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The Official NATCCO Children & Youth Newsletter

August to September 2018





# 'Tis the season to be saving!

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We can't believe it's already been 8 months since we welcomed 2018 with high hopes and fresh beginnings! We sincerely thank all our partners for stepping up your game and giving each child the best #CoopYouth experience ever. Nothing compares to the small achievements that collectively make up the colorful and inspiring bigger picture of our movement!

We are now a big family of 146 Cooperatives locally implementing the Aflatoun Program in 1,387 schools throughout the country. There are 282,629 children building on their dreams by saving money and learning life skills from 7,185 curriculum-integrating teachers. It is our pride and joy to share that children are now saving up to a total of P166,061,463 million for their future - thanks to all your help!

From Aflatoun activities to the ICA Co-op Youth Summit, find out what else we've been up to in the latest issue of Connect - the official newsletter of NATC-CO's Children & Youth Network!

**CHILDREN  
& YOUTH TEAM**  
AFLATOUN PHILIPPINES





# Save the dates!

mark your calendars for these important events

## Financial Education Leaders' Congress



The Goal: Create a more intensive collaboration between NATCCO and DepEd to institutionalize financial education in the school curriculum. We hope our partner Co-ops can sponsor the participation of their respective Schools Division Superintendents as we convene with all Division Offices and other DepEd representatives in this one-time event.

**NEW  
SCHEDULE!**

Oct. 10-12, 2018  
Metro Manila

## Trainers' Training for Aflatoun Coordinators



The Goal: Build on the Coordinators' capacities to establish school engagements, conduct trainings, and build relationships with stakeholders while ensuring that the Program is self-sustaining and earning for the Coop. The TOT topics are focused on marketing, PR development, conflict management, and strategic planning.

Nov. 18-23, 2018  
Metro Manila

A nationwide conference for Financial Education Leaders of the Department of Education and the NATCCO Network in the Aflatoun Child Social and Financial Education Program

Theme:

***"Leading and Inspiring  
the Modern Global Economy"***

Guestlist:

DepEd Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
SGOD Chiefs and PDOs  
Education Program Specialists  
District Supervisors  
School Principals  
Teachers  
Co-op Partners



Reserve your slot now!  
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## FINANCIAL EDUCATION LEADERS' CONGRESS

Registration Fee  
P 6,400.00

October 10-12, 2018  
Metro Manila, PH



# AFLATOUN updates

AUGUST 2018



146 Co-ops



1,387 Schools



P 166,061,463  
total amount saved



7,185 Teachers



282,629 Savers

Notice to all Aflatoun Co-op Partners:

To keep our Master Database updated, please send your Aflatoun data to [hadmmangaya@natcco.coop](mailto:hadmmangaya@natcco.coop).

We are always blessed to welcome more teachers to our growing Aflatoun Network of educators!



## Most Holy Rosary MPC

DepEd Div. of Rizal (July-August 2018)

### Expansion Partner Schools

July 28-29, 2018

1. Kasiglahan Elementary School Unit I
2. Le Mara Learning School
3. Puray Elementary School

August 4-5, 2018

1. Rodriguez Heights Elementary School
2. Southville 8 and 8c Elementary Schools
3. Tagumpay National High School
4. Wawa Elementary School

August 11-12, 2018

1. Gen. Licerio Geronimo Mem. NHS
2. Kasiglahan Village National High School
3. Montalban Heights Nat'l High School
4. San Isidro Elementary School
5. San Jose National High School
6. Tagumpay Elementary School
7. Wawa National High School

Facilitators: National Aflatoun Trainers Mr. Ernesto Cabanero and Ms. Alona Almazan; with Youth Program Officers Anna del Rosario and Hazel Ann Lenida







**Ugong Multi-Purpose Cooperative**  
DepEd Div. of Pasig City (July 14-15, 2018)

**Partner Schools:**

1. Francisco Legaspi Mem. School
2. Pasig Day Care
3. Puso ni Jesus Schoola
4. Ugong Pasig Nat'l High School

**Facilitators:** National Aflatoun Trainer Ms. Alona Almazan & Youth Program Associate Hazel Ann Lenida



**Kalibo & Caticlan Airports MPC**  
DepEd Div. of Aklan (July 20-21, 2018)

**Partner Schools:**

1. Aklan Learning Center
2. Infant Jesus Academy
3. Kalibo Elementary School
4. Kalibo Integrated SPED Center
5. Kalibo Pilot Elementary School
6. Pook Elementary School
7. Regional Science High School for R6
8. Tigayon Elementary School

