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# 2 CITIES GET P4M V. COVID

*Naturalized Filipino offers property for quarantine center*

The fight against the Covid-19 pandemic in the cities of Cebu and Lapu-Lapu received a boost from businessman Michael Gleissner.

Gleissner donated P2 million each to the Local Government Units (LGUs) of the Cities of Cebu and Lapu-Lapu to help in the Covid-19 response of both cities, taking note of the active measures being undertaken by both LGUs to control the disease and ease the burden on their constituents.

Joe Mercado, Gleissner's representative in Cebu, turned over the donation of P2 million to Cebu City Mayor Edgardo Labella on May 6, 2020.

Lapu-Lapu City Mayor Junard “Ahong” Chan received the P2 million from Mercado in a separate turnover activity on May 7.

Gleissner, a Filipino as per declaration by Philippine Congress, also offered the use of the Bigfoot property at South Road Properties (SRP) in Cebu City as a quarantine facility.

The Cebu City Health Department reported a total of 1,660 Covid-19 cases as of May 12, with Barangay Mambaling having the most residents positive of COVID-19. The SRP is adjacent to Mambaling.

Lapu-Lapu City reported

42 Covid-19 positive cases as of May 11, with 15 recoveries and one death from the disease.

Gleissner's companies are located at the cities of Cebu and Lapu-Lapu. He was the first to acquire lands at SRP, and the first to set up a film-making studio in Barangay

Mactan, Lapu-Lapu City.

A German, Gleissner moved several of his companies to Asia, among them Bigfoot Communications and Cleverlearn Inc. in 2001. The next year, he began Bigfoot Entertainment to finance and develop video productions for various markets. He

applied for Philippine citizenship in 2006.

Gleissner currently claims to be a property developer in Southeast Asia and the United States along with developing entertainment projects under the Bigfoot Group of companies.



#### DONATION TO LAPU-LAPU CITY

Mayor Junard “Ahong” Chan (right) receives a check for P2 million from businessman Michael Gleissner, represented by Joe Mercado (left), to aid in Lapu-Lapu City's efforts to contain the Covid-19 virus.



#### DONATION TO CEBU CITY

Cebu City officials led by Mayor Edgardo Labella (3rd from L) accept businessman Michael Gleissner's P2 million donation from his representative in Cebu, Joe Mercado. The amount will be used in the city's Covid-19 response. Also in the photo are (from L) Atty. Mary Rose S. Lubino, Labella's Chief of Staff, Atty. Jerone Castillo of the City Treasurer's Office and City Treasurer Juanita Monina Paires.