

Ibom Peoples Congress – Vision/Mission Statement

Our Vision

Ibom Peoples Congress (IPC) strives to ensure fairness, justice and economic security for Akwa Ibom people.

Our Mission

IPC is a multi-ethnic non-partisan **advocacy** group, and think-tank organization with a research-oriented **commitment** to fairness, equity and justice for the people of Akwa Ibom, not only within Akwa Ibom State, but also within the larger Nigerian nation. IPC strives to be a **credible, dynamic, and engaged** organization with the conviction to advocate for the health, welfare, and rights of Akwa Ibom people, independent of their ethnic, political, or religious background.

We believe that with determination, a collective effort and a focus on the right path to sustainable development, a better Akwa Ibom is possible for Akwa Ibom indigenes, wherever they live. Our mission is to work independently and in collaboration with entities of like mind to safeguard an Akwa Ibom that is enriched with diversity of ethnic groups, and is equally a society where people of all ages, with robust health, different religious backgrounds, as well as various levels of income and education are respected and have opportunities to achieve their full potential. To that end:

- As **advocates**, we will vigorously defend our position, and will use significant and effective tools, such as multi-media resources (e.g., traditional mass media and social media), conferences, and available platforms to support legislative, political, economic, and social issues that we believe will enhance Akwa Ibom State and her people, or constructively criticize issues that we deem antithetical to making Akwa Ibom a fair, just and equitable society.
- We are **committed** to the common good and will act as a watchdog to ensure that policies and programs in Akwa Ibom State in particular, and Nigeria in general, are designed for the benefit of the larger cross-section of the people.
- Backed by research and facts, IPC will continue to take a stand on issues relevant to the well-being of Akwa Ibom people in particular, and Nigerians in general, thereby establishing and maintaining our **credibility**.
- As a **dynamic** organization, we will work independently or in partnership with other organizations to propose, implement and support initiatives that will contribute to the enhancement of the lives of Akwa Ibom people; we will champion programs, events and activities that will improve the quality of life for Akwa Ibom people.
- We will be **engaged** in issues and sustainable programs that will meet the needs of Akwa Ibom State and her people, and we will engage governments, government agencies, non-governmental organizations and private entities to ensure that effective policies and programs put in place are beneficial to, and respect the lives and rights of Akwa Ibom people.

Our History

IPC's roots are traceable to 1995 as a member organization of a larger advocacy group, and culminated to the birth of IPC in 2002. In 2008, IPC was restructured with the ratification of the new Constitution. The new structure takes IPC away from being purely an advocacy organization to a diversified structure of six different Think Tank Committees that are meant to serve our people better.

IPC's existence is entrenched in the firm belief that Akwa Ibom people in the Diaspora and in Nigeria can make significant contributions towards the development of Akwa Ibom State - through advocacy,

education, programs, and policies. IPC believes that those living abroad can harness their talents, expertise, and resources for the development of our state.

IPC strongly believes that this overriding framework and philosophy resonates with every Akwa Ibomite: man or woman, and therefore sets the foundation for a profound opportunity to collaborate with governments, government agencies, as well as Non-Government Organizations, and private organizations to effect the needed change.

Our Structure:

IPC is governed by the Executive and Central Working Committee, and with input from Board of Trustees. IPC is structured as a 501(c)(3) charitable/community-based organization.

Executive:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Asst. Secretary
Director of Communications
Treasurer
Financial Secretary

Working Committees:

Central Working Committee (CWC)
Economic Committee
Resources Development Committee
Education Committee
Political Action Committee
Health Care Committee

IPC Uyo Chapter

IPC Coordinator, Abuja:

IPC European Coordinator: