



Peace and Order Initiatives and Challenges Encountered by Barangay Tres City of Calamba: Basis for Policy Reformulation

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Abstract— This study was conducted to identify and evaluate the initiatives implemented by Barangay Tres officials concerning peace and order, and the challenges they encounter in providing these services. This helped in formulating policies that address the specific needs of the community, and ultimately, help improve peace and order within the barangay. This descriptive correlation study investigated the peace and order initiatives of Barangay Tres in Calamba City. The research objectives were to identify the initiatives implemented by the barangay, assess their effectiveness, identify the challenges encountered by the barangay in maintaining peace and order, and recommend policy reforms that can improve their efforts. A total of 313 surveys were collected, 28 Barangay Officials and 287 constituents, using a research-made questionnaire. Findings were analyzed and evaluated using four-point Likert scale and standard deviation. Findings revealed that there was no substantial link between the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, and the extent of challenges encountered. This indicated that other factors were significantly related to the implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba. Furthermore, the study proposed a policy reformulation to improve the implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba.

Keywords— peace and order, challenges encountered, policy reformulation.

INTRODUCTION

Peace is essential for any community's success. It is essential for progress, development, and the safeguarding of fundamental human rights. To ensure society thrives, it is essential to maintain peace and order. Mangilimutan et al. (2020) agreed that peace is indivisible and universal, serving as the foundation for human survival and development. It is the most crucial factor in achieving sustainable economic and social advances. Maintaining people's safety and security is crucial for economic growth, public order, and good governance.

Accordingly, Gonzalez and Rama (2021) mentioned that peace went beyond just the absence of conflict. It entails accepting and respecting diverse perspectives, engaging in productive conversations, finding common ground through compromise, and upholding justice and the rule of law. This holistic approach to peace is invaluable to society and greatly enhances our quality of life.

The preservation of peace and order has become a top priority worldwide, resulting in numerous organizations launching initiatives that foster peace programs at the barangay level. Peace and order have been elevated in importance by the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), recognizing the significance of stability for sustainable development. UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon asserts that "Peace is crucial for the achievement



of all development goals." The attainment of global development goals is highly dependent on the success of peacekeeping missions, where peace and order measures can play a significant role. United Nations (2020) emphasized that effective policies that promote peace and stability require cooperation among local governments, civil society organizations, and members of the international community.

Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, worked magnificently to remain peace and order. They enforce curfews, conduct regular nocturnal police patrols, and aggressive outreach to vulnerable populations as preventive measures. However, challenges still stand in their way of establishing a society that is safe and enjoyable.

The need for additional money for public safety, a more thorough approach to security initiatives, more cooperation between local government and stakeholders to address shared concerns, and better accessibility to technical resources are some of these challenges.

As a result, conducting research is essential to evaluate the effectiveness of ongoing projects in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba. Local governments can assess their current programs and develop creative strategies for long-term peace and public safety by drawing on these discoveries.

The community's involvement in promoting peace, economic development, public safety, the accessibility of judicial systems, and other critical elements must also be considered while altering policies.

The study intended to investigate the measures for maintaining peace and order in Barangay Tres of Calamba City and to ascertain the challenges encountered. The Barangay still struggles with finances, bureaucratic procedures, inaccurate data, and technological restrictions despite numerous attempts to impose peace and order.

The goal of the study is to assess how far initiatives have been carried out and the difficulties that residents and Barangay authorities have encountered. The study also seeks to find any notable connections between the initiatives and the problems and to offer insightful information for enhancing Barangay Tres' peace and order.

METHODS

The descriptive approach was used because the study documented the current peace and order initiatives and problems faced by Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, and it also attempted to analyze the extent of a relationship. A researcher-made questionnaire was used to obtain primary data from all respondents. In this research, Barangay Tres was divided into two strata: the constituents aged 18 to 80 and the barangay officials.

In the first stratum, 287 adult male and female constituents were randomly selected to represent the total population of Barangay Tres which is 4,537 according to the 2020 census.

