

NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA
2020 - RESOLUTION ANNUAL REPORT

To: Diocesan Counterparts (For distribution to all parish councils)

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It has been a very different year for our sisters in the league with Covid-19 restrictions in place. We miss celebrating with our family and friends, but we have done an excellent job of following all the guidelines outlined by public health.

Survey Analysis

In the Province of Nova Scotia, we have 64 CWL parish councils. Due to the covid -19 restrictions or the parish council resolution chair vacant, we received 19 replies. In many cases the parish councils combine Resolutions and Legislation together.

Resolutions – Parish councils

This chair is usually filled by appointments and parish councils have advised that it is difficult to generate interest in resolutions. Ideas have been brought forward by chairs, but no one interested in forming a committee to work on idea.

No resolutions will be presented at the combination 2020 and 2021 National annual general meetings. They will be deferred to 2022.

Archived Resolutions

A list of all archived resolutions can be found at <https://cwl.ca/archived/>. Now that these resolutions are archived, a council at any level can write a new resolution on the topic. If the information is available, the provincial council that gifted the resolutions will be given the opportunity to update the information by writing a new resolution on the same topic.

This will not preclude others from researching and writing a resolution on the topic. [National Resolution Chair Communique].

Resolution 2003.01 – Affordable Housing for low-income Canadians submitted by BC & Yukon Provincial Council. **Action:** Encourage provincial and diocesan councils to urge provincial and municipal governments to further increase funding for adequate affordable housing.

This would be an excellent project for our parish councils in Nova Scotia as many cannot afford a proper housing. Have your parish councils write letters to the provincial government representative in your area encouraging them to increase funding for the low-income and homeless citizens.

Conclusion

The covid pandemic has not stopped many parish councils from coming together as they became accustomed to zoom along with email. Also, many parish councils have reached out by telephone to members who are alone and frightened. We will see the light at the end of the tunnel and return to our regular monthly meetings and socials if we continue to follow the public health directives.