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In the past, Cebu City's efforts in UEM has been limited to the activities of the following departments:

- Department of Public Services
- City Planning and Development Office

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Environmental Issues were handled by the following national government and quasi-government agencies:

- Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- Metro Cebu Water District

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In recent years, we saw the evolution of the participation of private volunteer organizations, non-government organizations, and community associations in addressing UEM.

The revitalization of the City Planning and Development Office and the strengthening of the cooperation between private and public sectors has greatly improved UEM undertaking.

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CITY	NGO	PARTNERS
CDC	CLEAR	Kitakyushu
SWMB	PCAPI	IGES/KIN
	Lihok Filipina	KITA
DPS		Harlemermeer
CPDO	University	Fort Collins
DENR	Programs	ICLEI

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Past Activities:

- Butuanon River Rehabilitation
- Air Quality Monitoring
- GHG Monitoring and Evaluation
- Wastewater Monitoring and Management
- Cleaner Production
- Citizen's Awareness Seminars
- Landfill Improvement Activities
- Guadalupe River Project (new)
- Garbage Collection Improvement

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Cebu City' direction in recent years:

- Strengthening of the City Development Council CDC
  - increasing membership of NGOs from 28 to 54 (from 25% to 40%)
  - providing access by NGOs to the City Budget
  - going into collaboration with NGOs

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Areas of Concern and Future Development Directions:

- Need to Harmonize and Integrate Efforts of all players in UEM
- Creation of ENRO – Environment and Natural Resources Office
- Advocacy Programs for Citizen's Awareness in UEM concerns and generating citizen's and community participation
- Cooperation with adjacent LGUs

Katilingbanong Pagdumala sa mga Biya (KPB)

(Community Waste Management)

A Program of Lihok Pilipina Fdn., Inc.

and

Cebu City Government

with

Partner Barangays, Communities and Agencies

The KPB Experience...

Started in October 2001

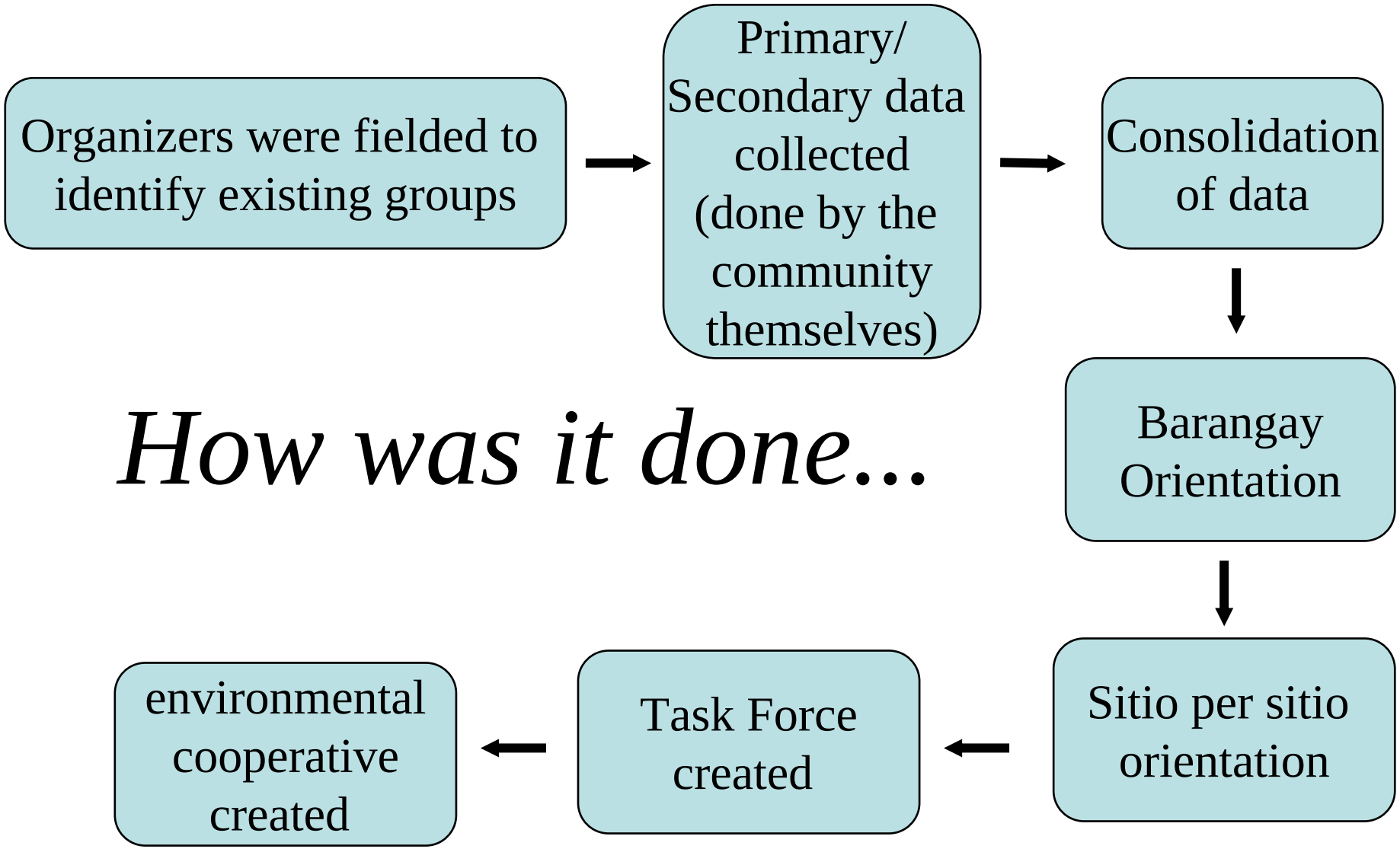
Piloted in 5 Barangays
(Sambag I, Sambag II, Tisa, Labangon & Calamba)

Expanded to 6 areas in 2003
(P. Central, San Nicolas Proper, P. San Nicolas, Pasil, Ermita & Kamagayan)

Objective:

The communities in the barangays will have <u>improved their quality of life</u> by developing a more <u>viable and sustainable mechanism for managing solid waste</u> that can be replicated by the rest of the city.

How was it done...



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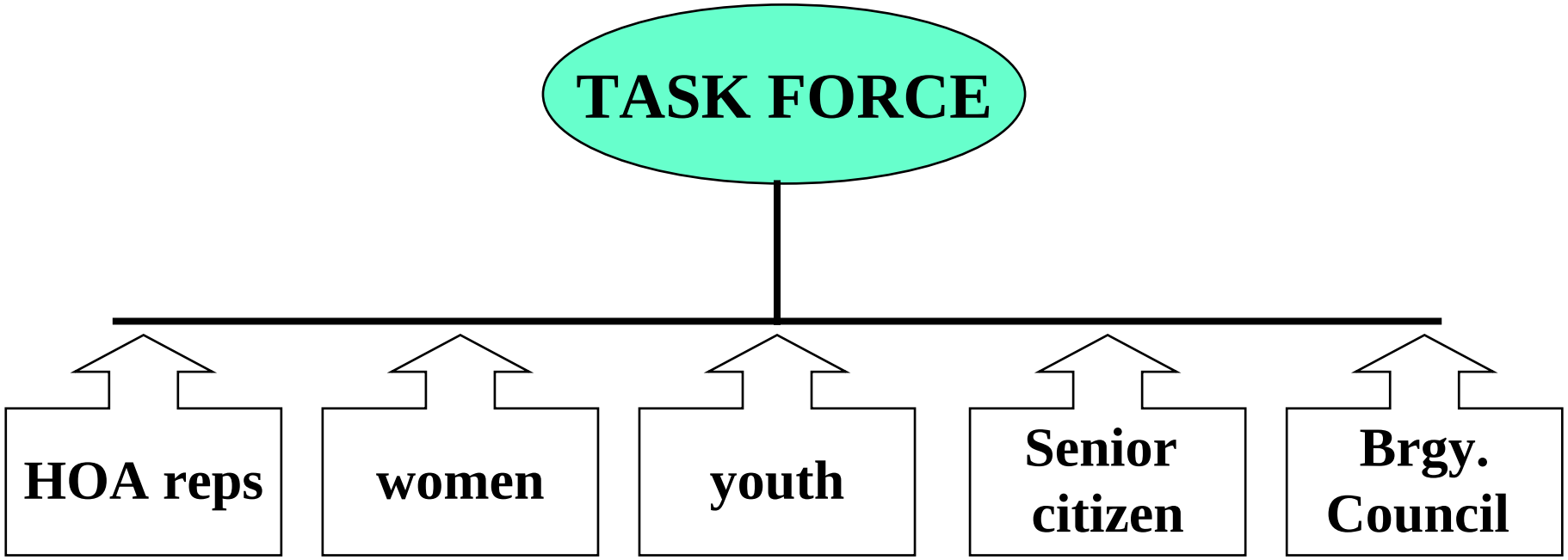


