

# Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse

## CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT 2023

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### *Overview*

In 2009, Public Law 16-48 created the Office of Grants Management. The law was amended in 2016 under Public Law 19-49 to provide more oversight and responsibilities over federal grant assistance in the CNMI government. The repurposed office was renamed the CNMI Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse and assumed the following responsibilities -

### *Mission*

The CNMI Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse (OGM-SC) was established to allow the CNMI government, its elected officials and all agencies to assemble and engage in dialogue with regards to federal aid programs, grants, loans, contracts, contributions, appropriations, advances, direct federal development, and other federal funding sources for the CNMI.

The CNMI Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse holds the scope of influence for all federal programs and aid that have direct and indirect effect on the CNMI as stated in *Public Law 19-49* and in relation to *Presidential Executive Order 12372*.



Members of Team CNMI pose with US Department of Interior's Assistant Secretary, Insular & International Affairs, Honorable Carmen G. Cantor (in blue), in the Territorial Climate & Infrastructure Workshop held in Honolulu, Hawaii in May 2023.

- a. administer the initiation, coordination and review process of all governmental activities within the government of the CNMI involving federal assistance;
- b. ensure that federal grant proposals are in accordance with plans, policies, programs, objectives, and procedures of the government of the CNMI. A stamp of approval shall signify concurrence from the OGM-SC;
- c. ensure that proposed government projects for which federal financial assistance is sought are fiscally and environmentally sound and are in compliance with all applicable Federal laws;
- d. ensure that the government of the CNMI complies with all applicable federal laws relating to federal financial assistance and that there exists sound tracking, management, and financial accountability for all federal programs awarded to the government of the CNMI;
- e. perform cost analysis on all federal aid programs, grants, loans, contracts, contributions, advances, direct federal development or other federal funding for the financial impact on the government of the CNMI'S general fund or special funds used to fund the local matching requirement as pre-scribed by federal law;
- f. conduct activities for the acquisition of federal grants and when possible, coordinate to full extent the activities and objectives of an approved grant award. This office will also have the capacity to award sub-grants; and
- g. conduct activities directly related to indirect cost associated with federal assistance.



# Financial Overview

## Local Budget Appropriations

Fiscal Year	FTE	Personnel	% of Total	Operations	% of Total	Total Budget
FY 2019	10	\$ 228,020.00	99%	\$ 2,281.00	1%	\$ 230,381.00
FY 2020	8	\$ 1.00	100%	\$ 0.00	0%	\$ 1.00
FY 2021	0	\$ 0.00	0%	\$ 1.00	0%	\$ 1.00
FY 2022	0	\$ 0.00	0%	\$ 1.00	0%	\$ 1.00
FY 2023	0	\$ 0.00	0%	\$ 1.00	0%	\$ 1.00

Since FY2020, the Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse has received an annual budget allocation of \$1.00 from the CNMI Legislature for Personnel and all others, leaving the office completely funded by federal reimbursements through Indirect Cost. The OGM-SC is one of only a few offices in the CNMI Government to be completely self-sufficient or non-locally funded.

Section 5 of Public Law 19-49 states that the OGM-SC will be receiving forty percent (40%) of the total Indirect Cost collected and shall decrease by one percent (1%) each fiscal year thereafter until the percentage reaches thirty-five percent (35%). In addition, the public law also authorizes the OGM-SC to utilize twenty percent (20%) of the total Indirect Cost collection for subgrant awards. In FY2023, the OGM-SC awarded \$65,000.00 in subgrant funding assistance.

FY 2023 Year-To-Date Budget Report- IDC-2610I			
YTD Revenues	YTD Expenses	Encumbrances	Available Budget
\$ 709,209.68	\$ 322,239.78	\$ 0.00	\$ 386,969.90

## 2023 Subgrant Awards

AWARD TITLE	AWARD AMOUNT
2023 Disability SportsFest	\$ 12,000.00
Chamorro-Carolinian Heritage Festival	\$ 3,000.00
2023 Flame Tree Arts Festival	\$ 50,000.00
Department of Labor Unemployment Bldgs Renovation Improvements (pending)	\$ 198,453.86
	<b>\$ 263,453.86</b>

# Technical Assistance Program - 2023

AGENCY	AWARD TITLE	ISLAND	AWARD AMOUNT
Dept. of Finance	Single Audit Technical Assistance	CNMI Wide	\$ 885,000.00
Dept. of Finance	Revenue Mgmt Information System, PH III	CNMI Wide	\$ 526,799.00
			<b>\$ 1,411,799.00</b>

# Energizing Insular Communities - 2023

AGENCY	AWARD TITLE	ISLAND	AWARD AMOUNT
Mayor of Rota	Light It Up Rota “Na’ Ma’lak Luta” Solar LED Streetlight Project	Rota	\$ 211,727.00
Mayor of Rota	Rota Office on Aging – Man Amko Center Solar PV Design Built Project	Rota	\$ 262,907.00
Office of the Governor	Hon. Juan A. Sablan Executive Building Solar PV Installation	Saipan	\$ 646,891.00
Office of the Governor	Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center Solar PV Installation	Saipan	\$ 174,291.00
Department of Corrections	Vicente T. Seman Memorial Building Solar PV Installation (DOC)	Saipan	\$ 443,691.00
Municipal Council	17 <sup>th</sup> Saipan and Northern Island Municipal Council Building & Kiosku Solar PV Installation	Saipan	\$ 65,641.00
Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.	CHCC Solar PV Parking Structure Phase III	Saipan	\$ 909,291.00
Office of the Governor	Administrative Support for Commonwealth for Renewable Energy Solutions	CNMI Wide	\$ 315,176.00
Office of the Governor	CNMI Energy Task Force Planning and Coordinating Technical Assistance Phase II	CNMI Wide	\$ 316,005.00
DPW- Energy Div.	Energy Star/Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program	CNMI Wide	\$ 363,061.00
			<b>\$ 3,941,399.00</b>

