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Good Morning Speaker Cruz

In accordance with the Citizen Centric Report Act please find attached the Guam Ancestral Lands Commission's FY2017 Citizen Centric Report.

Thank You

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Guam Ancestral Lands Commission

FY 2017 Citizen Centric Report



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ABOUT GALC

The Guam Ancestral Lands Commission (GALC) was created by Public Law 25-45 to serve as the conduit for conveying returned federal excess lands to their original land owners. GALC is known as the Land Claims Facilitator. In 2012, GALC merged into the Department of Land Management through Reorganization Advisory No. 9.

OUR MISSION

Administer the Guam Ancestral Lands Act in order that ancestral landowners, their heirs and descendants may expeditiously exercise all the fundamental civil rights in the property they own; establish a land bank to provide just compensation for dispossessed ancestral landowners; and when appropriate, assume the role of Claims Facilitator to assist ancestral landowners in pursuit of just remedies. (21GCA §80102)

OUR GOAL

Increase the number of federal return parcels and provide just compensation to the families who will not benefit from the returns.

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As of September 30, 2017 GALC returned one (1) parcel containing an area of 2,441+/- square meters. The return increased GALC's aggregate amount of land returned to 2,628.99 acres. Furthermore, GALC, with the assistance of DLM's Survey Division, has identified 197 lots that are pending return or classification of Crown Lands.





GALC received "an unmodified "clean" opinion" from Independent auditors, Deloitte and Touche, LLP related to GALC's financial statements and the report on internal control and compliance. This is the 3rd consecutive year GALC has received "an unmodified "clean" opinion."





FY2015 PROGRESS

FY 2017 Finances

Guam Ancestral Lands Commission
Combining Balance Sheet
Period Ending September 30, 2017

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 4,192,316
Time Certificates of Deposit	1,134,316
Receivables, net	416,041
Total Assets	**$ 5,742,673**

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	$ 13,706
Security Deposits Payable	75,310
Unearned Revenue	231,338
Total Liabilities	320,354
Fund Balance:	
Restricted	5,421,317
Committed	1,002
Total Fund Balance	5,422,319
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	**$ 5,742,673**

Guam Ancestral Lands Commission
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance
Period Ending September 30, 2017

Revenues:	
Lease Rentals:	
Base Rent	$ 707,038
Participation Rent	4,863
Government of Guam Appropriation	86,588
Interest Income	21,945
Other	239,512
Total revenues	1,059,946
Expenditures:	
Salaries and Wages - Regular	38,497
Salaries and Wages – Fringe benefits	10,552
Health Benefits	7,313
Contractual Services	26,476
Management Fee	97,991
Tenant Improvement Allowance	12,588
Miscellaneous	4,743
Total expenditures	198,160
Net change in Fund Balances	861,786
Fund Balances at beginning of year	4,560,533
Fund Balances at end of year	**$ 5,422,319**



To view the GALC financial audit, go to the Office of Public Accountability website: opaguam.org

Future Challenges

In FY 2017 the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) did not approve the Land Bank Rules and Regulations (LBRR) as to form and legality. OAG determined the LBRR cannot assess the distribution method without the legislative creation of laws establishing "just compensation" to those dispossessed landowners. Furthermore, GALC has not been able to provide access to returned property due to limited financial resources and unwillingness of landowners to dedicate a relatively small portion of their property for easement.

Outlook

The GALC Commissioners and Director will commence discussions with the Guam Legislature to address the concerns of the Attorney General's office related to the Land Bank Rules and Regulations. Furthermore, the Commissioners and Director will continue to work with the Guam Legislature to fund GALC operations from the revenue generated from the commercial license payments and eliminate the financial burden on the General Fund.

We Want to Hear from You

Did you find this report informative? Do you think we need more information added? Please contact our office at 649-5263 ext 400 or email us at dlmdir@land.guam.gov.