



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Sorsogon  
**CITY OF SORSOGON**



*Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod*

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON AUGUST 13, 2019.**

**PRESENT:**

**HON. MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA**  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

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Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda  
Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda  
Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

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Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola  
Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla  
Hon. Joven G. Laura

**WEST DISTRICT**

Hon. Nestor J. Baldon  
Hon. Erwin J. Duana  
Hon. Fernando David H. Duran, III  
Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

ABC President Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon  
SK Federation Pres. Lorenz S. Abenion

**ABSENT:** Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo

***Resolution No. 053, Series of 2019***

(Author: **Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino**)

**RESOLUTION ENACTING AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs) IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF FOR THE PURPOSE**

**WHEREAS**, the National and Local Government agencies are directed to implement programs and services to ensure the full participation of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in all aspects of community life thru Republic Act No. 7277, otherwise known as the Magna Carta for Disabled Persons, and later on amended by Republic Act No. 9442, Republic Act No. 10070 and Republic Act No. 10754;

**WHEREAS**, the City Government of Sorsogon give priority to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) to foster the capacity to attain a more meaningful, productive and satisfying life;

**WHEREAS**, Persons with Disability members of Sorsogon City don't have means of financial capacity and shall be given preferential attention and monetary support to lessen the burden in their daily lives;

**WHEREAS**, foregoing premises considered and after due deliberation on the matter, the 7<sup>th</sup> City Council deemed it necessary to pass a resolution enacting an ordinance granting financial assistance to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in the City of Sorsogon and appropriating funds thereof for the purpose;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino**, duly seconded by **Hon. Nestor J. Baldon**, resolve as it is hereby resolved to pass a resolution enacting an ordinance granting financial assistance to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in the City of Sorsogon and appropriating funds thereof for the purpose;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned for their information and guidance.

## ***City Ordinance No. 007, Series of 2019***

### **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs) IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF FOR THE PURPOSE**

Be it ordained by the 7<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod in session duly assembled that:

**SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as “**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE OF 2019**”.

**SECTION 2: STATEMENT OF POLICY.** It is the policy of the City Government to give full support to the improvement of the total well-being of disabled persons and their integration into the mainstream of society. Toward this end, the government shall adopt policies ensuring the rehabilitation, self-development and self-reliance of disabled persons.

**SECTION 3: OBJECTIVES.** This ordinance shall have the following objectives to wit;

- 3.1 To have a complete and comprehensive listing of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in the City of Sorsogon
- 3.2 To provide financial assistance for their daily subsistence and of their respective families
- 3.3 To ensure that a PWD receives basic services
- 3.4 To ensure that PWDs are not neglected, recognized thus for this purpose they shall be organized and shall have representation in the Sorsogon City Development Council

**SECTION 4: SCOPE AND COVERAGE.** The program extends to the Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) as herein enumerated, to wit:

PERSONS WITH DISABILITY/IES (PWDs) – shall refer to those suffering from restriction of different abilities, as a result of mental, physical and sensory disorder and/or any other handicap/conditions which include but not limited to the following:

1. Visual Disability – one who has impairment of visual functioning even after treatment and/or standard refractive correction, and has visual acuity in the better eye of less than (6/18 for low vision and 3/60 for blind), or a visual field of less than 10 degrees from the point fixation. A certain level of visual impairment is defined as legal blindness. One is legally blind when your best corrected

central visual acuity in your better eye is 6/60 or worse, or your side vision is 20 degrees or less in the better eye.

