

# LGU ACCOUNTANTS AS PARTNERS IN GOOD FINANCIAL GOVERNANCE

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### **OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION**

- I. Fundamental Concepts
- II. The DILG Mandate
- III. Engaging LGU Accountants Through DILG Programs
- IV. Sustaining Good Financial Governance:
- The Way Forward



#### **GOVERNANCE**



the exercise of power or authority by political leaders for the well-being of their country's citizens or subjects

## PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

a subset of governance that is concerned with the delivery and implementation of public policies and services.



#### **ELEMENTS OF GOOD GOVERNANCE**

- Transparency
- Responsiveness
- Accountability
- Participation

- Consensus-Oriented
- Effectiveness and Efficiency
- Equity and Inclusiveness
- Rule of Law



### **GOOD GOVERNANCE**

sets the normative standards of development...It is a hallmark of political maturity but also a requisite for growth and poverty reduction.



#### FINANCIAL GOVERNANCE

is the backbone of any organization, ensuring financial stability, compliance with laws, and ethical management of funds.



#### FINANCIAL GOVERNANCE

refers to the systems, policies and processes that govern how finances are managed within an organization.



refers to the condition where an LGU demonstrates positive and stable economic performance, and maintains, preserves and mandatorily upholds the practice of fiscal discipline, accountability and transparency by adhering to budgetary rules, public financial management, generally accepted and recognized accounting and auditing standards and full disclosure policy.



#### **DILG MANDATE**

- Assist the President in the exercise of general supervision over local governments
- Strengthen the capabilities of local government units
- Perform oversight functions over LGUs
- Provide awards and incentives



#### **DILG Awards**

- The Seal of Good Local Governance
- The Child Friendly Local Governance Audit
- The Peace and Order Council Audit
- Anti-Drug Abuse Council Audit
- Local Council for the Protection of Children Functionality
- LCAT-VAWC Audit
- Strengthening the Functionality of PDAO
- Good Financial Housekeeping







Congratulations to the 493 LGU awardees of the 2023 Seal of Good Local Governance!

The full list of passers is now available at the DILG official website, under the Reports and Resources section (https://bit.ly/2023-SGLG-Awardees).

See you in the awarding ceremony on December 13 and 14, 2023, to celebrate this defining moment of tapat at mahusay na pamamahala!

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Seventeently Congress

Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-third day of July, two thousand sighteen.

[ REFUBLIC ACT No. 11292]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND INSTITUTIONALIZING THE SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND ALLOCATING FOR THIS PHEPOSE THE SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE FUND

# RA 11292 THE SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE ACT OF 2019

The SGLG Act took effect on August 2, 2019, while its IRR was approved on December 28, 2020























#### 10 Governance Areas









Youth Development



## SGLG areas



Uphold the practice of fiscal discipline and sustainability, and transparency and accountability in the use of public funds





- Most recent COA Opinion is unqualified or qualified and 30% of recommendations fully complied with
- 2. Full Disclosure Policy Compliance



- 3. At least 5% increase in local revenue growth
- 4. Appropriated and utilized no less than 20% component of NTA FY 2023 for development projects



- 5. SGLG-IF disbursement rate
- 6. Completion of LGSF funded projects
- 7. 2024 budget

# SEAL OF GOOD FINANCIAL HOUSEKEEPING









The GFH is awarded to LGUs that have demonstrated exemplary financial management practices, characterized by high levels of transparency and accountability.



The Seal of Good Financial Housekeeping (SGFH) recognizes compliance of Local Government Units (LGUs) to accounting and auditing standards, rules and regulations, as certified by DILG. SGFH affirms that an LGU had spent and audited its public funds completely and with full transparency.



# LGU Accountants as Partners in Strengthening the Capacities of LGUs

(e.g., M&E of locally funded projects, training on basic accounting and bookkeeping, turnover of barangay documents, properties and accountabilities)

#### Good Financial Governance and SDGs







## Good Financial Governance and AmBisyon 2040

#### The Life We Want

#### Matatag

- ▼ Family is together
- Time with friends
- Work-life balance
- Strong sense of community (volunteer opportunities)

#### Maginhawa

- ▼ Free from hunger and poverty
- Secure home ownership
- Good transport
- Travel and vacation

#### **Panatag**

- Enough resources for day-today needs and unexpected expenses
- Peace and security
- Long and healthy life
- Comfortable retirement





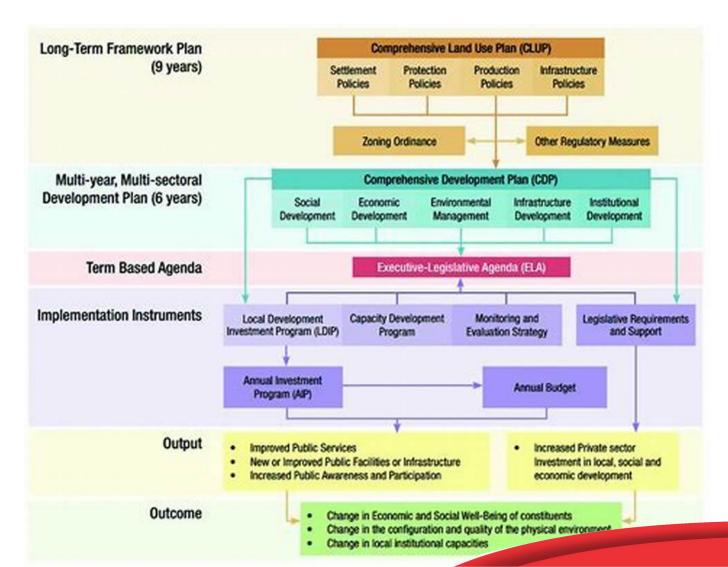


## Good Financial Governance and the PDP











- 1. Advisory Services
- 2. Strengthening Structure
- 3. Enhancing Financial Governance Policies
- 4. Fostering Knowledge Management



- 5. Sustaining a Culture of Transparency
- 6. Driving Innovation and Improvement
- 7. Regulatory Compliance
- 8. Supporting Other Stakeholders



In closing,

Local accountants are indispensable partners in upholding transparency, accountability and efficiency in the management of LGU funds.

Local accountants form part of the backbone of financial governance.



In closing,

Good Financial Governance comes with numerous benefits. It is necessary to attain local growth and development.

Let us use our role as local accountants to build a stable, progressive and equitable future for all our constituents.



"Public servants should be focused on serving the public-not any special interest group, and good governance should be an expectation-not an exception."



"Good governance depends on ability to take responsibility by both administration as well as people."