

**Major Programs and Projects
CY 2012**

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Conduct of Coordination Meetings as Input to Policy Formulation and Development	Quarterly budget at Php 187,500.00 (Php 750,000.00-budget for the year 2012)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three (3) POPCOM board meetings were conducted last July 18, October 18 and December 20, 2012 • One (1) POPCOM Board Executive Committee meeting was held last June 19, 2012 • Coordination meetings held with partner agencies, implementers and other related population activities (FFICI, KNBI, NCMF, NCIP, House of Representatives, Senate of the Philippines, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As secretariat to the POPCOM Board and Executive Committee, the consultation meetings were held to discuss programmatic and operational issues that need to be addressed by the highest policy-making body of the Program. The Board is chaired by the Secretary of Health while the Executive Committee is being chaired by NEDA. • Other activities include conduct of consultations/meetings/monitoring and other related activities with appropriate bodies like Senate and House of Representatives, research institutions/academe, NGOs and Faith-based Organizations.
Printing and Distribution of the State of the Philippine Population Report 5 (SPPR 5)	Php 1,000,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SPPR is a periodic publication of the organization which aims to provide an authoritative synthesis of issues on a specific population and development (POPDEV) topic. It is meant to enhance research-based information utilization and advocacy on specific SPPR theme. • The fifth issue of the SPPR explored the population, health and environment (PHE) interrelationships and the experience of the country in integrating the three variables in policies, programs and projects. The report adopted the population and development

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			<p>framework to put into context the PHE linkages. It also presented case studies on how PHE integration was happening in urban, coastal and upland ecosystems as well as lessons learned from these projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report was repackaged into a popularized version and entitled "Seeking a Healthy Balance: Population, Health and Environment Integration". Three (3) technical experts have reviewed the popularized version. Three thousand copies (3,000) were printed and distributed to target audiences.
Launching of the State of the Philippine Population Report 5 (SPPR 5)	Php 600,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As with the four previous issues of the SPPR, the fifth issue was launched in a major event that gathered stakeholders of the program. The launching also served as the venue for these stakeholders to express their support for Population Health and Environment integration in programs and projects. The launching of the SPPR 5 was attended by some 400 participants held in Cagayan de Oro City on November 22, 2012: key officials of the national and local government, members of the POPCOM Board of Commissioners, local government units, civil society organizations and sectoral groups.
Development and Printing of Policy Brief	Php 150,000.00 (Consultancy) Php 60,000.00 (Printing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed (consultancy) Completed (printing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is the first time that POPCOM produced a policy brief on a critical issue that have a great impact on population (including its size, distribution and movement), climate change. The consultant was able to develop a technical paper consisting of 20 pages on population and climate change which was the basis for the policy brief consisting of 8 pages (back to back printing). As reported by the consultant, the preparation of the policy paper and policy brief showing the interrelationship among population and

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			<p>its variants and climate change will provide POPCOM with a framework wherein it can anchor its policies, plans and programs in support of the Philippines' National Framework Strategy on Climate Change and the National Climate Change Action Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The policy brief consists of the summary, highlights, core messages, conclusions and recommendations of the technical paper. It was in a language that can be easily understood by the layman. • The policy brief was printed with the title "The Philippine Population and Climate Change: Challenges and Policy Directions". One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) copies were printed to be distributed to its target audiences.
<p>Promoting Responsible Parenthood-Natural Family Planning in Food-Poor Areas in the Country</p>	<p>1,900,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The contractor, FFICI is a non-profit and non-stock organization established in 2001, duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The FFICI was awarded the contract through public bidding for the implementation of the project "Promoting RP-NFP in Food -Poor Areas in the Country". FFICI was able to reach a total of 1,250 couples during the seven (7) months of project implementation covering Aklan, Quezon Province and NCR. • It is also important to advocate the promotion of Natural Family Planning among married couples in poor communities. The contractor was able to work with parishes and community-based faith-based organizations by providing intensive training using the modules on NFP to many couples in various urban and rural communities in the country. The training not merely provides couples knowledge on concepts on responsible parenthood, but also teaches concepts and principles of natural family planning.

