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Members of the Center Advisory Council conducts a focused group discussion with the TWC graduates



The Center Advisory Council (CAC) of TESDA Women's Center held a Focused-Group Discussion (FGD) with the TWC graduates to know the current situation of the graduates in this time of Pandemic

A successful Focus Group Discussion (FGD) for TESDA Women's Center (TWC) graduates was conducted virtually via Zoom meeting on October 14, 2020.

The purpose of the FGD is to map out the current situation of the graduates across the different Qualifications offered by TWC in this time of the pandemic to design future programs/ activities that will be helpful for the graduates.

The FGD was attended by the members of the CAC: Pacita "Chit" U. Juan (Chairperson), Commissioner Sandra Sanchez-Montano, Ma. Aurora "Boots" Geotina-Garcia, Carolyn I. Sobritchea, and Fatima Aliah Dimaporo-Cimafranca.

TWC conducts Life Long Learning Skills Webinar Series



A 4-part Life-Long Learning Skills Webinar Series hosted by the TESDA Women's Center (TWC) were organized and delivered via Zoom Meeting and Facebook Livestreaming for the current TWC trainees, graduates and non-TWC participants.

The weekly series of webinar started with HIV-AIDS Awareness & Prevention Campaign that commenced on September 22, 2020. Mr. Ryan Q. De Torres, a registered nurse and a teaching fellow at the UP Manila. He shared many relevant and meaningful information about

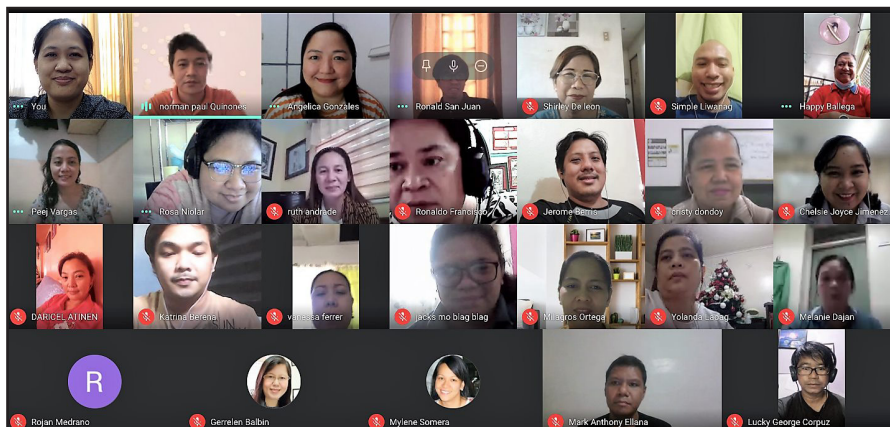
HIV-AIDS.

The next topic on the weekly webinar is the Gender Sensitivity and Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression (SOGIE) principles. Two great speakers were invited namely: Ms. Joanna P. Tabu-Tattao, TWC GAD Focal who talked about Gender Sensitivity and Ms. Yanyan Araña, Program Manager for Trans Health, LoveYourself, Inc. who explained the SOGIE Principles. It was conducted on September 29, 2020.

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TWC graduates 1st batch of FeLS Trainers



Trainers from different TTIs and TVIs from NCR and Region IV-A are the 1st Batch of TWC FeLS graduates. Photo taken during the Closing Ceremonies held on December 14, 2020.

On December 14, 2020, TWC culminated its first batch of 25 trainees for the Facilitate e-Learning Sessions (FeLS) course.

This training is being conducted online and a requirement for trainers who wish to conduct their training through the various delivery modes which have been allowed during this time of pandemic.

The first batch who finished are trainers from various TTI's and TVI's in NCR and Region IV-A.

FeLS run for 80 hours and is com-

posed of Institutional Assessment, Written Exam, Portfolio, and Demonstration with Oral Questioning which leads to the acquisition of three competencies for the course.

TWC trainer and FeLS Regional Lead Trainer, Ms. Kimberly G. Bautista conducts the training and assessment to evaluate the readiness of the students for online delivery.

The first batch are also part of the pilot testing of e-TESDA for their multi-regional Learning Management system (LMS). Currently, TWC is on its second batch of FeLS trainees.

Meeting with ABC Cooking Studio



TWC Chief Angelica S. Gonzales (2nd row, 1st from left) together with Mylene H. Somera, Supervising TESD Specialist and TWC Unit Heads Gerrelen D. Balbin, Training Management Unit, Michael William H. Del Rosario, Research, Advocacy and Systems Development Unit. Also present are Janet A. Morales and Jean Maurice R. Constantino in a virtual meeting held on September 28, 2021.

