



Dynamic Anti-Drug Mechanisms for Sustainable Community-Based Prevention for Children of Persons Who Use Drugs

*Protecting the Future,
Empowering the Vulnerable*

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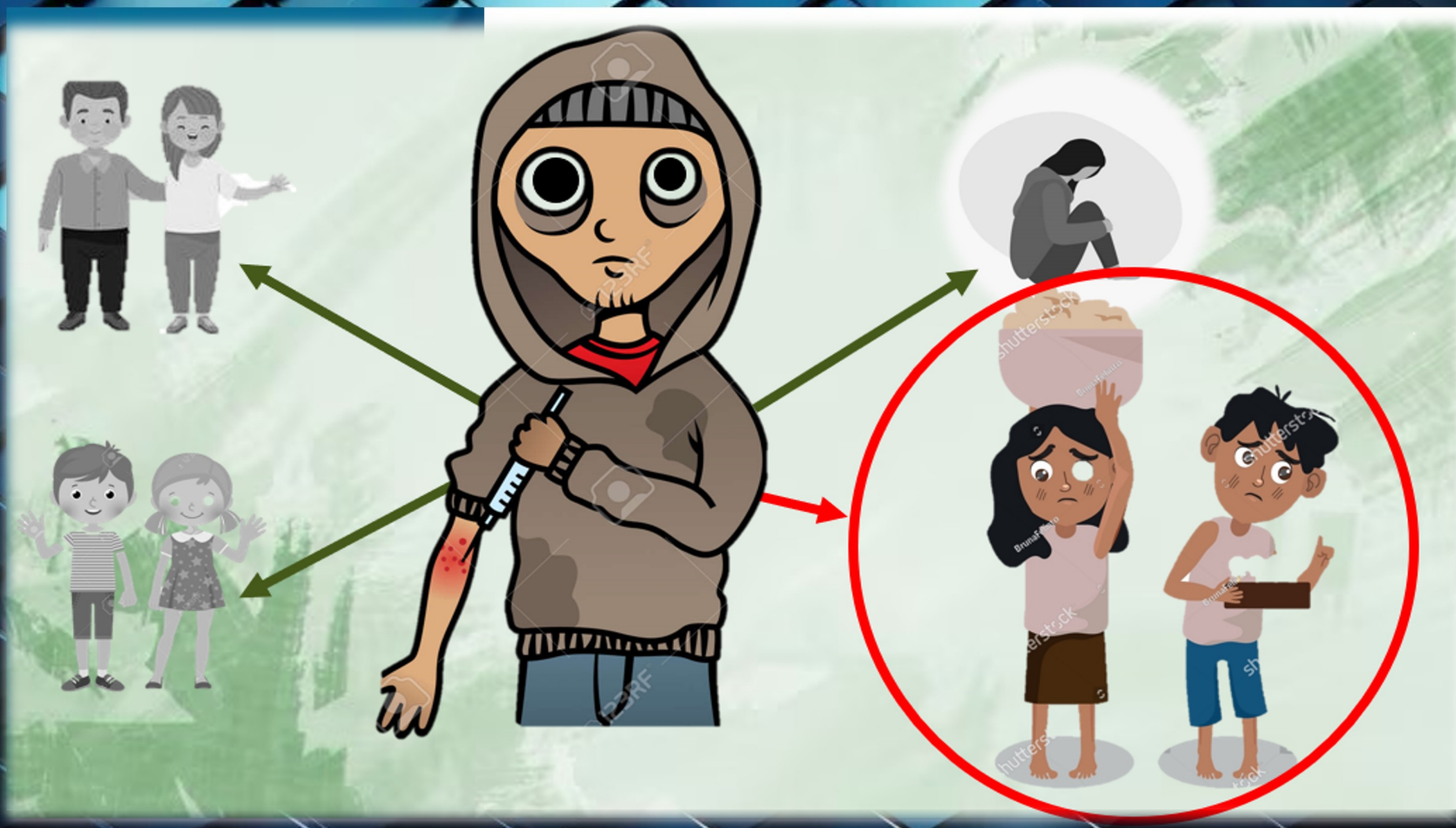


Introduction

The Challenge of Drug Abuse

- Drug abuse remains a critical global and community issue.
- Children of Persons Who Use Drugs (PWUDs) are especially vulnerable.
- Need for innovative, community-driven prevention strategies.





