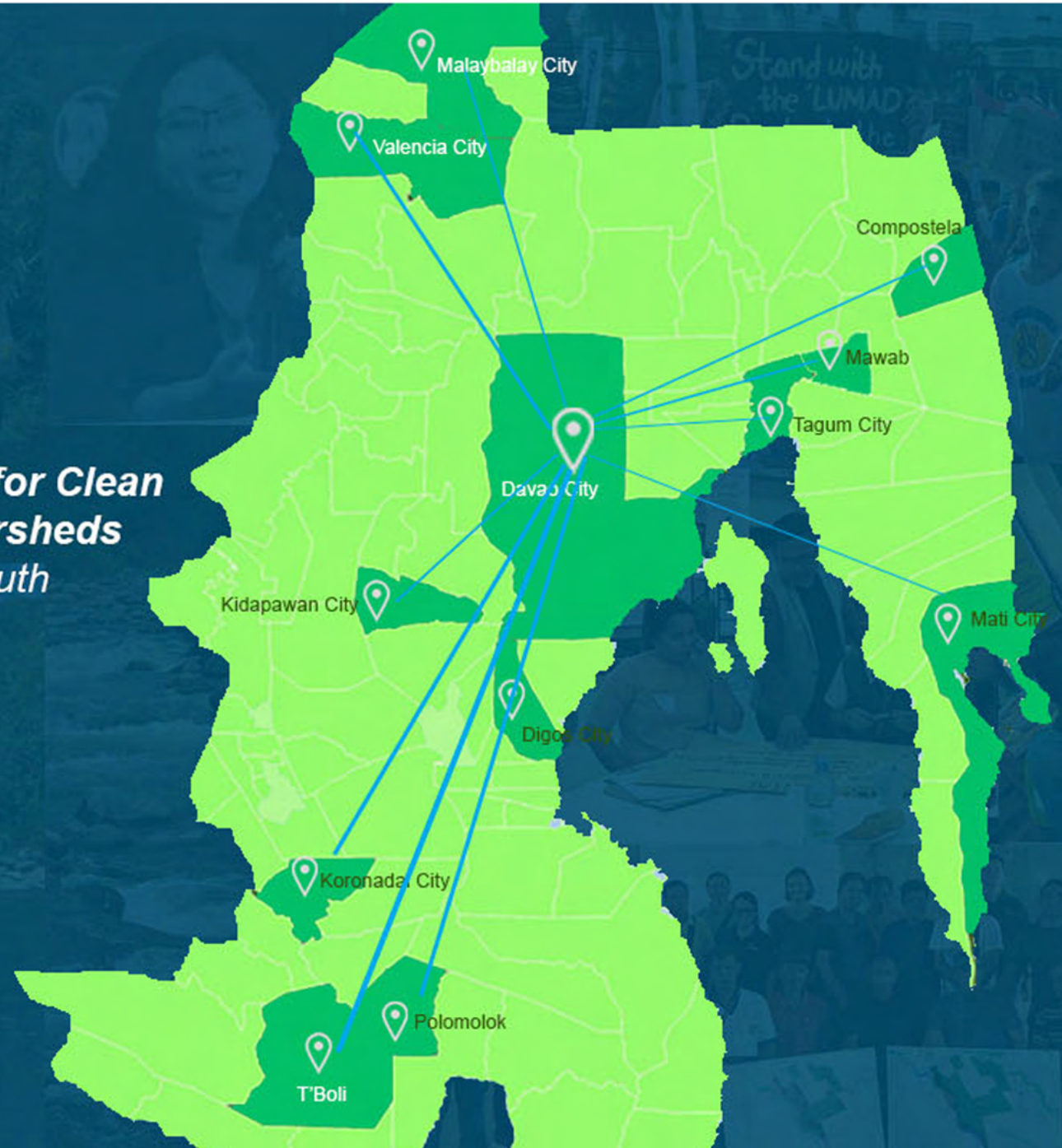


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Years of Advocating for Clean Water & Healty Watersheds from Davao City to South Central Mindanao





**INTERFACING
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INTERVENTIONS FOR
SUSTAINABILITY**
CLEAN WATER. HEALTHY WATERSHEDS.

