

THE SEARCH FOR THE PHILIPPINES' MDG WARRIORS

Competition Guidelines for Nominations

WHAT IS THE "SEARCH FOR THE PHILIPPINES' MDG WARRIORS"?

This election year, Probe Media Foundation Inc., (PMFI) Probe Productions Inc., (PPI) and the UN Millennium Campaign (UNMC) (the "Organizers") have come together to further localize a global advocacy. We are working to bring the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) to the forefront of issues that need to be prioritized by our country's leaders in the next five years. In year 2000, the Philippines, along with member states of the United Nations, signed a covenant to eradicate extreme poverty worldwide by 2015, and give a better quality of life for its citizens.

To promote and recognize the best practices in reaching the MDGs, and help push our elected President to come up with an MDG Breakthrough Plan, PMFI, PPI and the UNMC is launching a nationwide search for the country's MDG Warriors -- grassroots heroes, and ordinary citizens who are making a tremendous difference in their community. These are individuals or groups who, in their selflessness and dedicated service to others, are helping our country achieve the Millennium Development Goals.

By way of a call for nominations and a documentary competition for college students, the Organizers will conduct the search for seven (7) individuals or organizations to represent the first 7 MDGs. Out of the 7 finalists, the one with the greatest impact in his/her/their community will be chosen as the final winner. The announcement of the winning MDG Warrior, and the winning documentary on an MDG Warrior will be done in a special movie-house screening in Metro Manila, on September 16, 2010. The finalists and winning MDG Warrior will receive cash grants and a study tour abroad from partner-sponsors. The winning filmmakers and their school will also receive cash grants, video and editing equipment from a partner-sponsor.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for the Search for MDG Warriors, (the "Awards Program"), nominees must be at least eighteen (18) years of age or older by June 30, 2010 and some portion of the Nominee's activities must have taken place by August 31, 2010 or be ongoing. Only individuals and groups who have never won a national and international competition of the same nature are eligible to be nominated.

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People submitting nominations ("Nominator(s)") must be at least eighteen (18) years of age by June 30, 2010. The Awards Program is open to eligible Nominees nationwide who are citizens of the Philippines.

At any time, at the Organizers' discretion, a Nominee may be deemed ineligible for nomination or participation in the Program, be deemed ineligible to receive a monetary prize under the Program. Employees and immediate family members of PMFI/PPI and UNMC and sponsors of the Awards Program, as well as advertising and promotional agencies directly involved in the Awards Program (the "Awards Program Entities") are not eligible to participate in the Awards Program or submit nominations.

NOMINATIONS

To submit your nomination for the Awards Program, log on to www.probetv.com and fill out the nomination form, providing all required contact information for you and your nominee.

Nominations must be submitted on behalf of another person. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominations should be accompanied by pertinent documents that will substantiate the nominee's impact and achievement. (i.e. photos of activities; certificates of recognition and citations) Nominations may be submitted in either English or Filipino, beginning May 25, 2010 and must be received no later than 11pm, June 30, 2010.

Nominations can be sent through snail mail or email. The packet or file should be sent to Lucille S. Sodipe, (Project Officer, Search for the Philippines' MDG Warriors) at 13 Matipid St., Sikatuna Village, Quezon City, Philippines 1101 and/or mdgwarriors@probetv.com. False or deceptive nominations or acts may render a nominee ineligible. All nominations become the property of the Organizers and will not be returned. The Organizers reserves the right to edit the nomination as it sees fit for use in publication or promotion. By submitting a nomination you agree to grant Sponsors the right without obligation, unless prohibited by law, to use the contents of your nomination, your name, voice, picture and likeness, without compensation, for the purpose of advertising and publicizing all matters related to the Awards Program and/or the Sponsors in any medium, throughout the country, in perpetuity.

PRIVACY

Nominees may be contacted to provide additional information and have their information verified. The Organizers reserves the right to request and require additional information from nominees in order to have their nomination considered.

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JUDGING

The Technical Working Group composed of representatives from Probe Media Foundation Inc., Probe Productions Inc., and the UN Millennium Campaign will screen each submission. After verifying and thoroughly reviewing the nominations, they will select the seven (7) finalists, one to represent each of the seven (7) MDGs.

A final round of judging will be done through a special committee of judges and online voting.

The judges will review all materials and interviews with the final seven (7) MDG Warriors. The judges will be composed of the head of the UN Millennium Campaign Philippines, a representative from civil society, the chair of the Committee for Millennium Development Goals in Congress, a representative from the Office of the President and a partner-sponsor representative.

An online voting shall also commence on www.probetv.com. Viewers will have the chance to vote for the finalist/s of their choice. They can do this by way of posting a comment on the finalist/s whose accomplishment and impact is most admirable and best exemplifies an MDG Warrior.

The winner will be determined through a combination of the judges' votes and the online votes (80% from the special committee of judges, and 20% from online votes). A special citation (People's Choice) will also be given to the MDG Warrior Finalist who will garner the most number of online votes.

The decision of the Judges and the result of the online polls will be final and binding.

NOTIFICATION AND PUBLICATION

Nominees will be notified by phone, email, and postal service and may be required to submit additional information. Finalists may be asked to attend the awards ceremony ("Awards Ceremony"). If asked to attend the Awards Ceremony, the Organizers will have the sole discretion of whether or not compensation will be provided for any portion of Finalist's travel. A Nominee should send a representative if he/she/they will be unable to attend the Awards Ceremony in September.

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AWARDS

The six (6) MDG Warrior Finalists will receive Php 50,000 each and a citation
The Winner will get a trophy and will be sent on a 5-day study tour to a country in the Asia-Pacific Region, with a Php 50,000 cash allowance

GENERAL REMINDERS:

The Organizers are not responsible for any late, lost, garbled, misdirected, incomplete, or damaged entries; any disruptions, injuries, losses or damages caused by events beyond the control of the Organizers; or any printing or typographical errors in any materials associated with the Awards Program. The Awards Program Entities are not in any way responsible or liable for the use of the funds donated or for any damage, loss or injury (including death) resulting from participation in the Awards Program and/or acceptance and use of any awards won.

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