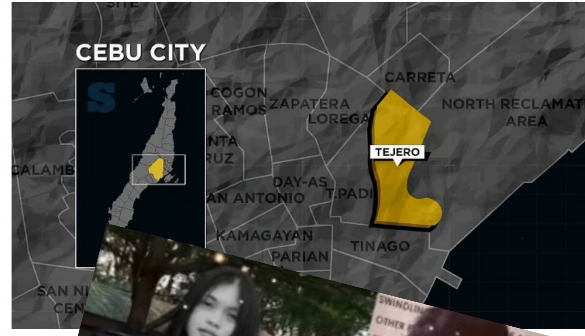
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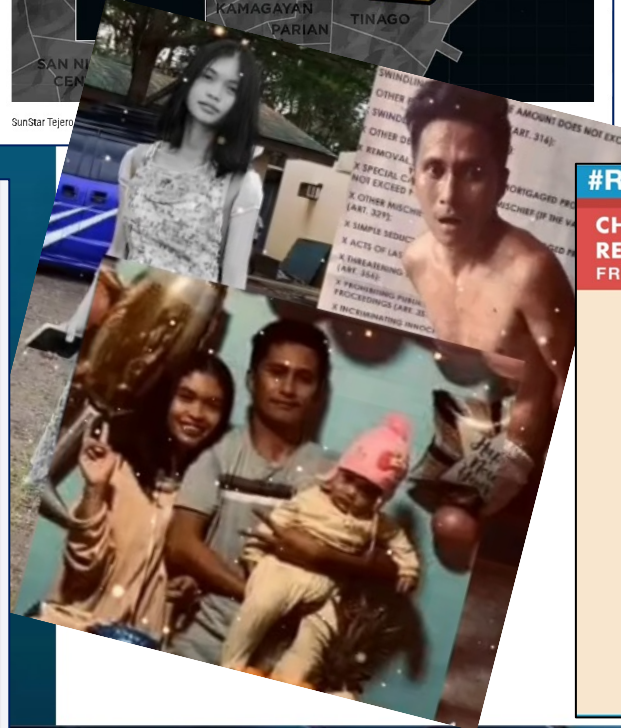
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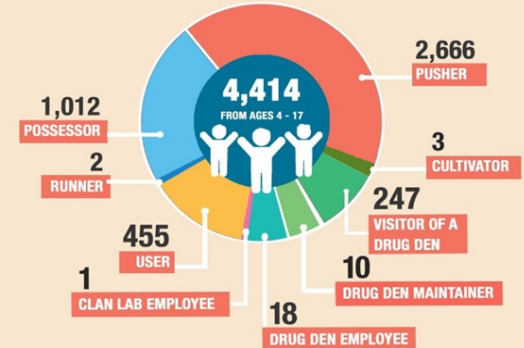
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**CHILDREN INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL DRUG ACTIVITIES
RESCUED DURING ANTI-DRUG OPERATIONS**
FROM JULY 1, 2016 MAY 31, 2022



Source: Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency



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Matud pa gepatay niya iyang inahan kaniadto pa niagi Sabado og giputos sa cellophone gitaguan sa ilalom sa kama 5 ka adlaw ang ninglabay usa nahibal an sa pamilya ug kasilinganan nga nanimaho na kini.

Kasamtangan nadekpan na sa otoridad ang menor de edad nga ninghunos sa kinabuhi sa kaugalingon niya Inahan.

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Program Overview

- A dynamic anti-drug mechanism targeting prevention for children of PWUDs.
- Focuses on community-based, sustainable approaches.
- Uses multifaceted, data-driven, and participatory methods.