The second stratum includes 26 barangay officials (Barangay Captain, Barangay Kagawad, Barangay Tanod, and Sangguniang Kabataan) who voluntarily agreed to participate in the research.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 1.1: Level of Implementation of Peace and Order Initiatives as assessed by Barangay Officials and constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba in terms of Communication

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
The Barangay Tres officials discussed the Peace and Order Ordinances.	3.42	FI	3.47	FI	3.45	FI
The constituents understand peace and order ordinances.	3.50	FI	3.46	FI	3.48	FI
The Barangay is using a different platform to disseminate information about peace and order initiatives.	3.58	FI	3.49	FI	3.54	FI
The Barangay encourages the residents to participate in peace and order initiatives through community meetings, forums, or other gatherings.	3.46	FI	3.49	FI	3.48	FI
The Barangay conducts regular meetings between barangay officials and residents that can help to identify potential problems and address them before they escalate.	3.15	I	3.44	FI	3.30	FI
Standard Deviation	.45		.50			
General Assessment	3.42	FI	3.47	FI	3.45	FI

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Always - Fully Implemented (FI)

2.50-3.24 Often - Implemented (I)

1.75-2.49 Sometimes - Partially Implemented (PI) 1.00-1.74 Never -Not Implemented (NI)

The general composite assessment mean was 3.45 and is interpreted as Fully Implemented. The Barangay is using a different platform to disseminate information about peace and order initiatives, which yielded the highest composite mean score of 3.54 and was interpreted as Fully Implemented. This is followed by a variable that The constituents understand peace and order ordinances and The Barangay encourages the residents to participate in peace and order initiatives through community meetings, forums, or other gatherings with a composite mean score of 3.48 and was also interpreted as Fully Implemented. On the other hand, the Barangay conducts regular meetings between barangay officials and residents that can help to identify potential problems and address them before they escalate receiving the lowest composite mean score of responses with 3.30 and was also interpreted as Fully Implemented.

It signifies that peace and order activities in Barangay Tres, Calamba City, are Fully Implemented. The barangay is disseminating information on peace and order activities through various platforms, and residents are encouraged to participate in peace and order initiatives through community meetings, forums, and other events. Furthermore, barangay officials and citizens meet on a regular basis to assist in anticipating potential problems and deal with them before they worsen. This is beneficial to the barangay since it allows it to be proactive in maintaining community peace and order.



Ganguly (2018) emphasized the function of communication in promoting community peace and order to back up his results. He underlined the significance of communicating information about peace and order operations in order to address and prevent disagreements, as well as to ensure that everyone is aware of safety needs. Tiwari (2019) also looked at the role of Barangays in keeping peace and order. He discussed how barangays are responsible for resolving disputes, managing arguments, and ensuring the safety of their citizens. His study also stressed the importance of communication in promoting peaceful outcomes. The conclusions of both research reflect the findings of this study, illustrating the importance of communication in maintaining community peace and order.

It signifies that people of Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, have a high sense of compliance with the Peace and Order legislation, which has contributed to the preservation of peace and order. The implementation of a curfew for kids resulted in a low incidence of minor-related crime. Furthermore, the people are well aware of the fines and sanctions that would be imposed if the regulations are not followed, which motivates them to do so. The local government, through its barangay officials, must continue to enforce these laws and ensure that peace and order in the barrio are constantly maintained.

Table 1.2: Level of Implementation of Peace and Order Initiatives as assessed by Barangay Officials and constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba in terms of Ordinance Compliance

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
The constituents of Barangay Tres follow/obey the peace and order ordinances.	3.50	FI	3.45	FI	3.48	FI
The Barangay Officials of Barangay Tres follow/obey the Peace and Order ordinances	3.62	FI	3.44	FI	3.53	FI
The barangay has a curfew in place for minors, which helps reduce the incidence of crime involving minors.	3.58	FI	3.48	FI	3.53	FI
The people are aware of the punishment/fines for disobeying the Peace and Order ordinances	3.38	FI	3.44	FI	3.41	FI
The Barangay Tanod conducts a regular patrol specially in night	3.38	FI	3.45	FI	3.42	FI
Standard Deviation	.50		.57			
General Assessment	3.49	FI	3.45	FI	3.47	FI

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Always - Fully Implemented (FI)

2.50-3.24 Often - Implemented (I)

1.75-2.49 Sometimes - Partially Implemented (PI) 1.00-1.74 Never -Not Implemented (NI)

The general composite assessment mean was 3.47 and interpreted as Fully Implemented. The Barangay Officials of Barangay Tres follow/obey the Peace and Order ordinances and has a curfew in place for minors, which helps reduce the incidence of a crime involving minors which yielded the highest composite mean score of 3.53 and were



interpreted as Fully Implemented. This was followed by a variable that the constituents of Barangay Tres follow/obey the peace and order ordinances with a composite mean score of 3.48 and was also interpreted as Fully Implemented. On the other hand, People are aware of the punishment/fines for disobeying the Peace and Order ordinances received the lowest composite mean score of responses with 3.41 and also interpreted as Fully Implemented.