September 28, 2020. The TESDA Women's Center headed by Angelica S. Gonzales, Center Chief together with Mylene H. Somera, Supervising TESD Specialist, Gerrelen D. Balbin, TMU-Head and Michael William H. Del Rosario, RASDU-head conducted a virtual meeting with the ABC Cooking Studio Co. Ltd represented by Mariya Yokoi.

The meeting aimed at presenting the achievements and the current status of the Japanese Cuisine Program being implemented at TWC. Plans for adjustments and re-designing of the program were also discussed in preparation for the New Normal for the effective delivery of the program.

The partnership between TWC and ABC Cooking Studio Co. Ltd began in the year 2014 which led to the creation of the Japanese Cuisine (Washoku) Program, a five-day cooking lesson for women and men conducted at TWC.

TWC Conducts Entrepreneurship Seminar for the Philippine Navy

On December 03, 2020, the TESDA Women's Center (TWC) conducted an Entrepreneurship Seminar for the Philippine Navy. Specifically, the topic on How to Start a Small Business was discussed. This program was made specifically for the retiring military personnel in line with their Transition Assistance Program (TAP). Its primary objective is to support the welfare and morale of the retiring/separating military personnel.

TWC Food Processing NC II and Entrepreneurship trainer, Wenny Cabantog facilitated and delivered the seminar. Her graduate, Allyson Alolor, also gave an inspirational message about her journey on becoming an entrepreneur and the challenges she experienced in putting up her own business. The activity was attended by almost 40 TAP participants and was held via Zoom.

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On the 3rd installment of the webinar series, a very educational and noteworthy presentation and discussion on Mental Health Awareness was presented by the invited speaker, Ms. Joy B. Daguiso, Program Lead for Quality of Life and Well-being, LoveYourself, Inc. It was conducted on October 9, 2020.

On part 4 and the last leg of the webinar series, entitled: End Violence Against Women and their Children (VAWC) Campaign, an issue that is prevalent in this time of the pandemic. A very significant presentation and discussion on Violence Against Women and their Children (VAWC) was presented by Ms. Joanna P. Tabu-Tattao, TESDA Women's Center, GAD Focal on October 13, 2020.

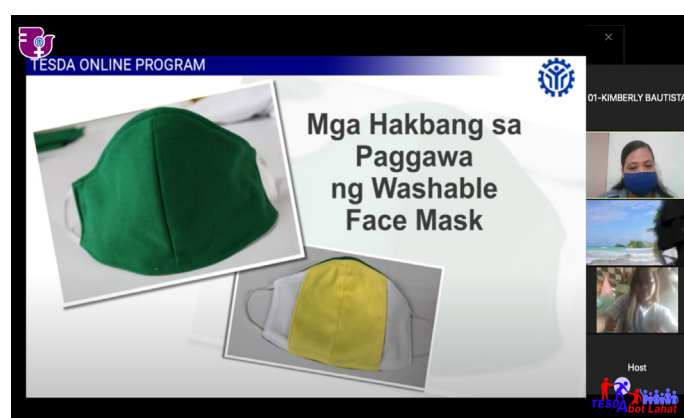
The series of webinars was joined by more than 170 participants composed of TWC on-going trainees, graduates, staff members.

TESDA National Capital Region awards TWC trainers and staff

August 25, 2020, the TESDA-NCR in line with the 26th Anniversary Celebration of TESDA has conducted the 'Virtual TESDA-NCR Partners' Appreciation Day. The said event aimed at giving recognitions to partners both external and internal for their significant contributions in the formation and effective function of the TESDA-NCR Regional Operations Division (ROD).

In relation, the TWC Trainers and Staff were recognized for sharing their expertise as initial Regional Lead Trainers (RLT) for the Multiplier Program of Trainers Training on Facilitating eLearning Sessions (FeLS) to support the TTIs and TVIs in adopting Blended and/or Online Learning Modes in the delivery of TVET Programs. They are the following: Kimberly G. Bautista (FBS NC II Trainer), Shella D. Bawar (Bartending NC II Trainer), and Aries Glenn L. Montesines (TWC IT Administrator).

Dressmaking Trainer taps for Webinar/ Training



Irene B. Mortel, Trainer, Dressmaking NC II was tapped as resource person for the online webinar with topic: "Paggawa ng Washable Face Mask" organized by the Ecowaste Coalition in collaboration with the Swedish Society for Nature Conservation.

