STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS
FOR A HEALTHIER ISLAND COMMUNITY

MAY 24-25, 2016
TUMON, GUAM
The PEACE Pillars for Success
The Latte Foundation for Successful Community Prevention Efforts

The Prevention Education and Community Empowerment Plan, also known as the five-year PEACE plan, calls prevention partners to the forefront to be part of the change, to promote positive mental health, to stop suicide and to prevent substance use in our island.

In 2013, pacific islanders gathered to create a shared vision for the island community: people empowered and committed to making healthy lifestyle choices. Five basic priorities, as visualized in the PEACE Pillars for Success Logic Model, are the community’s building blocks to realizing overall health and wellness of the people: Effective Communication, Strong Leadership, Empowered Youth, Grassroots Engagement, and Safe and Healthy Environment.

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Safety
Health and Wellness
Education and Empowerment
Infrastructure and Leadership
Environmental Stewardship
Culture and Spirituality

Effective Communication
1) Establish a strong working group for media plan development with accurate cultural background representation;
2) Maintain and enhance social media resources;
3) Adhere to CIES standards;
4) Develop a comprehensive master calendar for improved coordination of services and advanced participatory planning.

Strong Leadership
1) Provide opportunities for trainings in effective leadership and mentoring;
2) Strengthen/Establish traditional leaders in community initiatives;
3) Develop village leaders.

Empower Youth
1) Strengthen/Enforce policies regarding official youth representation;
2) Increase youth on Guam notified as trauma in behavioral health-related prevention forums;
3) Develop prevention media campaign materials with youth to youth;
4) Increase diversity of youth participation in youth leadership programs; and
5) Increase opportunities for student internships in prevention programs/pre-employment education.

Grassroots Engagement
1) Produce/Disseminate resources to key grassroots members/leaders;
2) Increase representation of ethnic, civic, and cultural groups in PEACE; and
3) Strengthen formal partnerships throughout PEACE to collaborate, implement and sustain prevention programs that utilize Pacific Island cultural values and strengths as protective factors.

Safe & Healthy Environment
1) Research and establish PEACE partnerships with public and private entities charged with environmental issues.

The PEACE Plan for Success

PILLARS FOR SUCCESS
Staff + Funding + Time + Resources + Data/Research Findings + Equipment + Technology + Expertise + Knowledge + Cultural Relevancy + Respect + Care + Passion

WHAT WE PUT IN
Assumptions
1. Improved knowledge and skills leads to change; invovles which lead to positive behavior change;
2. Community members are valuable resources and have the ability to make positive change; and
3. What we say, what we’ve learned and experienced, and the strengths we use and teach in our cultures, work.
WORKING TOWARDS A HEALTHY FUTURE

Buenas yam hefa adai! We’d like to congratulate the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center’s Prevention and Training branch and the PEACE Partners for Success for putting together another amazing conference. We commend you for your dedication to improving our island and thank you for all your hard work in ensuring this conference is a success every year.

This year’s conference theme, “Strengthening Partnerships for a Healthier Island,” highlights the importance of our community joining forces in the fight against our island’s health issues. Numerous nonprofit organizations have stepped up, committing to influence positive behavior in Guam. But the work doesn’t stop there. This conference is an opportunity for each and every one of us to learn how we can do our part in healing our community from the effects of the health issues on Guam.

We commend everyone who is participating in the 3rd Annual Gathering of Pacific Islanders for Prevention Education and Community Empowerment (GOPEACE). Each of us can play a role in healing our community, and we encourage you to be a part of the change in creating a healthier Guam.

Un dangkulu na si Yu’us Ma’åse!

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May 24, 2016

Hafa Adai GOPEACE Partners!

Dangkulo na si yu’os ma’ase for making community health your priority by participating in the 3rd Annual Gathering of Pacific Islanders for Prevention Education and Community Empowerment (GOPEACE).