2. *Visually Impaired* – one who has the ability to perceive light, to count fingers at a distance of three (3) meters in daylight, and with limitation to perform certain visual tasks such as reading, writing and mobility.
3. *Hearing Disability* – one who has moderate or worse hearing impairment in the better ear, that is, the permanent unaided hearing threshold level of the better ear of 41 or 31 decibels or greater in age under 15 years old.
4. *Hearing Impaired* – one who has inability to hear clearly and tell the difference between certain sounds and words (or can hear a little without hearing aid) and or the complete, partial loss of the ability to hear from one or both ears; with 26 decibels or greater hearing threshold, averaged at frequencies 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, and 4.0 kilohertz.
5. *Speech Impaired* – one who has speech difficulty ranging from inability to speak to ability to speak but not sufficiently clear.
6. *Orthopedically Handicapped* – one who has a physical disability due to bones, joints, tendons and muscles defects such as post-polio, fracture.
7. *Mentally Challenged* – one who has mental retardation, a person who has significantly sub-averaged intellectual functioning resulting in or associated with concurrent adaptive behaviour, in coping with any demand of daily life manifested through their sensory motor, communication, self-help, socialization, academic and vocational skills.
8. *Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder* – one who has a condition in the brain that makes it difficult to control their behaviour.
9. *Persons with Autism* – one who has a lifelong developmental disability which typically appears during the first three years of life resulting from a neurobiological disorder that affects the functioning of the brain and interferes with the normal development in the areas of reasoning, social interaction and communication skills.
10. *Learning Disability* – one who exhibits disorders in perception, listening, reading, writing, spelling and arithmetic and/or any disorder in one or more of the basic psychological or physiological processes (perception, comprehension, thinking, etc.) involved in understanding or in using unspoken or written language.
11. *Mental Disability* – one who has disability resulting from organic brain syndrome (i.e. mental retardation, acquired lesions of central nervous system, or dementia) and or mental illness (psychotic or non-psychotic disorder).
12. *Psychosocial Disability* – one who acquired behavioral cognitive, emotional or social impairment that limits one or more activities necessary for the effective interpersonal transactions and other civilizing processes or activities for daily living such as but not limited to deviancy or anti-social behavior.
13. *Emotionally Disturbed Person* – one who displays a significant behavior or psychological pattern that deviates from an arbitrary and relative social norm such as aggressive and acting out behavior or withdrawn behavior.
14. *Other Handicap* – one who has circumstances that may give rise to disadvantages, such as problems with cleft palate, harelip, etc.

15. Multi-Disability – one who has two or more disabilities such as those with mental retardation and blindness.
16. Chronic Illness – words to describe a group of health conditions that lasts a long time. It may get slowly worse over time or may become permanent or it may lead to death. It may cause permanent change to the body and it will certainly affect the person's quality of life.
17. Congenital Diseases – diseases existing at and usually before birth which may have hereditary or nonhereditary cause.

SECTION 5: **GRANT.** Inborn Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in Sorsogon City are hereby given priority for financial assistance in the amount of One Thousand (P1,000.00) pesos per month upon submission of the documentary requirements to the City Social Welfare and Development Office, Sorsogon City.

SECTION 6: **QUALIFICATIONS.** The following qualifications must be presented in order to qualify to claim for financial assistance:

1. Certification from the Punong Barangay that the applicant is a resident of said barangay in the City of Sorsogon
2. Inborn Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) must be included in the complete list of registered members of the Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) of the City Social Welfare and Development Office, Sorsogon City
3. A Recommendation from the Barangay Health Worker and a Certification from the Punong Barangay that the said person is a PWD.

SECTION 7: **DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS.** The applicants must submit the following documentary requirements to the City Social Welfare and Development Office of the City Government of Sorsogon:

1. Duly filled up Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) Application Form
2. Medical Certificate with 1x1 ID photo

SECTION 8: **ONE (1) ID POLICY.** For clarity in coverage, the term – Persons with Disability/ies (PWDs) does not distinguish age, race, creed or religious belief, political affiliation, economic and social status. In addition, PWDs who are also Senior Citizens or Solo Parent can have two Identification Cards; however, they shall invoke their rights to avail the benefits, privileges and incentives provided by law, using only one of the IDs at the time of availment.

SECTION 9: **COMMITTEE.** A committee is hereby created that will perform the assessment and validation of documents in order to determine the qualification of the PWDs, to wit:

1. Chairperson
  - City Mayor
2. Member/s
  - Head, City Social Welfare and Development Office
  - SP Chairman, Committee on Social Services
  - President, SOCIADAP
  - President, Liga ng mga Barangay

- SECTION 10: **SCREENING AND MONITORING.** During the implementation of the Ordinance, the City Social Welfare and Development Office shall perform the following:
1. Evaluate the submitted documents of a PWD
  2. Conduct verification of the submitted required documents
  3. Submit recommendation and endorsement to the committee
  4. Coordinate with the City Budget Officer for the release of the fund
  5. Submit annual accomplishment report to the Chief Executive regarding the status of the implementation.
- SECTION 11: **IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The Office of the City Mayor may issue subsequent implementing Rules and Regulations for the effective implementation of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 12: **SOURCE OF FUNDS.** A budget of at least Five Million (P5,000,000.00) pesos shall be appropriated annually under the Office of the City Mayor for the implementation of this program. Such budget may be increased or augmented as necessary, subject to an appropriation ordinance.
- SECTION 13: **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** - If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.
- SECTION 14: **REPEALING CLAUSE.** - All ordinances, local issuances or rules inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SECTION 15: **EFFECTIVITY** - This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod and after compliance with the law on public dissemination and publication.

DATE APPROVED: **August 13, 2019**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing resolution and ordinance.

  
**NOEL G. DREU**  
 Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Attested:

  
**MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA**  
 City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

Approved:

  
**MA. ESTER E. HAMOR**  
 City Mayor