

Empowering the Barangays for effective governance and better quality of life.



Our Barangay Inc.



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[OBI \(Our Barangay Inc.\) Facebook Page](#)OBI or Our Barangay Inc. is a non-profit organization in the Philippines with SEC Registration No. CN201027908 aimed to establish connectivity of all barangays to the internet, empower residents by active participation in its governance and assist barangays to become well-informed using information and communication tools (ICT) for development.

Articles of Incorporation of Our

Barangay, Inc.

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OF
OUR BARANGAY INC.
(Name of Corporation)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

The undersigned incorporators, all of legal age and majority of whom are residents of the Philippines, have this day voluntarily agreed to form a non-stock and non-profit association under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

THAT WE HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: The name of the said association shall be:

OUR BARANGAY INC.

SECOND: A. That the purpose or purposes for which such association is incorporated are:

1. To establish connectivity of all barangays to the internet;
 - a. Develop standard software for all barangays to use

2. To empower the barangay residents by active participation

in its governance and by performing acts in fulfillment of civic duties and responsibilities of every citizen as mandated by the Constitution of the Philippines. Conduct citizenship seminars (Constitution and laws) – national and local, government code, barangay laws and civic and political duties and responsibilities

b. Encourage barangay residents to be proactive and Our Barangay Inc. to provide the means to communicate their views, opinions, needs and redress of grievances to the appropriate agencies – government or non-government

c Organize a Committee at the Barangay level to make representations to the COMELEC, political advocates, government entities, and NGOs engaged in activities promoting good governance.

3. To access global resources in order to assist barangays become well-informed using information and communication tools (ICT) for development;

a. Provide residents opportunity to make use of internet and other tools.

b. Provide necessary tools to help, facilitate, transmit information and transact business by electronic means

4. To provide and accept contributions, donations and other forms of assistance, financial aid, technical or in kind for the maintenance of the association and the attainment of its purposes;

a. Contributions – services, expertise, intellectual property,

b. Donations – monetary, equipment, supplies, services Enlist the help of local and international foundations in the form of financial and in-kind grants (computers, electronic devices, communication equipmentsm consultancy and technical assistance from experts in the field of internet communications;

c. Other forms of assistance – set up HOTLINES in every municipality or province for emergencies, crises counseling &

intervention (medical, natural disasters, rescue operations, relief goods distribution, shelter, etc.); form disaster team, conduct emergency preparedness seminars, maintain list of human resource specialties, skills and capabilities; poverty-reduction programs (bartering or local exchange trading system)

d. Financial aid – social welfare benefit entitlements, medical and hospital discounts, disability benefits where available, educational assistance (scholarships, free tuition, cash as the case may require;

e. Technical aid – equipment, advisory, consultancy

f. In Kind aid – items, supplies, computers, electronic devices. books, blood and body organ donations, medicines, clothing, food and shelter during emergencies, natural disasters and calamities;

5. To do such other things necessary for the accomplishment of its objectives

a. Seminars, training, health screening, livelihood skills development, “How-to” sessions and demonstrations

b. Enter into partnership, Memorandum of agreements (MOA) or Memorandum of understanding (MOU) with local government and non-government organizations (NGOs), entities, and financial, industrial, and charitable foundations with commitments to provide their services that shall benefit the barangays.

c. Register OBI with Dept. of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) as a bona fide recipient of donations for distribution to barangay unit residents and to accept foreign donations from individuals and foreign sources and as a DSWD social service agency;

d. Register OBI with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) as a tax-exempt non-government corporation under the Securities and Exchange Commission (in process)

e. Register OBI for accreditation with The Dept. of Interior and Local Government (DILG) as LGU-NGO;

f. To pay just compensation for services rendered by

individuals, companies, groups, or contractors necessary to perform tasks Incident to business operation of the association;

g. Provide opportunities and training for barangays to contribute towards national progress and development , i. e. manufacturing, promotion, marketing, and advertising of local products, and to help promote medical and eco-tourism;

h. Integrate barangay activities in keeping with national traditions, participate during public celebrations in events of national interest and significance in coordination with other non-profit and charitable organizations and/or public entities;

i. Help identify problems at the barangay level and seek out ways and means to provide solutions; Assist in maintaining an index record of barangay residents re- transactions, applications requested and filed, action taken; establish an all-points bulletin for use of law enforcement agencies; maintain a log of barangay activities and record of events;

j. Encourage the local municipal government to initiate programs and help implement them in accordance with its Millennium Development Goals and to mobilize the active participation of all barangay residents in governance.;

k. Help in developing personal skills by engaging residents in livelihood programs to generate income and engage them in activities that increase productivity of prevailing industries within the barangays.

