ORDINANCE NO. 13-011

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER INCENTIVES TO STUDENTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution, provides for the protection and promotion of the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Republic Act No. 7160(5)(ix), the City Council has created the “Iskolar ng Bayan” program providing free college education at the Muntinlupa Polytechnic College (MPC) now known as the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa (PLMUN) and scholarship to poor but deserving students of Muntinlupa studying in other colleges and universities;

WHEREAS, the package of scholarship grants given by the city thru the Iskolar ng Bayan Program is limited to college students as provided for in Ordinance No. 08-042 amended by Ordinance No. 08-061;

WHEREAS, it has been noted that in the past several years, there is an alarming increase in the number of elementary and high school dropouts due to financial constraints;

WHEREAS, the rationale behind this ordinance is to provide students of elementary and high school in Muntinlupa assistance for them to continue their education to pursue college education being one of the priorities of the current administration;

WHEREAS, the city shall now provide educational financial assistance to less-privileged but deserving students in public elementary and high school and private high schools offering subsidized program of education;
WHEREAS, the package of educational financial assistance shall be extended to college students from state colleges/universities and those taking vocational/non-degree courses accredited by TESDA-MCTI;

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, the City, in recognition of the aptitude and competence of our athletes and students with special skills and talents as they bring honor and pride to the City, shall provide financial assistance especially during competitions and events;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa in session assembled the following:

SECTION 1. Title – this ordinance shall be known as “an ordinance providing educational financial assistance and other incentives to students and for other purposes.

A. Educational Financial Assistance to Elementary and High Schools Students

Target Beneficiaries – Students of public elementary and high school, wherein number of beneficiaries per school shall depend on the number of students or students population which shall be set by the Scholarship Committee thru the Muntinlupa Scholarship Program (MSP):

a.1. Qualifications:

- Either or both parents or guardians of recipients are registered voters of Muntinlupa City;
- Recommendation from the adviser and guidance counselor of the school noted by the principal.
- Approval of the City Mayor
- ITR/Affidavit of Non-payment
- No grade below 80%
- Must not be a recipient/beneficiary of other government scholarship program or financial assistance.

a.2. Benefits:

- The grantee is entitled to:
  - Elementary – Php300.00 monthly allowance
  - Secondary – Php500.00 monthly allowance

B. Educational Financial Assistance to College students of state Colleges and Universities
Target beneficiaries – Forty (40) students of state colleges and universities per barangay.

b.1. Qualifications:

➢ Poor but deserving colleges students of state colleges/universities (annual family income should not exceed Php250,000.00 as supported by ITR or Affidavit of Non-Payment).
➢ Students and his/her parents must be residents and registered voters of the city.
➢ Has completed high school or currently enrolled as a student of a state college or university (1st year – 5th year) for the current school year (as supported by certificate of registration or enrollment).
➢ Must have a General Weighted Average of 85% (2.0) or higher.

b.2. Benefits:

➢ Student is entitled to a Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) Educational Assistance (EA) per semester excluding summer classes.

b.3. Conditions:

➢ Grantee must have a General Weighted Average (GWA) of 85% or 2.00 and above or its equivalent to avail of the Educational Assistance. Student should submit original or certified true copy of grades to prove eligibility to continue in the program.
➢ If the grantee does not maintain the grade required, he/she will be dropped from the program and is not allowed to re-apply.
➢ Grantee is not allowed to shift courses or transfer to another university or college.

C. Financial Assistance to athlete and students with special skills and talents:

c.1. Qualifications:

➢ Recipients and parents are residents and registered voters of Muntinlupa (with Barangay Certification and Voters ID).
➢ Recipients are certified and endorsed by the school or organizing committee.
➢ Endorsement and approval of the City Mayor.
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c.2. Benefits:
➢ Financial assistance to attend conferences and meets and participation in local and international competitions based on the guidelines which shall be set by the Muntinlupa Scholarship Program.

D. Financial Assistance to scholars in taking up vocational courses under (TESDA-MCTI)

d.1. Qualifications:
➢ Recipients and/or parents are residents and registered voters of Muntinlupa (with Barangay Certification and Voters ID).
➢ Recipients are certified and endorsed by the school or organizing committee.
➢ Endorsement and approval of the City Mayor.

d.2. Benefits:
➢ Financial assistance to finish and obtain certification/license for non-degree or vocational courses under TESDA program.

SECTION 2. The City Mayor as the Local Chief Executive and the City Council may grant additional educational assistance to assist poor but deserving students who have not met the requirements and minimum qualifications set by the ordinance and to Scholarship Committee provided there is an available appropriation.

SECTION 3. Implementing Office - The Muntinlupa Scholarship Program Office with the supervision of the Office of the City Mayor shall spearhead the screening of qualified applicants for Educational Financial Assistance. It shall also be the main repository of all records and database of the scholars and their profile.

SECTION 3. Appropriation - The Budget shall be taken from the Scholarship/Educational Assistance Program and other available item from the budget beginning from the 2014 Executive Budget.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause - If form any reason whatsoever, any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or inconsistent with any national law, other sections, clauses or provisions hereof which are not hereby affected, shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause – All Ordinances or provisions thereof contrary to this Ordinance are deemed modified, repealed, and/or modified accordingly.
SECTION 6. Effectivity Clause - This Ordinance shall take effect in the school year 2014, which shall start in June 2014.

ENACTED, by the 7th Sanggunianng Panlungsod this 7th day of October 2013, on its 13th Regular Session.

CONCURRED:

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.

CECILIA C. LAZARTE
Secretary

ATTESTED:

ARTEMIO A. SIMUNDAC
City Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

ATTY. JAIME R. FRESNEDI
City Mayor
Date: **OCT 16 2013**

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