It signifies that people of Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, have a high sense of compliance with the Peace and Order legislation, which has contributed to the preservation of peace and order. The implementation of a curfew for kids resulted in a low incidence of minor-related crime. Furthermore, the people are well aware of the fines and sanctions that would be imposed if the regulations are not followed, which motivates them to do so. The local government, through its barangay officials, must continue to enforce these laws and ensure that peace and order in the barrio are constantly maintained. According to Reyes (2018), having a curfew for adolescents is one method of lowering juvenile delinquency, which can assist maintain peace and order in a specific area. Also, Martinez et al. (2019) also stated that barangay authorities play an important role in implementing laws to maintain peace and order. Furthermore, Manaloto (2020) mentioned that when people were aware of the sanctions or penalties for disobeying these rules, it provides an incentive for them to follow them. These studies demonstrated how specific efforts can be implemented and executed to ensure community peace and order.

Table 1.3: Level of Implementation of Peace and Order Initiatives as assessed by Barangay Officials and constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba in terms of Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
The Barangay officials implement the peace and order ordinances in a rightful and lawful way	3.73	FI	3.50	FI	3.62	FI
These ordinances are helping the community	3.65	FI	3.46	FI	3.56	FI
These ordinances are being implemented anytime of the day	3.69	FI	3.56	FI	3.63	FI
These ordinances are regularly monitored and evaluated to ensure that they are effective and achieving the desired results.	3.62	FI	3.45	FI	3.54	FI
The Local Government supports the Barangay in implementing the peace and order by providing adequate resources.	3.69	FI	3.53	FI	3.61	FI
Standard Deviation	.42		.46			
General Assessment	3.68	FI	3.50	FI	3.59	FI

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Always - Fully Implemented (FI)

2.50-3.24 Often - Implemented (I)

1.75-2.49 Sometimes - Partially Implemented (PI) 1.00-1.74 Never -Not Implemented (NI)

The general assessment mean was 3.59 and interpreted as Fully Implemented. These ordinances are being implemented any time of the day which yielded the highest composite mean score of 3.63 and was interpreted as Fully Implemented. This is followed by a variable that The Barangay officials implement the peace and order



ordinances in a rightful and lawful way with a composite mean score of 3.62 and was also interpreted as Fully Implemented. On the other hand, these ordinances are regularly monitored and evaluated to ensure that they are effective and achieving the desired results received the lowest composite mean score of responses with 3.54 and also interpreted as Fully Implemented. The outcome implies that Barangay Tres in Calamba City has Fully Implemented peace and order initiatives through ordinance enforcement. The data indicate that the barangay leaders are proactive and committed to implementing these programs, as well as closely monitoring and evaluating their efficacy. This displays a strong commitment to preserving community order and security.

The findings are consistent with those of a prior evaluation undertaken by Pajarillo (2018), who analyzed the peace and order situation in five San Pedro City barangays. According to the findings of this study, the execution of ordinances and laws is regarded as an effective technique for keeping peace and order. The study also stressed the importance of ongoing monitoring and assessment to ensure that these interventions are effective and achieve their desired outcomes.

Furthermore, Uy (2020) examined the success of local peace and order activities in eight Manila City barangays. The majority of respondents rated the initiatives as good or very good, with an average score of 8.1 out of 10, indicating that they were implemented well, according to the data. Local governments, according to the report, should regularly evaluate and examine the performance of initiatives to achieve long-term results. These findings are consistent with earlier research, underlining the critical need of implementing, monitoring, and evaluating local peace and order actions to ensure a peaceful community.

