## The Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program: Towards Women's Empowerment or Further Entrapment? (Voices of Beneficiaries in Legazpi City)

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This study focuses on the significance of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program in the lives of mother-beneficiaries in Legazpi City. Data gathering methods included program documents review, interviews with mother-beneficiaries and focus group discussions. It is found that the program keeps mother-beneficiaries in their impoverished situations, hardly addressing, and even capitalizing on, their gender-specific poverty.