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TO: THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY

FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

RE : UST PASKUHAN COMMUNITY GIFT-GIVING 2024

DATE: 13 December 2024

The University, through the UST Simbahayan Community Development Office's Project *Ningning 2024* in UST Manila, and the School of Engineering and Information Technology's projects in UST General Santos, is pleased to share the details of this year's sector-specific Paskuhan community gift-giving efforts, as follows:

1. UST Manila

A. SAMBAHAGINAN

- This event was held on 8 December 2024 (Sunday) at the UST Central Seminary.
- Beneficiaries include **UST maintenance and security personnel.**
- The activity featured the traditional components of *Sambá* through the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and *Bahaginan*, or Christmas gift-giving, aimed at providing ongoing spiritual nourishment for the maintenance and security personnel.
- It was facilitated by the Institute of Religion, Center for Campus Ministry, and UST Simbahayan Community Development Office.

B. KAAGAPAY (KAsama sa maAGAP na Aksyon at PAYo)

- The event will be held today, **13 December 2024 (Friday)**, **10:00 am** at the **Grand Ballroom**, **Paredes Building**.
- Target beneficiaries include the **external partners** who provide inputs during planning for University events and valuable assistance during the actual events, namely:
 - 1. Barangay Officials;
 - 2. Officials of the Manila Police District;
 - 3. Officials of the Sampaloc Fire Station;
 - 4. Officials of the Manila Traffic and Parking Bureau; and
 - 5. Officials of the Manila Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office.
- The program will start with sharing of reports on ongoing and upcoming collaborations, followed by a blessing from the Fr. Secretary-General, setting a reflective tone before the gift-giving activity.
- The activity will be participated in by the Office of the Secretary-General, Facilities Management Office, Office of Public Affairs, Safety and Security Office, and Office for Campus Safety and Security.









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C. UST Simbahayan - Facilities Management Office (FMO) AKAP (Agape para sa mga Kamanlalakbay at Katuwang ngayong Pasko)

- The event will be held at the different **UST partner community sites** and at **UST Manila** from **December 16-20, 2024.**
- Target beneficiaries include 500-700 families/individuals from the following UST partners communities/ Samahang Kamanlalakbay members, and selected UST FMO Maintenance and Housekeeping Personnel:
 - 1. Sulyap Bukas Palad, Bagong Silangan, Quezon City;
 - 2. Holy Family Social & Education Center-RMI Sisters, Manila;
 - 3. Ministry of Urban Poor, Diocese of Caloocan/San Lorenzo Ruiz & His Companion Martyrs Parish, Navotas City (Dominican Mission Area);
 - 4. Santissima Trinidad Parish, Malolos, Bulacan;
 - 5. Brgy. Pinagbarilan, Baliuag, Bulacan;
 - 6. Buga Elementary School, Hagonoy, Bulacan;
 - 7. Brgy. Balucuc, Apalit, Pampanga;
 - 8. Brgy. Tabuyuc, Apalit, Pampanga;
 - 9. Jubilee Homes, Plaridel, Bulacan; and
 - 10. Selected UST FMO Maintenance & Housekeeping Personnel.
- The actual distribution of the gifts from the University will be facilitated by the officials and staff of the Office of the Vice Rector for Religious Affairs (OVRRA), and UST Simbahayan Community Development Office (CDO), and the UST FMO.

D. KAPAROKYA: Community Gift giving for the Santísimo Rosario Parish

- The event will be held on 21 December 2024 (Saturday), 1:00 pm, at the P. Noval Court.
- Target beneficiaries include **300 families** to be identified by the Santísimo Rosario Parish.
- A Eucharistic Celebration to be Presided by the Parish Priest shall precede the blessing and gift-giving.

2. <u>UST General Santos</u>

Makibata: Community Gift giving for the Learners of Ligaya Elementary School

- The event will be held on **17 December 2024 (Tuesday)**, at the UST General Santos Main Lobby.
- Proceeds from the "*Decorate a Christmas Tree*" drive and *Fun Run* Event will be shared with forty (40) Grade 4 learners and forty (40) Grade 5 learners

As we come together in gratitude, let us remember to 'Give thanks in all circumstances' (1 Thess 5:18), and with hope, trust that 'with God all things are possible' (Mt 19:26). May we continue to serve one another with love and joy. Thank you.