Table 2.1: Extent of Challenges Encountered by the Barangay Officials and Constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, along with Communication

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
The Barangay official and the constituents lack information or knowledge about laws, policies, and legal procedures that should be followed to effectively address problems related to crime, drug abuse, illegal activities, and other security threats.	2.50	HE	2.53	HE	2.52	HE
The Barangay lacks resources and trained personnel to use in the dissemination of information that should be followed to effectively address problems related to crime, drug abuse, illegal activities, and other security threats.	2.58	HE	2.48	LE	2.53	HE
The Barangay lacks transparency in the decision-making process of the barangay officials.	2.46	LE	2.46	LE	2.46	LE
The Barangay lacks adequate communication channels that can make it difficult for residents to report crimes or share information about potential threats and can make it difficult	2.77	HE	2.68	HE	2.73	HE



for barangay officials to disseminate important information to residents in a timely manner.						
The constituent does not trust the barangay officials about the peace and order situation due to corruption and a history of misinformation	2.35	LE	2.45	LE	2.40	LE
Standard Deviation	.77		.77			
General Assessment	2.53	HE	2.52	HE	2.53	HE

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Highly Observed - Very High Extent (VHE) 2.50-3.24 Observed - High Extent (HE) 1.75-2.49 Slightly Observed - Low Extent (LE) 1.00-1.74 Not Observed - Very Low Extent (VLE)

The general assessment means was 2.53 and interpreted as Observed - High Extent. The Barangay lacks adequate communication channels which can make it difficult for residents to report crimes or share information about potential threats and can make it difficult for barangay officials to disseminate important information to residents in a timely manner which yielded the highest composite mean score of 2.73 and was interpreted as Observed - High Extent.

This is followed by a variable that The Barangay lacks resources and trained personnel to use in the dissemination of information that should be followed to effectively address problems related to crime, drug abuse, illegal activities, and other security threats. with a composite mean score of 2.53 and was also interpreted as Observed - High Extent.

On the other hand, the constituent does not trust the barangay officials about the peace and order situation due to corruption and a history of misinformation and received the lowest composite mean score of responses with 2.40 and interpreted as Slightly Observed - Low Extent.

The data reveal that communication problems are widespread in Barangay Tres, Calamba City. Uncertain messaging among constituents and government officials, a lack of information-transmission resources, and resident distrust can all inhibit efficient communication, which is crucial in dealing with threats and issues in a barrio. It proposes that, in order to improve governance, the barangay should focus on improving communication strategies and enhancing resource allocation.

It is consistent with the findings of Cayabyab et al. (2018), who discovered that a lack of technology infrastructure and communication channels are significant barriers to successful information management in rural areas. Furthermore, Pascual et al. (2021) observed that citizens' suspicion of government officials is a major hindrance to successful communication within barangays.

Navarro et al. (2023) discovered that a lack of resources and skilled local employees to adequately manage security issues makes it difficult for barangay officials to distribute vital information in a timely manner.

Table 2.2: Extent of Challenges Encountered by the Barangay Officials and Constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, along with Ordinance Compliance

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
The ordinances are difficult to understand.	2.00	LE	2.43	LE	2.22	LE
The Barangay officials accept bribes in exchange for ignoring violations or looking the other way when offenses are committed.	2.08	LE	2.61	HE	2.35	LE
Gang members are reluctant to cooperate with authorities when it comes to enforcing ordinances	2.46	LE	2.43	LE	2.45	LE
The Barangay lacks enforcement of ordinances. Even if residents are aware of the ordinances, there may be no consequences for violating them. This can lead to a sense of impunity, as people feel that they can break the law without any repercussions.	2.50	HE	2.27	LE	2.39	LE
Not clear what the consequences are for violating an ordinance. This ambiguity can lead to confusion and frustration, as people may not know what to expect if they are caught breaking the law.	2.46	LE	2.31	LE	2.39	LE
Standard Deviation	.91		.84			
General Assessment	2.30	LE	2.41	LE	2.36	LE

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Highly Observed - Very High Extent (VHE) 2.50-3.24 Observed - High Extent (HE) 1.75-2.49 Slightly Observed - Low Extent (LE) 1.00-1.74 Not Observed - Very Low Extent (VLE)

Table 2.2 shows that the Extent of challenges encountered by the Barangay Officials and constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, along with Ordinance Compliance has a general assessment mean of 2.36 and was interpreted as Slightly Observed – Low Extent. Gang members are reluctant to cooperate with authorities when it comes to enforcing ordinances which yielded the highest composite mean score of 2.45 and were interpreted as Slightly Observed – Low Extent.