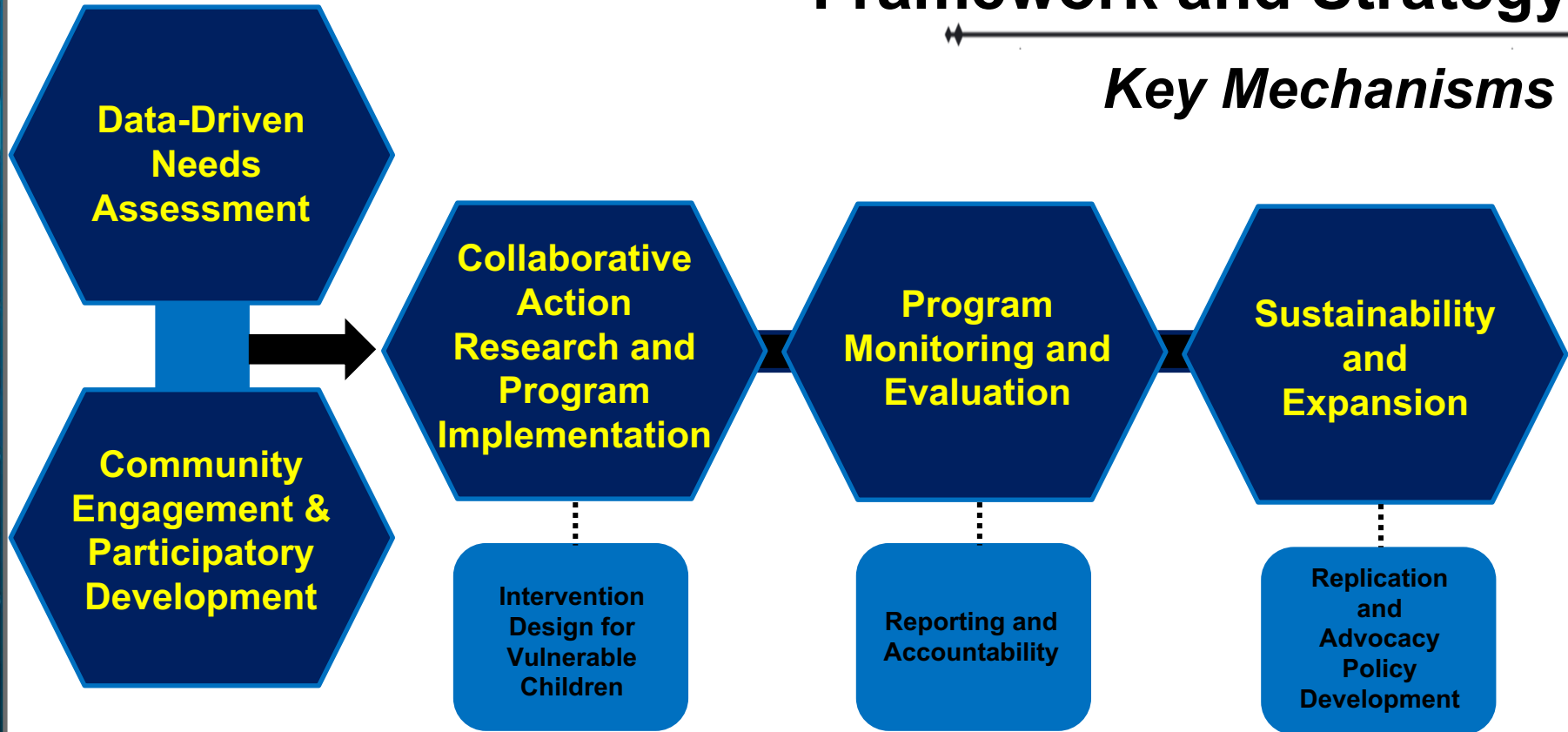
Core Objectives

What We Aim to Achieve

- Develop and evaluate dynamic prevention models.
- Foster resilience in vulnerable children.
- Mobilize community resources and protective factors.
- Reinforce family and local network support systems.

