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**NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2026 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS FOR FILIPINO
INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS OVERSEAS (PAFIOO)**



LOS ANGELES, CA – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs the public that nominations are now open for the 2026 Presidential Awards for Filipino Individuals and Organizations Overseas (PAFIOO), a biennial awards program organized by the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO)

The PAFIOO honors Filipinos abroad and international partners who exemplify the highest ideals of service, professionalism, and dedication, as well as recognizes their roles in advancing the interests of overseas Filipino communities or contributing to the development and progress of the Philippines.

The PAFIOO has four (4) award categories, namely:

1. **Banaag Award** – conferred on Filipino individuals or organizations for their contributions that have significantly benefited or advanced the cause of overseas Filipino communities;
2. **Pamana ng Pilipino Award** – conferred on Filipinos overseas who, in exemplifying the talent and industry of the Filipino, have brought the country honor and recognition through excellence and distinction in the pursuit of their work or profession;
3. **Lingkod sa Kapwa Pilipino Award** – conferred on Filipino individuals or organizations for exceptional or significant contributions to the reconstruction, progress, and development of the Philippines; and

4. ***Kaanib ng Bayan Award*** – conferred on foreign individuals or organizations for their exceptional or significant contribution to Philippine reconstruction, progress, and development, or have significantly benefitted a sector or community in the Philippines or advanced the cause of overseas Filipino communities.

All nominations must be submitted through and endorsed by the Philippine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over the nominee's place of residence, work, or organizational operations. For nominations falling under the jurisdiction of the Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles (Southern California, Southern Nevada and Arizona), the original copies of the nomination forms and supporting documents must be submitted **no later than 10 April 2025** to allow sufficient time for review prior to official transmittal to the Department of Foreign Affairs and onward submission to the CFO-PAFIOO Secretariat. Submissions should be addressed to:

Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles
3435 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 550
Los Angeles, CA 90010, USA

The detailed guidelines, prescribed forms, and list of requirements may be accessed from <https://presidentialawards.cfo.gov.ph/>. For timely updates and advisories, the public is encouraged to follow the official PAFIOO Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/gawadpangulo/>.

For inquiries and other concerns, interested parties may contact the Consulate General's Cultural Section at lapcg.cultural@dfa.gov.ph.