IDIS advocates for the protection and management of life-sustaining watersheds, from ridge to reef, in South Central Mindanao

WE ADVOCATE POLICIES

Our goal is an expanded and conducive policy environment for the protection and management of watersheds

WE PROMOTE REPLICABLE GREEN PRACTICES

Our goal is replication of practices on watershed protection and management and sustainable living, primarily through the Lunhaw Awards

WE STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS

Our goal is to have broad environmental partnerships advocating for watershed protection and sustainable living

A MESSAGE FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



2020 has been extraordinarily challenging for all of us as we experienced various difficulties in doing our advocacy work, in ensuring that our family is safe while maintaining our health and wellbeing. IDIS pursued and sustained its efforts in pushing for environmental policies, promoting sustainable initiatives, building and sustaining partnerships, and thriving as an organization. Thus, we fully recognize that our humble accomplishments were achieved because of the continued support and cooperation from our partners, family, and friends.

We are sincerely grateful to our funding partners for their continued trust and confidence in our environmental advocacy work.

To DKA Austria and MISEREOR Germany, for your commitment to support our previous projects and for the next three (3) years of sustaining our advocacy work for the protection and management of our life-sustaining watersheds in South-Central Mindanao. To the Foundation for the Philippine Environment for granting us another project term for the protection and rehabilitation of Panigan-Tamugan Watershed and our continued partnership with the Bantay Bukid volunteers. Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the International Pollutants Elimination Network (IPEN) and EcoWaste Coalition for supporting several projects on chemical safety and waste management this year. Furthermore, we are also grateful for the continued support of the City Government of Davao to our Bantay Bukid Program in partnership with the Philippine Eagle Foundation.

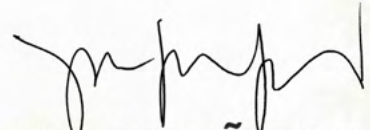
We also thank our environmental policy champions and partners from the local and national government agencies for our continued critical collaborations. As we were able to successfully conduct various online meetings and webinars, we appreciate you for your presence, patience in answering critical questions, and commitment to act.

Lastly, our grateful appreciation to the general public for raising your voices as we pushed for more environmentally friendly. We have successfully called for the adoption of sustainable mobility in Davao City which resulted in the establishment of bike lanes and review of the existing local policies. We were together in calling our policymakers and implementers in prioritizing the use of reusable face masks, supporting the grow-your-own-food initiatives in our homes,

and protecting our heritage and other existing trees in the urban areas. We may not fully achieve ideal outcomes but we will pursue and will continue to work together for livable and sustainable cities for all.

On a personal note, I am also sincerely grateful to the Board of Trustees of IDIS for your trust and confidence in me and for giving me huge opportunities to be part of IDIS for more than ten (years). IDIS will always be part of me as it allowed me to grow personally and professionally. IDIS has given me the best years of my life doing my dream job – advocacy work.

As I step down, I wish IDIS all the best. I have trust and confidence in the next Executive Director, Atty. Mark Peñalver, to the new Program Coordinator, Mavic Hilario, and all the staff that you will continue and do better in 2021 and beyond. I thank you for all the love, respect, and friendship that we shared. You will always be a family to me.



CHINKIE PELIÑO-GOLLE

POLICY ADVOCACY FOR WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

Despite the pandemic, IDIS still continues to sit as a CSO representative in local government special bodies for the legal authority to participate and monitor implementation of government plans and enforcement of environmental laws on the ground aid in policy development and put pressure on appropriate government agencies when urgent actions on certain environmental issues are needed.

This 2020, IDIS sits as a member of Inter Agency Task Group on Quarrying. Mayor Sara Duterte-Carpio created it to address issues and concerns in all commercial and illegal quarrying operations within Davao City. IDIS also joined various committee hearings and online sessions/meetings with city councilors on matters relating to environmental protection.



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CSO Representative to Government Special Bodies