**Facilitators:** National Aflatoun Trainer Mr. Rodolfo Villanueva & Youth Program Officer Anna Del Rosario



**Baclay Multi-Purpose Cooperative**  
DepEd Div. of Zamboanga del Sur  
(July 28-29, 2018)

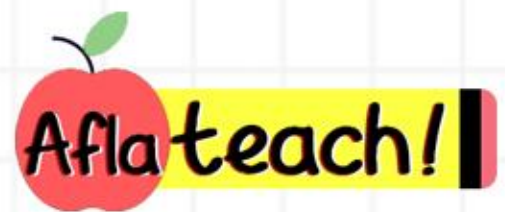
**Partner Schools:**

1. Baclay Extension High School
2. Panduma Sr. Elementary School
3. PS Bandonon Mem. National High School
4. Sto. Nino Central Elementary School
5. Tukuran Technical-Vocational HS
6. Tukuran Central School & SPED Center

**Facilitators:** National Aflatoun Trainer Mr. Eduard Amoguis & Youth Program Officer Hazel Ann Magaya







### Development Workers Savings & Credit Cooperative

DepEd Div. of Cebu City (August 25-26, 2018)

#### Partner Schools:

1. Mabolo Elementary School
2. Mabolo National High School
3. Zapatera Elementary School

Facilitators: National Aflatoun Trainer Mr. Rodolfo Villanueva & Youth Program Officer Anna Del Rosario



### Sacred Heart Savings Cooperative

DepEd Div. of Ilocos Sur (July 28-29, 2018)

#### Partner Schools:

1. Bitong Elementary School
2. Galimuyod Central School
3. Makil Technical School
4. St. Mary's Institute
5. Teodoro Hernandez National High School

Facilitators: National Aflatoun Trainers Dr. Arnel C. Doctolero, ASDS of DepEd Ilocos Sur, Mrs. Zenaida Aquino of Salcedo NHS, and Mrs. Alona Almazan of Darapidap ES





# School LAUNCHINGS

Meet our new Aflatoun Savers!

La Union MPC  
La Union, August 7-8, 2018

The Aflatoun Program was successfully launched in the towns of Agoo and Pugo in La Union! With strong support coming from the DepEd Division of La Union and the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Fernando de La Union (DSFLU), we officially introduced our favorite fireball to the school children of Agoo Montessori Learning Center, Sanjubar Elementary School, and Paco Catholic School!



BCS Credit Cooperative  
Bansalan, July 27, 2018

A brighter future shines for BCS CC Laboratory Cooperative's newest Aflatoun savers in Bansalan, Davao del Sur! More than 100 students successfully opened their Aflatoun Savings with their parents!



Perpetual Help Community Cooperative  
Cebu City

Guadalupe, Bolinawan, and Upland Elementary Schools welcomed Aflatoun with excitement and a firm determination to save! Our gratitude to the parents, teachers, school heads, and officials of the DepEd City Divisions of Carcar and Cebu for the unwavering support!



# coop Network EVENTS

For more info, you can reach the  
NATCCO Children & Youth Team  
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(Co-ops sharing the same area or DepEd  
Divisions can co-sponsor registration fees  
and travel expenses of DepEd participants)



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Microtel, UP Technohub  
Commonwealth Ave., Q.C.



## #AFLASTORIES

Turn your Aflatoun stories into award-winning features!  
Make a 3-minute video showcasing your Co-op or School's  
Aflatoun activities and send it over to [youth@natcco.coop](mailto:youth@natcco.coop)!

Deadline of Entries  
**September 21, 2018**

Awarding of Winners  
**October 11, 2018**

## #AFLASTORIES

Who can join: Co-ops and DepEd  
partners currently implementing  
the Aflatoun Program

What should be in the video:  
Different Aflatoun-related activities  
initiated by the Co-op, School,  
District, or Division. Please put  
details such as name of activity,  
date, and objectives for the  
guidance of the judges.

Format & Duration: Any video  
format playable in Windows Media  
Player or VLC. Maximum of 3  
minutes only. Videos used must be  
original and not outsourced from  
resources/videos not owned by  
DepEd/School or Cooperative.

Submission via email or WeTransfer:  
[youth@natcco.coop](mailto:youth@natcco.coop)

Criteria:

Video Creativity	30%
Content (Activities)	40%
Theme Relevance	20%
Video Quality	10%

Total of 100%





Ugong MPC joins their new Aflatoun teachers in re-echoing the Program to the schools!



Mothers know best, that's why these moms chose Alipao MPC to help their kids save for the future!



Friends who save together, create a bright future together! Alipao MPC's Aflatoun savers happily strike a pose with their passbooks after saving!



Magugpo Pilot Central Elementary School is ready to plant the seeds of tomorrow with their cute Aflatoun pots made by our little savers and teachers!



Tagum Co-op's TC Laboratory Cooperative is all about celebrating talent and fun this July! Check out their month-long celebration showcasing the youth's diverse range of talents and unmatched energy!



Who says creativity is not a super power? Let our Aflatoun savers from TC Youth Laboratory Cooperative show you otherwise!