Framework and Strategy

Key Mechanisms



Key Mechanisms

Data-Driven Needs Assessment

- Needs assessment using local health data, social media, and community feedback.
- Participatory development involving community stakeholders.
- Community Consultation, Interviews and Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) (*Qualitative method*)
- Surveys and statistical analysis (*Quantitative method*)



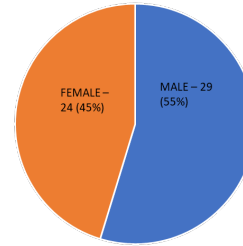
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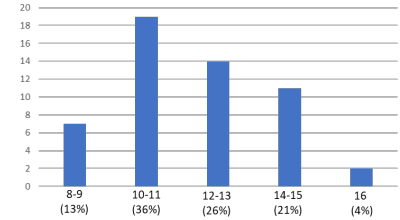


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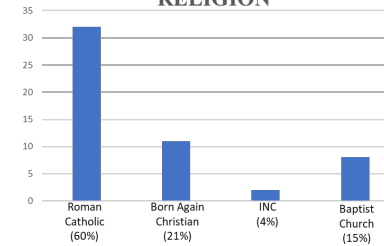
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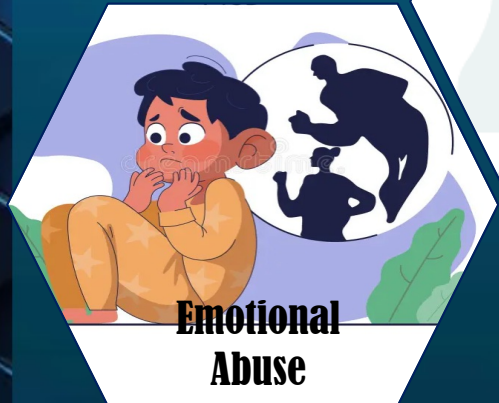
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Key Mechanisms

Data-Driven Needs Assessment



Key Mechanisms

Community Engagement and Participatory Development

- Partnerships with Local Government Units (LGUs).
- Involvement of families, law enforcement, CSOs, volunteers, and advocates.
- Collective assessment of children's needs and vulnerabilities.
- Capacity Building for volunteers, partners, and advocates



