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1. League of Women Voters of the United States

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

The League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS), established in 1920, operates through more than 250,000 activists throughout the United States of America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The LWVUS mission is as a nonpartisan political organization, which encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- 1) Continuing work to eliminate human trafficking (HT) by developing multi-sectoral strategies, educating and advocating with the United States State Department and member states, civil society, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), private sector, academia and other government agencies.
 - a. Established the NGO Coalition for Alliance 8.7, implementing solutions to end demand for labour trafficking. Serve on executive board of Coalition to Stop Trafficking in Persons. Serve on Executive Committee of Working Group on Girls (WGG) and involved in the planning of International Day of the Girl events 2013-16.
 - b. Chair Outreach and Awareness Committee for New Jersey Attorney General's Human Trafficking Task Force, sharing best practices between it and the United Nations. Comprehensive strategy developed in conjunction with SRSG Pais used at SuperBowl 2014 and World Cup 2014.
- 2) Advocating for women's political and economic empowerment throughout United Nations community through side events for CSW58-61 and as NGOCSW/NY

Executive Committee member to produce NGO CSW61 Forum including advocacy and interventions.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

1) Organized and participated in the following side events in the United Nations, New York, United States:

a. Preventing Exploitation of Girls at Major Events, 6 March 2013 (co-sponsored by Brazil, LWVUS, WGG)

b. Preventing Child Trafficking and Exploitation 19 November, 2013 (co-sponsored by Canada, SRSR Pais, LWVUS, WGG)

c. Women Leaders in Business and Politics: Making THE Difference 11 March, 2014

d. Women in Government: Influencing Economics and Social Change 13 March, 2015 (co-sponsored by Germany, Poland, LWVUS)

e. Boy-Girl Dialogue on Preventing Gender Violence 19 March, 2015

f. Women in Government: Successes, Failures and Challenges 14 March, 2016 (co-sponsored by Albania, Fiji, Rwanda, Israel, LWVUS)

g. The Business of Parliaments 14, March, 2017 (co-sponsored by Germany, Ukraine, LWVUS)

2) Interventions

a. United Nations 70th Anniversary 22 October, 2015 (speech on LWVUS contributions to United Nations)

b. Panel speaker on Rethinking Child Labor, Ensure Quality Education, Not Child Marriage 12 June, 2015 (organized by Grenada, International Labor Organization)

c. Oral interventions at UNODC, DPI, SRSR conferences on human trafficking, women's economic and political participation

d. Written interventions on gender violence as precursor to conflict, partnership engagements and response to Secretary General's Synthesis Report.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In addition to the bodies identified above, LWVUS has also supervised NGO DPI Executive Committee elections and attended General Assembly, Security Council, and ECOSOC

programs.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

- 1) Education on SDGs at LWVUS conferences
- 2) Ending gender violence and human trafficking, promoting women's economic and political empowerment, climate change.

2. Lift up Care Foundation

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Lift up Care Foundation (LUCAF) is a non-governmental, non-profit making, non-religious and non-political organization established in 2006 with the aim of ensuring societal development in the area of Health, Education, Vocational training, Economic Empowerment with focus on children, women and other vulnerable groups. LUCAF got registered with CAC in 2006 with registration number 20591 with offices in Okene, Lokoja, Ankpa and FCT-Abuja all in Nigeria. The organization goal is to ensure that the wellbeing of vulnerable groups and societal development in Health Campaign, Education and Economic Empowerment Improved.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization is poised towards the improvement of the wellbeing of vulnerable groups in the society, in line with her stated derive remain resolute, dedicated, focused and motivated to keep the momentum of providing quality services, as well as scale-up her Support Group activities, Holistic Household Economic Strengthening (HES) & Nutrition services, Education and Health to include HIV/TB interventions, Psychosocial support and Child protection to her targeted beneficiaries.

Significant changes in the organization

Lift Up Care Foundation (LUCAF) will humbly wish to be reclassified from special consultative status to general consultative status.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1. Eradication of Extreme Poverty and Hunger – The organization provided Nutrition Support, Farm inputs and Cash Transfer to caregivers to stem down hunger and reduce the proportion of people living on less than one dollar in Nigeria.
2. Combating HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Tuberculosis (TB) and other diseases – The organization carried out comprehensive home base care for over 5,500 clients and their families, while

enrolling over 90 new HIV positive cases.

3. The organization Contributed to nationwide maternal health improvement plan and activities.

4. The organization implemented tree planting program to ensure environmental sustainability within Nigeria.

5. The organization Supported 6 disabled persons with wheelchairs and also organized series of workshop for them.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization representative attended the 58th session of the Commission on the status of Women 10-21 March 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization contributed to MDGs 1 and 3 Eradication of Extreme Poverty and Hunger to stem down hunger and reduce the proportion of people living on less than one dollar in Nigeria, while promoting gender equality and women empowerment.

The organization contributed to MDGs 6&7 Combating HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Tuberculosis (TB) and ensuring environmental sustainability

The organization observed the World AIDS Day each year on 1 December, International Water Day and International Day for the Eradication of Violence against Women.