Perpetual Help Community Cooperative donated 3 electric fans to Negros Oriental HS and 1 television set to DOLE-Negros Oriental.







We form part of the educational development of the next generation! PHCCI-Dumaguete also donated 1 Television set to Gregorio Elmaga Memorial HS in Negros Oriental.



San Isidro Development Cooperative in Naga welcomed their new generation of Aflatoun savers from Naga Central School 2!



Feel like starting an enterprise? Take a few tips from our little savers and their pop-up store in Naga!



A sneak peek of Lamac MPC's Agro Fair Booth beautifully set up by its CYP Lab Coop members!



Our Aflatoun savers in Pinamungahan had a yummy and nutritious delivery from Lamac MPC Youth Planet Laboratory Cooperative!



"Approved!" pose from Lut-od Elementary School teachers and Principal as they get ready for Aflatoun with Lamac MPC!



A student of Pinamungajan NHS shares her journey as an Aflateen Treasurer of Lamac MPC during their Forum at Pinamungajan NHS!



Meet the young farmers of Lamac MPC's Youth Planet Lab Coop who are now reaping the fruits of their agricultural enterprise!







An amazing year full of blessings to share! Abra Diocesan Teachers & Employees MPC pays it forward with a fun Outreach Program for their Aflatoun members!



Kasibu Farmers Development Cooperative (KAFDECO) makes sure children can still save despite the bad weather!



Congratulations to the new officers of Mindanao State University-IIT National MPC's Laboratory Cooperative!



Sta. Cruz Savings & Development Cooperative (SACDECO) partners with the district of Talavera for their Youth Tipid and Aflatoun Program!



Savings Day is always a fun day for our little savers in Sagat Elementary School thanks to SACDECO's fun visits!



SACDECO's Lab. Co-op had a memorable "Linggo ng Kabataan" celebration with their partner schools!



A big congratulations to San Dionisio Credit Cooperative's new Aflatoun Club Officers!



Micro-Entrepreneurs MPC's Aflatoun Team is on the move to spread the advocacy to more children and parents in Zamboanga City!







Our young savers just finished depositing and stayed for a while to chat with our Co-op friends from Limbahan Small Coconut Farmers MPC in Lupon, Davao Oriental!



Chase away your rainy days with Watchlife Workers MPC's colorful accessories made by your very own Lab Co-op Aflatoun members!



Watchlife Workers MPC invited their Aflatoun members to a symposium on Violence Against Women & Children to discuss solutions and raise awareness!



Paglaum MPC gathered its young members in a fun Youth Summit to discuss programs and plans for youth development in Misamis Occidental.



Guimaras Brethren MPC regularly reports updates to their partner schools to keep them informed, motivated, and happy about saving!



"True happiness is in helping others.."

Zoe Clavel

***"Saving for others is not about the money. Saving for others is about making a difference in the lives of those who are in need. True happiness is not about having lots and lots of money in the bank or in your pockets, but it is in helping others."***

Zoe Clavel is a member of Iloilo City Public School Teachers & Employees MPC's Laboratory Cooperative. She represented children and youth all over the country during her Keynote Speech at the International Cooperative Alliance-Asia Pacific Cooperative Youth Summit 2.0 in Cebu in August.



**Go Green, Pinamungajan!** We are **#fightingclimatechange** with talent and fun! Congratulations to all the winners of Dish Gardening, Canvas Painting, Mural Painting, and Arch Making contests organized by Lamac MPC's CYP Lab Coop!

# GO GREEN PHILIPPINES!



Planting a tree, fighting for climate change, becoming a part of **#SDG13** and celebrating International Day of Cooperatives **#coopday**! Make **#PhilippinesGreen!**

Youth and Coops **#fightingclimatechange** for the future of our Community.



**Go Green, Ilocos Sur!** Sacred Heart Savings Cooperative organized a backyard gardening activity to teach their Lab Coop members how to produce food at home and learn more about responsible food consumption and food security. They also enjoyed a fun Nutri-Quiz about health and nutrition with bonus questions about the Co-op and the Aflatoun Program! Kudos to the SHSC Team and all the members!

**Go Green, Iloilo!** Our present NATCCO Youth Board, Ronah Kristine Nillos, together with the ICPSTEMPC Laboratory Cooperative and SPED-ISEC, celebrated the International Day of Cooperatives by conducting a Tree-Growing Activity at Maasin Watershed Forest Reserve in Maasin, Iloilo! The activity is a joint celebration for the Environment Month 2018 to support the Action for Re-Greening and Transformation for Climate Adaption (ART-CCA) of the Province of Iloilo.