Local Special Bodies	IDIS Participation/Contribution
Davao River Basin Management Alliance	IDIS participated in the development and formulation of a Health Scorecard for the Davao River Basin. For indicators and measurements on water-quality, land-use, forest and riverbank rehabilitation, IDIS provided expertise and related studies
City Development Council	IDIS is a strong and active Civil Society member of City Development Council-Environment Committee. IDIS directly engages in critical decision-making over large projects, development, and plans for the city. IDIS also participated and contributed inputs during the formulation and reviews of the city's Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP), Comprehensive Land-Use Plan (CLUP) and Local Climate Change Action Plan (LCCAP).
Local Zoning Review Committee (LZRC)	IDIS joins in inspection surveys and contributes to the decision-making for zoning reclassification applications. IDIS provides technical recommendations and position based on providing rightful ecological balance of land use and livability of human settlements. Further, IDIS along with other CSO members of the LZRC approved the reclassification of a socialized housing development in Matina Biao Escuela to address the city's housing back-log and forming it as a rural settlement as opposition to the proposed Waste-to-Energy Facility in the area.
Watershed Management Council (WMC)	<p>IDIS was able to lobby for the conduct of the Watershed Summit, the annual gathering of watershed stakeholders to tackle issues and concerns threatening our watersheds and to present plans and programs for the protection and sustainable management of the watersheds. IDIS also lobbied for WMC to issue a resolution mandating the Barangays within the Watershed Area to strictly regulate recreational activities within their territorial jurisdiction (WMC Resolution No. 2, series of 2020).</p> <p>Also, IDIS supported the resolution requesting the office of the City Legal to initiate the filing of cases against the perpetrators at Sitio Kalatong (WMC Resolution No. 3, series of 2020). IDIS also presented the results of the Mohon monitoring and assessment in connection to the delineation project of the City in the Watershed Areas wherein loosely installed, uprooted, defaced, missing, transferred, lost, and with no label demarcation monuments were identified. This resulted for WMC to pass a resolution to forward the findings to the WMMT for inspection and proper action (WMC Resolution No. 10, series of 2020).</p>
Watershed Multipartite Monitoring Team (WMMT)	IDIS was able to participate in different monitoring activities of the Multipartite Monitoring Team (Ground delineation monitoring and evaluation and the operations of Maharlika Agro-Marine Ventures Corporation).
Technical Committee on Organic Agriculture (TCOA)	<p>IDIS helped in providing the necessary data and documents for the 5 entries of the Regional Organic achievers awards; three (3) of them awarded as Organic Achievers Award.</p> <p>TCOA, through Organic Program and activities, provided organic vegetable seeds and seedlings to individuals, associations, and community Gardens during the Enhanced Community Quarantine.</p> <p>Barangay Council of Sibulan discussed the drafting of the OA Zone IRR</p>
Inter-Agency Task Group (IATG) for commercial and illegal mining	<p>IDIS conducted a study on assessing governance and regulations of Sand & Gravel Quarrying in Davao City in 2019. In 2020, issuance of EO 48 Series of 2020, IDIS became a NGO representative member for the Inter-Agency Task Group (IATG).</p> <p>IDIS joins in the inspection, monitoring and decision-making of quarry operations through the technical working group. During the 1st inspection, IDIS recommended to the group not to allow an earthfill quarry in Brgy. Matina Biao due to the nearby community settlements, narrow road networks and existing agricultural land-use.</p> <p>Regardless of the membership, IDIS do not endorse nor approve quarry applicants. However, IDIS maintains its contribution by providing technical inputs to the inspection and survey team. IDIS continues to lobby for the conduct of a resource and capacity threshold study as basis whether to approve or disapprove applications.</p>
South Cotabato Provincial Development Council	IDIS sits as a member of the SC-PDC and a member of its Environment Committee. As such, IDIS was able to lobby to the SC-PDC to pass a resolution supporting our call for the decentralization of powers of the National Water Resources Board to the Local Government Units. SC-PDC passed a resolution endorsing to the regional development council-region xii and subsequently to the house of representatives to support the call for the amendment of pd 1067 otherwise known as the Philippine Water Code to authorize the local government units for the utilization, development, exploitation, conservation and protection of their respective water resources (PDC Resolution No. 2020-19).
Provincial Multipartite Monitoring Team on Land Use and Environmental Policy Implementation and Compliance (South Cotabato)	<p>IDIS is also the NGO Representative to the PMMT-LEPIC.</p> <p>IDIS was invited to present and discuss the issues and concerns regarding the implementation of the Philippine Water Code. As such, we were able to lobby to the PMMT-LEPIC to support our call for decentralization of powers of the NWRB to the LGUs. Hence, PMMT-LEPIC endorsed the same to the SC-PDC for the proper resolution.</p>

