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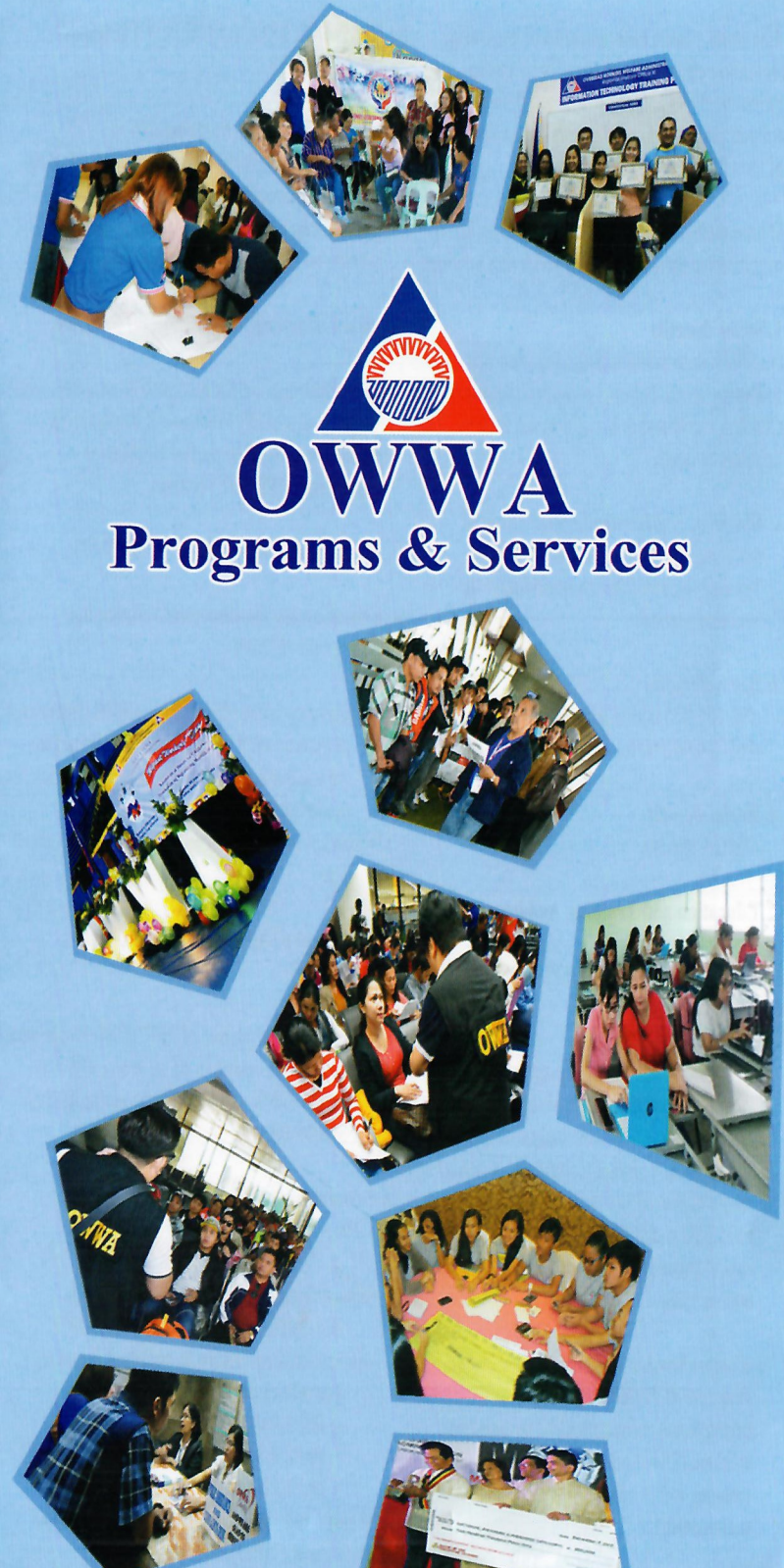
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**OWWA**  
Programs & Services

The agency has a twin mandate of providing social & welfare programs and services to member-OFWs and ensuring the efficiency of collections and the viability and sustainability of the OWWA Fund.

With a membership fee of US\$25.00, an OFW is entitled to the following benefits and services:

## 1. Social Benefits

An OWWA member is provided with the following social benefits provided that their OWWA membership is valid at the time of accident or death:

### a. Disability and Dismemberment Benefit

- up to maximum of PhP100,000.00 for injuries sustained due to accident while working abroad.

