



ORDINANCE NO. 2019-042
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ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 65 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-012, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS EDUCATION CODE OF NAGA CITY, BY INCREASING THE RATE OF SUBSIDY TO TUITION FEES OF CITY SCHOLARS STUDYING IN PRIVATE COLLEGES/ UNIVERSITIES AND BY PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CITY SCHOLARS ENROLLED IN STATE COLLEGES/ UNIVERSITIES AND LOCAL COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES IN LIEU OF SUBSIDY IN PAYMENT OF TUITION AND OTHER SCHOOL FEES:-

Introduced by:

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is of public knowledge that inflation has been hitting the country really hard, causing spiraling increases in prices of goods and services, including tuition and other school fees. However, since the establishment of Naga's Tertiary Scholarship Program in 2010 via Ordinance No. 2010-063 and, subsequently, during its incorporation in Education Code of Naga City in 2015 thru Ordinance No. 2015-012, the rate of subsidy to tuition and other school fees of city scholars have not changed. This led to dwindling of the program's responsiveness and efficacy to address the needs of present students studying in private tertiary schools and to achieve Naga's goal of having at least one college graduate per every Nagueno family.

Moreover, on the side of public tertiary education, the passage of Republic Act No. 10931, otherwise known as Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act, resulted for tertiary education in state colleges/universities (SUCs) and local colleges/universities (LUCs) to be offered for free. With this, tuition and other school fees are no longer paid by the city and, in effect, city scholars enrolled therein were virtually denied to avail of any privilege from their scholarship grants under the Naga City Tertiary Scholarship Program.

Given the foregoing, there is a need to amend the Naga City Tertiary Scholarship Program. Thus, this legislative measure which will increase the rate of subsidy to tuition fees of city scholars studying in private colleges/universities and will provide financial assistance to city scholars enrolled in SUCs and LUCs in lieu of the usual subsidy in the payment of their tuition and other school fees is hereby being proposed for immediate enactment.

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BE IT ORDAINED, therefore, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga that:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY PROVISION- Section 65 of Ordinance No. 2015-012 is hereby amended, now to read as follows:

"SECTION 65. -SCHOLARSHIP - The City Government shall pay the university, college or training center the semestral/term tuition fee of city scholars according to this schedule:

- a) Twenty Two Thousand Pesos (P22,000) for the first quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- b) Fifteen Thousand Pesos (P15,000) for the second quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- c) Eleven Thousand Pesos (P11,000) for the third quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- d) Eight Thousand Pesos (P8,000) for the fourth quartile of those eligible for scholarship

Provided that:

- (i). The ranking of eligible applicants shall be based on the scholarship examination scores, high school or collegiate grades, and gross family income with consideration for children of solo parents, persons with disabilities, members of the City's Sanggawadan Program, and/or beneficiaries of the national government's "Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program" or 4Ps.
- (ii). In colleges and training centers the full tuition of which is less than the scholar's grant, the excess shall be paid for other school fees. Any more excess shall be retained in the City's scholarship fund.
- (iii). The City shall exert best efforts to accommodate all applicants for vocational courses.
- (iv). For on the job training and similar requirement in technical-vocational courses, financial assistance of up to Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000) may still be extended to the grantee.
- (v). Those who are enrolled in State Colleges/Universities and Local Colleges/Universities shall be provided with cash assistance in lieu of tuition and miscellaneous fee payments. Said assistance shall be given by the city within sixty (60) days from the date of opening of the semester/term and shall have the following schedule:

- A. Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000) for the first quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- B. Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Pesos (P7,500) for the second quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- C. Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000) for the third quartile of those eligible for scholarship
- D. Three Thousand Pesos (3,000) for the fourth quartile of those eligible for scholarship.

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For purposes of this subsection (v), subject to availability of funds, a special examination may be conducted by the Education, Scholarship and Sports Office to accept, screen and rank new applicants and, thereafter, grant the benefits so provided herein to qualified scholars enrolled in SUCs and LUCs, provided that such applicants have not been granted by CHED or such SUCs and LUCs any cash or similar assistance.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION- The budgetary requirement under this amendatory ordinance shall be provided in the city's annual budget.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY- This amendment takes effect during the next school year.

ENACTED: June 19, 2019

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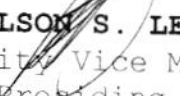
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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.



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