

NCDA BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 01 /2023

A Resolution Urging Local Government Units to Establish Social Protection Program and Services for Persons with Disabilities

WHEREAS, Among the strategies identified in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028 on Chapter 11, ensuring food resiliency and reducing vulnerabilities of Filipinos, is to improve and expand social protection programs to reduce poverty and manage shocks due to disasters and public health emergencies;

FURTHERMORE, the PDP included as a strategy, the need to improve the accessibility of social protection services for persons with disabilities to ensure their access and inclusion on an equal basis with others;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 138, Series of 2021 mandated Local Government Units (LGUs) to develop programs and services for persons with disabilities in line with the increased budget allocation as per Mandanas-Garcia ruling. In view thereof, the need to enhance social protection programs and services for persons with disabilities at the LGUs is a must especially during the pandemic and public health emergencies;

WHEREAS, 45% of families with senior citizens, persons with disabilities and pregnant women had limited access to basic necessities such as food, shelter and clothing;

WHEREAS, providing social protection for persons with disabilities in the LGU programs and services as part of inclusion policy will ensure the attainment and fulfillment of Article 25 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) on the right to health; Article 26 on habilitation and rehabilitation; Article 27 on work and employment Article 28 on adequate standard of living and social protection and further Sustainable Development Goals 1 and 2, ending poverty and hunger. Thus, ensuring that no one should be left behind in attaining food resiliency for all individuals.

NOW THEREFORE, RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the NCDA Board issued this resolution urging the LGUs to adopt the social protection floor as approved by the President, as applicable, to implement programs and services for persons with disabilities to ensure their access to food, shelter and clothing, and manage shocks during disasters and public health emergencies;

Let copies of this Resolution be furnished to LGUs and member agencies for information and appropriate action.

Approved this 29th day of March 2023 during the NCDA 1st Quarter Board Meeting held at Oracle Hotel, Quezon City.

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