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BASURA KO, PANANAGUTAN KO!

My Trash Is My Responsibility!

On December 31, 2000, the San Mateo Land Fill will be closed permanently. What is the relevance of its closure to us residents of Dasmarinas Village?

Everyday, four large dump trucks collect the garbage of 1,200 houses in Dasmarinas Village and dump these garbage in San Mateo. By the end of the year, this site will no longer be available for dumping our garbage, as well as that of hundreds of thousands of Metro-Manila households. What are we going to do?

Many communities and neighborhoods in Metro-Manila have already started to look for ways and means to solve their own garbage problems; a few have already been successful in implementing a zero-waste garbage system in their homes or their communities. The Dasmarinas Village Maintenance and Sanitation Committee, together with its Subcommittee on Garbage Management, have been meeting with environmentalists and waste management experts to learn their techniques and to find the best way to manage our garbage from the source - our homes.

As a starter, we are asking all household to separate biodegradable from non-biodegradable garbage.

Biodegradable garbage is anything that decomposes, such as kitchen waste, lawn cuttings, leaves, etc....

Uniform trash cans, with individual addresses painted on it, will be given for free to all residents of Dasmarinas Village. *Please use this trash can only for biodegradable garbage* which will be picked up daily by our garbage contractor.

Non-biodegradable garbage that can be recycled are newspapers, bottles, tin cans, and some plastics (please see attached list of recyclable items). An eco-aide will come along on specific days of the week to buy and pick up recyclable items from your homes.

Tree cuttings, which we ask you to cut up and tie into small bundles will still be picked up by our regular garbage contractor together with other non-biodegradable garbage that the eco-aides will not buy.

This is the first step we are taking in our effort to help resolve the inevitable garbage crisis in our country. Your utmost cooperation is urgently requested. Please segregate your garbage!

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