



LALAWIGAN NG BULACAN
Pamahalaang Bayan ng Baliwag

TANGGAPAN NG PUNONGBAYAN

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13
Series of 2017

**“AN ORDER ESTABLISHING AND OPERATIONALIZING THE BALIWAG BAHAY
PANGARAP: WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN IN CRISIS CENTER”**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9262, otherwise known as Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004, declared as a State policy that the State values the dignity of women and children and guarantees full respect for human rights. The State also recognizes the need to protect the family and its members, particularly women and children, from violence and threats to their personal safety and security;

WHEREAS, the victims, particularly women and children, have been exposed to situation of abuse, exploitation, violence, and the violation of their human rights, thereby rendering them even more vulnerable to the adverse effects of their poverty;

WHEREAS, Section 51 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 9262 states that the Local Government Units shall, as one of its responsibilities, provide the victim-survivors temporary shelters, counseling, psychosocial services, recovery and rehabilitation programs;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Baliwag is committed to address all forms of violence against women and children, and to strengthen its goal to protect the human rights of women and children as enshrined in the 1987 Constitution.

NOW THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA, Mayor of the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

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SECTION 1. **Establishment.** There shall be in the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, an established **Baliwag Bahay Pangarap** which shall be the fundamental point of sanctuary designed to serve as a temporary refuge of the victims of domestic abuse, exploitation, violence and violation of human rights.

SECTION 2. **Administration and Management.** The Baliwag Bahay Pangarap Committee is hereby created to ensure successful delivery of the projects of the Baliwag Bahay Pangarap to maximize the benefits therefrom and ensuring the approved programme is followed. The Baliwag Bahay Pangarap Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chair	:	Municipal Administrator
Members	:	Municipal Social and Welfare Development Officer Municipal Nutrition Action Officer Municipal Population Officer Municipal Health Officer Public Attorney's Office Engineering Office

The **Lead Agency** shall be the Municipal Social and Welfare Development Office.

Further, the **Supporting Agencies** are, but not limited to, the following:

1. Barangay Violence Against Women's (VAW) Desk;
2. Municipal Council for the Protection of the Children (MCPC);
3. Philippine National Police – Baliwag;
4. Empowerment and Reaffirmation of Paternal Abilities (ERPATS);
5. Baliwag Local Council of Women;
6. Association of Barangay Council (ABC);
7. ZONTA Club of Baliwag;
8. Soroptimist International Club of Baliwag;
9. Deborah Women of God, Inc.; and
10. Victory Church.

SECTION 3. **Evaluation and Admissions Criteria.** Each Barangay Council for the Protection of the Children (BCPC) and Barangay VAW Desk Officer shall recommend identified children and women who are victims of domestic abuse, exploitation, violence and violation of human rights, who willingly submit themselves for evaluation and identification of treatment needs. Only those evaluated to be fit and in dire need of the temporary refuge



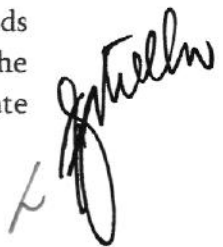
shall be eligible to be admitted to the Bahay Pangarap, pending individual, family and community profiles which will be accomplished by the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office. No person shall be admitted to the Bahay Pangarap without her written informed consent, or that of the parent or guardian, in case the victim is a child.

SECTION 4. **Activities.** The Baliwag Bahay Pangarap shall give due respect to the individual rights of the victims and shall conduct activities that would help them regain their sense of self-worth, self-love and self-esteem, such as, but not limited to, the following:

- a. *Legal Assistance for Victims.* Assist in the filing of cases against individuals, groups, agencies, institutions or establishment that violate the provisions of the Republic Act No. 9262, or the Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004.
- b. *Networking with other stakeholders.* Creation of mechanisms to ensure the participation of NGOs, academe, private sector, civic and religious groups in the implementation and monitoring of VAWC cases;
- c. *Support Group Activities* such as: Group Building Activities; Creating a Safe Space; Self-Confidence Building Activities; Self-Esteem Activities; and Concluding Activities.
- d. *Establishment of a Gender - Fair and Empowered Society* that protects the victims from further of violence and exploitation thus enabling them to fully exercise their rights and participate in all development efforts, and experience a peaceful and fulfilling family and community life.
- e. *Community-based mechanisms and programs* to address issues of VAWC, including the care and support of victims and their children, as well as the non-tolerance of all forms of VAWC.

SECTION 5. **Unscheduled Release or Discontinuance of the Service.** If for any reason the resident is unable to continue the prescribed stay at the Bahay Pangarap, she, or the parent or guardian of the child, shall personally write their desire to discontinue the program including the reasons for doing so, witnessed by at least one family member and a staff of the Bahay Pangarap.

SECTION 6. **Confidentiality.** As provided by Section 44 of Republic Act No. 9262, all records pertaining to cases of violence against women and their children including those in the barangay shall be confidential and all public officers and employees and public or private

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clinics to hospitals shall respect the right to privacy of the victim. Whoever publishes or causes to be published, in any format, the name, address, telephone number, school, business address, employer, or other identifying information of a victim or an immediate family member, without the latter's consent, or the parent or guardian of the child, shall be dealt with by law.

SECTION 7. Reporting and Monitoring. The Program Manager under the Office of the Municipal Mayor shall be responsible of creating monthly reports on the progress of the victim-survivors, especially on key areas such as reintegration into the community, ability to make sound judgments, and compatibility and relevance of the program regimen.


SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Executive order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan this 24th day of April, 2017.


FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA
Municipal Mayor

By the Mayor:


ENRIQUE V. TAGLE
Municipal Administrator
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