B Status of Environmental Policies

Policies	Updates	Green Champions
Ban on Single Use Plastics Ordinance	On hold temporarily due to the pandemic. Last committee hearing attended was Feb/March2020 together with the egg tray suppliers. Draft ordinance is on its final form and committee hearings will continue this 2021	Councilor Diosdado Mahipus, Jr.
Environment Code	On hold, until the Ban SUP ordinance will be enacted (according to C. Mahipus) Draft of the E-code is sent to C. Mahipus and was acknowledged. The draft was from lawyers who volunteered to arrange the E-code. But meetings and partnerships for the drafting of the code is on-going.	Councilor Diosdado Mahipus, Jr.
Bicycle Ordinance	Pushed in to the limelight because of the pandemic. Series of meetings and consultations with bikers and the CTTMO were done, lead by Councilor Acosta. Amended ordinance was endorsed to the Office of Councilor Baluran. Study/research endorsed to CTTMO and CMO (they requested for a copy).	Councilor Mabel Acosta
Organic Agriculture Ordinance	Position paper made by PGS Davao was sent to Councilor Ralph Abella; amended ordinance drafted and awaiting to be enacted by the Councilor. One Stakeholders Forum on the OA Ordinance Amendments conducted and participated by three (3) Councilors (Pamela Librado, 1st District, Ralph Abella (Chair, committee on food and agriculture) 2nd District and Antoinette Principe, 3rd District) Participatory Guarantee System Committee conducted Eight 8 meetings to discuss updates on the proposed Organic Agriculture amendments and continue to promote and encourage farmers and organic sellers to certify their products to the PGS and participate during the organic farmers market day; and that any organic outlet/stores should be PGS Certified. Three (3) PGS Farm certified (La Fermette, Maxey Atog Urban Garden, Care Channel Social Enterprise)	Councilor Ralph Abella
Ban AS Campaign	RTD with affected BLGUs and FPA conducted; concerns and suggestions for a new ordinance was discussed; concerns and suggestions were shared during the chemical safety forum.	
Lead Safe Ordinance	Councilor Braga committed to help in the crafting of the IRR. City Legal already crafting the IRR (Feb 2021)	Councilor Pilar Braga



RESEARCH-BASED POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WATERSHED MANAGEMENT



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Infrastructure, Planning, and Public Facilities

Bicycle Lane Network – Provision of bicycle lanes at identified national highways and other city roads for the safety of bike commuters crossing districts.

Barrier-Free Bicycle Lanes – Public works should address the issues on permanent obstacles such as drainage holes, utility posts, and unfinished constructions. Movable obstacles such as parking signs and park vehicles should be strictly enforced.

Bicycle Lane Signage & Width – Clearer signage and fully-coated/painted operating space for at least 2 meters wide.

Well-lighted Bicycle Lanes – Safe and bright lights from light posts for the safety of bicycle users at night, switching of higher lumen-LED lights at identified dark areas.

Bicycle By-Pass Path – Require high-traffic establishments such as shopping malls, schools, terminals, and offices to provide Bypass Path for bicycles next to their loading/unloading areas and bus stops.

Bicycle Yield Areas – Plan and provide bicycle yield areas for the safety of bicycle users in crossing main intersections.

Public Bicycle Repair Station – Provision of bicycle repair stations at public parks and resting areas along identified high number of bicycles.

Bicycle Racks – Improvement of bicycle rack design, public racks, and requirement of establishments. Formulation of ratio on occupancy vis-à-vis rack capacity. Provision of racks at public parks, barangay halls, and government offices.



Infrastructure, Planning, and Public Facilities

Urban Streetscapes and Greenery – Enhancement of greenery along bicycle lanes such as providing planter-protected bike lanes, implementation of the adopt-a-street island and pocket, and linear parks as resting areas.

Bicycle Circuit/Network Plan – Connecting bicycle lanes, car-free routes, paths, nature trails, provision of non-main road or low-traffic road bicycle sharrows/lanes, as well as community-level bicycle safe streets for school, parks, and houses.

Bicycle Lane/Path Surface Pavement – For current bicycle lanes, IDIS recommends existing pavements, striped/fully painted with an anti-skid coating. Permeable concrete or asphalt, striped full-painted with anti-skid coating for new road construction projects and closed-void permeable/porous blocks, turfs, bricks for esplanades and park bicycle paths.

High Priority Bus System (HPBS) & Davao Transport Project – Since the local government plans to shift into HPBS, IDIS also recommends the following: Bicycle Parking Racks/Areas at Terminals; Bicycle carriers and racks installed at each bus unit; By-pass paths at bus stations or loading/unloading areas; Safe bicycle and pedestrian access networks to every terminal and bus stations; Implementation of identified Transit-Oriented Zones; and Public Bicycle Sharing/Rent Systems (e.g. Obike, Kuala Lumpur).



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Administration

Registration – Majority of the respondents are willing and in favor of registering their bicycle units but only if the health emergency is already lifted and it is already safe to conduct mass gatherings or that safety protocols are strictly implemented. Online or barangay-level registration is highly encouraged. Bicycle user registration or licensing method is more effective than registering their units.