3. Living Bread International Church Inc.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Living Bread International Church (LBIC) feeding programs eradicate poverty. The vision is to help unwed and pregnant women and orphans. We rescue those with lives in danger. LBIC partners with government and has initiatives with the police to collect illegal weapons for amnesty which combats terrorism.

Aims and purposes of the organization

LBIC's purpose is to provide a vehicle for the operation of a church and the conducting of various outreach activities in furtherance of our charitable purposes and to initiate, fund and administer a wide variety of charitable, educational, religious, or literary projects.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

1. LBIC feeds the poorest in Kenya in Kibera slum, 3rd largest slum in the world, at 8 different feeding stations/week. The police we work with estimate we're feeding 4,000/month. We also have an initiative that collects illegal weapons for amnesty which combats terrorism.
2. LBIC provides humanitarian aid for women prisoners, 800 in Kenya and 60 in the State of Palestine.
3. LBIC brings disabled women and children from Gaza to Israel for medical treatment.
4. LBIC helps eradicate hunger for the poorest in the State of Palestine, through many means.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

LBIC attended the 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW58), 10-21 March 2014. LBIC members also attended the 25th Session of the UN Human Rights Council, 24-28 March 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

LBIC staff worked in the United Nations school in Jericho, State of Palestine, to teach local children English in 2014.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

LBIC contributed to MDG 1 providing humanitarian aid/food for those living in poverty for over 3,000 in Israel, 4,000 in the West Bank, Palestine, 1,000 in Gaza, Palestine, and 120,000 in Kenya from 2013-2016.

LBIC contributed to MDG 3 from 2013-2016 in a variety of ways. LBIC helped 20-30 unwed/pregnant women in Israel by helping feed and house them. LBIC empowers and supplies humanitarian aid to female prisoners, 800 in Kenya and 60 in Gaza.

LBIC contributes to MDG 4 in Israel by assisting 20-30 children of unwed mothers and in Kenya by feeding 60,0000 poor children. In 2017, LBIC plans orphanages in Gaza for the “illegal” babies and in Kenya for the children of prisoners.

4. Mama Zimbi Foundation

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Mama Zimbi Foundation (MZF). Activities: Empowering widows through lifelong learning

Headquarters: Accra, Ghana; Number of beneficiaries: 8,000 widows.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Mama Zimbi Foundation (MZF) is a non-governmental organization which seeks to empower and support thousands of widows through its Widows Alliance Network (WANE) project for sustainable socio-economic development of widows, involve in the issues of adolescents (Adolescents Sexual Reproductive Health) and HIV Education on prevention and treatment.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- Empowering thousands of widows through lifelong learning and micro credits.
- HIV education on prevention and treatments through the TV, radio, community activities and social media
- Adolescents sexual reproductive health campaigns through the TV, radio, community activities and social media

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

- Our Founder and Executive Director, Dr. Joyce Akumaa Dongotey-Padi was a speaker at the Parallel Events on Widows at CSW 58, 59 and 60.
- Our organization represented by Dr. Joyce Akumaa Dongotey-Padi was part of Ghana's delegation to CSW 58, 59 and 60.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The Mama Zimbi Foundation (MZF) partnership to UNAIDS Ghana under the Ghana Protect

the Goal Campaign (PtG) initiative was part of a larger campaign strategy to reach out to, engage, educate and empower the youth and our vast targeted communities on the critical issues of HIV/AIDS, sexual and reproductive health. It was a campaign through the media and community based activities. The community based activities basically was about the thousands of widows under MZF umbrella becoming ambassadors for HIV education and agents of change in the education of their community members, especially young girls, so that communities get adequate knowledge on HIV prevention, living with HIV and fighting stigma and discrimination.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

- Our organization was signatory to the ‘Statement on Widowhood to the 58th CSW on MDG Relevance’
- Our annual National Widows Alliance Conference (NAWAC) with about 3,000 women participants from across Ghana for advocacy and national widows cohesion is organized on a large scale as the grand occasion where all of Ghana and Africa are made to appreciate the roles women especially widows are playing as ambassadors of change in their communities. This conference which is the biggest gathering of widows in Africa, is also to celebrate the United Nations International Widows Day.

5. Marie Stopes International

(Special; 2001)

Introduction

Introduction Special Consultative Status granted to MSI in 2001. MSI is a global, non-profit and non-governmental organization committed to upholding the fundamental right of women and couples to decide freely, and without coercion, the number and spacing of their children, in accordance with the 1994 Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development. Founded in 1976, MSI provides services in 37 countries, with support offices in London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Melbourne, Australia, and Washington, DC, United States of America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MSI provides high-quality sexual and reproductive health services—family planning, maternal and child health, comprehensive abortion care, and HIV/AIDS services to millions of people living in poverty, including those living in rural areas or urban slums, refugees, and internally displaced populations. By the end of 2016, contributed to achieving these objectives by:

- 10.3 million client visits
- 25 million women using contraception provided by Marie Stopes International

The impact of our services in 2016:

- 7.6m unintended pregnancies averted
- 4.8m unsafe abortions averted
- 21,600 maternal deaths averted. We achieved this through a service delivery network comprised of 12,000 team members, 3,700 social franchisees, 30,000 outreach locations
- We have 620 centres

