

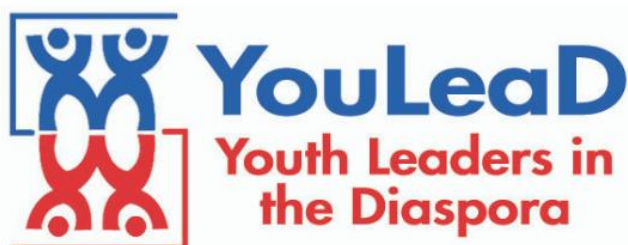


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FILIPINO-AMERICAN YOUTH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2nd US MIDWEST YOUTH LEADERS IN DIASPORA (YOULEAD) IMMERSION PROGRAM IN THE PHILIPPINES - 03-09 JANUARY 2020

Chicago, 27 December 2019 – The Philippine Consulate General in Chicago will be sending twelve (12) delegates that will form part of the “**2nd US Midwest Youth Leaders in Diaspora (YouLead) Immersion Program**” in the Philippines on 03-09 January 2020.



The Philippine Consulate General held a briefing via video conference on 23 December 2019 with all the participants coming from various states in the Midwest.

The seven-day module is a combination of lectures on Philippine governance and migration, a visit to the Department of Foreign Affairs, US Embassy in Manila, Quezon City Hall, Cabanatuan City Hall and Bank of Philippine Islands as well as visits to Nueva Ecija and Bulacan for immersion experience.

Participants to the Immersion Program are the following: Angelica Alday, Madeline Azcueta, Ralph Balita, Celia Benito, Mary Nicole Cabaluna, Christopher Garrick, Makayla Leiting, Nicholle Co Nacionales, Jasmine Natividad, Isabelle Rivera, Christiana Santiago and Marcus Villareal. They come from five (5) states in the Midwest, i.e. Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Nebraska and Ohio. They will visit Department of Foreign Affairs in the afternoon of January 8 to call on DFA officials. They will be accompanied by Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin.

The 2nd US Midwest YouLead Immersion Program is a joint project of the Philippine Consulate General in Chicago and the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO), in cooperation with Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI) and International Society of Filipinos in Finance and Accounting (ISFFA). The Program aims to encourage Fil-Am youth to discover their Filipino roots and heritage and at the same time, becoming future leaders of the Community. **END**