Registration Fee and Taxes – Majority (those selected a breakdown) are willing to pay for an annual registration within the range of Php 20-150. The local government should allot the taxes to concrete bicycle program and development, maintenance, safety, providing public facilities, and other user benefits.

Bicycle User Requirements – Basic accessory requirements should include a helmet, front light, tail light or reflector, and a bell or horn.

Harmonization & Enactment of Policies – Review of the provisions of both Bicycle Ordinance and Local Traffic Code to avoid overlapping, conflicting, and/or doubling of such requirements, fees, violations, penalties, etc.

Policy Inclusivity – Rules and regulation of the ordinance should not only focus to regular bicycle users, but to also consider providing safety to other pedal-powered means such as handicapped specialized trikes, kick scooters, and service carts.

Research and Monitoring – Continuation of research and monitoring surveys, public surveys, bicycle counts, and obstacle mapping to better understand bicycle traffic and safety problems.

Bicycle Lifestyle and Culture

Cycling-Oriented City – Encourage bicycles as a primary mode of transportation, not only for sports and recreation. Cycling lifestyle is practical, easy, safe, and simple.

Gender Equality in Mobility – Bicycle mobility comfort and safety should benefit all genders. Halt traffic bullying, discrimination, and catcalling.

Corporate Bicycle Programs – Providing facilities and programs for bicycle-using employees, group rides, parking racks, dressing rooms, renting systems, health & wellness, etc.



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Mapping and Profiling Urban Heritage Trees in Davao City through Citizen Science

Through citizen science, the study received 288 submissions of tree profiles within Davao City, 260 of which were geo-tagged. The results indicated that most trees are situated within the business and industrial zones, particularly along sidewalks and on campuses. The results also showed that only 33% of trees are of native species. While most of the identified trees were considered generally healthy, at least 21% were observed to have issues with trimming, bark wounds, infrastructure widening, among others. Further, the ambient concentration of CO was evaluated based on the existing official data, linking to the trees' capability to remove CO from the atmosphere as a pollutant. The researchers also utilized available methods for approximating CO₂ sequestered by selected trees in 30-60 years. Despite the significant number of trees existing in Davao City, these trees still need protection due to persistent threats from being urban deforestation.

With this study, IDIS proposed its recommendations to invited city councilors last December 8, 2020 during its research presentation. IDIS is proposing for a Trees Protection Ordinance that will protect and preserve the heritage and other existing trees in Davao City.



The IDIS proposal states, among others, to:

- Maintain or regularly update data and maps of existing heritage and other trees in the urban areas;
- Prohibit cutting, removing, nailing and heavily pruning of trees (unless necessary);
- Create a local policy and decision-making body or board that will issue resolution or assess infrastructure plans that will affect existing trees, as well as coordinate with other government agencies;
- Provide protection, monitoring and maintenance of trees, install proper tree labelling or signage with appropriate funding allocation;
- Develop and implement technical guidelines and measures on proper pruning, trimming and maintenance of identified trees;
- Provide a section or provision for penalties to those who will violate the mandate of the ordinance;
- Develop a city-led comprehensive program, develop criteria for candidate trees, accept nomination from citizens, and donations from private partners for tree preservation and maintenance;
- Conduct continuous mapping, monitoring, and identification of heritage trees in the city;
- Provide incentives for building or development applications with protected trees integrated in planning and design; and
- The ordinance shall be implemented by the City Mayor's Office, City Administrator's Office, Local Engineering, Planning, Environmental Management, Tourism, Public Safety, Barangay Offices in coordination with DPWH, DENR, DLPC, experts and with public participation



Government Recommendations

- Planning & Development - Secure wide allotment for landscaping strips, underground wiring, procure sustainable methods & traffic reduction alternatives
- Greening Programs - Promote the use of native trees in all of the tree growing and greening endeavors of the government and non-government organizations to promote and enhance urban biodiversity.
- Adopt-a-Park Programs - Implementation of private-public partnerships for park development that can help preserved and maintain trees in idle areas
- Public & City Works - Enhance participatory planning and coordination of public projects, conducting hearings and proper information for the public.
- Airshed Management - Additional Air-Quality Monitoring Stations per district, especially for Carbon Monoxide to determine the correlation between trees sequestration and pollution.

