

## press release

## Standard Chartered Bank supports 2018 Brigada Eskwela



**6 June 2018** - This year's Brigada Eskwela, Standard Chartered added a school feeding and hygiene awareness activity benefiting more than one hundred (100) Aeta students of San Martin Elementary School in Bamban, Tarlac.



More than 40 employees of Standard Chartered Philippines support Brigada Eskwela 2018 to do classroom

clean-up and painting in Baesa Elementary School in Caloocan City.

Standard Chartered Philippines, the oldest international bank in the Philippines, supports anew DepEd's

Brigada Eskwela 2018 through simultaneous volunteering activities in two public schools. More than sixty

(60) employees of the bank volunteered to do classroom clean-up and painting in Baesa Elementary School

in Caloocan City and San Martin Elementary School in Bamban, Tarlac on Saturday, June 2.

Started in 2003, Brigada Eskwela is the annual program of the DepEd wherein teachers, students, parents,

and other interested parties join hands in preparing classrooms in public schools for use in the coming

school year. Through the years, the Bank has supported this initiative and for this year, Standard Chartered

added a school feeding and hygiene awareness activity benefiting more than one hundred (100) Aeta

students of San Martin Elementary School.

This year's nationwide Brigada Eskwela kicked off on May 29 with the theme "Pagkakaisa para sa Handa,

Ligtas, at Matatag na Paaralan Tungo sa Magandang Kinabukasan" and run the entire week. Standard

Chartered Bank echoes DepEd's advocacy for a better future for our students. Beyond Brigada Eskwela,

the bank currently runs the second year of its Alay sa Kinabukasan program in Caloocan City, the first year

benefited public schools in Pateros. This multi-stakeholder collaboration seeks to promote students and

teachers' general well-being, particularly on eye health and care, financial wellness and HIV/AIDS

awareness.

Mai Sangalang, Head of Corporate Affairs/Brand & Marketing says, "Standard Chartered believes that

education provides the foundation for long-term economic growth and the youth plays a significant role in

transforming a society. Brigada Eskwela is a good platform to promote collaboration and the value of being

'for others' in the community and it is our pleasure to partner again with the Department of Education

(DepEd) and the Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP) in this initiative".

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