This was followed by a variable that The Barangay lacks enforcement of ordinances. Even if residents are aware of the ordinances, there may be no consequences for violating them. This can lead to a sense of impunity, as people feel that they can break the law without any repercussions, and not clear what the consequences are for violating an ordinance. This ambiguity can lead to confusion and frustration, as people may not know what to expect if they are caught breaking the law with a composite mean score of 2.39 and was also interpreted as Slightly Observed – Low Extent. On the other hand, the ordinances that are difficult to understand received the lowest composite mean score of responses with 2.22 and were also interpreted as Slightly Observed - Low Extent.

The findings concluded that Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, had a low extent of problems encountered by barangay authorities and people in terms of ordinance compliance. This means that, while there are challenges with ordinance enforcement and comprehension, barangay people are not directly affected. However, this does not mean that these issues should be ignored or ignored. To achieve more efficient governance within the barangay, the local government must continue to guarantee that ordinances are adequately enforced and understood by citizens.

It is consistent with the study of Robles and Cabaraban (2021) that, despite the low level of problems, there was still a need for an effective method to ensure that ordinances are properly implemented and enforced. This would not only encourage law compliance but would also serve to build confidence between barangay leaders and their residents. It was also critical that the ordinances be written in a fashion that everyone can understand. This could assist decrease confusion and ambiguity about the ordinances and lead to more effective governance within the barrio.

Table 2.3: Extent of Challenges Encountered by the Barangay Officials and Constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, along with Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation

Indicators	Officials		Constituents		Composite	
	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI	\bar{X}	VI
Politicians interfere with the enforcement of ordinances in order to gain favor with a certain group or individual	2.50	HE	2.56	HE	2.53	HE
Some of the constituents do not want to obey the ordinance because they do not agree with it or because they feel that it infringes on their rights.	2.50	HE	2.54	HE	2.52	HE
The residents are not cooperative with Barangay Officials in the implementation of ordinances due to mistrust of authorities or fear of retribution.	2.62	HE	2.60	HE	2.61	HE
Many residents are reluctant to get involved in reporting crimes or assisting authorities with investigations due to fear of retaliation from criminals or corrupt officials.	2.77	HE	2.75	HE	2.76	HE
The Barangay officials do not support each other in the implementation of Peace and Order due to political interest.	2.15	L	2.32	L	2.24	L
Standard Deviation	.87		.84			
General Assessment	2.51	HE	2.55	HE	2.53	HE

Legend: 3.25-4.00 Highly Observed - Very High Extent (VHE) 2.50-3.24 Observed - High Extent (HE) 1.75-2.49 Slightly Observed - Low Extent (LE) 1.00-1.74 Not Observed - Very Low Extent (VLE)

The general assessment mean was 2.53 and interpreted as Observed – High Extent. Many residents are reluctant to get involved in reporting crimes or assisting authorities with investigations due to fear of retaliation from



criminals or corrupt officials which yielded the highest composite mean score of 2.76 and was interpreted as Observed – High Extent. This is followed by a variable that the residents are not cooperative with Barangay Officials in the implementation of ordinances due to mistrust of authorities or fear of retribution with a composite mean score of 2.61 and was also interpreted as Observed – High Extent. On the other hand, The Barangay officials do not support each other in the implementation of Peace and Order due to political interest received the lowest composite mean score of responses with 2.24 and were also interpreted as Slightly Observed - Low Extent.

The result implies the extent of challenges encountered by Barangay Officials and Constituents in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba. regarding the implementation of Peace and Order, Ordinances is observed at a high level. The residents’ fear of retaliation from criminals or corrupt officials as well as their mistrust of authorities or fear of retribution may be hindering them from helping the Barangay Officials in the implementation of ordinances. The Barangay officials, on the other hand, do not seem to have much political interference when it comes to implementing Peace and Order Ordinances. These findings suggest that there is a need for more initiatives that can help increase trust and cooperation between the Barangay Officials and Constituents, in order to effectively implement Peace and Order Ordinances. Moreover, there is also a need for more effective strategies that can help address the fear of retaliation from criminals or corrupt officials among the Barangay Tres’ Constituents.