Community Recommendations

- Report and avoid disposal of wastes at areas under the trees
- Avoid using trees to mount collaterals and signages, nailing, painting and installing of any material
- Coordinate with the City Environment and Natural Resources Office or Barangay on disposing dried or fallen leaves for composting
- Increase citizen vigilance, tree watchdogs to enhance community-based protection, report and campaign against cutting of trees



PROMOTION OF GREEN PRACTICES FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVING

This year, Lunhaw Awards were not pushed due to public health emergency. Yet, IDIS never stops promoting green practices for sustainable living. IDIS adapted the new norm in promoting various advocacies – go online. We conducted a series of webinars featuring notable speakers who shared information with the participants and encouraged them to practice living sustainably.

Some of the topics tackled were youth awareness on environment, disaster consciousness, indigenous people's role in environmental protection, urban gardening, chemical safety, organic agriculture, and many more.

Green Practice in Focus

IDIS, envi groups still call to ban single-use plastics



Last September 2020, IDIS together with other environmental non-government organizations like Break Free from Plastics, Ecowaste Coalition, and Sustainable Davao Movement, Bantay Bukid and Bantayo Aweg volunteers, and barangay officials of Tawan-Tawan joined the river clean-up and global brand audit at Panigan-Tamugan Watershed in Baguio District, Davao City.

Brand Audit involves counting and documenting the brands found on plastic waste collected during the cleanup to help identify the companies responsible for plastic pollution. Such brand audits are powerful tool for holding consumer good companies accountable for their role in the global plastic waste problem, revealing just how widespread and damaging their throwaway plastic business model has become.

During the clean-up drive, a total of 1,713 pieces of different types of solid wastes such as plastics, cans, bottles, glass, cigarettes, face masks were collected. Most of it were food packaging, plastic bottles, and household products packaging. The result of this brand audit shows that there is an alarming increase of wastes in one of the most important watersheds in Davao City, the Panigan-Tamugan Watershed. We urge the local government authorities to enforce regulations and ensure proper waste management in the area but most importantly, we urge for the enactment and implementation of environmental policies.

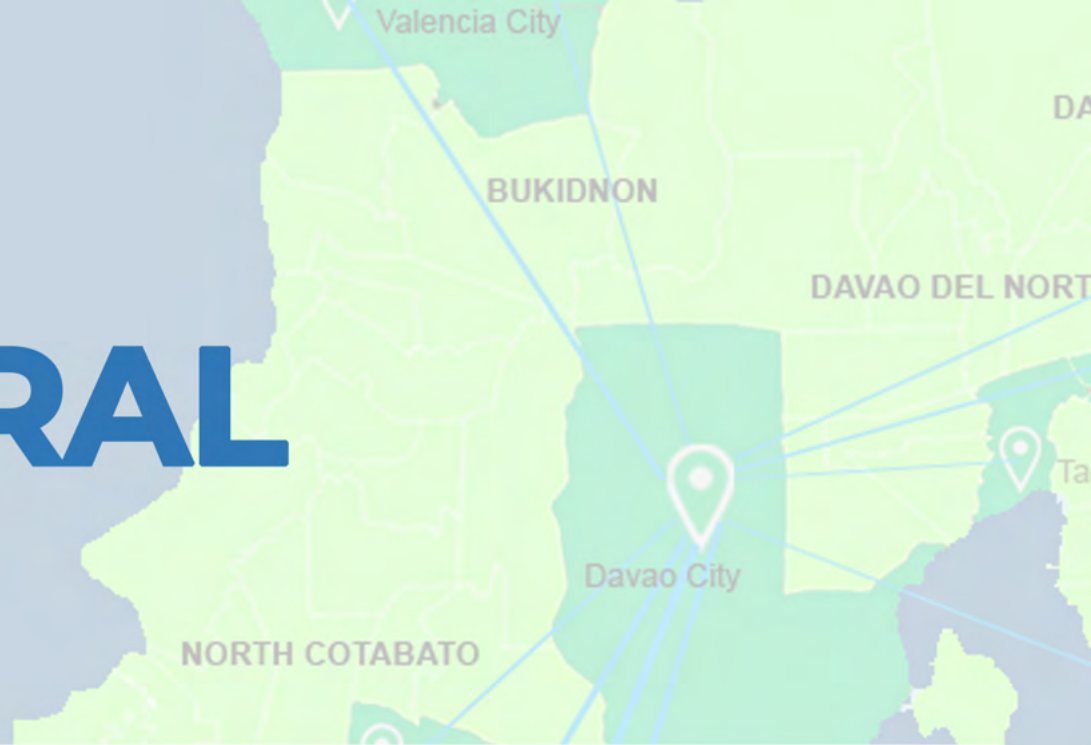
For the enactment of policy, the City Council should enact the Banning of Single Use Plastics in the city and for the full implementation of the Ecological Solid Waste Management Ordinance in accordance with the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act to address the waste concerns not just in PTW but in the whole area of Davao City.

