

AN ASSESSMENT OF THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ILLEGAL PARKING CLEARING OPERATION IN BARANGAY HOLY SPIRIT QUEZON CITY

ABSTRACT

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Illegal parking in Barangay Holy Spirit, Quezon City, disrupts traffic flow, blocks driveways, and endangers pedestrians. Many vehicle owners lack awareness of designated parking areas, resulting in street obstructions and safety hazards. This study examined how Metro Manila Development Authority clearing operations address illegal parking and explores factors—such as resident demographics and enforcement practices—that influence their effectiveness. A quantitative descriptive design was employed, surveying fifty participants: five MMDA enforcers, fifteen barangay officials, and thirty residents. Purposive sampling selected individuals directly involved in or affected by parking enforcement. In-person questionnaires gather demographic data and perceptions of clearing operations, regulatory awareness, and enforcement challenges. Data were analyzed using frequency distributions to identify predominant concerns and inform recommendations. Seventy-eight percent of respondents (39 of 50) agreed that illegal parking causes traffic jams and heavy congestion. Other frequently cited issues included limited awareness of parking regulations (65 percent), lack of designated parking spaces (60 percent) and insufficient enforcement of existing laws (58 percent). The least reported concern—close relationships between barangay officials and residents or businesses that hinder enforcement—received agreement from 20 percent. Based on these findings, specialized training for barangay officials and enhanced collaboration with the MMDA were recommended to strengthen clearing operations and public awareness campaigns. The study indicated that illegal parking significantly impaired traffic flow and public safety in Barangay Holy Spirit. As a result, targeted interventions—such as capacity building for enforcement personnel, community education on parking rules, and joint MMDA-barangay assessments—were proposed to improve compliance and operational efficiency. Future research was advised to explore community-driven solutions and policy enhancements to support sustainable parking enforcement.

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