

2016 ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS

1. Increased and improved support for “disabilities friendly” employers and the promotion of employment of persons with disabilities.
2. Reconsider the compulsory school age and encourage youth over 16 years old to stay in school until at least high school graduation or the completion of vocational training.
3. Provide improved childcare and transportation for young adults returning to school.
4. Expand local government support for veteran services especially for veterans who may not qualify for federal government programs (veterans who have committed a crime, were dishonorably discharged or who are currently homeless) and increase the amount of employers and landlords who are “veteran friendly”, which may increase the likeliness of a homeless veteran to have permanent housing.
5. Increase the local government support for drug and alcohol residential treatment programs as well as encourage the training of new substance abuse counselors throughout our region, therefore increasing the capacity to address the rise in substance abuse cases.
6. Increase the number of crisis workers in the field of behavioral health to supplement the increased needs of our communities, including the need in substance abuse treatment.
7. Ensure full representation and inclusion of NGOs (non-governmental organizations) in the decision making processes as well as deepen the understanding and defining roles of NGOs across the Pacific.
8. Urgencies for CSOs (civil society organizations) to work towards solutions vigilantly in the face of militarization in our region as well as create a regional umbrella organization for CSOs.
9. Establish better access to better health services/care.
10. Develop an improved infrastructure on regional transportation (air and sea).
11. Establish a collective effort regionally using a “One Pacific” ideological approach to addressing our needs in Micronesia.
12. Increase and engage congressional support for local and regional causes.