Your voice and presence is imperative to the success of this island wide effort to reduce and prevent tobacco use, underage and problem drinking, other substance use, and suicide on Guam. Our community is rich with many diverse cultures and languages from many native lands. Here at GOPEACE, we will continue to weave together our gifts and strengths to build a wider net of support for our families.

At the 1st GOPEACE, we joined together to promote community healing and empowerment based on the fundamental GONA principles of belonging, mastery, interdependence, and generosity. The work from this conference laid the foundation for the development of Guam’s 5-year comprehensive PEACE plan. The 2nd GOPEACE continued this journey as we reinforced those principles and skills in the work of our Partnerships for Success (PFS) partners.

This year, as we embark on the 3rd Annual GOPEACE, I welcome you to continue the conversation and journey towards promoting positive mental health and preventing substance use and suicide. Through this two-day training, it is my hope that you will leave with a refined sense of inter-organizational collaboration to sustain community-driven prevention initiatives. As leaders in our community, you set the direction and serve as a guiding source for prevention efforts. Collectively, we can improve the lives of our families, friends, and neighbors. I thank you for your commitment, service, and passion to build resilience among and improve the health of our island people!

Your investment in prevention is key to strengthening partnerships for a healthier island community.

Si yu’os ma’ase,

Rey Vega
Director
Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center
Hafa Adai Prevention Partners and Community Champions

On behalf of the Governor's PEACE Council, we welcome you to the 3rd Annual GOPEACE Conference. Thank you PEACE Partners for your commitment to substance abuse prevention and mental health promotion in our island communities. It is challenging work and your steadfast leadership is acknowledged and appreciated. You are the cultural brokers for this beautiful, gifted and diverse community. We applaud the evidence-based and culturally relevant programs that you are developing and implementing in your respective communities to address alcohol abuse, underage drinking and suicide prevention. We trust that the training you will receive in this conference from CADCA, GBHWC's Prevention and Training Branch, and PEACE Partners for Success will empower you to continue the work that you are doing with successful results of a healthier island. Those who are impacted by your work today may not always have their voices heard because of their brokenness. Thank you for bearing their stories, for doing the tough work, and making a difference.

Sincerely,
Andresina McManus
Chairperson, PEACE Council
In 1992, the President's Drug Advisory Council encouraged the formation of a not-for-profit, CADCA, to respond to the rising drug issues and the emerging substance abuse prevention partnerships and their need to share ideas, problems and solutions. The organization has evolved to become the principal international substance abuse prevention organization working with community-based coalitions. For over two decades, Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) has been on the front lines addressing and preventing underage and excessive alcohol use, tobacco, illicit drugs, and the misuse and abuse of prescription and over-the-counter medicines. CADCA's mission is to strengthen the capacity of community coalitions to create and maintain safe, healthy and drug-free communities globally.

Since its formation, CADCA has had a presence in virtually every community in all 50 states. A membership organization working on behalf of community coalitions, CADCA has built an international network and infrastructure that supports more than 5,000 coalitions operating in 22 countries including US territories, on five continents. The agency also has special consultative status to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations.

CADCA has assembled a team of experts in the areas of public policy, training and technical assistance, adult and youth leadership, evaluation and research, and innovation and outreach, all committed to achieving population-level reduction of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and related problems — with a keen focus on community health and wellness. The agency has a proven track record of providing the national leadership and policy advocacy required to create a supportive climate for the coalition movement to not only survive but thrive. CADCA effectively trains coalitions to act as community leaders in health outcomes by using a proven science-based method for solving a variety of complex social problems. (Yang, E., Fishman, P. F., Collins, C., & Ahn, S. (2012). Journal of Community Psychology. Testing a Comprehensive Community Problem-Solving Framework for Community Coalitions, 40(6), 681-698.)