IDIS and other NGO's also urge the public to properly dispose their garbage and avoid using single-use plastics. Such small efforts are big help to conserve and protect the environment.

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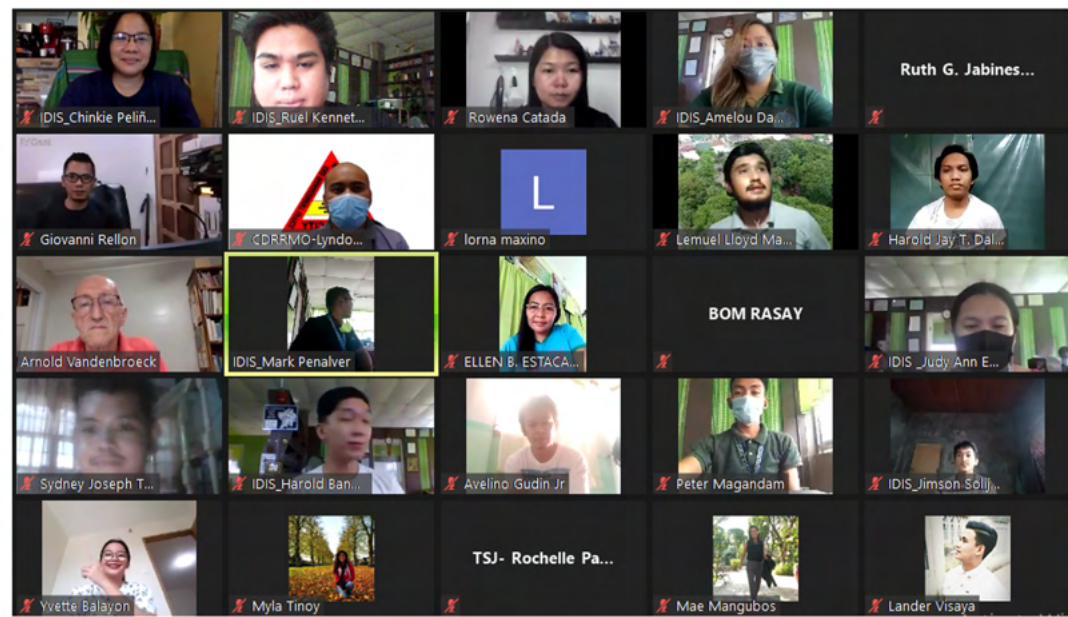
With the pandemic the world is experiencing, IDIS' partnerships with other local government units were limited due to accessibility and mobility. Yet, IDIS still tried to engage and partner with various LGUs such as Tagum City, Koronadal City, and Davao City to different webinars conducted. IDIS also met with TLRBMC for the membership and agreed with important matters that can be work on despite the health situation.

National and International Partnerships

Partner	IDIS Participation/Contribution
<p>Ecowaste Coalition</p>	<p>Joined the last shipment of waste back to South Korea.</p> <p>Webinar on Chemical Safety</p> <p>Acted as one of the resource persons, shared the Ban AS study and result of the round table discussion with affected BLGUs.</p> <p>Facilitated and co organized the webinar.</p> <p>Purchased toys for testing of harmful chemicals (sent to Ecowaste office)</p>
<p>Break Free From Plastic</p>	<p>Grantee and Mindanao implementer of Brand Audit in the Philippines. Counted and documented the brands found on plastic waste collected during the cleanup Panigan-Tamugan in order to help identify the companies responsible for plastic pollution and create the Volume III of the Global Brand Audit Report.</p>
<p>International Pollutants Elimination Network</p>	<p>Monitoring hazardous chemicals-IDIS gathered data in visiting existing recycling facilities in Davao City. Particularly to collect high-density polyethylene pellet samples that will be used for other recycled products. IDIS collected samples at two (2) currently operating recycling plants in the city, Tamaraw Plastics Corp. and EnviroTech Winder Corp. Results also showed that working environment of these recycling plants, are primarily hazardous to health of workers.</p> <p>Lead-Safe Webinar-EMB discussed the guidelines when it comes to lead free paints; Councilor Braga committed to help in the crafting of the IRR.</p> <p>Citizen Science Project-IDIS spearheaded the conduct of a small-grant project entitled “Davao Heritage Tree Project”. The project gathered 38 science citizens, and received 288 tree submissions. In collaboration with the citizens, IDIS developed locational maps, inventory, and resource analysis and policy recommendations of the heritage trees. These baseline outputs was used in the drafting of local Trees protection ordinance of Davao City.</p>

