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REQUEST FOR COURTESY CALLS AND INFORMATION CAMPAIGNS ABOUT THE 2027 METROBANK FOUNDATION OUTSTANDING FILIPINOS

Attached is the invitation from the **Metrobank Foundation** regarding the **Request for Courtesy Calls and Information Campaigns about the 2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos.**

The Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

For queries, contact:

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IN RE: Request for Courtesy Calls and Information Campaigns about the 2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos

Dear Regional Director Uytico,

Mabuhay!

The Metrobank Foundation (MBFI), the corporate social responsibility arm of the Metrobank Group, has officially launched the search for the **2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos.** Nominations will be accepted until **Friday, 12 February 2027.**

Recognized as the country's most prestigious career-service award for teachers, soldiers, and police officers, the Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos program honors exemplary public servants who embody the ideals of patriotism, integrity, courage, and social responsibility in the fields of education, peace, and security. Each awardee will receive a cash prize of One Million Pesos (PhP 1,000,000.00), a golden medallion, and 'The Flame' trophy.

Since 1985, the program has recognized **735 Outstanding Filipinos** — 392 teachers, 178 soldiers and 165 police officers.

This year, we continue our commitment to reaching more potential nominees nationwide and we respectfully seek your support in helping broaden the reach of the program, enhance public awareness, and encourage more nominations for the 2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos.

Thus, **we would like to respectfully request the support and assistance of your office in organizing a series of on-site Learning Sessions: The 2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos in various Schools Division Offices within the Province of Negros Occidental.**

Kindly refer to the table below for the proposed details about our request:

Schools Division Office	*Date and Time*	*Target Pax*
SDO Negros Occidental	24 November 2026 (Tuesday) 09:00 AM – 11:30 AM	25
SDO Bacolod City	24 November 2026 (Tuesday) 09:00 AM – 11:30 AM	25 to 50

Ideally, the participants in the learning sessions should include any of the following:

- SDS / ASDS, or authorized representative
- SGOD/CID Chiefs and/or Education Program Supervisors
- Human Resource Officers (HRMO/HRDO)
- PRAISE Committee Members and Secretariat
- School Administrators, School Heads, Campus Directors, or representative
- Teachers-in-Charge (TIC), Officers-in-Charge, or representative
- Potential nominees

The Metrobank Foundation shall cover the cost of the refreshments during each of the scheduled learning sessions. We would appreciate it as well if the identified SDOs would be able to provide an adequate venue for the event and the necessary manpower complement to facilitate the conduct of the information campaign.

The learning session is part of our information campaign series to provide information to relevant offices and personnel about the guidelines and requirements for the 2027 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos, and to discuss possible ways of gathering more nominations and participation from basic education institutions within the Negros Island Region.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please feel free to contact the undersigned via email at paolo.blando@mbfoundation.org.ph, direct line at (02) 7255 1612, or mobile at (0917) 127 3893.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your favorable response despite the short notice.

Very truly yours,

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Encls. Proposed Program, 2027 OF Learning Sessions
OF Hub User Guide
OF Journey Guide
2027 OF Promotional Poster