Metric 6.3



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strengthening water conservation, wastewater management, and safe sanitation systems across its campuses to ensure reliable, clean, and sustainable water services for the entire university community.





Indicator 6.3.3



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Free drinking water provided



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Provides Free Water for ALL

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Saint Louis University (SLU) strengthens its commitment to sustainability and public health through the "Water is Life" initiative, which provides free access to clean, safe drinking water for students, staff, and visitors. In partnership with KBWorld Trading Corporation, the program was launched on November 28, 2023, with the first refilling station at the Diego Silang Building, SLU Main Campus. Led by SLU President Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales, CICM, the initiative promotes environmental stewardship by encouraging reusable bottles and reducing single-use plastic waste.

The project expanded in 2024 with new stations at the Maryheights Campus (February 12), Basic Education School Campuses (March 1), and the Sacred Heart Medical Center (August 12). All refilling stations use advanced filtration and ozonation technologies and are regularly tested by accredited laboratories to ensure compliance with health standards. Sensor-based dispensers minimize water spillage, and captured residual water is reused for cleaning and irrigation.

The initiative has reduced plastic bottle consumption, lowered SLU's carbon footprint, and fostered a campus culture of sustainability. It directly supports UN SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation, advancing equitable access to safe water and responsible resource use.

The Baguio City Council formally commended SLU as the first higher education institution in the Cordillera Administrative Region to provide free purified water to all. This recognition affirms SLU's leadership in ecological preservation and climate-responsive campus management.



