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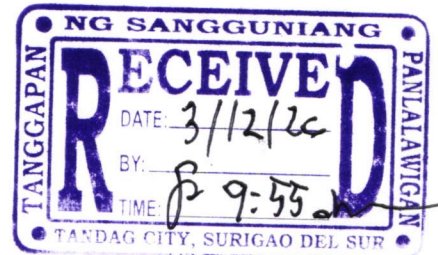
March 11, 2026

THE HONORABLE PRESIDING OFFICER & MEMBERS
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN of SURIGAO DEL SUR
Capitol Hills, City of Tandag

Thru: **MR. EDGAR G. PEREZ II, JD**
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Sirs and Mesdames:

Greetings!



We are pleased to furnish you a copy of Ordinance No. 001, Series of 2026, entitled: **STRENGTHENING THE "TANDAG CITY COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM" FOR POOR AND DESERVING STUDENTS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES** duly approved by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod during its 5th Regular Session held on February 4, 2026.

Please also find the following pertinent attachments:

- 1) 4 original copies – Transmittal Letter;
and 4 photocopies
- 2) 4 original copies Ordinance No. 001;
and 4 photocopies
- 3) 4 original copies Certificate of Posting in different conspicuous
and 4 photocopies areas; and
- 4) Proof of Posting (photographs)

Very truly yours,

LOURDES LOUELLA E. ESCANDOR, MPP
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

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Padayon Tandag sa Pag-usap!



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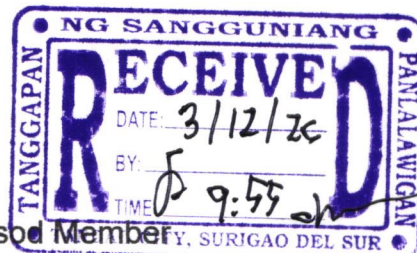
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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 5th REGULAR SESSION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE 7TH SANGGUNIAN PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF TANDAG, SURIGAO DEL SUR, HELD ON FEBRUARY 4, 2026 AT THE SANGGUNIAN PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

HON. ELEANOR D. MOMO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer



Hon. Maria Lourdes Kharin C. Momo
Hon. Alvin C. Ty, Jr.
Hon. Rosario Ninfa G. Dumagan II
Hon. Andrei A. Andresan
Hon. Hyna Jean R. Boniao
Hon. Imelda C. Falcon
Hon. Antonio V. Salazar
Hon. Al P. Geli
Hon. Charisse Valentine P. Pineda
Hon. Rhaniette S. Tan

- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
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(SK Fed. Representative)
- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
(IPM Representative)

Hon. Ramel T. Montero

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Gay Geraldine G. Tan

- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member

ABSENT:

Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel

- Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
(On Special Leave)



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ORDINANCE NO. 001
(Series of 2026)

Authored/Moved by: Hon. Imelda C. Falcon
Co-Authored by: Hon. Maria Lourdes Kharin C. Momo
Hon. Antonio V. Salazar
Seconded by: All Sangguniang Panlungsod Members Present

STRENGTHENING THE "TANDAG CITY COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM" FOR POOR AND DESERVING STUDENTS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

[Handwritten signatures of the officials mentioned in the ordinance]

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution, Article II, Section 9, provided that the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services and a rising standard of living;

WHEREAS, Article XIV, Section 1 of the same Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers local government units to promote the general welfare and provide basic services, including educational assistance, to improve the quality of life of their constituents;

WHEREAS, many families in Tandag City live in poverty and cannot afford to send their Children to college, depriving them of opportunities for advancement;

WHEREAS, the City Mayor envisions that every family in Tandag City should have at least one college graduate who can uplift the economic status condition of the family and eventually help support has or her siblings;

WHEREAS, this has been an existing program found to be effective for the poor families in the City;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Tandag guided by the Mayor's slogan, "Sa Tandag Importante Kaw" ("In Tandag, You Are Important"), seeks to institutionalize subsidy based scholarship program that is an inclusive, compassionate and responsive to the needs of the poorest families;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tandag City in session assembled, that;

SECTION 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the **"Tandag City College Educational Assistance Program Ordinance."**

SECTION 2. Declaration Of Policy. It is the Policy of the City Government of Tandag to provide inclusive and equitable access to higher education for students belonging to the poorest families, regardless of academic standing, to ensure that every family in the city has at least one member who can obtain a college degree.