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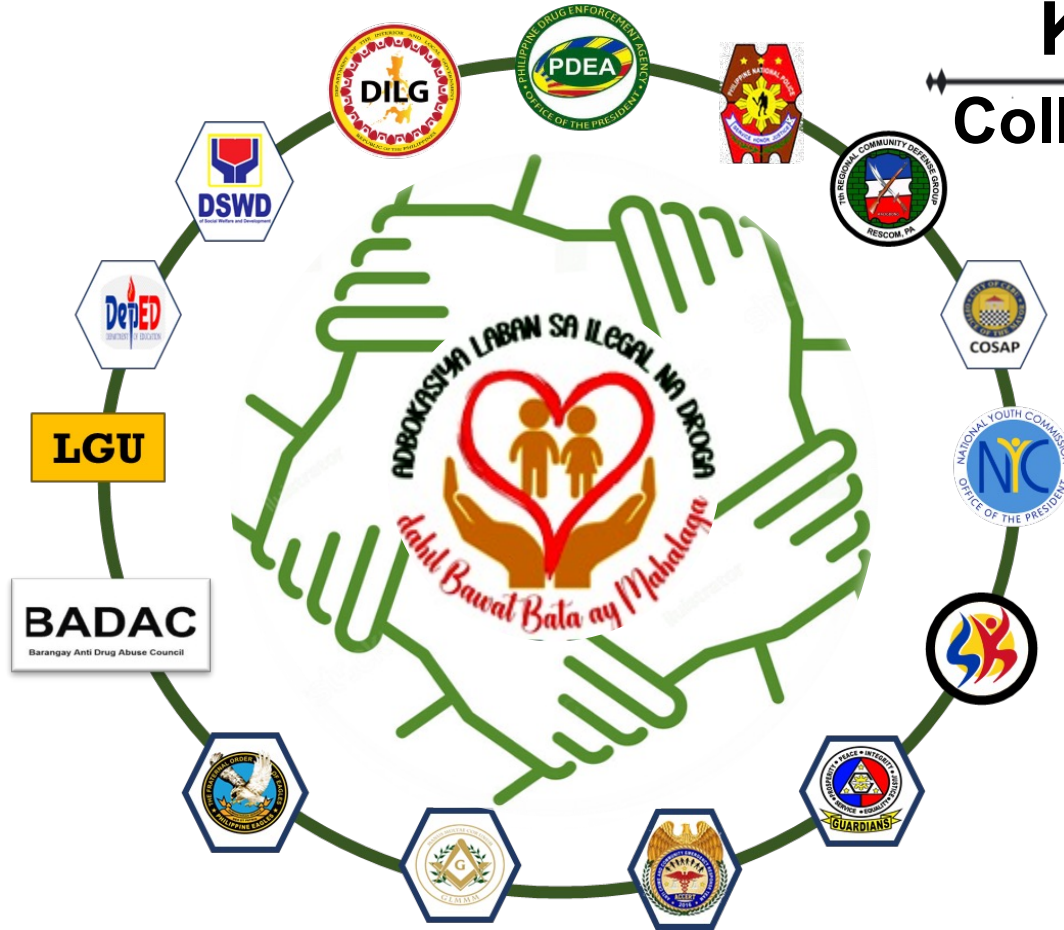
Collaborative Program Implementation

- Development of support system for children of PWUDs.
- Educational and empowerment programs.
- Addressing unique challenges faced by these children.

