

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN ENHANCING CRIME PREVENTION MEASURE IN NORTH OLYMPUS BARANGAY KALIGAYAHAN QUEZON CITY

ABSTRACT

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Crime prevention is a multifaceted challenge that requires a comprehensive approach. While law enforcement plays a critical role, the effectiveness of crime prevention strategies is significantly enhanced by active community participation. This study explored the partnership between communities and authorities in combating crime, highlighting the benefits of community involvement in crime prevention initiatives. It examines how citizen engagement can contribute to a safer society and influence crime rates. This study used a descriptive research design to determine the effectiveness of community participation in enhancing safety measures in North Olympus, Barangay Kaligayahan, Quezon City. The respondents included thirty-seven (37) residents actively participating in crime prevention measures, eight (8) barangay officials, and five (5) law enforcement officers. Data were collected to assess community participation and crime prevention strategies. The findings revealed the profile of respondents: in terms of age, 18–25 years had 19 respondents (38%), 26–33 years had 13 respondents (26%), 34–41 years had 9 respondents (18%), 42–50 years had 6 respondents (12%), and 51 years and above had 3 respondents (6%). Regarding sex, 28 respondents (56%) were male, and 22 (44%) were female. In terms of civil status, 24 respondents (48%) were single, and 22 (22%) were married. The respondents strongly agreed on the effectiveness of community participation in terms of partnership, problem-oriented policing, and community engagement. The main challenge identified was that residents are often busy and may not prioritize attending meetings. Based on the findings, the data collected were valid and reliable. Community participation in North Olympus, Barangay Kaligayahan, Quezon City, was assessed as “Strongly Agree” in promoting partnership, problem-oriented policing, and active community engagement. However, time constraints and busy schedules among residents remain a key challenge that may limit full participation in crime prevention initiatives.

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