



Stories from the field

WASH IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Camillian Sisters Balay ni Maria Domenica (CSBNMD) opened its doors on September 1, 2002 in Digos City, Davao del Sur to serve as a temporary shelter for the abandoned sick, elderly women, and the handicapped. Through the providence of The Lord, the Sisters have been able to organize various health care, livelihood, and educational activities to care for the youth, adults, and the elderly.

On March 10, 2023, the administrators of CSBNMD in Digos City, together with its distinguished guests and members of the facility, have officially accepted the Water, Hygiene, and Sanitation (WASH) improvement interventions by the WASH in Health Facilities Project by receiving a Certificate of Acceptance from CRS. Staff and administrators of CSBNMD expressed their sincere gratitude and appreciation for the project.

Sr. Asuncion Gipoleo, HCF Administrator, shared that, “The project and the CCM did not only bring us new learnings in advancing the delivery of the quality care to our residents but also empowered the staff and administrators in positive ways.”

The CSBNMD created their resource mobilization team in which they were able to access the available resources of LGUs, such as speakers for training on hand hygiene and proper handling of special wastes. The health care facility was provided with an MRF, which enabled them to create partnerships with some barangay local government units. Private individuals also provided aid by delivering construction materials that contributed to the improvement of their livelihood. This positive result was made possible by constantly reviewing the CCM tool which served as a guide in improving the health care facility.