Guam delegates represented the PEACE Partners of Success in the Annual Leadership Forum hosted by CADCA on February 1-4, 2016 in National Harbor, MD. Guam, along with representatives from Hawaii, Palau, CNMI, RMI and American Samoa, met with CADCA's Chairman and CEO Gen. Arthur T. Dean to discuss substance use issues and concerns in the Pacific region. CADCA assured its commitment to provide guidance and resources to local organizations and coalitions.
Your GOPEACE Facilitators

Kareemah Abdullah, CPS, ICPS

Kareemah Abdullah, an International Certified Prevention Specialist is the Director of the National Community Anti-Drug Coalition Institute (Institute) and Vice President of Training Operations for CADCA in Alexandria, Virginia. The Institute established by Congress in 2001, partners with the Executive Office of the President, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to achieve its mandate. The Institute is “both a vehicle for coalition-specific substance abuse prevention, policy development and a center for coalition training, technical assistance, evaluation, research and capacity building.”

As the Vice President for Training Operations, Kareemah is the chief architect of CADCA’s youth programs, featuring the National Youth Leadership Initiative (NYLI), and provides oversight for both youth and adult fee-for-service operations. Under her leadership, a comprehensive demand reduction training system was created including the National Coalition Academy. This system represents the largest sustained training and technical assistance undertaking for coalitions in CADCA’s, ONDCP’s and SAMHSA’s history. The Institute’s systems change model is used in local, state, regional and international settings. Additionally, Abdullah had a successful corporate career that spanned more than 20 years.

Kareemah has presented papers and trained internationally as a US delegate on the Institute’s independently-evaluated population-level change model and the highly acclaimed NYLI. She has acquired and leveraged millions of dollars and is a distinguished administrator, master trainer, facilitator and coach, effective interviewer, broadcast moderator, talk show host and keynote speaker.

Teresa Bishop

Teresa Bishop is an instructor for the National Coalition Academy and serves as the Lead Trainer for the National Youth Leadership Initiative for the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) (NYLI). She is also the Founder and Director of Provision Training and Consulting, LLC and received her Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration, Personnel Management, from the University of Central Florida.

Over the past 20 years, she has worked in the children and families arena and in recent years has championed causes around youth development, juvenile justice reform and community development issues. Ms. Bishop has provided training and technical assistance for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the Department of Labor national initiatives.

Through these projects of national significance and other work, Bishop has collaborated with government, state and local officials, youth and family serving agencies, grass roots organizations and coalitions. As a subject matter expert, she provides technical assistance around organizational, program development, and strategic planning to affect youth development, community change and system reform.

Melissa Kim - Tom

Melissa-Kim Tom is the Training Manager for the Training, Technical Assistance Department of CADCA’s National Coalition Institute. Through this role, Melissa works with national substance abuse prevention coalition leaders to identify training needs and support the development for customized comprehensive training and workshops. She is responsible for the management and care of CADCA’s comprehensive national training delivery system and ensuring all protocols and procedure are followed.

Her decades of experience as a prevention leader in her previous role working with the Coalition for Drug-Free Hawaii (CDFH) allows Melissa to provide cultural perspective, training and guidance to coalitions working with Asian Pacific Islanders.
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| 9:00 am | **Opening Plenary: Our Journey... How We Got Here**  
facilitated by GOPEACE emcees: Juan Flores and Tasha Tydingco  |
| 9:45 am | **Plenary Keynote: Changing Times – The Role and Value of Prevention and Coalitions**  
presented by: Kareemah Abdullah  |
| 9:45 am | Welcome Remarks  
Governor Eddie Baza Calvo  
Rey M. Vega, Director, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center  
Andresina McManus, Chairperson, Governor’s PEACE Council  |
| 10:30 am | Break                                       |
| 10:45 am | **Prevention 101: What Every Coalition Member Needs to Know**  
Presented by: Teresa Bishop  |
| 12:00 pm | Lunch                                       |
| 1:00 pm | **What Are You Really Trying to Change? Determining Your Local Conditions**  
presented by: Teresa Bishop and Kareemah Abdullah  |
| 3:15 pm | Break                                       |
| 3:30 pm | Conference attendees will be divided into two breakout sessions. Each group will be guided by CADCA trainers and local experts.  |
| 4:30 pm | **Closing Plenary: Wrap-up and Evaluation**  
facilitated by GOPEACE emcees: Juan Flores and Tasha Tydingco  |
| 5:00 pm | End of GOPEACE Conference Day 1             |
**Conference Agenda**

**Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

8:30 am  Sign-in and Networking

9:00 am  **Opening Plenary: Day 1 Recap, Day 2 Forecast**  
facilitated by GOPEACE emcees: OJ Taitano and Sara Harrell

9:15 am  **Advanced Environmental Strategies to Achieve Community-Level Change**  
presented by: Teresa Bishop and Kareemah Abdullah

Many coalitions invest significant time and effort in prevention strategies focused on raising public awareness and helping individuals make healthy choices to impact individual behavior changes. Sustainable population-level behavior change, however, requires additional focus on community systems, formal and informal policies, and specific local conditions to affect the settings in which substance use/misuse occurs. The latest research supports the notion that coalitions must develop and implement a comprehensive and complementary set of interventions to create change in their communities.

This course will emphasize the importance of identifying those settings where substance-related problems occur and articulating the context of these “hotspots” as actionable local conditions during the problem analysis process. Then, participants will develop comprehensive intervention maps based on CADCA's Seven Strategies to Affect Behavior Change starting with Strategy #7: Modify/Change Policies and working up the list to identify complementary interventions. Finally, participants will learn about best and promising practices used to impact environments that perpetuate underage drinking and illicit drug use.

10:00 am  Break

10:30 am  **Strategic and Action Planning**

Many coalition members are familiar with strategic planning from their work in business, nonprofits or governmental organizations. Effective organizations require solid strategic planning to accomplish their goals and coalitions are no different. Strategic Planning provides an inspirational rationale for why a community should address substance abuse. Strategic Planning explains why the coalition is an important part of any solution. Strategic Planning spells out what the coalition hopes to achieve. Strategic planning is all about what is to be done. By contrast, Action Planning spells out the steps for how to get the work done. Strategic planning is about “what” and action planning is about “how.”

12:00 pm  Lunch

1:00 pm  **Understanding Community-Level Evaluation**  
presented by: Teresa Bishop and Kareemah Abdullah

Coalitions and community organizations often treat sustainability as being separate from strategy and evaluation. In reality, strategy and evaluation can greatly influence future sustainability. You will leave this workshop understanding why it is important to treat your coalition’s work as a continuous and comprehensive process of learning and improvement. The standards for each step in the coalition process will be taught through interactive activities and we will guide you through assessing your coalition against these standards. We will share a set of tools to support your coalition’s ability to engage in this continuous and comprehensive process of learning and improvement.

2:45 pm  Break

3:00 pm  **Building Community Capacity – It’s All About Relationships!**  
presented by: Teresa Bishop, Kareemah Abdullah and Melissa Kim-Tom

One sign of a successful coalition is that it develops strategic partnerships with local organizations to achieve its mission. Coalitions should be able to establish their relevance in any public domain from homelessness to economic development. This course examines ways that a small group of community leaders can quickly and efficiently increase community involvement and support for the coalition’s plan to reduce substance abuse.

4:30 pm  **Closing Plenary: Wrap-up and Evaluation**  
facilitated by GOPEACE emcees: OJ Taitano and Sara Harrell

5:00 pm  End of GOPEACE Conference Day 2

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**10 | 3RD ANNUAL GOPEACE CONFERENCE**
Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Guam

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Guam (BBSBG) is an affiliate of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, the nation’s premier mentoring organization. Since 2002, BBSBG has been enriching the lives of hundreds of children throughout the island by providing excellence in one-to-one mentoring. BBSG offers programs and support services that encourage lasting mentoring relationships that result in measurable, positive impacts.