### b. Death Benefits

- PhP100,000.00 for natural cause
- PhP200,000.00 for accidental cause

### c. Burial Benefit

- PhP20,000.00

## 2. Education and Training Assistance

### A. PRE-DEPARTURE EDUCATION PROGRAM

**a. Country Specific Pre-Departure Orientation Seminar (PDOS)** – A one-day compulsory orientation to OFWs consisting of modules on employment contract, country of destination, stages of the OFWs' life abroad, health and safety, financial literacy, travel tips and airport procedures, and government programs and services.

**b. Comprehensive Pre-Departure Education Program (CPDEP)** – A two to six-day orientation seminar attended by domestic workers (DWs) consisting of language training, culture familiarization, and stress management.

### B. TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR FILIPINO SEAFARERS

#### **Seafarer's Upgrading Program (SUP)** -

Training assistance for short-term courses of up to PhP7,500.00 per course.

\*\*\*Succeeding availments every after three (3) recorded membership contributions.

#### **Mariners' Duglong Aral (Bridging) Program**

- A Scholarship grant for prospective seafarers who are graduates of BS Mechanical Engineering (BSME) who wish to pursue BS Marine Engineering (BSMarE) course.

### C. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DEPENDENTS

#### **a. Education for Development Scholarship Program (EDSP)**

- Scholarship grant offered to qualified dependents of active OWWA members who intend to pursue a 4-5 year baccalaureate course in preferred colleges/universities.
- Financial assistance of PhP60,000.00 per school year.

#### **b. OFW Dependent Scholarship Program (OFWDSP)**

- Educational assistance of PhP20,000.00 per year to qualified dependent of an active OWWA member-OFW whose salary is not more than USD600.00.

#### **c. Education and Livelihood Assistance Program (ELAP)**

- Education and Livelihood assistance for dependents of deceased member-OFW.
- Educational assistance to qualified dependent per school year:
  - PhP5,000 - allowance for elementary
  - PhP8,000.00 - allowance for high school
  - PhP10,000.00 - allowance for college

*The surviving spouse shall receive a livelihood assistance of PhP15,000.00*

### D. SHORT-TERM TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR OFWs

#### **a. Skills-for-Employment Scholarship Program (SESP).**

- Provides technical-vocational training assistance up to a maximum of PhP14,500.00 per course to qualified active member-OFWs and their dependents at any TESDA-accredited training center.

#### **b. Information Technology (IT) Training Program.**

- Basic computer literacy program to upgrade the IT skills of OFWs and their families.

## 3. Workers Welfare Assistance Program

#### **a. On-site Assistance and Services extended to OFWs at jobsite**

- Assistance on locating OFW's whereabouts
- Psycho-social counseling
- Mediation/conciliation with employer
- Airport assistance
- Hospital/prison/work camp visitations
- Legal assistance to OFWs who wish to pursue labor/welfare case against their employer in the host country'

#### **b. In-Country assistance extended to OFWs/families at the home front**

- Post-repatriation assistance
- Counseling, referral, and other concerns

## 4. Social Services and Family Welfare Services

#### **Repatriation Program**

- Bringing back of distressed OFWs and human remains.
- Emergency repatriation is carried out in the event of any political unrest or natural calamities.
- Workers are accorded with:
  - airport assistance
  - temporary shelter at the OWWA Halfway Home
  - psycho-social counseling

- stress debriefing and
- transport services or fares for their onward travel to their respective provinces.

## 5. Reintegration Program

-Mainstreaming returning OFWs into Philippine society.

#### **a. Reintegration Preparedness (on-site)**

- value formation training
- financial literacy
- entrepreneurship
- techno-skills & capacity building

#### **b. Reintegration (in-country)**

- job referrals (local and overseas)
- business counseling
- community organizing
- financial literacy seminar
- networking with support institution
- social preparation implemented by the National Reintegration Center for OFWs (NRCO) and OWWA Regional Welfare Offices RWOs)

#### **c. Balik Pinas, Balik Hanapbuhay Program**

- A package of livelihood support/assistance intended to provide immediate relief to distressed/displaced member-OFWs.
- Financial assistance of up to PhP 20,000.00 as start-up or additional capital for the livelihood project.

#### **d. Overseas Filipino Workers-Enterprise Development and Loan Program (OFW-EDLP)**

- An enterprise development intervention and loan facility of OWWA in partnership with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) & Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) with business loans amounting to PhP100,000.00 up to a maximum of PhP2million for individual borrowers and up to a maximum of PhP5million for group borrowers.

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