Significance and Purpose of the Study

A. ***The issue of waste management is a serious issue****:*

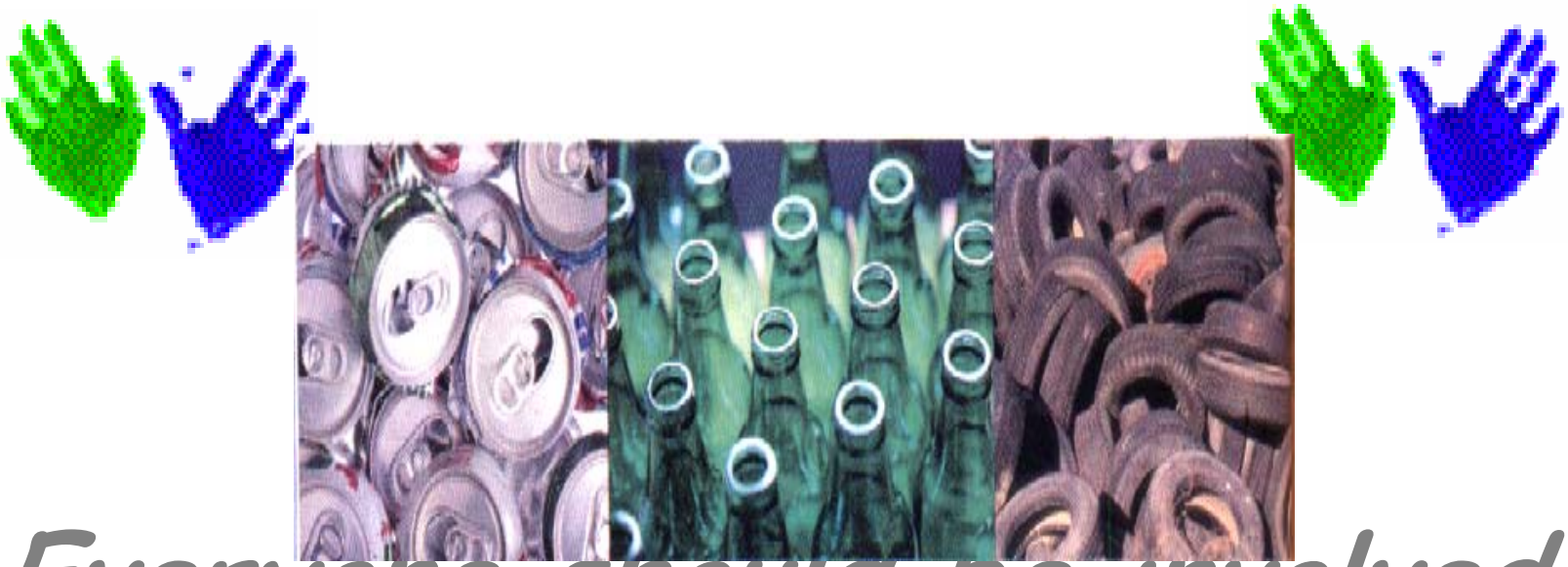
Cebu's water source is the underground water whose quality is determined by the ways and extent the city manages both its liquid and solid waste.

- **The city's existing landfill in Inayawan is estimated to be filled up in 2005.**

- **Cebu is the center of commerce, industry and education in the Visayas and Mindanao, it can't afford to stay in squalor.**

Since waste is everybody's by-product, a multi-stakeholder /multi-sectoral approach is necessary.

NOT US, THEN WHO?



Everyone should be involved.