In 2015 we reached our millionth client visits.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MSI participated in the 2012 London Summit on Family Planning, committing to expanded contraceptive provision leading up to 2020. MSI works closely with UNFPA and WHO, including through the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition, and a seat on the steering committee of UNFPA Supplies to improve access to and quality of reproductive health supplies. MSI partners with UNFPA for training implementation, service delivery, technical support, and advocacy activities in a range of countries. Cooperation with United Nations bodies MSI supports UNFPA's Global Programme for Reproductive Health Commodity Security, now UNFPA Supplies. MSI engages in policy formulation with the WHO, providing technical expertise on matters including task shifting. MSI's EuroNGOs Steering Committee member provided input to a civil society/UN high-level meeting in Paris, France, 2016. In 2015 MSI updated our London Summit on Family Planning, MSI pledged to reach 12 million new users of contraception by 2020. This represents 10 percent of FP2020's overall goal to enable 120 million more women and girls to use contraceptives by 2020.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

MSI participated in a Side event at the Commission on Population and Development in 2016 and was an observer at the UN General Assembly in 2015 and 2016. MSI supports UNFPA's Global Programme for Reproductive Health Commodity Security, now UNFPA Supplies. MSI engages in policy formulation with the WHO, providing technical expertise on matters including task shifting. MSI's EuroNGOs Steering Committee member provided input to a civil society/UN high-level meeting in Paris 2016.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

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Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Through the delivery of SRH services. In 2009, just over 8 million women used an MSI-supplied contraceptive; in 2012, and this has increased to 25 million by 2016. In 2016, 28%

of MSI's clients were living on less than \$1.25 per day, and 30% were younger than 24. Through service provision and advocacy MSI will continue to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals with a particular focus on Goals 3 and 5.

6. Mata Amritanandamayi Math

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

The Mata Amritanandamayi Math (MAM) is an India- based humanitarian organization, carrying out charitable projects throughout India in the areas of disaster relief, healthcare, housing, feeding the hungry, care homes for children, environmental preservation, education, empowering women, and public health. MAM also manages Embracing the World (ETW), a global network of charitable projects inspired by MAM's founder and chairperson, Sri Mata Amritanandamayi Devi (Amma).

Aims and purposes of the organization

Embracing the World exists to help alleviate the burden of the world's poor through helping to meet each of their five basic needs — food, shelter, education, healthcare and livelihood — wherever and whenever possible.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- Donated \$15 million to the Namami Gange -- Clean the Ganges Project, India (2015)
- Currently doing \$15 million worth of toilet construction and other environmental efforts in Kerala, India
- Member Organization of the UN Billion Tree Campaign: over 1 million trees planted worldwide
- Clean India, Beautiful India: Cleaning drives in cities, temple grounds, rivers, parks, etc.
- Sustainable Communities: Permaculture at our centers worldwide
- Providing solar- and hydro-power solutions for rural villages
- Human-computer interaction for everyone: Pushing technology's envelope to embrace the poor
- Education everywhere: Virtual laboratories to level the playing field

- Amrita RITE: Tablet-based learning in remote communities
- Creating and Deploying Wireless Technology for Detecting Landslides in Kerala and Himalayas, India
- Fighting an epidemic with biotechnology: Innovating low-cost solutions.
- Innovative energy technologies for rural villages
- Working to deploy mobile technologies for health and empowerment in 101 rural villages*
- Providing Internet signal to fishing boats 45 km past normal reach.
- Vulnerability Mapping for India's Women
- New Method for 30-minute cancer detection and other Nanotechnologies for health
- Designing and running non-formal educational programs with 8,000 youth (age 15 - 30) from more than 30 countries worldwide to foster youth participation, human rights awareness and the arts

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Attended CSW at the UN HQ in 2015/ 2016.

Attended Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and Rule of Law at the UN in Geneva, Switzerland, 2016

Aurore du Roy attended the UNAOC Fellowship Programme in 2016

Attended UNESCO International Conference on the Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education: Taking Action at UNESCO MGIEP in New Delhi, India.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

M.A. Math, through its university Amrita University, co-sponsored the UNAI/Amrita Conference on Technology for Sustainable Development - July 2015 at United Nations in New York, United States.

Karen Sneha Moawad selected as Global Champion, Empower Women, UN Women 2015-2016 and as a Mentor for Global Champions, 2016

M.A. Math through the Amrita University was awarded the UNESCO Chair for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

M.A. Math, through its youth wing 'AYUDH', is a member of the Working Group on Youth for Gender Equality of the UN Inter-Agency Network on Youth Development (IANYD),

2015-now

M.A. Math youth wing 'AYUDH', partnered with the IANYD to host the International Youth Summits 'One World. One Home.' in 2016 and 'Educate. Cultivate. Participate.' in Frankfurt, Germany 2017

M.A. Math, youth wing 'AYUDH', is partnering with UNESCO MGIEP to organize the first ever iTAGe event.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

1) Women's Empowerment Vocational Skills Training to teach plumbing, carpentry, electrical skills as well as life skills, sanitation, etc. Hundreds of toilets have been built by the women themselves benefiting 5,000 women, in support of SDGs: #1, #3, #4, #5, #6, #8

2) Karen Sneha Moawad was Empower Women Global Champion 2016 (UN Women). The campaign was worldwide, affecting thousands, in support of SDGs: #4, #5

3) Adoption of 101 villages throughout India with a commitment to bring the villages up in a sustainable way through agriculture, building homes, vocational skills training, literacy training, road improvement, life skills training regarding human rights, legal rights for women, anti-alcohol classes, banking, setting up businesses, interest-free loans to thousands of Self Help groups of 20 women each.

