

ABOUT THE PROGRAM



The Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) is a **capability-building program** for poor, vulnerable, and marginalized households and communities to help improve their socio-economic conditions through accessing and acquiring necessary assets to engage in and maintain thriving livelihoods.

SLP Operates in two tracks:

Micro-enterprise Development Track (Pagnenegosyo)

Modalities:



Seed Capital Fund (SCF)

The grant is used as start-up capital to purchase raw materials, small tools, and common service facilities such as machinery, equipment, and plants needed in starting or expanding a microenterprise.



Skills Training Fund (MD-STF)

A grant that is used for the acquisition of knowledge and skills needed by the members of the SLPA in the management of the microenterprise. The grant covers the following components: a) technical-vocational skills training fee, b) meal, lodging, and transportation allowance; c) training supplies and materials; and d) program participants' assessment fee.



Cash for Building Livelihood Assets Fund (CBLAF)

An allowance or stipend is provided to SLPA members who have rendered work for labor-intensive projects to build, re-build, and/or protect natural and physical assets necessary for more profitable, self-sustaining, and resilient microenterprises.

Employment Facilitation Track (Pagtatrabaho)

Modalities:



Employment Assistance Fund (EAF)

A grant provided to program participants pursuing the EF track for the following purpose: a) processing of employment documentary requirements; b) for required medical exams; c) purchase of basic employment tools and materials; d) transportation and meal allowance, and board and lodging until the first 15 days of employment.



Skills Training Fund (EF-STF)

A grant received by the program participants for his/her acquisition of technical and vocational knowledge and skills delivered in the form of orientations and lectures, demonstrations, and other similar skills acquisition methodologies for the program participants.

Eligibility Requirements:

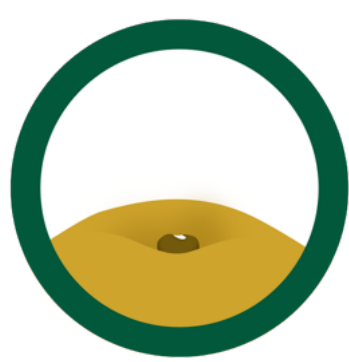
- ✓ Poor, marginalized, vulnerable and/or disadvantaged households, identified by the National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR), prioritizing 4Ps participants.
- ✓ MD Track participants must be at least sixteen (16) years old to participate with legal consent from parents or guardian, while EF Track participants must be at least eighteen (18) years old.
- ✓ Each household can enroll a maximum of two (2) members pursuing two (2) different tracks - MD through resource-based and market-driven sustainable microenterprise; and EF.

5-year Livelihood Sustainability Plan

The Sustainability Plan is the SLP's framework outlining strategies to achieve long term stability and goal of the program to improve the socioeconomic conditions of the vulnerable, marginalized, and disadvantaged sectors, households, individuals, and communities.

The Sustainability Plan is developed to integrate in the Program's policy and design the inherent strengths of the SLPA through multiple interventions of SLP implementation phases. This will be achieved through the five (5) Implementation Phases which includes continuous monitoring and technical assistance of the livelihood projects, capability-building activities, partnership linkages, and additional grant incentives for successful SLPAs until they graduate from the program.

Through the five (5) Implementation Phases of the Sustainability Plan, namely; Phase One (Punla); Phase Two (Usbong); Phase Three (Sibol); Phase Four (Yabong); and Phase Five (Pag-Ani), the capacity of the SLPAs to sustain their microenterprise will be transformative from an informal to a formal and self-sufficient organization.



Phase 1: Punla

This year can be equated to seed planting, wherein the DSWD-SLP carefully prepares and cultivates the program participants with the basic knowledge and skills in starting up their own microenterprise or in securing an employment.



Phase 2: Usbong

Centers on the seed progress and self-sustainability, wherein the program participants are able to maintain their livelihood operational and secure positive gross sales and net income.



Phase 3: Sibol

For Year 3, as the seed starts to sprout and grow, the goal of the SLP is to bring the program beneficiaries to new heights.



Phase 4: Yabong

At the point of reaching the state of abundance, in Year 4, the program participants are expected to prosper and bring their products to a wider and multi-faceted market to attract stable institutional buyers.



Phase 5: Ani

As the culminating and graduation phase of the Program, Year 5 is the condition of fruition and harvesting wherein the SLP will conduct the actual graduation ceremonies of the program participants.



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