SDG 17 – Indicator 17.2.5: Collaboration with NGOs for SDGs

Davao Oriental State University (DOrSU) actively collaborates with non-government organizations (NGOs) and civil society organizations in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals through community engagement, research collaboration, environmental conservation, and educational initiatives. These partnerships provide opportunities for students to participate in volunteer activities, engage in collaborative research addressing local and global development challenges, and contribute to the development and delivery of educational resources for communities.

Student Volunteering Initiatives

REthinking Impact: an IEC on Sustainable Practice and the Risks of Improper Waste Management – Small Steps, Big Hearts in Dahican



The "Rethinking Impact" IEC campaign, organized by **DORSU - National Service Training Program** -CWTS ES-1C team in Purok Dose, Dahican, City of Mati, proved that meaningful action trumps perfection. While there were minor logistical challenges, the event successfully achieved its goal of planting seeds of environmental awareness in the community's most receptive audience - the children.

Held on May 3, 2025 at Purok Dose, Dahican, City of Mati, the activity transformed traditional environmental education into an engaging experience. Through interactive games, storytelling, and hands-on activities, children learned about sustainability in ways they could easily understand. The highlight was the "Trash TALK" session led by Mr. Lorjie B. Bation, BSES alumnus, and former President of BSES GreenPulse, who made complex topics like waste segregation relatable through humor and practical examples.

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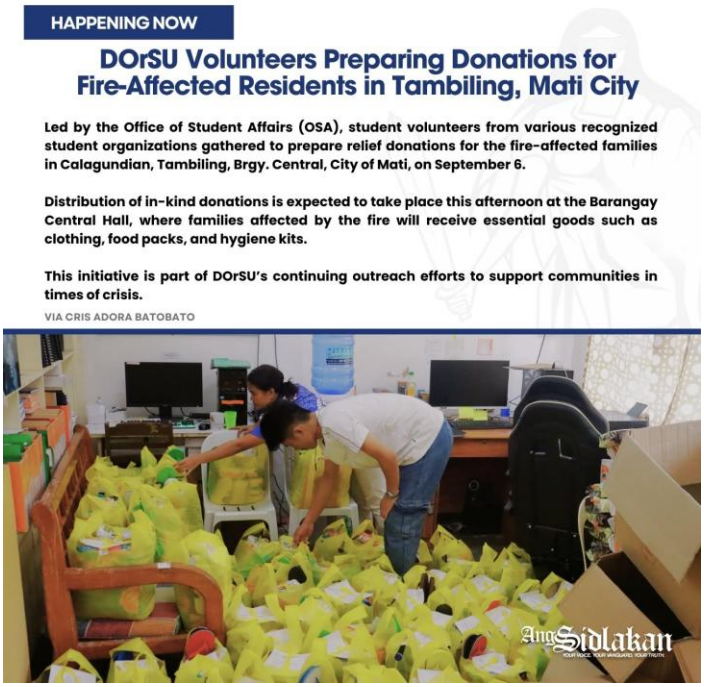
DOrSU Volunteers Preparing Donations for Fire-Affected Residents in Tambiling, Mati City

Led by the Office of Student Affairs (OSA), student volunteers from various recognized student organizations gathered to prepare relief donations for the fire-affected families in Calagundian, Tambiling, Brgy. Central, City of Mati, on September 6, 2025.



DORSU Baganga Student Artists in Action!

Student artists from Davao Oriental State University - Baganga Campus proudly showcased their creativity and passion for the environment as they joined the Mural Painting Information Education Campaign and Coastal Clean-up Drive in our beloved municipality of Baganga!



This meaningful activity is part of the M2P2 (Macro and Micro Plastic Pollution) research program, which aims to raise awareness on marine conservation and sustainable coastal living.

Through vibrant murals and hands-on community work, our student volunteers are helping spread the message of environmental stewardship and love for our seas.

Research Programmes



1. International collaboration with rrreefs for coral reef restoration. DOrSU partners with rrreefs, a Switzerland-based socio-ecological organization, to implement an innovative coral reef restoration initiative in Pujada Bay. The project applies 3D-printed terracotta reef modules developed through international expertise and adapts this technology to local marine conditions. It also involves technology transfer, local production capacity, scientific monitoring, and collaboration with government agencies, NGOs, research institutions, and coastal communities. The initiative provides a practical model for applying and adapting international approaches to marine ecosystem restoration.

Artificial Clay Bricks Installed in Pujada Bay Now Inhabited by Fish, Other Marine Organisms

Baganga Celebrates Milestone: 1 Million Mangroves Planted Through Powerful Community and Agency Collaboration



The successful celebration of planting 1 million mangroves in Baganga on November 14, 2025, marks a significant milestone in environmental conservation and community collaboration. This incredible achievement would not have been possible without the dedicated partnership between LUMARWA, Mama Earth Foundation, Davao Oriental State University through the Regional Integrated Coastal Resource Management Center XI (DOrSU-RIC XI), and the numerous committed agencies working together towards a greener future.

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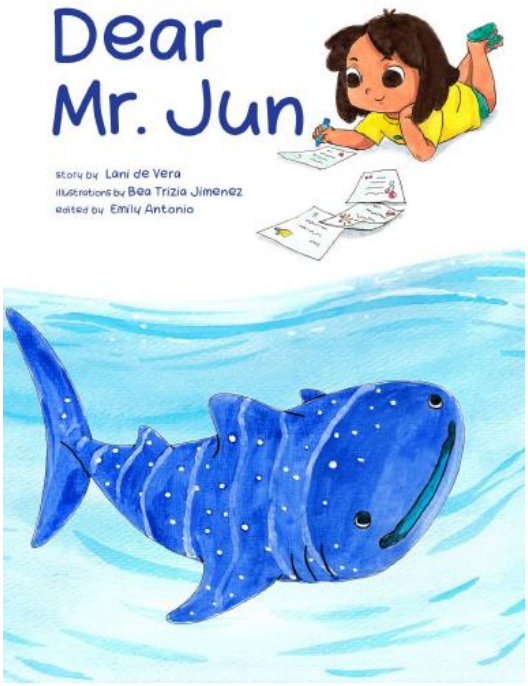
Development of Educational Resources





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