Campaign extends across 21 States in India, benefiting thousands of families in support of SDGs: #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10, #15

4) Bhavani Rao, UNESCO Chair for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, is heading a four year effort in conjunction with UNESCO and UNESCO chairs worldwide that will extend across 21 States: #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10, #15. Vulnerabilities will be mapped.

5) Programs to increase young people's competence, motivation and confidence to contribute to the implementation and monitoring of the SDGs: #1, #2, #4, #5, #10, #13, #16, #17

7. Mbororo Social and Cultural Development Association

(Special; 2005)

Introduction

MBOSCUDA is an umbrella association of the Mbororo people in Cameroon, a non-religious, non-profit and apolitical that covers 8 of the 10 regions of Cameroon.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Aims: Peaceful Cameroon where Mbororo pastoralists secure sustainable development and equal rights in a healthy environment. Mission: Work with grassroots communities to achieve their human, economic, social and cultural needs and empowerment through collaboration at all levels

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

- Seminars, radio and television programmes on indigenous and land rights is a routine
- About 8.000 Mbororos trained on adult literacy and income generation, youths trained on entrepreneurship and provided capital for business by the government
- Alliance Farming developed to resolve farmer/grazier conflicts
- In the North-West Region, Cameroon, August 2015 – July 2016, awareness on climate change in 84 communities, breeders educated on sustainable environmental management. Sensitization on human rights abuses and victims provided legal support

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

MBOSCUDA delegates attended UN permanent forum 2013 in NYC

Presentative attended Human Rights Council Sessions at Geneva, Switzerland, 2015

Delegates attended the World Intellectual Property Organisation meetings in Geneva and made oral interventions

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

- International Food and Agricultural Organisation provided funding to MBOSCUDA through International Land Coalition on advocacy and land policy dialogue, 2013 - 2016
- UN High Commission for Refugees supports the issuing of birth certificate to Mbororo children
- Working with UN Centre for Human Rights and Democracy on the promotion of human rights and indigenous issues
- Collaboration with ILO on the promotion of convention 169
- World's Indigenous Day celebrated by government in Mbororo communities in 2012 and 2016
- UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Food visited Cameroon in 2012, held meeting with MBOSCUDA
- MBOSCUDA collaborates with other UN agencies: UNESCO and UNICEF

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Through lobby: 8 primary schools and civil status registration centres created in Mbororo communities by government, Mbororo youths recruited into the public service and over 200 University students were offered financial assistant by the government. Sensitization on HIV/AIDS awareness and advocacy for the creation of health centres in Mbororo communities.

8. Mexican Foundation for Family Planning (MEXFAM)

(Special; 2001)

Introduction

The Mexican Foundation on Family Planning, AC - MEXFAM- is a civil society organization (CSO) founded back in 1965, with the aim of to promote family planning in Mexico. At that time, Mexico witnessed an increasing demand for contraceptive services but national programs still went into the opposite direction; policies had a pro-natalist approach. Over the time, MEXFAM became a leading Mexican organization in providing information, education, and access to contraceptives to all population but mostly to those in greater need, including adolescents and youth where governmental protocols prohibited those populations to get served. In 1994, and 1995, MEXFAM participated and adopted Cairo and Beijing resolutions on sexual and reproductive health and rights, together with gender equality and empowerment of women. Later on, in 2000, MEXFAM obtained ECOSOC status, and ever since have developed its agenda tightened to agreements and consensus reached at UN on matters related to Human Rights, Population, and Development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Currently, MEXFAM is committed with the following institutional mission, and goals:

Mission: MEXFAM is a Mexican Civil Society Organization (CSO), aimed to improve the quality of life of the population, through the provision of quality services on sexual and reproductive health and comprehensive sexuality education, with gender perspective, human rights approach, and empowerment and building citizenship.

Institutional Strategic Goals: Strategic Goal 1: To contribute so sexual and reproductive rights as well as gender equality will be assumed, respected, and translated into national's public policies and programs.

Strategic Goal 2: To reach 14.3 million people through informational and educational activities on comprehensive sexuality education.

Strategic Goal 3: To provide more than 2 million sexual and reproductive health services targeted to population most in need.

Strategic Goal 4: To consolidate MEXFAM as a financially sustainable,

transparent/accountable, united and efficient organization.