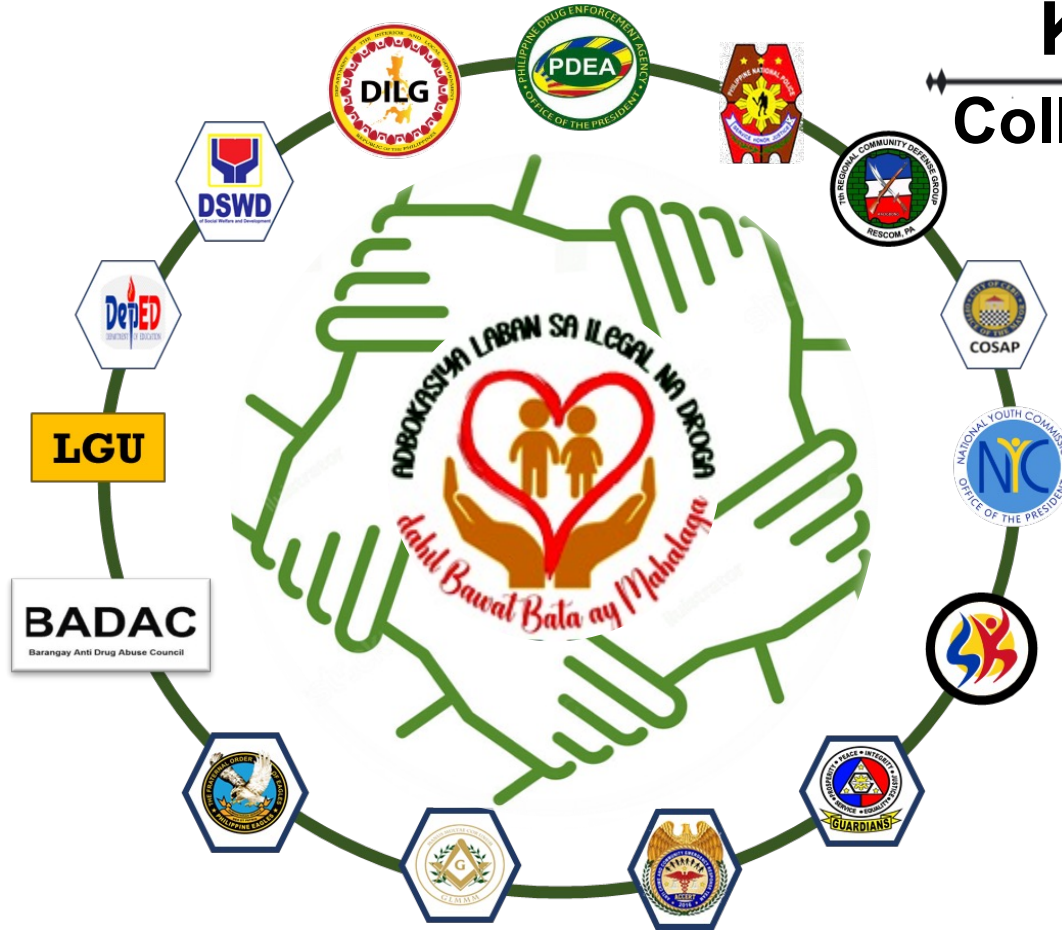


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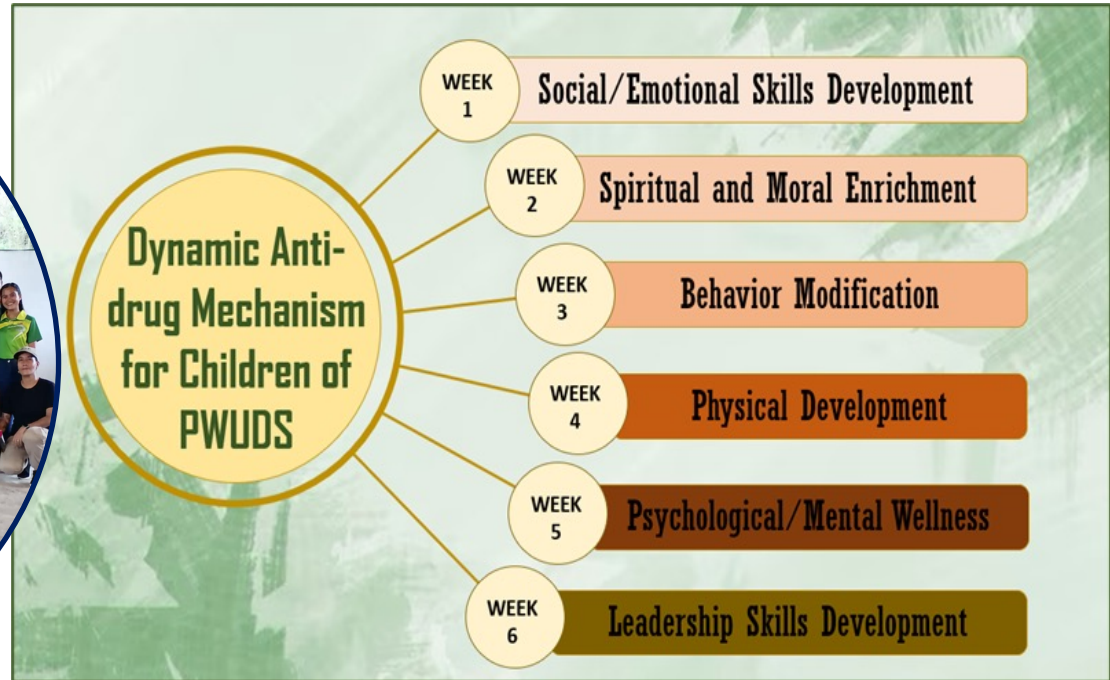


Key Mechanisms Collaborative Program Implementation



Key Mechanisms

Intervention Program Design for Vulnerable Children



Intervention Program Design

Social and Emotional Skills Development

- The objective of this activity is to help children of PWUDs become familiar with the group and fellow beneficiaries.
- This step was also essential to help the facilitator identify each child's strengths and weaknesses.