According to Acosta (2019), there was a need to improve Barangay Officials' competence in executing Peace and Order regulations while also increasing constituent awareness of the importance of these regulations. Furthermore, Acosta (2019) advocated for enough measures to minimize voters' fear of retaliation from criminals or corrupt officials. Acosta's (2019) report also urged that more be done to guarantee that Peace and Order Ordinances are effectively enforced. Collaboration with other government agencies, commercial organizations, and civil society groups to raise awareness about the importance of these regulations and encourage people to actively participate in their implementation with Barangay Officials may be part of this.

Table 3: Test of Significant Difference between the assessment of the Barangay Officials and the Constituents on the Level of Implementation of Peace and Order Initiatives and the Extent of Challenges Encountered

Variables	t test	Probability	Remarks	Decision
	Computed	Value		
Communication	.476	.635	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Ordinance Compliance	.352	.725	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation	1.890	.060	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Challenges in Communication	.078	.938	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Challenges in Ordinance Compliance	.632	.528	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Challenges in Peace and order	.273	.785	Not Significant	Accept Ho

The respondents have the same assessment on the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives and the extent of challenges encountered. As shown in the probability values of .635, .725, .060, .938, .528 and .785

respectively are all greater than the level of significance at .05, thus accept the null hypothesis. It can be concluded that there is no significant difference on the assessment of the officials and constituents on the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives and the extent of challenges encountered.

The study conducted by Villanueva (2019) on the Assessment of Peace and Order Initiatives in Barangay X found that there were no significant differences between the assessment of barangay officials and constituents on the level of implementation and the extent of challenges encountered. This result was further supported by a study conducted by Abalo (2020), which showed that there was no significant difference in the perception of barangay officials and constituents on the effectiveness of peace and order initiatives. Both studies suggested that there was a need to strengthen the capacity of local government units in terms of implementing peace and order initiatives, as well as addressing the challenges encountered. The result of this study further corroborated the findings of previous studies and could be used in policymaking and strengthen local government units' terms of implementing peace and order initiatives.

Table 4: Test of Significant Relationship between the Level of Implementation of Peace and Order Initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, and the Extent of Challenges Encountered

Implementation of peace and order	Challenges	r value	p value	Remarks	Decision
Communication	Communication	0.050	0.380	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Ordinance Compliance	0.089	0.116	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation	0.082	0.149	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Ordinance Compliance	Communication	0.012	0.833	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Ordinance Compliance	0.009	0.873	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation	0.055	0.335	Not Significant	Accept Ho
Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation	Communication	0.041	0.472	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Ordinance Compliance	0.022	0.694	Not Significant	Accept Ho
	Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation	0.046	0.418	Not Significant	Accept Ho

The probability values were 0.380, 0.116, 0.149, 0.833, 0.873, 0.335, 0.472, 0.694, and 0.418 which was greater than the level of significance at .05, thus the null hypothesis was accepted. It indicates that there is no substantial link between the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, and the



extent of challenges encountered. This also indicates that there are other factors that are significantly related to the implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba.

The results are consistent with past studies on peace and order measures. Agustin et al. (2019), for example, discovered no significant association between the adoption of peace and order measures and the occurrence of crime or violence in their area. Furthermore, Ramos et al. (2018) discovered in Cebu City that the implementation of peace and order programs had no substantial influence on the crime rate in their area.

These findings imply that, while peace and order activities can help to create a more tranquil environment, they are unable to provide long-term safety and security in a given location. When planning peace and order programs, other variables such as poverty reduction, job development, access to education, and improved governance must also be considered. It is also worth noting that the implementation of these measures may have unexpected repercussions, such as greater surveillance or restrictions on civil freedoms, which might exacerbate tensions in a given area. As a result, it is critical for local governments to thoroughly assess the consequences of their peace and order policies before implementing them.

Overall, the study's findings show that there is no significant relationship between the amount of execution of peace and order efforts in Barangay Tres City of Calamba and the magnitude of issues encountered. While these measures are vital components for preserving long-term peace and security in a region, they must be supplemented by other efforts to enhance individuals' lives and foster a more harmonious community. Only then can long-term peace and order be established.

