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June 28, 2017

The Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Speaker, Thirty-Fourth Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Cruz:

Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Law 30-127, "An Act relative to adopting the 'Association of Government Accountants' 'Citizen-Centric Report' Initiative, the Guam Public Library System submits its Fiscal Year 2016 Report.

A copy will be forwarded to the Public Auditor in electronic format (via pdf email attachment) and will be posted on our website at http://gpls.guam.gov.

Should further information be required, please contact Sandra M. Stanley, Administrative Officer at 475-4754/5 or via email at sandra.stanley@guampls.guam.gov.

Senseramente,

Johnny G. Sablan
President, DCA

Attachment

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Guam Public Library System

A Report To Our Citizens

Guam Public Library
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FISCAL YEAR 2016: OCTOBER 1, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

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GOALS

1. **Seek to understand the informational, educational, and recreational needs of all the people of Guam in accordance with the American Library Association Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read, and Freedom to View statements within the limits imposed by budget and space;**
2. **Extend library resources into the community to assist individuals and groups with special needs;**
3. **Work cooperatively with other island libraries in providing information to the public;**
4. **Pursue opportunities through new technologies to deliver information more quickly and efficiently.**

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Mission Statement

Serving Guam residents since 1949, the Guam Public Library System mission is to provide free and open access to information and ideas fundamental to a democracy. The library system will protect intellectual freedom, promote literacy, encourage lifelong learning, and maintain cultural materials.

ABOUT THE GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

- ◊ The Guam Public Library System (GPLS) officially opened January 31, 1949.
- ◊ Provides library service to all residents on Guam, a United States Territory. The Nieves M. Flores Memorial Library is the Main Library and is centrally located in Hagåtña, which is also the capitol of Guam.
- ◊ GPLS also consists of 5 library branches located in the villages *("village" – small island communities)* in certain villages on island to at least accommodate the island community in the northern (Dededo), central (other than Main Library-Hagåtña, also in Barrigada), and south (Agat, Merizo, Yona) areas.
- ◊ The original collection had 13,000 books, mostly from deactivated Navy libraries and a donation from the Los Angeles Public Library.
- ◊ Library was originally in two quonset huts near the Agana Azotea and opened only 20 hours per week with only 3 staff.
- ◊ 1951, began a Guam Collection.
- ◊ 1953, Bookmobile service began, reaching remote villages using a panel truck.
- ◊ 1954, the Library became an independent government agency, no longer a part of the Department of Education.
- ◊ January 1960, the Library moved out of its quonset huts into the first floor of what had been the Guam Administration Building.
- ◊ Growth continued in 1968 with acquisition of the 2nd floor and the addition of air conditioning. In 1979, the third floor of the N. M. Flores Memorial Public Library was completed transforming the structure to what it is today.
- ◊ Branches open: Agat and Dededo Libraries completed in 1968; Barrigada Library in 1970; Merizo Library in 1974; and the Yona Library completed in 1993.
- ◊ In 1990, a Thomas Built Bookmobile was purchased. Later grounded for several years due to lack of funding and personnel.
- ◊ On October 6, 2011, Guam Public Library System became a Division of the Department of Chamorro Affairs.

STAFFING

The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs oversees the Guam Public Library System and works closely with the employees of GPLS. To date, GPLS has 22 full-time staff members consisting of an Administrative Officer, Library Technician Supervisor, a Bookmobile Driver, Program Coordinator I, Library Technicians I & II, Administrative Personnel and Building Custodians.







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Performance Reports

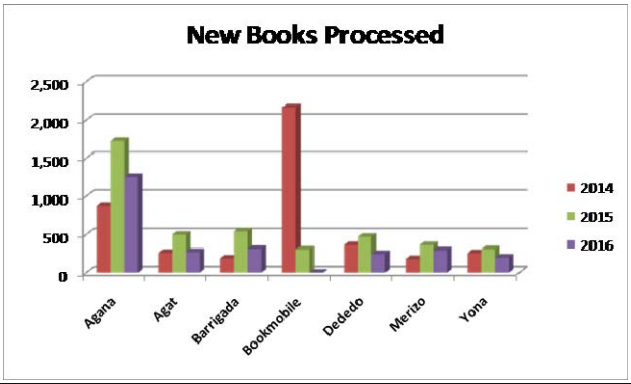
Registration

Branch	2014	2015	2016
Agana	1198	503	720
Agat	182	52	69
Barrigada	58	188	186
Bookmobile	21	0	0
Dededo	102	31	36
Merizo	16	27	33
Yona	51	21	18
	1628	822	1062



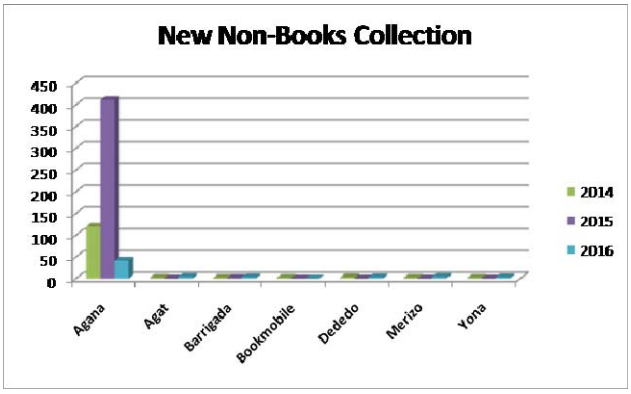
New Books Processed

Branch	2014	2015	2016
Agana	880	1,722	1,252
Agat	261	499	272
Barrigada	189	541	312
Bookmobile	2,164	306	0
Dededo	363	470	247
Merizo	182	364	293
Yona	259	307	199
	4,298	4,209	2,575