What We Do
Our programs produce measurable positive impacts and help children to reach their true potential. They include:

- One-to-one mentoring programs in schools, communities and non-school sites such as GHURA Housing sites, Ironwood Dededo, Ironwood Tamuning, and Summer Homes.
- High school mentoring programs for exceptional teens who excel in academics, demonstrate strong leadership and character.
- Volunteer trainings and retreats; high school leadership training.
- Quarterly match support activities.

BBSG employs trained caseworkers to oversee mentoring matches. They screen and train volunteers and mentors to ensure match success and continuity. Volunteer opportunities are available in many of the BBSG programs.

The Phoenix Wrestling Club (PWC) was founded in 2013 to allow student athletes to continue training and enhancing their skills during ‘off season.’ Since its founding, the organization has focused on empowering participants by requiring that they uphold certain standards of moral character. As prevention partners, our participants will be given the opportunity to enhance their skills and become role models and advocates for healthy lifestyles. It is our goal that all our participants become well-rounded and productive individuals in their communities and leaders in prevention.
Sanctuary, Incorporated of Guam was founded in November 1971 as an alternative to the juvenile justice system for runaway, homeless, and other disadvantaged youth. In alignment with PEACE's mission of "an island community empowered to making informed decisions towards a healthier future for ourselves and others on Guam," Sanctuary has likewise continued to fulfill its mission of "Helping Youth and Families Help Themselves" by providing a multitude of services through its 24-hour Crisis, COED Emergency Shelter, Sagan Na'homlo' Para I Manhoben Residential Treatment Facility (A Place to Heal for Our Children), Permanent Housing Program, Parent Support Group/Parent Skills Class, Youth Anger Management, Adult Anger Management, Drug and Alcohol outpatient groups, and Outreach events. As a Partnerships for Success (PFS) sub-recipient, we build upon the PEACE pillars of success which are youth empowerment, effective communication, strong leadership, grassroots engagement, and safe and healthy environment. Services are voluntary requiring consent of both youth and parent/legal guardian and provided at no cost.

Our 24-hour crisis hotline, funded via PEACE, is handled by trained professionals to assist people who are experiencing personal emotional or behavioral issues that involve conflict or stressful situations with family or other significant relationships.

Our crisis intervention service is a short-term helping process that focuses on the resolution of immediate problems through the use of personal, social, and environmental resources. The crisis hotline also serves as a resource for referrals to other services in the community that may also provide critical services to youth and families. Sanctuary, Incorporated continues to partner with organizations such as PEACE, in an effort to enhance the quality of life for Guam's youth.

STA. TERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

The mission of Santa Teresa Catholic Church (STC) is to serve, strengthen, and nourish the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of the Church community of God. The Church was founded February 25, 1951 and will celebrate its 65th anniversary as a faith community in 2016.

STC is one of the largest parishes on the island of Guam and is located in Mangilao along Vietnam Veterans Highway (Route Ten) across from the Mangilao Mayor's Office. The parish has a vibrant, active community - from the young to the manamko'. Many people from other villages make STC their home parish. Currently, the parish has 550 registered families, and overall membership is estimated at up to 3,000 people.

STC is known for its active youth ministries. Currently there are 15 youth ministries. They are: Altar Servers, Columbian Roses, Columbian Squires, Cultural Arts, Contemporary Dances, Faith And Fitness Alliance, Environment Team, Hospitality Team, Liturgical Dancers, Mangilao M.A.G.l.C, Music Ministry, Outreach Team, Sign Language Team, W.A.V.E, and the new Media Ministry.

