

Department of Social Welfare and Development
PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM
NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NAC)

NAC Resolution No. 38
Series of 2016

Enjoining Pantawid Partner Beneficiaries to Engage in Backyard/Communal/Container Gardening

WHEREAS, the *Pantawid Pamilya* National Advisory Committee (NAC) is the highest policy-making inter-agency body that provides policy directions and guidance on matters pertinent to program implementation;

WHEREAS, the Family Development Sessions (FDS) component of the program is a monthly session for Pantawid Pamilya parents which helps to strengthen their capabilities for them to become more responsive to the needs of their children and family, and be further exposed to the society for deeper social awareness and more active involvement in different community development activities.

WHEREAS, the Philippines continues to be challenged by high levels of child undernutrition at 21.5% for underweight-for-age, 33.2% for stunting or being short-for-age, 7.1% for wasting or being thin (FNRI National Nutrition Survey, 2015); together with an average hunger incidence of about 13% in 2015 and 2016 (SWS September 2016); and relatively low consumption of fruits and vegetables, starchy roots and tubers, and dried beans and nuts (FNRI National Nutrition Survey, 2013); thus, the need for government to help its citizens in achieving food security and calorie and nutrient sufficiency

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved by the members of the NAC in a meeting assembled on 24th of November 2016, to approve the following policies:


1. The Pantawid Pamilya shall enjoin all partner beneficiaries in establishing backyard/communal/container gardens, with edible produce (edible gardens) like vegetables, fruits and poultry, to eventually prevent malnutrition and food insecurity through strengthening the implementation of FDS on Food and Nutrition and Bio-Intensive Gardening which promotes health, nutrition and food security and hunger mitigation.
2. The Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the Local Government Units (LGUs), other national government agencies, civil society organization partners, and other key stakeholders shall be enjoined to support the program through conduct of FDS and other capability building, community organizing and organizational development activities; provision of resources like seedlings and farm implements, and other technical assistance relative to backyard/communal/container gardening.




Adopted this 24th day of November, Two Thousand and Sixteen, in Quezon City.



JUDY M. TAGUIWALO
Secretary

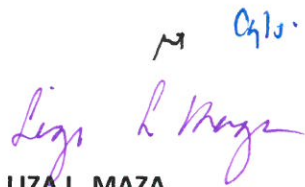
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