

**TESDA WOMEN'S CENTER (TWC)**

**1. ADDRESS OF THE INSTITUTION**

TESDA Complex, Taguig City, Philippines

**2. TYPE OF INSTITUTION**

Public

**3. YEARS IN SERVICE**

21

**4. INSTITUTION'S STRATEGIC VISION**

The TWC envisions being the lead TVET Specialized Institute of Excellence in empowering Filipino women by 2020. As the lead TVET specialized institution of excellence in women empowerment, TESDA Women's Center advocates and provides programs and services geared towards quality-assured, inclusive and gender-fair TVET. Furthermore, TWC aligns and defines its vision, mission, and organizational objectives in the context of the larger goals of TESDA and sets its aim within the period covered to be able to address critical issues of the organization with emphasis on GAD mainstreaming, replication, need to shift typology from regular center to institute, capacity building, initiating green technology skills, and increase of finance and resource allocation. In order to meet its objectives, the TWC will focus on market and business strategies such as expansion and replication.

**5. TVET PROGRAMMES AND GRADUATES**

Total = 1108 (Female = 810; Male = 298)

Shielded Metal Arc Welding NC I = 86	Food Processing NC II = 67	Plumbing NCI (53), NCII (71)
Shielded Metal Arc Welding NC II = 61	Housekeeping NC II = 136	Cookery NC II = 59
Electrical Installation Maintenance NCII (61)	Gas Metal Arc Welding NC II = 59	Bartending NC II = 58
El.Products Assembly&Servicing NCII (48)	Automotive Servicing NC II = 40	Barista NC II = 104
Motorcycle Small Engine Servicing NCII (24)	Food & Beverage Services NC II = 100	Dressmaking NC II = 81

**6. MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE**

The TWC is under the supervision of TESDA National Capital Region headed by a Regional Director. The TWC Head reports directly to its Regional Director. Under the TWC Chief is a Supervising TESD Specialist and 3 Unit Heads of 3 sections, namely Training, Research & Advocacy, and Administrative.

**7. NUMBER OF TEACHERS/TRAINING STAFF**

17 = 11 (F); 6(M)

**8. KEY STAKEHOLDERS**

TWC Center Advisory Council - Philippine Commission on Women, Coca Cola Phil.  
 Women beneficiaries - Aboitiz Foundation, Pilmico Foods Corp., Yamaha Motors Inc.

**9. QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

In line with TWC's mandate and values to aim for excellence and highest standards in the delivery of its services, it has developed its quality assurance systems and procedures. The TWC Quality Manual of Operations is regularly updated as needed. The manual serves not only as guides in the delivery of programs and services to clients but also as basis in ensuring that quality standards are being observed. Further, because these Manuals serve as a tool in monitoring compliance of the stakeholders and partners to the set standards, they serve as a success indicator. The Center Chief and its Quality Management Review Committee ensures that the Quality Assurance Systems embodied in the Quality Manual is being implemented in all areas of the Center operations. All personnel are expected to be involved in the continuous improvement of the quality standards of TWC's programs and services.

**10. KEY CONTACT PERSON FOR THE I-HUBS PROJECT**

Maria Clara B. Ignacio

**11. MAIN REPRESENTATIVE AT THE PROJECT LAUNCH MEETING**

**Maria Clara B. Ignacio - Chief TESD Specialist**

Ms. Ignacio has been part of the TWC since its establishment in 1998. She rose from the ranks as a Trainer in Food Processing and became the Center Chief of the TWC in 2007. She is also the con-current Administrator of TESDA's National Language Skills Institute. She has previously worked as Senior Science Research Specialist at the Department of Science and Technology. Ms. Ignacio earned the degree of BS in Food Technology from the University of Santo Tomas and Master of Science in Food Science from the University of the Philippines. Among her areas of specialization, include gender mainstreaming in TVET, competency-based training and assessment, TVET Administration and management of assessment center. She is also a certified member of the National GAD Resource Pool of the Philippine Commission on Women.