. M2507-245<sup>1</sup>, this Office hereby endorses the Call for Nominations for the 2025 Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV).
2. The Search for Outstanding Volunteers is a partnership of the Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency and the Department of Economy, Planning, and Development (DEPDev) that aims to identify and recognize outstanding Filipino volunteers, volunteer organizations, local government units (LGUs), and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) for their outstanding performance and achievement in empowering communities in different categories:
  - a. National Outstanding Volunteer Award
  - b. Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award
  - c. Outstanding LGU Award, and
  - d. Special Award for HEIs
3. Guidelines and nomination forms are accessible through <https://bit.ly/SOVPublicFiles2025> and <https://tinyurl.com/Nominate-SOV2025>. Schools Division Offices are also encouraged to share the promotional materials shared through the Official Facebook page of DEPDev at <https://www.facebook.com/DEPDevRegion4A>.
4. Nomination forms and supporting documents must be organized into one folder and submitted through email at [dro4a@depdev.gov.ph](mailto:dro4a@depdev.gov.ph), copy furnished to [drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph](mailto:drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph) and [region4a@deped.gov.ph](mailto:region4a@deped.gov.ph) until August 29, 2025.

<sup>1</sup> Call for Nominations for the 2025 Search for Outstanding Volunteers



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5. For more details, you may coordinate with Ms. Sara Caliwagan or Ms. Ning Llames, SOV Secretariat through [dro4a@depdev.gov.ph](mailto:dro4a@depdev.gov.ph) and [drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph](mailto:drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph).
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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 Regional Director 

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REGION IV-A (CALABARZON)



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**SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS – REGIONAL SEARCH COMMITTEE**

Ref. No. M2507-245

**MEMORANDUM**

FOR : **ALL RDC MEMBERS**  
**ALL RDC SECTORAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

SUBJECT : **Call for Nominations for the 2025 Search for Outstanding Volunteers**

DATE : July 30, 2025

1. The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency, in partnership with the Department of Economy, Planning, and Development (DEPDev) Regional Offices, has officially launched the 2025 Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV) last July 9.
2. The SOV aims to identify and recognize outstanding Filipino volunteers, volunteer organizations, local government units (LGUs), and higher education institutions (HEIs) for their outstanding performance and achievements in empowering communities and promoting volunteerism as a way of life contributory to nation-building. This year's Search has the following categories: 1) National Outstanding Volunteer Award; 2) Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award; 3) Outstanding LGU Award (by invitation only); and 4) Special Award for HEIs.
3. In this regard, we would like to request your assistance in disseminating the Call for Nomination to your partners and networks. Attached are the SOV Guidelines and nomination forms which are also available for download at <https://bit.ly/SOVPublicFiles2025> and <https://tinyurl.com/Nominate-SOV2025>.
4. Further, may we request you to share to your respective social media accounts the SOV promotional materials that will be posted in DEPDev Regional Office IV-A Official Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/DEPDevRegion4A>.
5. Please be advised that nomination forms and supporting documents must be organized into one folder and submitted through email at [dro4a@depdev.gov.ph](mailto:dro4a@depdev.gov.ph) copy furnish [drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph](mailto:drd@calabarzon.depdev.gov.ph) until **August 29**.
6. For inquiries, you may coordinate with Ms. Sara Caliwagan or Ms. Ning Llamas of the SOV Secretariat through the abovementioned email addresses.

For consideration. Thank you and best regards.

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SOV-RSC Chairperson

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