The TWC Dressmaking Trainer, Irene B. Mortel was tapped as one of the resource persons for the online training and skills-share on October 10 and 12 for the "Choose to Reuse Project and Campaign" of Ecowaste Coalition and in collaboration with the Swedish Society for Nature Conservation (SSNC) for the upcoming Green Action Week this mid-October 2020.

In connection with this campaign, a mobilized group of frontline waste recyclers and semi-skilled sewers from Taytay, Rizal, Manila, Cebu, and Quezon City were educated about the following: [1] recommended materials for non-medical face masks; and [2] recommended specifications, patterns, and production of reusable cloth masks.

The said project/campaign aims to promote the use of reusable cloth masks among the general public and in-so-doing, reduce the volume of wanton littering, misuse, and inappropriate disposal of disposable medical masks. Immediately after the skills-share, the trainees will receive seed capital from EWC and SSNC to jumpstart their respective livelihoods through sewing/production of reusable cloth face masks.



TWC Trainers and IT Administrator were awarded with Plaque of Recognition from TESDA NCR for their contribution as NCR-Regional Lead Trainers of Facilitate eLearning Sessions (FeLS) Multiplier Training of Trainers.



TWC Launches its Online Application and Enrolment Program



application program yesterday, July 13, 2020 to extend its services and reach a wider range of potential applicants who wish to file their application for the free skills training without having the trouble to visit the campus in Taguig.

This program of TWC was developed to limit face-to-face transactions and to avoid physical contacts when applying to ensure the safety of both the TWC personnel and visiting applicants.

The online program follows the same process of application where the applicant is required to fill-out the learner's profile and will proceed to the online written interview. Once the applicant is done with the latter, he/she will have to take the qualifying exam which is time limited. If the applicant did not pass the exam he/she can still retake the exam until qualified.

The applicants will also need to upload a softcopy of their requirements as part of the initial verification and will have to handover a hardcopy to the registrar when they started their training at TWC.

All applicants who wish to file their applications may now visit the TWC website thru the Online Application Portal: <https://twc.tesda.gov.ph/twconlineapplication/> to begin their process.

Application for Free Skills Training is now easier at TWC thru its Online Application and Enrolment Program.

All applicants who wish to avail of the free skills training provided by the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) through TESDA Women's Center in NCR can now file their trainee application using the TWC Online Application and Enrollment Program.

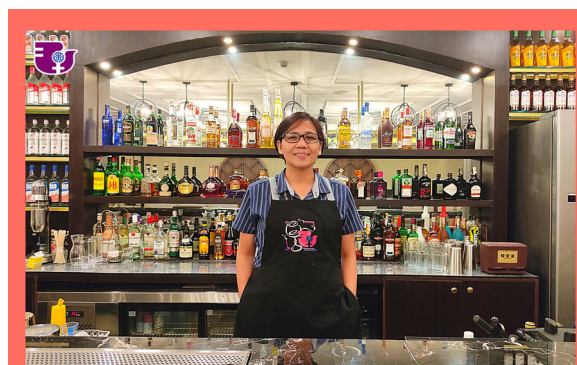
With the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic in the country, the TESDA Women's Center opened its online

Healthy Options Virtual Seminar

October 26, 2020. The Senate External Affairs and Relations Department (EARD) in collaboration with TESDA Women's Center (TWC) conducted a webinar entitled: Healthy Options in the New Normal: A Live Baking & Mixing Demo on Cisco Webex intended for the staff and employees of the Senate-EARD and as part of the Senate's 104th Anniversary Celebrations.

In relation to this, two of the TWC Trainers were tapped for the live demonstrations who are as follows: Princess Sarah E. Diaz, Bread and Pastry Production NC II Trainer who demonstrated the baking of Homemade Nutritious Pandesal and Shella D. Bawar, Bartending NC II Trainer who demonstrated the mixing of Healthy Drinks which boosts our Immune System. A presentation of the TWC Services and Facilities in the New Normal was presented by Mr. Michael William H. Del Rosario, Head, Research Advocacy Systems and Development Unit, TWC.

The said event was also attended by Mr. Nickarlo I. San Pedro, Director III, Special Services and Mr. Enrique Luis D. Papa, Deputy Secretary, External Affairs and Relations. The live demo was facilitated by Mr. Rommel L. Escudero, Director III, Executive Legislative Liaison Service.