# Accomplishments Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)

AGENCY	AWARD TITLE	ISLAND	AWARD AMOUNT
Mayor of Rota	“Ta Tanom – Let’s Plant” Project	Rota	\$ 215,914.00
Office of the Governor	CNMI Home Gardens Food Security Initiative	Saipan	\$ 323,131.00
Bureau of Environmental & Coastal Quality	CNMI Stormwater Management Manual	CNMI Wide	\$ 540,423.00
			<b>\$ 1,079,468.00</b>

# Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

AGENCY	AWARD TITLE	ISLAND	AWARD AMOUNT
Office of the Governor	Banzai Cliff Memorial Park Improvement Project	CNMI Wide	\$ 2,553,332.00
Office of the Governor	San Antonio Basketball Court Improvement Project	CNMI Wide	\$ 824,985.00
			<b>\$ 3,378,317.00</b>

# Recycling Redemption Program

**LIMITED TIME OFFER**

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR & LT. GOVERNOR INTRODUCES  
**RECYCLING REDEMPTION INITIATIVE 2023**

STARTING **5-5-5**  
 APRIL 1 TO AUGUST 31, 2023

**PROMO** 5 MILLION CANS FOR 5 MONTHS @ 5c PER ALUMINUM CAN

FOR ANY INQUIRIES, CONTACT THE OFFICE OF GRANTS MANAGEMENT & STATE CLEARINGHOUSE  
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Map showing locations: Saipan Select, ARTMAN CORP DROP-OFF CENTER, Marianas Metal Harvesting Company, Saipan Ice & Water, Morstonian Marine, TAMPAG.

Logos: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ZERO WASTE, HICO, CNMI, SAIPAN-TINIAN-AGUIGUAN.

THIS GRANT IS FUNDED IN PART BY THE OFFICE OF INSULAR AFFAIRS- U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR THROUGH GRANT NO. D18APO0165.

Island	No. of Cans Collected	Amount Disbursed
Municipality of Saipan	5,202,608	\$ 260,130.40
Municipality of Tinian & Aguiguan	148,087	\$ 7,404.35
Municipality of Rota	101,587	\$ 5,079.35
<b>Total Cans Collected</b>		<b>5,452,282</b>
<b>Total Amount Disbursed</b>		<b>\$ 272,614.10</b>

# Commonwealth COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance

Award Type	Grant Amount	Actuals	Encumbrances	Balance
ERA 1 - Admin	\$ 9,616,116.90	\$ 9,616,116.90	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ERA 1 - Benefits	\$ 784,552.40	\$ 782,813.48	\$ 1,737.00	\$ 1.92
ERA 2 Tranche 1 – Admin	\$ 3, 227, 535.68	\$ 3,227,535.68	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ERA 2 Tranche 1- Benefits	\$ 358, 615.32	\$ 357, 629.12	\$ 0.00	\$ 986.20
ERA 2 Tranche 2 – Benefits/Admin	\$ 2,689,613.07	\$2,689,613.07	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ERA 2 Tranche 3 – Benefits	\$ 2,286,171.11	\$ 2,286,171.11	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
ERA 2 Tranche 3 – Administration	\$ 403,441.96	\$ 293,760.68	\$ 6,802.00	\$ 102,879.28
<b>Total CCERA</b>	<b>\$ 19,366,046.44</b>	<b>\$ 19,253,640.04</b>	<b>\$ 8,539.00</b>	<b>\$ 103,867.40</b>
			<b>Percentage Expended</b>	<b>99.42%</b>

Since 2021, the Commonwealth COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program has provided approximately 3,399 households with rental and utilities assistance. The program has ensured that all eligible households received the maximum fifteen (15) months of rental assistance, particularly the families within the 30% - 50% area median income levels. For more information, contact the Commonwealth COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance (CCERA) at (670) 682-RENT.

## CNMI Solar For All *... in the works.*

The Inflation Reduction Act authorized the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to implement the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), a historic \$27 billion investment to combat the climate crisis. Solar for All was designed to spur the deployment of residential distributed solar energy to lower energy bills and catalyze transformation in markets serving low-income and disadvantaged communities. Solar for All will tackle the financial and non-financial barriers that limit the ability of low-income and disadvantaged communities across the country to benefit from the rapid growth in distributed solar capacity.



## Tinian Outdoor Skate Park

The Municipality of Tinian is pursuing funding assistance under the CNMI Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan through the Land & Water Conservation Fund for the construction of a public outdoor skate park in San Jose, Tinian.

# Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse ... in the community.



Solar PV Installation at Coral Ocean Point Beach Park – Saipan, MP 96950.



Patrons of the Recycling Redemption Program



Rota site visits with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.



Site inspection by IRP for LWCF project on Tinian.



The Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse values the community's inputs, suggestions, and recommendations. If you would like to see other information included in this report, please contact our main office at (670) 664-9994/9995 or by email at [cnmigov.ogm@gmail.com](mailto:cnmigov.ogm@gmail.com). Mail correspondence can be addressed Office of Grants Management & State Clearinghouse, Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950.