

## **NHA WON GADTIMPALA BRONZE AWARD**

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With its full pledged commitment to Gender and Development, the National Housing Authority (NHA) was a recipient of the GADtimpala Bronze Award by the Philippine Commission for Women (PCW) as one of the Outstanding Gender-Responsive Government Agency.

The recognition was given to NHA as PCW celebrates the 10<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary of the Magna Carta for Women held at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) on August 14, 2019.

Accepting the award were NHA Gender and Development Focal Point System led by Chairperson and Assistant General Manager Froilan R. Kampitan and Vice-Chairperson and Estate Management Department Manager Ana V. Baul.

AGM Kampitan and Ms. Baul were accompanied by Former GAD Chairpersons (Evangelina I. Equipaje, Lorna M. Seraspe and Ivandswenda V. Marquez), other NHA Officials (Ar. Ma. Benita O. Regala, Ar. Marissa B. Maniquis, Luis R. Bacamante), and GAD Committee Heads Sylvia L. Briones, Fernando B. Mojica, Viema M. Picazo, and Maricris G. Maninit.

NHA under the leadership of General Manager and GAD Champion Marcelino P. Escalada, Jr., has crossed a very important highway in its policy ensuring that all projects and programs are geared towards gender development and gender equality.

GM Escalada expressed his sincere appreciation to the PCW for the prestige award and vowed that the Authority shall continue to provide Better Technology, Better Policy, Better Procedure and to be more Gender Sensitive and Gender Responsive to the needs of its clients and beneficiaries.

For his part, AGM Kampitan thanked PCW for recognizing NHA's Gender Mainstreaming Efforts saying, “nung na announce kami, laking pasasalamat po namin sa PCW lalo na sa kanilang validation team for acknowledging our hard work and efforts”.

He added, “but behind this award and what truly is the NHA concern is fulfilling the needs of women and children and that is what this award is really all about.”

Today, NHA continues to lead in undertaking programs towards Women Employment and Gender Equality not only for the development of its employees, but as well as, for its project beneficiaries.