STC is centrally located in the village of Mangilao. The 2010 Census puts the village of Mangilao at over 15,000 people. Mangilao lies between the villages of Barrigada and Chalan Pago. However, the village is unique in that it also branches out into subdivisions bordering the heavily populated villages of Dededo and Yigo. Many parishioners come from these subdivisions, including Latte Heights, Latte Plantation, Sunrise Village, Banyan Heights, and lower and upper Pagat. In addition, there are a large number of parishioners from other villages.

STC has had a history of outreach projects beyond its church walls and parishioners. This has included feeding the homeless, visiting GMH patients, a summer picnic for DYA inmates, clothing and toy drives, school supply drives, a manamko' Valentine's dance, "New Year, New Hope" breakfast for the needy, and activities for foster families and those under the care of the ALEE Shelter.
Meet the GOPEACE Planning Committee (PFS Partners for Success)

Guam’s Alternative Lifestyle Association, Inc.

GALA, Inc. exists to strengthen the quality of life for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) persons and their families through support, education and advocacy. GALA upholds a society that embraces social diversity through love and respect for all. The association’s services that include: Peer Education Program, HIV/STD testing and prevention services, referral services, distribution of educational materials on health and wellness, support group and Live Proud Social Marketing Campaign. GALA’s Partnership For Success (PFS) Program aims to address substance abuse/suicide prevention among lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender youth and young adults ages 14 to 24, their families and friends through workshops, social support & outdoor wellness activities. Workshops will utilize the Storytelling for Empowerment curriculum created by the Wholistic Health, Education, and Empowerment for Life (WHEEL) Council. The curriculum uses a multicultural learning approach rooted in cultural empowerment and based on scientific research. Workshops will be delivered at select villages. LGBT and straight ally Peer Educators will be trained to help deliver the program and conduct workshops. The program is supported by the mayors of Dededo, Inarajan, Santa Rita and Sinajana as well as partners with the Department of Education, Student Support Services, Department of Public Health and Social Services, Bureau of Community Health Services and STD/HIV Program. GALA's PFS is funded by a grant from the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center.

The Guam Amateur Baseball Association (GABA) was founded in February 2012 as a registered non-profit organization to provide continuous development of baseball and softball activities across the entire island of Guam. GABA strives to emphasize the importance of a drug-free, alcohol-free and tobacco-free lifestyle, healthy competition and a positive self-image for youth and young adults. GABA is dedicated to educating youth and adults on the risks and consequences of tobacco, drug and alcohol use and creating initiatives for youth to bond, develop confidence, and stay focused on their future to avoid the negative influences that can be a part of growing up.

GABA hopes to accomplish a reduction in the prevalence of underage drinking and provide safe, alcohol-free venues for youth to participate in activities where they can be free of adults drinking, associated violence or other negative incidents. Additionally, promoting a sporting activity for youth sets a good example where healthy habits can be learned. Through effective communication and strong leadership, it is GABA’s ultimate goal to reduce or eliminate alcohol sponsorship for athletic competitions, especially baseball, and cease selling or consuming alcohol products at sporting events.
Guahan Academy Charter School is the first approved charter school on Guam. The charter includes Pre-K through 12th grade, along with a Literacy Academy. The school’s mission is to provide an equal opportunity, quality, tuition-free, public education for Pre-K through 12th grade students regardless of race, sex, special needs, color, religion or beliefs, national or ethnic origin, or economic status. Charter school students are public school students that deserve access to existing programs that academically challenge them and promote self-esteem, citizenship and self-confidence. When fully developed, the high school will have two strands, one with a career/vocational education focus, and the other aligning with the international baccalaureate program. The school incorporates a mastery-learning model and national standards based curriculum assuring that high school graduates will be prepared with skills to be successful in a variety of career paths. As a Partner for Success, GACS chose to address all five pillars in their prevention planning and implementation.

Island Girl Power (IGP) started in 2001 as a simple program designed to build the self-esteem of young girls. Over the past 15 years, it has grown to offer youth prevention programs and family strengthening activities, creating a place where girls 7-14 years of age, can play, learn, give back and grow. Island Girl Power’s mission is to empower young ladies to make healthy lifestyle choices and encourage positive self-esteem while inspiring cultural and community pride.