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<p>Promoting Responsible Parenthood-Family Planning Through the Billings Ovulation Technology in Non-4Ps Communities in the Country</p>	<p>1,500,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project aims to bring the Responsible Parenthood-Family Planning (RP-FP) through the Billings Ovulation Technology (BOT) to 1,000 married couples in three (3) non-4Ps areas: Cavite, Laguna and Occidental Mindoro. • The Kanlungan ng Buhay, Inc. is a non-stock and non-profit organization established in October 2007, duly registered with the Security and Exchange Commission. The KNBI was awarded the contract through public bidding. • The RP-FP/BOT was institutionalized, adopted and assimilated to 1,160 couples in these areas. It was not merely training on RP-FP/BOT but it also helped couples understand, monitor and harness their natural fertility awareness so that they will have constant dialogue in their relationship. • The KNBI as implementer was able to coordinate with Dioceses, Christian Alliances Churches, and tribal leaders in different communities covered by the project. They were able to conduct eight (8) sessions on RP-FP/BOT from September to December 2012 which was provided by the pool of trainers, facilitators and resource persons using their training modules on RP-FP/BOT. • Some commendations/recommendations given by the KNBI in implementing the project are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strong support of the Christian and Missionary Alliance from Occidental Mindoro 2. Private and public school principals/teachers are willing to motivate and recruit teachers and parents to attend the RP-FP/BOT training 3. Need for continuous monitoring

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			<p>and supervision in order to maintain quality control of the use of BOT to assure future achievers and spacers on the effectiveness of the technology</p> <p>4. Continue to implement the project to couples from other religions</p>
<p>Enhancement of Pre-Marriage Counseling (PMC) Program for Filipino Muslims and Other Indigenous Couples</p>	<p>Php 500,000.00</p> <p>Amount Spent: Php 2,000,000.00 (fund transfers to RPOs 4 and 12 for the Pre-tests and training of core trainers)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The consultant for the project was able to accomplish all the stages of the development of Supplemental Guide for Indigenous Peoples as well as the layouting and artwork of the Supplemental Guide for Muslim Couples. • The implementation of the project has two component: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training on the use of the Supplemental Guide to the PMC Manual for Muslim Filipinos <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the pro-type PMC Supplemental Guide for Muslim couples, a training of core trainers was conducted in General Santos City last April 2012. This was participated by twenty five (25) participants from the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF), Muslim Leaders and PMC Counselors in the Province of Sultan Kudarat. • The PMC Supplemental Guide was also pre-tested to twelve (12) couples in Isulan, Sultan Kudarat. • The PMC Supplemental Guide has been layouted and ready for printing.

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			<p>2. Development of Supplemental Guide to the PMC Manual for Filipino Indigenous Couples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development of the Supplemental Guide for Indigenous Couples was aimed at putting an ethnocultural context and respecting the indigenous systems, institutions, relationships and religious ceremonies of the IPs. • Conducted a research on the betrothal and marriage traditions and practices among the T'boli (including B'laan and Ubo tribes) in South Cotabato and Mangyans in Mindoro. Key informant interviews were conducted with tribal leaders and concerned LGUs and agencies. After which, focus group discussions were held to T'boli and Mangyan couples to get their perspectives on marriage and family. • To contextualized these efforts, a writeshop was held to develop a PMC Supplemental Guide for IPs which was participated in by tribal leaders of the T'boli and Mangyans, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples officials and staff, PMC counselors of Region 12.
CY 2012 National Management Meeting (NMM)	PhP 1,520,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct of four (4) regular and two (2) special NMMs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the coordinative mechanisms/bodies that POPCOM maintains is the National Management Meeting (NMM) with the Executive Staff, Regional Directors and some technical staff of POPCOM. It