Significant changes in the organization

A new president was appointed.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MEXFAM is committed with the United Nations agenda on topics such as equality, gender and Human Rights, women empowerment, poverty eradication, and population and development. MEXFAM devoted efforts so that the State of Mexico put in practice the above UN resolutions. Also, MEXFAM promotes at national level the UN means of implementation and cross cutting issues on democracy, rule of law, transparency, and accountability. MEXFAM has become an active stakeholder involved in monitoring and follow up activities that keep track of national commitments submitted at regional and global UN fora.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

During the last four years, MEXFAM has actively participated in the development, negotiation, final adoption, and follow up to date of the following UN Conferences:

- a) Sustainable Development Goals and the Global Agenda 2030,
- b) Financial for Development Addis Ababa Action Agenda,
- c) Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Conference on Population and Development- Montevideo Consensus,
- d) International Conferences on Population and Development
- e) Commission on the Status of Women

MEXFAM has participated in the above conferences either by the Women's Major Group, or by being part of the official Mexican Delegation.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

MEXFAM is in close cooperation with the following UN bodies: UNDESA, UNFPA, UN Women, and CEPAL.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MEXFAM is committed with the implementation and follow up of the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda, at national, subnational, regional, and global level. And therefore, participate as a stakeholder in different working groups. MEXFAM will focus its efforts and knowledge sharing on equality, women empowerment, human rights - mainly sexual and reproductive rights - FfD and MOI, population and development, and poverty eradication. In the last 4 years, MEXFAM provided 4.3 million health services to Mexican population including girls, adolescents, and women.

9. MINBYUN - Lawyers for a Democratic Society

(Special; 2001)

Introduction

MINBYUN consists of 1143 lawyers and has 8 national branches from all parts of South Korea.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MINBYUN seeks to improve democracy and promote social justice. The activities of MINBYUN range from general litigations for the victims of human rights violations to awareness-building projects such as organizing conferences/seminars and publications.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Communication Letters Sent to the UN Special Rapporteur:

- 1) Submitted communication letters to Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health on victims of Samsung's occupational deceases. (2013. 9. 25.)
- 2) Submitted complaints to the UN Special Rapporteur and Human Rights Defenders about judicial and legal independence. (2015. 1. 23.)
- 3) Submitted individual petition under the Optional Protocol to the UN United Nations Human Rights Committee on the dissolution of the Progressive Party (2015. 12. 11.)
- 4) Submitted additional UN Special Procedure petition about decision of Ministry of Justice to start disciplinary procedure. (2015. 10. 30.)
- 5) Filed an emergency petition with the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention about suspicions related to the planned escape of North Korean restaurant employees (2016. 6. 10.)

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Human Rights Council

1) UN Human Rights Council intervention activity

- Recorded the oral statement of Minbyun and submitted it to the secretariat of the UN Human Rights Council due to the opening of 22nd regular session (March, 2013) and the adoption of the Korea UPR Report., 2. 28.

2) Participated in the 25th Session of the UN Human Rights Council

- Participation period: 2014. 3. 8.~15.

- Attendees and key activities:, Oral statement, Held the side event, Meeting with UN human rights special rapporteur.

3) UN Human Rights Council intervention activity

-Participated in the 28th Session of the UN Human Rights Council

- Participation period: 2015. 3. 11.~ 17.

- Attendees and key activities: Oral statement, Meeting with UN human rights special rapporteur.

4) Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance County Visit (2014. 9. 27.-10. 6.)

-Coordinated NGO meeting and press conference 5) Universal Periodic Review - Submitted UPR NGO report (2017. 03. 23)

6) Participated in the 29th Session of the UN Human Rights Council

- Participation period: 2015. 6. 15 ~ 7. 3.

- Attendees and key activities:, Oral statement, Held the side event, Meeting with UN human rights special rapporteur.

7) Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes County Visit (2015. 10. 12. ~23.)

- Coordinated Press Conference: 2015. 10. 23.

8) Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association country visit (2016. 1. 20.~29.) -Accompanied the rapporteur to Seoul, Ansan, Kyungju - Coordinated press conference (2016. 1. 12)

9) Participated in the 32nd Session of the UN Human Rights Council

- Participation period: 2016. 6. 14 ~ 6. 17).

- Attendees and key activities:, Oral statement, Held the side event, Meeting with UN human

rights special rapporteur.

3. Human Rights Treaty Bodies 1) Submitted NGO List of Issues report to United Nations Human Rights Committee (2015. 9. 23.) 2) Participated CEDAW consideration for Japan regarding the comfort women issue (2016. 2. 10.~17.) Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

10. Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund is based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, United States of America, and has worked to advance the cause of life since 1968. It is a grassroots organization comprised of more than 70,000 families, 200 chapters, and a professional staff of 12. While the organization's work is primarily within the USA, it has now shared its expertise and materials in more than 67 countries around the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund seeks to foster a respect for all human beings throughout the full life course. The organization focuses on the area of education in order to build consensus among non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations and United Nations agencies to protect human beings and their human rights.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund has attended United Nations events, contributed written and oral statements, met with delegates, and created and distributed educational materials. These efforts have contributed to the United Nations development agenda with respect to maternal health, infant and child health, and other objectives.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund has taken part in many meetings of the United Nations. For example, representatives of the organization attended the Seventh Session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 12-15 December 2016; the 49th Session of the Commission on Population and

Development, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 11-15 April 2016; the 60th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 14-24 March 2016; the High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 20 November 2014; and the Special session of the General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014, United Nations Headquarters, New York, 22 September 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Inc. Education Fund issued press releases and created educational brochures emphasizing the importance of the Millennium Development Goals—and, subsequently, the Sustainable Development Goals—pertaining to maternal and child health. By spotlighting these issues in the press and at United Nations conferences and meetings, the organization has helped facilitate progress.

