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Press Release

FINAL CALL FOR NOMINATION TO THE PAFIOO



The Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) reminds interested overseas Filipinos and the public that they only have until 31 May 2021 to submit their endorsed nominations for the Presidential Awards for Filipino Individuals and Organizations Overseas (PAFIOO).

The PAFIOO is a biennial search to honor and recognize overseas Filipinos and other individuals or organizations abroad who contribute to Philippine development initiatives, or promote the interests of overseas Filipino communities. The awards are also given to overseas Filipinos who have exceptionally distinguished themselves in their work or profession.

Since its inception in 1991, the awards have already been bestowed upon 485 individuals and organizations overseas based in 52 countries and territories.

The PAFIOO has four (4) award categories:

- 1. **Lingkod sa Kapwa Pilipino (LINKAPIL) Award** conferred on Filipino individuals or organizations for their exceptional or significant contribution to progress and development in the Philippines.
- 2. **Banaag Award** conferred on Filipino individuals or organizations for their contributions that have significantly benefited a sector of the diaspora, or advanced the cause and interest of overseas Filipino communities.
- 3. **Pamana ng Pilipino Award** conferred on overseas Filipino individuals, who, in exemplifying the talent and industry of the Filipino, have brought the country honor and recognition through excellence and distinction in the pursuit of their work or profession.
- 4. **Kaanib ng Bayan Award** conferred on foreign individuals (natural-born) and organizations for their exceptional or significant contribution to Philippine progress and development, or in advancing the cause or promoting the interests of overseas Filipino communities.

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Interested overseas Filipinos and the public must first submit their nomination documents to the Philippine Embassy or Consulate General that has jurisdiction over the place of residence/ operation of the nominee, as the CFO-PAFIOO Secretariat may only receive nominations endorsed by their respective Philippine diplomatic posts.

Endorsed nomination documents must be received by the Secretariat on or before, or postmarked no later than 31 May 2021 to qualify for the screening by the Awards Committees.

Presidential Awards Secretariat COMMISSION ON FILIPINOS OVERSEAS

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