Table 5: Proposed Policy Reformulation Based on the Findings of the Study

EXISTING POLICY	POLICY REFORMULATION
<p>Communication</p> <p>Barangay Forum</p> <p>Once a year Barangay Forum to discuss barangay issues and concerns. An opportunity for a member to make their voices heard and share ideas on how to address the challenges in their area.</p> <p>(In accordance with The Local Government Code of the Philippines Book III: Local Government Units</p>	<p>Communication</p> <p>Barangay Quarterly Forum through Social Media Platform.</p> <p>Conducting of Barangay Forum on a quarterly basis to communicate with the constituents in order to update them on the latest developments and get their feedback.</p> <p>Organizing Barangay Quarterly Forum through social media:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create an official page or group for the barangay. This page or group will serve as the platform where



<p>TITLE SIX. - LEAGUES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND ELECTIVE OFFICIALS</p> <p>CHAPTER I - LEAGUES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS</p> <p>Article One. - Liga ng Mga Barangay</p> <p>SEC. 491. Purpose of Organization. - There shall be an organization of all barangays to be known as the liga ng mga barangay for the primary purpose of determining the representation of the Liga in the sanggunians, and for ventilating, articulating and crystallizing issues affecting barangay government administration and securing, through proper and legal means, solutions thereto.</p> <p>SEC. 495 (e). Serve as a forum of the barangays in order to forge linkages with government and non-governmental organizations and thereby promote the social, economic and political well-being of the barangays;</p>	<p>all parties involved can communicate and interact. It is important to ensure that only trusted members are added in order to maintain the integrity of the group. This page can also be used to post updates, announcements, or any other relevant information.</p> <p>2. Create a live-streaming event on the group page, which will serve as the main venue of the forum. This event should include a panel composed of barangay officials and other relevant personnel who can address the questions and issues raised by the constituents.</p> <p>3. Event should also have a comment section where people can post their comments or questions while it is being streamed live. The panel will then respond to these comments and address the concerns raised in real-time. At the end of the forum, a questionnaire may be sent out to gauge the public's satisfaction with the discussion.</p>
<p>Ordinance Compliance</p> <p>Barangay Posting and Publication of Ordinances with Penal Sanctions Policy</p> <p>Mandatory Posting and Publication of Ordinances through Bulletin Boards of Information in Barangay office and tarpaulin.</p> <p>(In accordance with The Local Government Code of the Philippines Book IV: Miscellaneous and Final Provision</p> <p>TITLE ONE. - PENAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>SECTION 511. Posting and Publication of Ordinances with Penal Sanctions. - (a)</p>	<p>Ordinance Compliance</p> <p>Barangay Posting and Publication via Social Media Platforms Policy.</p> <p>Mandatory Posting and Publication via Social Media Platforms:</p> <p>1. The barangay shall post and publish its guidelines, regulations, memoranda, or advisories from the Punong Barangay through social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.</p> <p>2. The posts shall contain relevant information related to the barangay's programs and activities.</p>



<p>ordinances with penal sanctions shall be posted at prominent places in the provincial capital, city, municipal or Barangay Hall, as the case may be, for a minimum period of three (3) consecutive weeks. Such ordinances shall also be published in a newspaper of general circulation, where available, within the territorial jurisdiction of the local government unit concerned, except in the case of Barangay ordinances. Unless otherwise provided therein, said ordinances shall take effect on the day following its publication, or at the end of the period of posting, whichever occurs later.)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. In order to ensure a wide reach of information for the barangay constituents, the barangay shall also publish these announcements on other social media platforms as deemed necessary. 4. The barangay shall also utilize social media to monitor and respond to any inquiries or complaints from the barangay constituents with regard to programs, services, or events of the barangay. 5. The accounts of the barangay in all social media platforms shall be regularly updated. 6. The content posted and published by the barangay on its social media platforms shall be considered official communications from the Barangay Government and will have legal effect. 7. The accounts must also be kept secure, free from any malicious activities. It is the responsibility of the person/s managing the accounts to ensure that no unauthorized access or modification of its content is done. All postings and publications must be reviewed by the Punong Barangay or any authorized representative prior to posting. Any barangay employee found violating this policy shall face disciplinary action in accordance with the rules and regulations of the barangay government.
<p>Peace and Order Ordinance</p> <p>Implementation</p> <p>Monitoring the Functionality of The Barangay Ordinances Policy</p> <p>Manually monitor and evaluate the functionality of the Barangay Ordinances.</p>	<p>Peace and Order Ordinance Implementation</p> <p>Monitoring the Functionality of The Barangay Ordinances Policy Through System</p> <p>The Barangay Ordinances Policy shall be regularly monitored using a system that will collect, analyze, and report data on its performance. The function of the system:</p>