11. MIROSLAVA International Alliance

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

MIROSLAVA International Alliance implements peacekeeping projects directed on strengthening civil society, increasing level of awareness of Ukrainian population of standards of democracy, rule of law, welfare against poverty, culture's diversity, tolerance, informational hunger overcoming in Ukraine. Areas of our work:

- Human Rights
- Information
- Peace, Security
- Gender, Women
- Culture, culture's diversity
- Tolerance
- Sustainable Development
- Humanitarian Affairs.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MIROSLAVA's aims and purposes are promoting peace and security, mutual understanding among people, human rights, and information space expanding via using Information technologies (IT) and films on democratic directions including issues of European and Euro-Atlantic integration of Ukraine.

Information campaign "Space without confines" is main activity which includes researching, advocating, and informational programmes. These are as grass-roots project implementation as wide Information campaign with using IT, communication mission. Target groups are women, youth and risk groups, enterprises collectives and NGOs.

For wider covering space Information campaign "Space without confines" uses films which were created by MIROSLAVA. Films are about civil society, European and Euro-Atlantic integration. Films are being showed at Conferences, meetings, seminars, trainings, exhibitions and humanitarian actions. Also, MIROSLAVA promotes the urgent humanitarian assistance for terrorist acts victims, risk groups and involves other structures for help to Ukraine.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MIROSLAVA's activities to contribution to the work of the United Nations are: 1) NATO events realization in the form of trainings, meetings, round tables and discussion clubs for promoting basic knowledge about collective security system for promoting peaceful protected societies for sustainable development via Information Campaign "Space without confines". This is a very important informational educational activity to Ukraine that contributes to the implementation of the Decree of the President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko on the intensification of informing about NATO. For better acceptance of information films are used for such activities as norm. Information campaign "Space without confines" covers various spheres of life and aimed at different groups of the population, including students, schoolchildren, women, girls, workers of enterprises and firms, non-governmental organizations and the mass media; 2) IT activity as creating web-sites, working with and via social media. This activity includes consultations at a distance and the organization of joint actions and covers different groups of population of Ukraine. It is important way to access to information and improved coordination between citizens, law enforcement bodies, local authorities and other stakeholders to promote community security. IT activity helps to equalize the information space in Ukraine; 3) Lobby of Non-governmental organizations interests and changes of laws for transparency and democracy via interaction with Ministry of Justice of Ukraine; 4) Promoting humanitarian assistance for welfare against poverty. Target groups are the vulnerable and conflict- affected population, including victims of Sexual and Gender-based Violence (SGBV); 5) Speak-tours including exhibitions and discussion meetings with using thematic videos for promotion of tolerance, understanding, and dialog of cultures.

So, MIROSLAVA is expanding information space via Information campaign "Space without confines" which covers all kind of the business, branch of knowledge, the rule of law, respect for human rights, peace and security, and promotion of respect of human self-respect people and tolerance.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The UNDP proposed to MIROSLAVA to prepare project for financial assistance in collaboration with the UNDP for Ukraine for nearest future. It can be activity in the frame of Project of UNDP as Democratic Governance (Democratization, Human Rights and Civil Society Development Programme in Ukraine). The programme promotes an open and democratic society, which is based on the rule of law and is governed by the values of human rights supremacy, openness and accountability at all levels of government.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Our organization's activities did not focus on specific initiatives in fulfilment of the MDGs, but rather on supporting the overall development agenda through advocacy and outreach.

12. Modern Advocacy, Humanitarian, Social and Rehabilitation Association

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Modern Advocacy, Humanitarian, Social and Rehabilitation Association (MAHSRA) is based in Cameroon and works with collaborators in 7 other countries. Since 11 October 2006, it uses human-centered growth platforms to foster sustainable development priorities.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MAHSRA addresses issues of equality, opportunity, participation, social justice and meritocratic equity through strategic empowerment values for vulnerable persons and community women. It also uses e-governance and other advocacy approaches to co-operate and influence societal authorities and leaders towards achieving desired changes.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MAHSRA contributed information on community health database network systems for sustainable technological growth with healthcare delivery, equality and broader e-governance implicit measures within and across developing countries at the Health and Populations Dynamics thematic focus of the sustainabledevelopment.org platform.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

MAHSRA representatives attended the following meetings:

- Fifty-third session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD53) under theme: “Rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world” held from 4 to 13 of February 2015, New York, United States.
- Fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW59) related to the follow-up to the fourth World Conference on women and to the special session of the General Assembly held from 9 to 20 March 2015, New York.

- Forty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD49) under theme: “Strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 Development agenda” held from 11 to 15 April 2016, New York.

Submitted written titled statements to the following:

- 58th session of the CSW under theme: “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century” held from 10 to 21 March 2014, New York.