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Mission of Our Barangay, Inc.

Promote all the [42,045 barangays](#) of the Philippines.

Our Barangay Inc. – OBI

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Elsa Bayani wants to help:

Here is a letter from her:

Sent: Saturday, 19 May 2012 6:09 PM

Subject: [STOP EMIGRATION, REVERSE BRAIN DRAIN.](#)

Send me a feasibility study, any project that can be managed by individuals. Funding from \$1000 to \$10,000 microloan, no credit check FUNDING through OBI and to members only. No details to non-members.

If your feasibility study passes good enough to be funded, I invite you to register as OBI member. You will be notified.

Apply for membership to OBI – P100 regular renew annually or P1,000 lifetime. Allied Bank account available upon request.

I AM LOOKING FOR AS MANY FILIPINOS TO BECOME ENTREPRENEURS.

Officials of Our Barangay Inc. – OBI

- Chairman: [Elsa Armada Abordo Bayani](#)
- Vice-Chairman: Ike Seneres

Barangay's power and authority

This is the ["Barangay Code of the Philippines"](#).

The barangay has power and authority over its domain. The improvement of the barangay rests on the barangay officials. The barangay chairman, the barangay council and the local businessmen forge the prosperity of the barangay. Not the president of the Philippines, senate, nor congress, not the governor of the province, not the mayor nor council of the municipality or city. Poor barangays stay poor because of weak and/or ignorant(uninformed) barangay leaders.

When roads need to be built or any infrastructure within the barangay is needed, all the barangay officials have to do is make a resolution and demand for it from the city or municipality council. The resolution will force the city/municipal council or responsible government office to hear the legitimate demands. "The squeaky wheel gets the grease."

Practically anything that has to do with the barangay, the barangay officials have a say on it and most likely the authority over it. The majority of the barangay officials are not aware of their duties and power. They depend on the city council or mayor. The elected barangay officials are afraid of the mayor and city/municipality's "Sangguniang Panlungsod". They are in fear of being ousted or removed from office. The truth is, "Sangguniang Panlungsod" does not have the power to remove any elected barangay officials from office. Only the COURT OF LAW can do this (judicial branch of the government). Information is power. Be informed.

The control of traffic is not up to the city council or chief of police. It is controlled by the barangay. If the barangay needs traffic enforcers, the barangay can make a resolution to demand it from the city or municipality council. When the electric coop or the water district do not maintain their lines, the barangay can directly demand for the maintenance from the utility companies. No need to wait for city council.

The citizens also has the power to make demands to the barangay officials. In case the officials get blinded. Simply file an official complaint with the barangay secretary naming the Punong barangay as the respondent representing the barangay.

Cleaning the shorelines, drainage systems, streets, rivers, and parks within your barangay is YOUR responsibility. You are accountable for this. It is not the responsibility of the City/Municipality officials. The citizens and officials of the barangay are responsible.

- **BUDGET:** As far as the preparation for the budget expenditures, it starts at the barangay level, then moves on to cities, municipalities, provinces and regions. The barangays need to exercise their authority. They need to put their yearly budget together for their administration and future projects. The majority of the barangays leave this job to the municipality and city. This is so wrong. Then when the budget doesn't come or is lacking, they complain.
- The budget for the barangays does go to the City or Municipality, but simply for holding and later distribution. The city or municipality DOES NOT approve the budget. It was already approved by congress. The city or municipality simply "distributes" the approved

budget.

- The bureau of internal revenue is in cahoots to subdue the barangays, municipalities and provinces. They call the rightful shares to the taxes collected as “Internal Revenue Allotment Dependency”. It is not a dependency. It is the lawful and rightful share of the LGU as specified in “TITLE III, SHARES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN THE PROCEEDS OF NATIONAL TAXES, CHAPTER I, Allotment of Internal Revenue Taxes, Section 284.”
- **Imperial Manila does not exist anymore. Budgetary planning has been “DECENTRALIZED since 1991.”**
- **DURING ELECTIONS:** Where do City and Municipality politicians go to campaign? They seek the support of the Barangay officials. They plead to the barangay folks for the votes. After the election they forget you. Do not ever forget the power of the barangay.

Ignorance keeps the pinoys thinking that Manila rules. Be informed, be educated and make your barangay prosper.

- **Absolutely NO need for FEDERALISM. It is a ploy to give the Bangsamoro an Islamic State where the religion of Islam is financed by the Philippine government. Bangsamoro will be a HOMELAND not for all Filipinos but for only the Muslim Filipinos. It violates the constitution’s “separation of church and state”.**