SECTION 3. Objectives. The program shall pursue the following objectives:

- 3.1 Provide direct financial subsidy for poor students to pursue college education;
- 3.2 Ensure that every family in Tandag City has at least one college graduate;
- 3.3 Break the cycle of poverty by empowering families through education;
- 3.4 Promote inclusive development by giving equal opportunity to students who may not meet academic excellence standards but are determined to finish college;



SECTION 4. Definitions. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined as:

- a) Educational Assistance - a subsidy or grant provided by the City Government to cover part of a student's educational expenses.
- b) Poor family- a family identified and certified by the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) as living below the subsistence threshold as determined by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)
- c) Beneficiary – a poor student officially granted educational assistance under this program.
- d) Deserving Student - a poor student who has a positive attitude towards education.
- e) Financial Assistance – provision of money, like a scholarship grant, to Tandaganon College Students enrolled in any course in a state university within the city or its neighboring or satellite campuses within the province to help them achieve an education.
- f) Educational Subsidy – is a form of financial aid provided by the LGU to college students enrolled in a private educational institution that covers a percentage of a student's tuition fees, reducing the direct cost of education.

SECTION 5. Eligibility Criteria. To qualify for educational assistance, the applicant must:

- 5.1 Be a resident and a registered voter of Tandag City.
- 5.2 A student who is a member of the Indigenous Peoples (IPs) community of the City can also avail of this scholarship program upon certification by the Office of the City IPMR.
- 5.3 Belong to a family certified as indigent by the CSWDO or her/ his barangay.
- 5.4 Be enrolled in any accredited state university and vocational institution in the whole province or in a private college in Tandag.
- 5.5 Only one (1) beneficiary per family shall be prioritized under this program.

SECTION 6. Benefits

- 6.1 Financial cash assistance of Two Thousand pesos (2,000.00) per semester shall be given to qualifiers enrolled at a State College/ University within Tandag City or in its satellite campuses.
- 6.2 Educational Subsidy of Five Thousand Pesos (5,000.00) for those qualifiers who are enrolled in private colleges in Tandag City taking up Accountancy, Criminology, Nursing and Information Technology.
- 6.3 Educational subsidy of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) is granted to students taking up courses not provided under Section 6.2.
- 6.4 A qualified student may enroll in any college program of their choice until graduation, provided they do not receive a non-passing grade.

SECTION 7. Educational Assistance Committee. A Committee shall be formed and composed of the following:



Chairperson	-	City Mayor
Co- Chairperson	-	Chairperson, Sangguniang Panlungsod Committee on Education
Member		City Treasurer/Representative Public Employment Services Officer/Representative Vice-President, Liga ng mga Barangay – Tandag City Chapter/Representative City Budget Officer/Representative City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) /Representative

The Committee Shall:

- Identify and validate qualified beneficiaries;
- Ensure equitable distribution of benefits across barangays;
- Monitor the progress of assisted students;
- Submit an annual report to the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

SECTION 8. Funding. The funds necessary to implement this program shall be sourced from the annual budget of the City Government of Tandag, subject to the availability of funds, and may be augmented by grants, donations, and other lawful sources.

SECTION 9. Implementing Offices. The program shall be implemented by the Office of the City Mayor through the City Public Employment Service Office (PESO), and in coordination with the Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU) and Barangay Employment Service Office (BESO).

The implementing framework shall be coordinated through **PESO**, with duties including participant screening, placement, supervision, and reporting. In addition, it shall establish standard operating procedures (SOPs), performance indicators, and reporting templates to ensure consistency, transparency, and accountability across all participating offices. The SOPs, indicators, and templates shall be reviewed annually and approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod as part of the program's monitoring and evaluation framework.

The City Mayor's Office and BLGUs shall provide overarching oversight, ensure alignment with local development plans, and mobilize barangay support services as needed.

SECTION 12. Separability Clause. If any provision or part of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 13. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED this 4th day of February 2026.



As disposed of by the Presiding Officer

Ayes (11) – Hon. Momo, Hon. Ty Jr., Hon. Dumagan II,
Hon. Andresan, Hon. Boniao, Hon. Falcon, Hon. Salazar,
Hon. Geli, Hon. Pineda, Hon. RTan and Hon. Montero

Nays- (0)- None

Abstain- (0)- None

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

LOURDES LOUELLA E. ESCANDOR, MPP
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