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			<p>serves as a venue for the discussion of program operations and updates on the status of program implementation, determining problems and areas that need necessary and timely interventions and recommending possible measures to improve the operational system. This is conducted once every quarter.</p>
<p>Finalization / Printing and Dissemination of the National PPMP Directional Plan (DP) 2011-2016</p>	<p>PhP 150,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPMP DP 2011-2016 finalized and edited by a style editor hired by POPCOM for this purpose • Printing of the DP (500 copies) • Dissemination in 2013 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For 2012, POPCOM enhances the DP to incorporate developments in the sector vis-à-vis other sectors such as health and social welfare as they relate to poverty reduction. In particular, the Aquino Health Agenda or the Kalusugan Pangkalahatan of the DOH and the Pantawid Pamilya of the DSWD were integrated in the DP to make it more consistent with President Aquino's thrusts and directions. • The final draft was enhanced anew with the final review of representatives of the Executive Committee. Thereafter, this was style edited by a professional editor and printed and will be disseminated to POPCOM's program partners in the early part of 2013.
<p>Development, Capacity Building and Operationalization of an Effective Monitoring and Evaluation System for the PPMP</p>	<p>Php 1,000,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of the TWG on Monitoring and Evaluation System • Conduct of a workshop with the selected technical staff from the central and regional population offices to gather inputs, identify gaps and review the existing indicators of the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PPMP is the main framework for the population management strategies in the country. The program is coordinated and monitored by the Commission on Population (POPCOM) and implemented collaboratively with other national and local government agencies, the NGOs, and other stakeholders to achieve the goals and objectives of the PPMP. • The currently developed PPMP Directional Plan for 2012-2016 underscores the need for a comprehensive and functioning monitoring and evaluation (M & E) system for the population

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		<p>program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct of a follow – up workshop to enhance the outputs of the first workshop. • Development /drafting of the monitoring and evaluation system 	<p>management strategies as part of its implementing mechanism. The M & E system serves as a key strategy of ensuring that goals and objectives of the PPMP are achieved; that the key roles of each implementing partner is being undertaken; and that resources are being generated, mobilized, and spent for population activities at all levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within this context, a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation system to track down achievements, implementing status and issues for developing and implementing the strategies under the PPMP Directional Plan for 2012-2016 and for future programming is being developed.
<p>Strengthening Strategies and Approaches of Population and Development (POPDEV) Dimensions in Plan and Program Formulation</p>	<p>PhP 1,000,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of a TWG for POPDEV integration • Conduct of a workshop with the Planning Officer IVs and selected Central Office technical staff to review and enhance the existing POPDEV tool to make it more simple, relevant and useful for the intended users. • Development of the POPDEV Mentoring Guide with a resource person/expert. This tool will serve as a guide for local planners in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POPCOM has designed and implemented various strategies aimed at capacitating local planners to integrate population variables in their local development plans. Relevant modules/tools were developed and promoted to guide the planners and program managers in analyzing and addressing the population dynamics as they influence development concerns. Despite the existing interventions on POPDEV integration in planning, there is still a need to intensify and institutionalize interventions for integrating population concerns in policy and program initiatives. • The simplified/enhanced POPDEV Mentoring Guide will be finalized this 2013 after all the comments from the Executive Committee, National Management Group and the POPCOM Board of Commissioners are integrated in the final version of the said guide. • POPCOM will then conduct the retooling/training of the POPCOM Central and regional staff on the simplified enhanced guide at the end of the second

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		integrating POPDEV dimensions in policy and program development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-testing of the POPDEV Mentoring Guide with the 6 LGUs of CAR in Baguio City on December 3-8, 2012 	quarter.
Training of Trainors on Pre-Marriage Counselors on the Revised Pre-Marriage Counseling (PMC) Manual (A content and Process Guide) and Implementing Guidelines	PhP 5,500,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PMC program underwent an assessment which resulted to the revision/updating of the 1992 PMC Manual and amendment of the 2002 Implementing Guidelines. This was approved by the POPCOM Board of Commissioners in 2009. • To facilitate the adoption of the revised PMC manual and Implementing guidelines, POPCOM in coordination with the PNGOC, conducted several activities: 1) 3 batches of Training of Trainors; 2) orientation/training of 1,413 PMC teams on the use of the revised PMC Manual. • For CY 2012, POPCOM continuously trained the PMC trainers and PMC counsellors from the remaining provinces and some cities and municipalities which have not been covered in the first year of implementation. 900 local participants attended the TOTs and the roll-out trainings.
Printing of Monograph on Parental Involvement in Adolescent Health and Development	PhP 250,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Monograph on Parental Involvement in Adolescent Health and Development was developed in coordination with the University of the Philippines Population Institute. The monograph is both an IEC and advocacy tool that