Since its inception, IGP has been focused on issues of teen pregnancy, suicide, substance use and sexual abuse. Through nearly every form of media today, young girls have become particularly susceptible to these issues as they enter puberty and are bombarded with negative words, music lyrics, and images that tell them how they should look, act, and feel.

IGP works to change these images by empowering and engaging youth in the development of prevention materials, training them in prevention and intervention strategies and providing learning opportunities within the organization. By fostering youth empowerment and creating safe and healthy environments, IGP aims to decrease underage drinking and tobacco use and reduce youth suicide rates amongst girls in Guam. They will address the following five risk and protective factors in their process – negative peer pressure; community norms of seeing underage drinking and smoking as OK; giving youth opportunities to be involved in positive programs; addressing feelings of hopelessness or isolation; and educating teens and community residents to be supportive and caring family and friends.
Oneop Evangelical Church of Guam

The Oneop Evangelical Church of Guam is a non-profit organization that began in March 2002. Membership for this organization includes more than 100 adults, youth and children. Its members fall under four categories or groups: men, women, youth, and children. Each group has its own officers who are guided in planning activities with the advice and approval of the overall leaders of the non-profit organization. This guidance comes from the church pastor, associate pastors, and organization president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The ultimate goal of the organization is to help and educate its people physically, mentally and spiritually in order to avoid negative factors and live a healthy and happy life.

The Oneop Evangelical Church of Guam is partnering with the PEACE office to reach out to our island’s young people and adults, to educate them on the prevention of drug and alcohol use and its negative effects on their health and lives and also to educate the community on suicide prevention.

Pacific Islands University

Pacific Islands University is the only U.S. nationally accredited Christian University and Seminary in the Pacific. The University offers students opportunities to earn an A.A. or B.A. in Biblical Studies; an A.A. or B.A. in Liberal Studies; a Master of Arts in Religion; and a Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies. At the B.A. level, minors are available in Bible Translation, Biblical Research, Teaching English as a Second Language, Elementary Education, Christian Education, Pastoral Studies, General Ministry, and International Business.

PIU strives to be accessible, excellent, and transformational. PIU students qualify for federally funded grant programs, other government scholarships, and private scholarships. The PIU faculty have exceptional educational, professional, and ministerial experiences that provide students with a demanding, yet supportive learning environment.

Distance education courses also provide students with opportunities to learn from learned scholars from throughout the U.S. As a Christian institution that is committed to helping students develop a Christian, biblical worldview, the PIU educational experience is an opportunity to grow in spiritual formation through campus courses, in local churches, and through various forms of ministry.

The main PIU campus is in Mangilao, Guam. Teaching facilities are also maintained in Chuuk State in the FSM and in Palau. A distance education center is maintained in Pohnpei.
An organization promoting the theme of "Service Above Self," Rotaract Club of the Marianas exists to serve our community, our region, and our world. An organization composed of young professionals between the ages of 18 and 30, we promote the principles of public service and engage in projects for the greater good. We work to foster greater ties through civic action and community service. Rotaract was developed by the Rotary International. The objective of Rotary is to encourage and foster the idea of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster: [1] the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; [2] high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society; [3] the application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life; and [4] the advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The guiding principle of Rotary is based on the Four-Way Test, a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. Of the things we think, say or do: Is it the TRUTH?, Is it FAIR to all concerned? , Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? , Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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CADCAS involvement in the 3rd Annual GOPEACE Conference was an initiative discussed during the 2016 CADCA Leadership Forum, which the planning committee attended in February 1-4, 2016. Pictured here are the planning committee members with Carlton Hall, Deputy Director of National Coalition Institute, and General Arthur T. Dean, Chairman and CEO of CADCA.

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