ELEANOR D. MOMO
City Vice-Mayor
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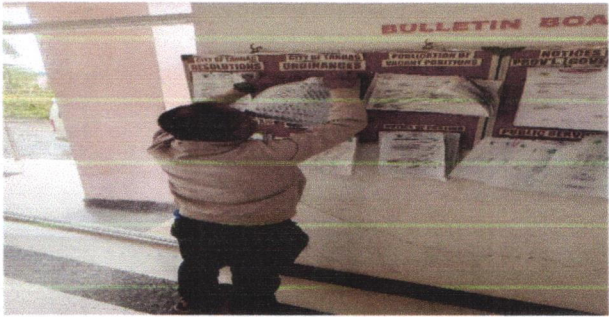
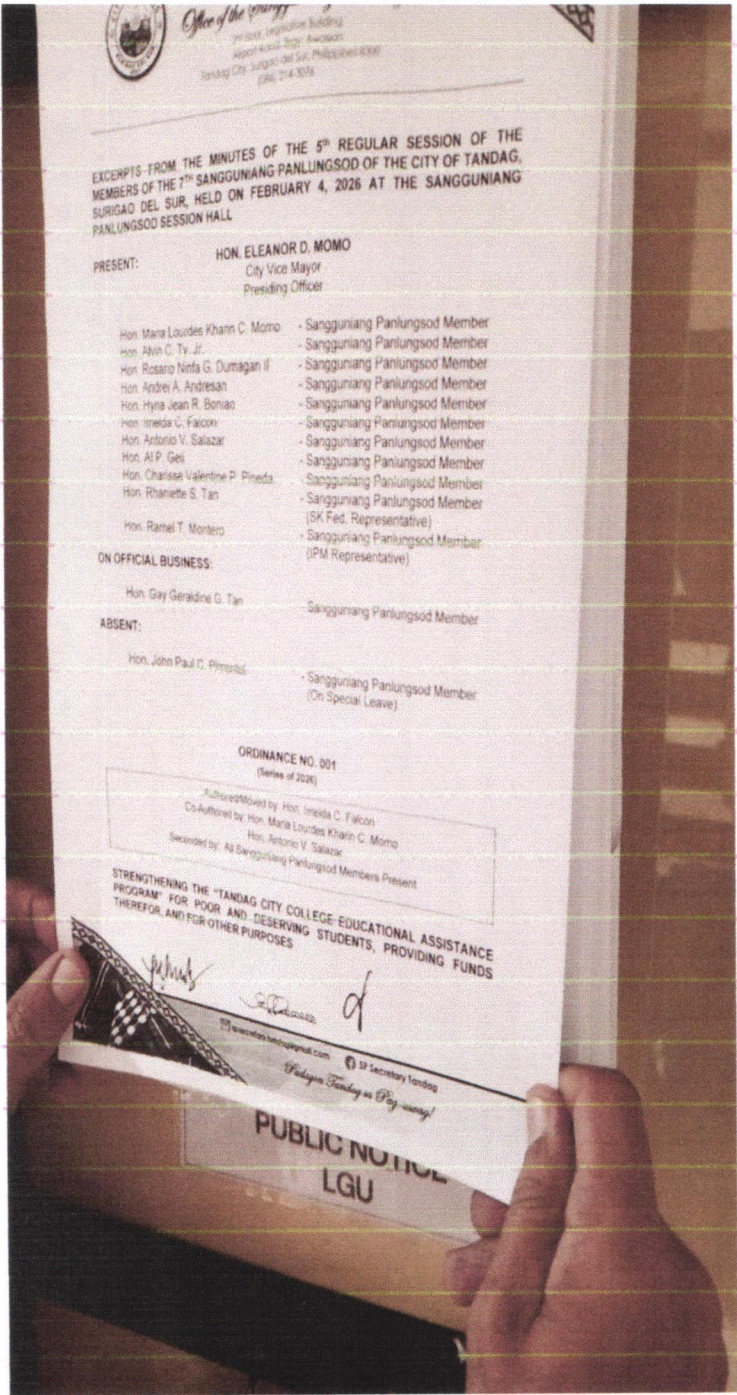
APPROVED BY:

ROXANNE C. PIMENTEL
City Mayor

Date: March 9, 2026

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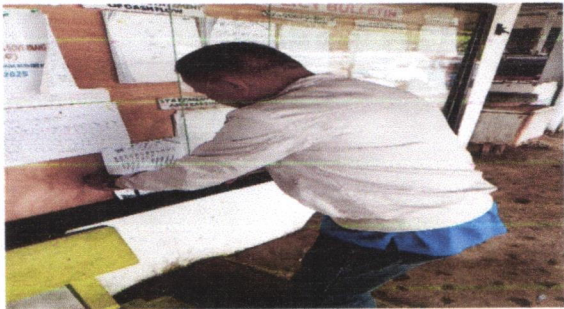
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