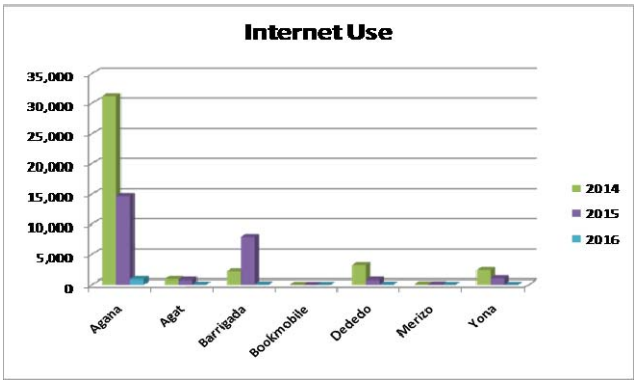
New Non-Books Collection

Branch	2014	2015	2016
Agana	120	411	42
Agat	2	0	4
Barrigada	2	2	3
Bookmobile	2	0	0
Dededo	3	0	3
Merizo	2	0	4
Yona	2	0	3
	133	413	59



Internet Use

Branch	2014	2015	2016
Agana	31,194	14,680	869
Agat	840	763	20
Barrigada	2,161	7,922	85
Bookmobile	0	0	0
Dededo	3,183	785	47
Merizo	95	77	2
Yona	2,369	992	12
	39,842	25,219	1,035



National Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
Talking Book Tapes / Digital Talking Books / Braille Books

2014	2015	2016
2,058	2,598	8,102

Guam Special Collections
Legislative Documents / Vertical Files / Photographs / Periodicals

2014	2015	2016
4,756	3,687	11,091

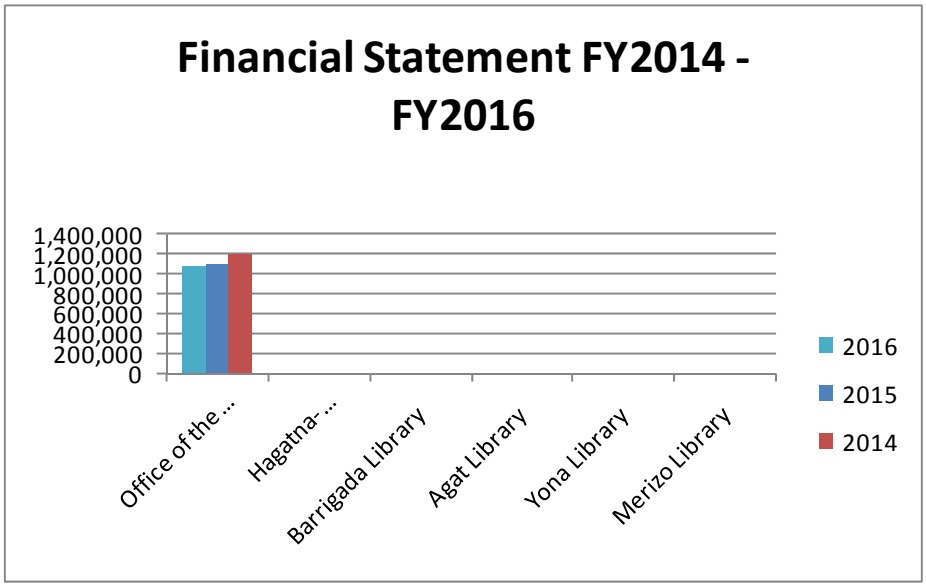
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2014	2015	2016
1,426	553	769

Guam Public Library System

Audited Financial Statements as of 09/30/2016

	2016	2015	2014
Office of the Director	1,065,802	1,088,706	1,197,173
Hagatna-Dededo Library	0	0	0
Barrigada Library	0	0	0
Agat Library	0	0	0
Yona Library	0	0	0
Merizo Library	0	0	0
Total:	1,065,802	1,088,706	1,197,173



Guam Public Library System

Budget - General Fund

Year Ended September 30, 2016

Budget Amounts

Office of the Director	$	1,065,802.00









Upcoming Future Outlooks



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FUTURE OUTLOOK

- ◊ The Guam Public Library System (GPLS) Five-Year Plan and Technology Plan are plans used when implementing programs at GPLS.
- ◊ It is GPLS' continued goal to promote and encourage literacy to the community beginning with the young (children, teens and young adults), adults and the elderly.
- ◊ GPLS continues to build its literacy programs and enhancing its library programs and services by having more resources through grants from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). IMLS is the GPLS major grantor.
- ◊ Grants have provided the GPLS with the resources to update its computer hardware/software, purchase new library furniture, purchase new books and other library resources and library supplies.
- ◊ GPLS is understaffed. Other Employees are used in order to do work for positions that are unfilled. Having these positions filled would greatly contribute to improving time management and the processing of library materials.
- ◊ GPLS ribbon cutting was held on March 3, 2016 for the opening of the Children's library and the Internet Café. This is a Department of Interior Capital Improvement Project in the amount of $1,586,000.00.






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