



Good News to our **CENTENARIANS**

A centenarian is a natural-born Filipino who has reached one hundred years old and above, whether residing in the Philippines or abroad.

According to Republic Act No. 10868 or the “Centenarians Act of 2016,” all Filipinos who reach the age of one hundred (100) years old, whether residing in the Philippines or abroad, shall be honored with:

Letter of Felicitation

from the President of the Philippines congratulating the celebrant for his or her longevity.

A Centenarian Gift

in the amount of one hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).

National Respect for Centenarians Day

As part of the annual Elderly Filipino Week, October 1 to 7, the first Sunday of October, is hereby declared as National Respect for Centenarians Day during which, all Filipinos who have turned centenarian in the current fiscal year shall be awarded a plaque of recognition and a cash incentive by their respective city or municipal governments in appropriate ceremonies in addition to the Letter of Felicitation and Centenarian Gift. The local government unit concerned shall determine the amount of the cash incentive.

Older Surviving & Deceased Centenarians

All living centenarians who reached the age of one hundred (100) years old prior to the effectivity of this Act shall be honored on the celebration of the first National Respect for Centenarians Day or one hundred twenty (120) days after the effectivity of this Act, whichever comes earlier, in appropriate ceremonies which shall be observed as a national event. They shall each be awarded a plaque of recognition and the Centenarian Gift. In the same event, posthumous plaques of recognition in honor of deceased centenarians shall be presented to the nearest surviving relative of each centenarian.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CENTENARIANS LIVING IN THE PHILIPPINES

For those centenarians living in the Philippines, photocopies of the following shall be submitted as proof of birth to the Local Social Welfare Development where they are residing:

- 1 Birth Certificate from the Local Civil Registrar/
Philippine Statistics Authority
- 2 Passport
- 3 Government-issued identification cards
- 4 Baptismal Certificate
- 5 Any available document showing the date of birth such as:
 - a. Marriage Contract/Certificate
 - b. Birth Certificate of child/children

REQUIREMENTS FOR CENTENARIANS LIVING ABROAD

For those who are residing abroad, the cash incentive of Php100,000 and a Letter of Felicitation will be awarded through their respective Philippine embassies, missions, consulates general and other foreign service establishments maintained by the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA).

To be able to qualify for the incentives, the centenarian has to submit the following to any DFA post:

- 1 Accomplished Application Form
- 2 Authenticated Birth Certificate
- 3 Unexpired Philippine Passport

If a representative will file the application in behalf of the centenarian, he/she is requested to present:

- 1 Letter of Authorization or Medical Certificate for bedridden overseas centenarian
- 2 Original valid identification card with photograph of the proxy

For more information, they may refer to the guidelines posted on the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) website or call +632-552-4765 or +632-561-8332.





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