TWC Trainers Ms. Shella D. Bawar, (top) trainer of Bartending NC II and Ms. Princess Sarah E. Diaz, (above) trainer of Bread and Pastry Production NC II as resource persons during the Virtual Skills Demonstration organized by Senate of the Philippines - External Affairs Relation Division

TESDA NCR Awards TWC Personnel



Staff members of TESDA Women's Center were recognized for their hard works and dedication, Vicente II D. Ayala and Jose V. Pantaleon, Recognition of Perfect Attendance for CY 2019. Aries Glenn L. Montesines for being promoted to Senior TESD Specialist and Michael William H. Del Rosario, nominee and finalist to the 2019 National TESDA Model Employee of the Year.

On August 27, 2020 on the occasion of the 26th Anniversary of TESDA, the NCR Regional Office organized the 'TESDA-NCR Employee's Day' which gives recognition and appreciation to deserving employees for their hard works and wholehearted dedication as public servants.

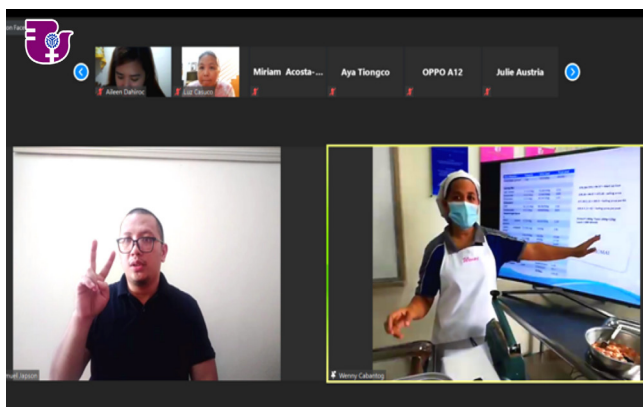
In this regard, staff members of TESDA Women's Center (TWC) were awarded for their true public servant works honourably, passionately, and with utmost dedication. That is what our dear employees have proved for receiving the recognition of Perfect Attendance CY 2019 in the TESDA-NCR Employee's Day. Congratulations to Mr. Jose V. Pantaleon, Administrative Aide IV and Mr. Vicente II D. Ayala, Food Service Supervisor III.

In addition, we would like to congratulate Mr. Aries Glenn L. Montesines for being promoted to the Senior TESD Specialist position.

Also, Mr. Michael William H. Del Rosario, Senior TESD Specialist has been recognized as TESDA-NCR Model Employee and became a nominee and finalist to the 2019 National TESDA Model Employee of the Year Award (TME-OYA), an award recognizing the contribution and accomplishment to TESDA's Vision and Mission and shows positive attitude, passion, and commitment towards work and personal development.

Truly, your achievements and success create a ripple of positivity and aspirations among your fellow TWC colleagues!

TWC participates in CHR webinar on the situation of women with disabilities



Wenny B. Cabantog (right), Trainer, Food Processing NC II demonstrated how to make Chicken Tocino, Skinless Longganisa and Pork Siomai during a webinar in cooperation with the Commission on Human Rights (CHR).

On November 19, 2020, the TESDA Women's Center participated in a webinar tackling the Situation of Women with Disabilities during the COVID-19 Pandemic which was organized by the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) - Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights Center.

In addition, two (2) Learning Sessions for Women with Disabilities were also presented namely: Coping with Mental Issues/ Concerns Experienced delivered by Mr. Jun Angelo Sunglao, Licensed Psychologist; and Livelihood Programs for Women with Disabilities presented by Ms. Gerrelen D. Balbin, Head Training Management Unit, TWC and Ms. Wenny Cabantog, Trainer/Assessor Food Processing NC II, TWC, who focused on demonstrating how to make Chicken Tocino, Skinless Pork Longganisa, and Pork Siomai.



Facilitate eLearning Sessions (FeLS)

Full Online Delivery - 80 hours

Trainee Entry Requirements:

- With Trainers Methodology Level 1
- Graduate of Bacalaureate Degree or equivalent in training/ experience along the field of Technical Vocational and Training
- With existing CBLMs/eLearning Materials
- With Laptop or Desktop Computer and Stable Internet Connection
- Computer literate and can easily navigate web conferencing applications
- Physically and mentally fit



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TWC Undergoes Online Validation of the System for TVET Accreditation and Recognition (STAR)



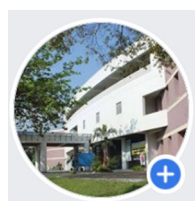
On August 04, 2020, The TESDA Women's Center underwent Online Validation of the System for TVET Accreditation and Recognition (STAR) for the following Qualifications: Food and Beverage Services NC II and Housekeeping NC II.

This activity will validate and recognize the accomplishments and improvements of TWC for its program offerings based on the requirements set in Program Registration under the Unified TVET Program Registration and Accreditation System (UTPRAS).

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