



APEX MINING CO., INC.

5-MONTH SPEND OF APEX FOR COVID-19 OUTREACH BREACHES **PHP13M**

HIGHLIGHTS

- P13.99M spent on corporate citizenship initiatives to help mitigate ill-effects of COVID-19, from April to July 2020
- 7,896 families within 16 barangays in the Municipality of Maco, Davao de Oro given food packs
- 31 barangays given financial assistance
- 23 community quarantine check points provided with hand sanitizers and disinfectants

From April to July 2020, Apex Mining Co., Inc. (APX) has deployed some Php13.9M for its outreach programs, both for its employees and residents of its host communities in Maco (Davao de Oro) and other nearby municipalities, to help cushion the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recognizing that the negative effects of this pandemic are far-reaching, the company also extended a helping hand to barangays that are not part of their area of operation in Maco.

According to Apex President and CEO, Luis R. Sarmiento, “The pandemic is a great equalizer... it doesn’t choose its victims. We would be remiss in our civic duty if we just helped a select few.”

Apex provided financial assistance totaling P2.74M to the local government units (LGUs) of Davao de Oro and the Municipalities of Maco and Mabini as well as to the Nabunturan Chapter of the Philippine National Red Cross.

A total of 31 barangays also received financial assistance from Apex, including Masara, Teresa, Mainit, Tagbaros, Elizalde, Panibasan, Kinuban, New Leyte, Panoraon, New Barile, Malamodao, Gubatan, Panangan, Limbo, Calabcab, Lapu-Lapu, Anibongan, Libay-Libay, Binuangan, Concepcion, Dumlan (all located in Maco), Golden Valley (Municipality of Mabini), Andili, Nueva Visayas, Nuevo Iloco, Poblacion, Saosao, Bawami, Sawangan (Municipality of Mawab), Libasan (Municipality of Nabunturan) and Balamban (City of Tagum).

Twenty-three community quarantine checkpoints along the main thoroughfares of the municipalities of Maco, Nabunturan and Mawab were also provided with hand sanitizers and disinfectants.



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Aside from these institutional endeavors, Apex distributed food packs to 7,896 families residing in the 16 barangays of Maco.

With the Filipino value of *malasakit* an integral part of their way of life in the mine site, Apex also made sure that their workers impacted by scaled down operations brought about by the quarantine will also have sufficient provisions, giving them cash assistance and sacks of rice.

In 2019, Apex spent P147.2 million for its corporate responsibility programs under its HELPS platform and green initiatives. HELPS, which stands for health, education, livelihood, public infrastructure and socio-cultural/religious, accounted for P59.3 million while expenditures in environment protection projects reached P87.9 million.

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