- 59th session of the CSW, titled: “the gender mainstreaming approach to enhance effective women’s empowerment through poverty eradication and modern education” held from 9 to 20 March 2015, New York.

- 48th session of the CPD, titled: “The integration of migration policies and the human well-being orientation framework to foster sustainable development”, held from 13 to 17 April 2015, New York.

- 49th session of the CPD, titled: “Strengthening internal national population migration policies and ideologies in promoting the post-2015 development agenda” held from 11 to 15 April 2016, New York.

- 2015 United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) High Level Segment (HLS2015) Annual Ministerial review, under theme: “Managing the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to the sustainable development goals: what it will take”, held from the 6 to 10 July 2015, New York.

- 2016 High Level Political Forum HLS2016, titled: “Transforming Governments’ Macroeconomic Greed into Achievable Needs for its Most Unfortunate Populations” held from the 18 to 22 of July 2016, New York. - 54th session of the CSocD, titled: “How a Socially Cohesive Approach within Economic Sectors can Foster Social Development” held from 3 to 12 February 2016, New York.

- 30th Session of Human Rights Council (HRC30), titled: “Human rights and gender-based and sexual violence within the traditional African man’s mind frame towards building the ‘future we want’” held from 14 September to 2 October 2015, Geneva, Switzerland.

- 31st HRC, titled: “Facing the Anthropological Obstacles that deter the Universality, Indivisibility, Interdependence and Interrelatedness of all Human Rights”, held from 29 February to 24 March 2016, Geneva.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Contributed at arrived the resolutions of the 9th pan-African congress of United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Clubs, Centres and Associations on 15 and 16 May 2015 in Yaounde – Cameroon, themed: “Training of Teachers towards Sustainable Development and Quality Education”.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

- In 2013 and 2014, MAHSRA contributed to MDGs 1, 3 and 8 in Cameroon and Nigeria by providing socioeconomic and political empowerment measures for 2,430 widows and girls; nutritional assistance to 600 orphans; and introduced a database networking platform for better inclusive e-governance measures within sub-Saharan Africa.

- In 2015 and 2016, MAHSRA contributed to SDGs 2, 5, and 8 in Cameroon by training 340 traditional, civil society, religious leaders and government authorities in combating barbaric customs that deter the development rights of community women and girls. It provided subsistence equipment to 600 community widows and educated 151 economic operators, sociopolitical entrepreneurs, diplomatic and elite authorities on promoting socioeconomic policies that support community participation, local culture and vulnerable people.

13. Montage Initiative, Inc.

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

Montage Initiative believes in strengthening connections between women's economic empowerment and peace; creating sustainable impacts in eradicating extreme poverty; and making lasting differences in the lives of women, their families, and communities.

Geographical coverage: The United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, India and South America.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Montage Initiative's activities focus on alleviating unacceptable levels of poverty, replacing degradation with dignity, and empowering women to determine their own lives. Our efforts include yearly participation and sponsorship of events held at the United Nations; Youth Leadership programs; training and education, and Student Immersion trips to India. Our Student Advisory Board assists in decision-making and is unique in that it gives young people a crucial role in Montage Initiative's programs.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Attendance of annual Sessions of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW); participation in the Global Alliance for Advocacy & Action; active member of the NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO-CSW) in New York; participation in Youth Forums and Youth Assemblies at the United Nations.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Co-sponsored a side event, "In Our Right Minds", with the Permanent Mission of El Salvador at the Dag Hammarskjold Library's main auditorium for the 58th Session of the CSW, promoting gender equality and galvanized action for women's empowerment. 11 March 2014;

New York, USA

Co-sponsored a parallel event “Young Women and Leadership: Education, Opportunities and Obstacles” with Women’s Federation for World Peace International (WFWPI) at the 59th Session of the CSW at the Armenian Convention Center. 9 March 2015; New York, USA

Panel speaker in a parallel event hosted by WFWPI at the 60th Session of the CSW, called “Engaging Women in Sustainable Development: Family. Transformation. Co-Prosperity.” held at the Salvation Army Auditorium. 15 March 2016; New York, USA

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Signed a written statement submitted by Dr. Mohini Giri, Chairperson, Guild of Service (GOS, India) & War Widows Association (India) to the 59th session of the CSW, addressing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, including current challenges that affect its implementation and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Contributed to MDG’s 1, 3 and 8, engaging students from Fairfield University course IL 150 Operations of Non-Profit Organizations through in-service learning activities; 20 student interns participated with hands-on projects that addressed marginalized women, peace-building and youth leadership skills.

Contributed to MDG’s 1, 3 and 8 with a screening of “White Rainbow”, followed by a panel discussion led by Dr. Giri (GOS), raising awareness about the plight of widows in India. The evening ended with the sale of the widow’s hand-made crafts from Ma Dahm Shelter. The event took place at Fairfield University with over 75 attendees.

Contributed to MDG’s 1, 3 and 8 by hosting a Learning Day in September 2013 at Norwalk Community College and Fairfield University, called “Transforming Conflict and Peace Building”, engaging 85 attendees in conflict mapping, raising awareness of the role of women and gender equality in conflict situations and showing the negative effects of conflict on poverty. Flyers and publicity reached over 1200 people.