Intervention Program Design

Spiritual and Moral Enrichment

- Introduce children of PWUDs to the beauty of knowing God
- Broaden understanding of the Bible's significance to families
- Develop awareness and comfort with virtues such as self-respect, respect for others, accountability, and reverence



Intervention Program Design

Behavior Modification

- Allow beneficiaries to share about their family and views on a happy environment
- Encourage open sharing and expression of family experiences
- Helps the program facilitators understand the family story of the children



Intervention Program Design

Physical Development

- Develop physical well-being and positive attitude toward sports and sportsmanship.
- Promote self-discipline through sports
- Prevent involvement in illegal activities



Intervention Program Design

Psychological and Mental Wellness

- Develop awareness among children on managing their thoughts and emotions
- Use of arts, music, and dance
- Psychological status varies based on individual situation and environment; sensitive approach required



Intervention Program Design

Leadership Skills Development

- Develop leadership skills
- Various leadership-building approaches
- Enhance the child's ability to lead and take initiative





Key Mechanisms

Program Monitoring and Accountability

- Establishment of a concrete monitoring system in the barangays
- Creation of accountability tools to track progress and responsibilities



Key Mechanisms

Sustainability and Expansion

- Dynamic approach allows adaptation to different community contexts.
- Scalable strategies for wider implementation.
- Contribution to comprehensive drug abuse prevention literature.

MEASURE
SUCCESS





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PRE-ENROLLMENT



1ST WEEK



FINAL WEEK - CULMINATION







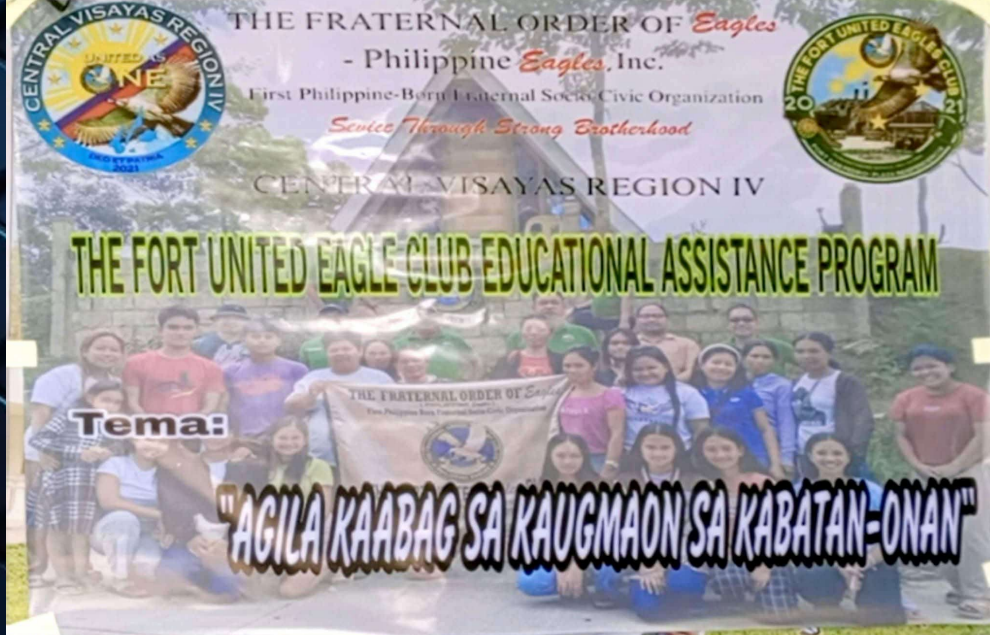
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Conclusion

Summary & Future Directions



- This Program offers a promising framework for sustainable prevention.
- Emphasizes community participation and data-driven adaptation.
- Calls for ongoing collaboration and support to protect vulnerable children.

Thank you!