National and International Partnerships

Partner	IDIS Participation/Contribution
<p align="center"> Project MariKnows YSEALI Philippines U.S. Embassy in the Philippines </p>	<p> MariKnows: Connecting Ships, Ports, Environment, and People. MariKnows: Oceans and Seafarers: Essential to Shipping, Essential to the World. MariKnows: Sustainable Shipping for a Sustainable Planet MariKnows Digital Poster Movie Co-organizer, funder, and facilitated the whole month celebration. </p>
<p align="center"> American Spaces Philippines U.S. Embassy in the Philippines </p>	<p> NASA Space Apps Challenge Davao 1. Emcee of the event (PBO) 2. One of the official partners of the event 3. Highlighted the importance of this event to address the problems of Earth and spaces such as pollution, global warming, environmental degradation, solid waste management and disasters, and many more. </p>
<p align="center"> United States Government Alumni Association - Davao YSEALI Davao </p>	<p> Mindanao Bayanihan Para kay Luzon 1. Co-organizer and partner of launching the online fundraising initiative "Project Bayanihan" which: </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collected over PhP 1,000,000 worth of donations for survivors of Typhoon Rolly and Ulysses across in Luzon in November 2020 - Helped the Bajau indigeneous community and Bantay Bukid in Davao who were severely affected by the global pandemic - Mobilize 300 volunteers in Davao to volunteer and join the cause - Establish effective partnership with USGAA SOX, USGAA MagCot, USGAA CDO, and other 28 youth organizations and NGOs including Philippine Military, Coast guard, and Presidential Security Group - Davao



Snapshot
 Some webinars participated
 by partner LGUs, CSOs, and
 Academe

Partnership in Focus

Adopt-a-Riverbank Partners: Forge of Partnership with Private Sectors




This year, IDIS continue to seek partnership with private sectors to adopt a riverbank at the Panigan-Tamugan Watershed where the partners will have their tree planting and monitoring for the rehabilitation and protection of the said watershed.

UNIFRUTTI Philippines, Nature camp, and JCI Kadayawan are the private institutions who signed partnership with the organization. UNIFRUTTI Philippines planted a total of 3000 seedlings, Nature Camp also planted a total of 60 seedlings. Meanwhile, IDIS also signed a partnership with an individual, Ms. Jenifer Vicente. She planted a total of 255 seedlings, participated on the clean-up drive and brand audit last September, and donated smartphones to be used by the Bantay Bukid volunteers on the monitoring of the watershed.

IDIS is still hoping and open for partnerships for the rehabilitation and protection of Panigan-Tamugan Watershed.

IDIS in Transition



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IDIS new Executive Director, Atty. Mark Peñalver or Atty. Green Panda, as he is fondly called, was the former Program Coordinator of IDIS. Mark passed the 2017 BAR exams and brings to IDIS his environmental law background, much-needed expertise to an organization engaged in environmental policy advocacy. He is also the former Vice President of the University of Mindanao Legal Advocacy Network (ULAN).

Today he continues to volunteer for IAmHampaslupa Ecological Agriculture Movement (Greenpeace). He is also a Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative Professional Fellow in the Environment and Sustainability Cohort 2020 Alumni. He enjoys his work at IDIS, where he engages with different sectors and the government to push for the adoption of environmental policies.



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IDIS new Program Coordinator, Ms. Maria Victoria Hilario, was a graduate of BS Zoology in UP Los Baños. She worked at various organizations like Haribon Foundation and Cebu Biodiversity Conservation Foundation where she was able to utilize her background in wildlife studies and community organizing.

She was the Policy Advocacy Specialist of IDIS from 2005 till 2010. She front lined in advocating and lobbying of IDIS to local, national government agencies and legislative bodies to adopt and implement policies related to the environment. She also designed, prepared for, and implemented campaign action plans for IDIS environmental advocacy issues. Now, she's back at IDIS to help the organization reach its goals. She brings to IDIS strong advocacy skills and passion for the environment.