Contributed to MDG’s 1, 4, 7 and 8 in January of 2014, hosting a fundraiser event “Chanting for Harmony” and raising \$500 in disaster relief funds for victims of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines. 100% of proceeds went to the American Red Cross for the provision of food,

emergency supplies, and financial resources to alleviate poverty and hunger of typhoon victims while raising awareness about climate change consequences, and calling for environmentally responsible action.

Contributed to MDG's 1, 3, 7 and 8 while addressing the National Action Plan agreed in UN resolution 1325 by hosting a Student Immersion Trip in December 2016; 15 undergraduate and graduate students from the USA joined Montage Initiative leaders to India, where we combined academic work with basic field work, nurturing critical thinking and reasoning, engaging students intellectually and spiritually with world issues, issues of social justice and gender equality, and inclusion of women in decision making, peace building and peace processes through gender mainstreaming. Students brought back a gender sensitized understanding of developmental issues vital for those seeking careers in the developmental field and international funding agencies.

14. Mosaic

(Special; 2013)

Introduction

As part of Mosaic, a United States-based organization founded in 1913 to provide services for individuals with intellectual disabilities, Mosaic International was formed to bring those services to children with disabilities in developing countries and emerging democracies. Currently, Mosaic has partners in Tanzania and Romania.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Mosaic International works with in-country partners to establish, refine and grow programs for children and young adults with disabilities through capacity building and financial assistance. Our goal is to help them develop to their full potential and create meaningful lives in caring communities.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Establishing a preventative health care program for 200 children with disabilities in Tanzania, including distribution of nutritional supplements and sanitary pads. Increasing access to physical therapy and mobility equipment through local partnerships in Tanzania. Establishing an inclusive education classroom at a local primary school in Tanzania. Establishing a vocational training program for young adults with disabilities in Tanzania. Supporting an independent living program for young adults with disabilities in Romania.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 58th and 59th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in March 2014 and 2015. Representatives attended the 60th session of the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 14th to 24th of March 2016 and submitted

an oral statement. Representatives attended the 7th and 8th sessions of the Conference of State Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in of June 2014 and 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Mosaic responded to the to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities draft General Comment (GC) number 4, Article 24: The right to inclusive education.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Mosaic contributed to MDGs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 10 in Moshi, Tanzania by:

- Providing vocational training and stipends to 17 young adults
- Removing burden of healthcare costs from 200 families thus increasing their financial security
- Free healthcare, health education, and occupational therapy for 200 children and their care givers.
- Providing daily meals to 100 children with disabilities and nutritional supplements to 30.
- Providing reproductive health education and reusable sanitary pads to 40 young women and their care givers.
- Establishing an inclusive education classroom for 12 students at Moshi Primary School.
- Providing income generation opportunities and microcredit loans for 200 parents.

15. Narcotics Anonymous World Services

(Special; 1997)

Introduction

Founded in 1953, Narcotics Anonymous (NA) is a global non-governmental organization based on a mutual-support approach to recovery from addiction to all drugs. More than 67,000 NA meetings are held in at least 132 countries and 6 continents around the world. NA World Services (NAWS) is the central coordinating body for NA's activities worldwide and the publisher of NA's literature. NAWS has a primary office in Los Angeles, CA, USA, and branch offices in: Mississauga, Ontario, Canada; Brussels, Belgium; Tehran, Iran; and Bangalore, India.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The basic purpose of our world services are communication, coordination, information, and guidance. We provide these services so that our groups and members can more successfully carry the message of recovery, and so that our program of recovery can be made more available to addicts everywhere.

Significant changes in the organization

We have observed considerable growth on the African continent and growth continues in the Middle East and Russia during this time period. Emerging growth in counties of Thailand, Malaysia, and Indonesia.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Twelve Steps of Narcotics Anonymous guide the individual member in his or her personal recovery program. Similarly, The Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous guide the fellowship in its service and interface with other organizations. According to the guiding principles of these traditions, NA interacts with individuals and other organizations to help addicts find recovery and to ensure that accurate information about our program is available. We seek to develop cooperative relationships that are mutually beneficial to both NA and those organizations with which we interact. To maintain its focus on recovery from addiction,

Narcotics Anonymous is not able to affiliate with or endorse any other organization or program, nor does NA express opinions on issues outside its own scope of activity. In keeping with these essential principles, direct interaction with UN meetings or events is limited; however, the organization has been very active in outreach and development activities around the world during this reporting period. The development excursions allow NA World Services representatives (both NAWS staff and World Board members) to directly interact with local NA communities with a focus on the specific developmental needs of those communities. Additionally, in many emerging NA communities, NAWS participates in government interface to assist development efforts for NA to help addicts in those communities. During this period we had extensive development travel to NA communities in Latin America, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia. We do not have space to list the trips but will be happy to provide specifics if asked.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

As mentioned previously, NA's singular purpose prevents us from working to carry out the aims of any other organizations. That said, our governmental interfaces around the world do aid in humanitarian efforts by offering drug addicts an opportunity to become drug-free and to lead responsible and productive lives. We believe this will indirectly impact several of the United Nations MDGs and SDGs in a positive way.