

CNMI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (TINIAN)

CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT FY 2024

WHO WE ARE

The CNMI Department of Labor (Tinian) is tasked with enforcing CNMI Labor laws pursuant to its powers, duties and authority under the N.M.I. Administrative Code, Subchapter 80-10.

Other tasks may include assisting status qualified applicants attain employment within the private sector; and to leverage stakeholder resources and services to develop work skills for employment and career advancement opportunities. We assist private sector employer meet their goals in relation to the workforce participation objectives and requirement as outlined in their Workforce Plans.

The department is comprised of the Division of Employment Services, Labor Enforcement Section and Administrative Services Section. We provide services to status qualified applicants; CNMI permanent residents; U.S. permanent residents and their immediate relatives; foreign national workers; and private sector employers.



ACHIEVEMENTS

DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Operate the JVA system, manage the work with individual citizens, CNMI permanent residents, and U.S. permanent residents to match persons seeking jobs to jobs that are or will be become available; and to find and coordinate resources from other agencies for job readiness including any necessary training, internship, practice, or other prerequisites to placing citizens in jobs. Will also manage the follow-up after citizens are placed in jobs to ensure against hostile workplaces, help secure adequate opportunities to advance, monitor effective dispute resolution, and other matter as assigned by the Secretary (NMI Administrative Code Chapter 80; Section 80-10.4 Organization; subsection 10.4-115).

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
CLIENT VISITS	295	418	158
COMPUTER SERVICES PROVIDED	4	45	4
U.S. STATUS QUALIFIED WORKER REGISTRATION	228	18	0
NAP CLIENTS	4	69	51

LABOR ENFORCEMENT SECTION

Manage enforcement of requirements both with respect to the employment of citizens, CNMI permanent residents, and U.S. permanent residents; and with respect to employment of non-immigrant aliens in the Commonwealth. Manage enforcement of minimum wage and other matters as assigned by the Secretary (NMI Administrative Code Chapter 80; Section 80-10.4 Organization; subchapter 10.4-125).

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
CLIENT VISITS	295	375	267
LABOR CASES FILED	2	1	0
COMPLIANCE AGENCY CASES OPENED	0	2	1

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES SECTION

Manage the Department's payroll, contracts, standard forms for various administrative functions, standard operating procedures, and other administrative matters as assigned by the Secretary (NMI Administrative Code Chapter 80; Section 80-10.4 Organization; subchapter 10.4-140).

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
CLIENT VISITS	73	51	36
CERTIFICATION OF GOOD STANDING APPLICATOINS	2	5	3

GOALS

- > INCREASE EMPLOYMENT NUMBERS FOR STATUS
 QUALIFIED WORKERS FOR TINIAN PRIVATE SECTOR.
- > INCREASE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.

PLAN

- Continue working with employers to ensure timely submissions of the Total Workforce Listing (TWL) in accordance with NMIAC § 80-20.1-505 (b);
- Have the Labor Enforcement Section ensure Tinian private sector employers adhere to the Workforce Participation Minimum Percentage requirement in accordance with 3 CMC § 4525 and NMIAC § 80-20.1-210 (c)(3);
- Have the Division of Employment Services work with employers to fulfill objectives specified in their Workforce Plan in accordance with NMIAC § 80-20.1-510 (c);
- And work with various stakeholders such as WIOA in providing services to Tinian employers.

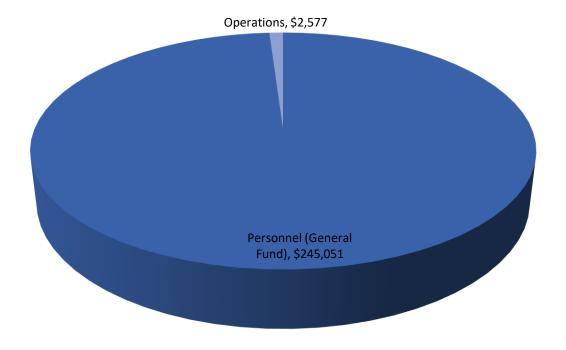
CHALLENGES

The greatest challenge moving forward in FY 2025 is the "zero" or limited appropriations for Operations for two consecutive fiscal years. We rely on operation funds to pay for basic expenses such as office space rent, communications, office supplies, fuel and repairs of office equipment when necessary. In addition, training opportunities may be funded as well through Operations funding restoration. So much of our time and effort may be diverted to locating funding sources every month to remain operational. Time spent providing public services will be affected at some level and possibly suspended on some occasions. An example would be one instance when both telephone and internet service was disconnected due to non-payment of a communication bill.

We are hopeful that someday, our Operations funding will be restored and proceed to move forward in providing quality public service.

FINANCES

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