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			<p>aims to cater to the queries and concerns of the various stakeholders and to facilitate policy formulation at the local and national levels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This was printed in 2012 and will be distributed to various stakeholders at the national, regional and local levels in the early part of 2013.
<p>Printing and Dissemination of Responsible Parenthood – Natural Family Planning (RP-NFP) Evaluation Study</p>	<p>PhP 250,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing the important role of the regional offices and LGUs in the RP-NFP program, POPCOM realized the need to conduct a regional analysis of RP-NFP evaluation data to come up with a more comprehensive and region featured evaluation results. The result of the evaluation was printed in the last quarter of the year and will be disseminated to all RPOs, LGUs, partner agencies and other stakeholders of the population program in the early part of 2013.
<p>Coordinative Meetings and Monitoring and Evaluation of PPMP Programs/Projects</p>	<p>Php 500,000.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 coordinative meetings conducted and monitoring trips/field visits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> POPCOM is the overall coordinating and monitoring and evaluation of the PPMP programs and projects. It also tracks down the performance vis-à-vis the international commitments (e.g. MDGs and ICPD POA) and other foreign funded projects like UNFPA. At the national level, Planning and Monitoring Division (PMD) takes the lead in the coordination, monitoring and evaluation of programs and projects in collaboration with other agencies. Moreover, it coordinates and monitors the RPOs, and non-government organizations (NGOs) contributions to the PPMP. It also conduct field visits in order to obtain first hand information on the progress of the programs/projects and validate the reports made.

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			<p>These are done through the conduct of workshops,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consultation meetings and evaluation/assessment meetings.
Data Storage and Hosting of RP-FP Online Reporting System	Php 60,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosting and back-up of data of Online RP-FP Reporting and Monitoring System by an external service provider. This ensured the integrity of the data gathered from different regions.
Dedicated Leased Line Internet Connection	Php 1,550,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided a guaranteed Internet bandwidth to adjust to any changes in the number of users and the volume of traffic within and outside the Commission. The new bandwidth able to cope with the needs of the agency for a permanent, reliable and high-speed connectivity.
Lease-Purchase of various It Equipment	Php 2,000,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accommodated the new systems (i.e. PIS, FMS, OQPMS) and addressed the need to upgrade or acquire IT hardware and software.
Development of a 3-year Information Systems Strategic Plan (ISSP)	Php 250,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 3-year Information Systems Strategic Plan was developed and then submitted and approved by National Computer Center. This ISSP describes how POPCOM intends to strategically use ICT in pursuit of its mission and fulfillment of its functions.
Placement of Radio/TV infomercial on Adolescent Health and Youth Development (AHYD) & and Responsible Parenthood-Family Planning (RP-FP)	Php 11,000,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The AHYD infomercial has been aired over three television and radio (AM) stations and it is evident that prominent people like Senator Vicente Sotto III has viewed it. Sen. Sotto remarked that POPCOM is in its right path in disseminating information, while targeting the youth on their risky behaviors. The tagline, "Ang pag-aaral ay para sa hinaharap, huwag ipagpalit sa sandaling sarap", was clearly delivered, added Sen. Sotto.
Production of POPCOM's Accomplishment Report	Php 340,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The publication of POPCOM's Accomplishment Reports from 2004-2010 will provide its stakeholders - policymakers, LGUs, NGOs, private institutions, academe, media, etc. an updated and detailed program performances during the previous years.

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Printing of Three (3) Basic RPM Materials on Responsible Parenthood - Family Planning (RP-FP) Materials	Php 700,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In response to the policy of the new administration on informed choice in the promotion of responsible parenthood, the basic RPM materials - Responsible Parenting Handbook, Facilitator's Guide and RPM Operations Manual which contain information on natural family planning methods only have been updated and are now ready for printing, and later disseminated to the regions.