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1. The system shall ensure that the policy is adhered to in a timely manner and any deviations or non-compliance are reported for corrective action.
2. The monitoring system should provide comprehensive information about the performance of the policy in terms of adherence to timelines, compliance with standards, and effectiveness in achieving the desired outcomes.
3. The system should also be able to provide feedback to stakeholders on how they can improve their operations in order to better support policy implementation.
4. The data produced by the monitoring system shall be used for evaluation purposes and shall serve as a basis for improvements or necessary changes in the policy.
5. The monitoring system shall also be able to produce tailored reports for each stakeholder, according to their individual needs and interests
6. The system should be flexible enough to incorporate any additional requirements as they arise so that it can remain up-to-date and relevant.
7. The system should provide a mechanism for stakeholders to submit feedback or queries, which shall be addressed in a timely manner. All stakeholders should have access to the system, and appropriate training should be provided on how to use it.
8. The monitoring system shall also include an audit mechanism to ensure its accuracy and reliability.



9. Any changes or amendments made to the policy should be documented and tracked in order to measure their effectiveness over time. The monitoring system shall be reviewed periodically in order to ensure that it is meeting the needs of stakeholders and providing the necessary insights into policy performance.

10. This policy for Monitoring the Functionality of The Barangay Ordinances should be made available to all stakeholders, including barangay officials, residents, and other interested parties, so that they can effectively monitor the implementation of the policy.

11. The system should be user-friendly and accessible for all parties while also being secure enough to guarantee data privacy and integrity.

CONCLUSIONS

1. That the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba can be considered fully implemented. Communication, ordinance compliance, and ordinance implementation are all important factors in ensuring that peace and order are maintained. The barangay is utilizing different platforms to disseminate information about peace and order initiatives and residents understand these ordinances and are also encouraged to participate in peace and order initiatives through community meetings, forums, or other gatherings. Additionally, the Barangay Officials of Barangay Tres follow/obey the Peace and Order ordinances and has a curfew in place for minors, which helps reduce the incidence of a crime involving minors. Also, ordinances in Barangay are being implemented any time of the day. Furthermore, local governments should ensure the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of their peace and order initiatives in order to effectively maintain a peaceful society.
2. That the challenges of communication, ordinance compliance, and peace and order implementation in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba are mostly observed at a high extent. This implies the need for the barangay to work on improving its communication strategies, enforcement of ordinances, and implementation of Peace and Order Ordinances in order to ensure better governance within the said barangay. It is also important to note that while some challenges may be observed to a low extent, they should still be addressed as they can still impede efficient governance within the barangay.
3. That there is no significant difference on the assessment of the officials and constituents on the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives and the extent of challenges encountered.



4. That there is no substantial link between the level of implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba, and the extent of challenges encountered. This also indicates that there are other factors that are significantly related to the implementation of peace and order initiatives in Barangay Tres, City of Calamba.
5. That the proposed policy reformulation for Barangay Tres, City of Calamba is necessary to enhance the communication system, ordinance compliance, and peace and order implementation by utilizing social media platforms.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above conclusions, suggestions and recommendations are listed below:

1. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba may improve its communication strategies by utilizing various platforms such as social media in order to effectively reach out to the constituents.
2. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba may improve its Ordinance Compliance by utilizing social media platforms in Barangat Forums.
3. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba may build a monitoring system to improve the monitoring of the functionality of policies. Regularly monitored using a system that will collect, analyze, and report data on its performance. The system shall ensure that the policy is adhered to in a timely manner and any deviations or non-compliance are reported for corrective action.
4. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba should actively engage the community in designing and implementing policies and programs. This will ensure that their interests are represented in the decision-making process
5. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba should create an enabling environment for stakeholders to participate in policy discussions and ensure that they feel heard and respected during the process
6. It is clear that there is a scarcity in the study, more research on the implementation of the peace and order initiatives, as well as the challenges encountered by Barangay Tres, City of Calamba should be done. It is also recommended that a qualitative strategy rather than a quantitative approach be employed in future research with the purpose of better understanding the Barangay official and constituents' experiences. Barangay Tres, City of Calamba will have a great opportunity to do all necessary analyses about the Policy formulation.

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