While guiding our partners to implement an improved Aflatoun Program, we also help them be compliant with government regulations. The first and second leg of our Aflatoun Laboratory Cooperative Forums were held in the cities of Iloilo and Zamboanga on July 12 and 16, 2018. The forum presented helpful insights and inspiration to the partners in organizing and sustaining the Aflatoun Lab Co-ops. Honing the leadership and financial skills of young people while developing in them a deeper appreciation of the cooperative system are the motivations behind NATCCO's persistent efforts in promoting Laboratory Cooperatives to its Aflatoun Partners nationwide.

Partnership and collaboration are the essential elements that propelled the Aflatoun Program's growth in the Philippines. NATCCO is blessed to be working with organizations that support the goals of the program and contribute to its sustainability. As a member of the TWG for DepEd's Financial Education Program, NATCCO participated in the Review and Improvement of the Policy on the Integration of Financial Education in the K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum held at BP Makiling, Laguna, on July 10, 2018. As part of the global Aflatoun network, we also shared the NATCCO's experience in the ChildFund National Partners' Conference on July 11, 2018 at Luxe Hotel, Cagayan de Oro City. The activity presented opportunities for collaboration among ChildFund partner organizations in areas of Life Skills and Entrepreneurship.





# ASIA-PACIFIC CO-OPERATIVE YOUTH SUMMIT 2.0

| AUGUST 18-21, 2018  
| CEBU, PHILIPPINES



The International Cooperative Alliance-Asia and Pacific (ICA-AP) and the ICA-EU Partnership on Co-operatives in Development: People Centered Businesses in Action (#coops4dev) and its members in the Philippines, Namely Aurora Integrated Multi-purpose Cooperative, Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), Federation of Peoples' Sustainable Development Cooperative (FPSDC), National Confederation of Cooperatives (NATCCO), MASS-SPECC Cooperative Development Center, Philippine Cooperative Center (PCC), United of Legitimate Service Contracting Cooperative, and VICTO National Cooperative Federation and Development Center, successfully concluded the second edition of the Asia Pacific Co-operative Youth Summit 2018! From the first international gathering of Youth in Indonesia, we brought the Asia Pacific Co-operative Youth Summit 2.0 to the Queen City of the South – Cebu, Philippines!

The Philippines was this year's host country, working with the theme: 'Creative Skills, Co-operative Entrepreneurship and Sustainable Development' last August 17-21, 2018. The 4-day Summit has evolved into a combination of inspiring talks delivered by Youth Leaders from the Asia Pacific and the Global Co-op movement, exchanging of ideas, and commitment-building between 138 Youth delegates from 17 countries in Asia-Pacific.

The Summit served as a good opportunity to discuss Cooperative enterprise ideas that aim to fulfill youth-centric targets. A major attraction of the first Summit was the inclusion of 'Coop Pitch'. It was conceived to be a contest where groups of young Cooperators present Co-op business ideas that will be owned and managed by young persons, and serve as e-commerce for Co-ops. Summit participants tackled issues on youth development with tangible solutions based on their personal experiences and learning.

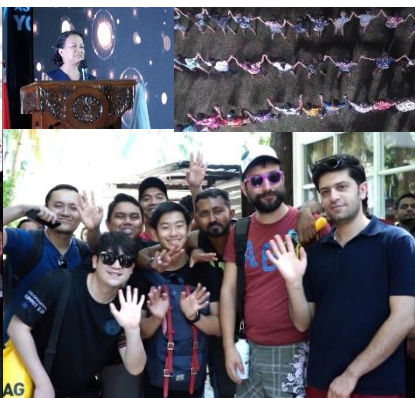




Ng Jun Long, Youth delegate from Ngee Ann Polytechnic Consumer Cooperative Society Limited in Singapore won 1st place for this Youth Summit's Coop Pitch. He proposed Skyla Energy Cooperative, a cooperative that will be founded by the students of Ngee Ann Polytechnic with products that will make use of renewable energy, such as solar panels.

Outdoor activities and team-building exercises were also a major part of this year's Summit. Through the generous leadership of Lamac Multi-Purpose Cooperative and the overwhelming support of Cebu Provincial Government and the whole Municipality of Pinamungajan, the participants experienced a unique cultural immersion that looked at Philippine agriculture from a different, yet highly dynamic angle. Young leaders from different countries enjoyed getting their hands dirty and learning about the richness of agriculture in Cebu, they were exposed to rice planting, silage and vermi culture-making, cacao grafting, and fermented plant juice making, even to the very unforgettable lunch with the community!

This Summit proved to be a great avenue for the Youth to be involved and speak out for the sustainable future of the cooperative movement and definitely showed the Asia-Pacific delegates that it really is more fun in the Philippines!



## Welcome Aflatoun into your home!

Adoption fee is only P170.00 for each doll.  
You can pick them up at the NATCCO  
Office in Quezon City or have them  
shipped to you! Share the Aflatoun love!

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