

# Office of the Municipality of Saipan



## 2023 CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT



### The Vision

Mayor Ramon RB Jose Blas Camacho and the Saipan Mayor's Office are guided by three principles in service to the Municipality:

*"Safe Community, Safe Village, and a Clean Island."*

We strive to accomplish these principles through the services we provide for the general public.

### The Mission

The Office of the Mayor of the Municipality of Saipan carries out its roles and responsibilities according to Article VI of the CNMI Constitution and 1 CMC 5101-5110.

These roles include but are not limited to the following: welfare and improvement of our local community through public services, the safety and support of our community in times of disaster, the maintenance, clearing and repair of roads, and assistance in land clearing for religious and village events, and others.



Mayor

Ramon "RB" Jose Blas Camacho

Mayor of the Municipality of Saipan  
January 9, 2023 - Present

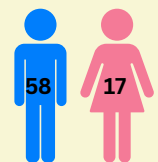
Mayor Ramon "RB" Jose Blas Camacho has dedicated most of his life in service of the people. With his extensive background in law enforcement and various public offices, Mayor Camacho is no stranger when it comes to public matters and issues. Camacho ran for the Mayoral Seat of Saipan in the elections of 2014, 2018, and 2022. In the 2022 general election, Camacho won an overwhelming majority to become the current Mayor of Saipan. During his tenure, Mayor Camacho aims to start new and innovative programs designed to benefit the welfare of the people while also improving their surroundings and opportunities in the future.

### Divisions

- Executive
  - Mayor of Saipan
  - Chief of Staff
- Administrative
  - Marriage
  - Municipal Identification Card
  - Human Resource
  - Public Information Office
  - Fiscal & Budget
  - Procurement
  - Grants
- Field Operations
  - Saipan Street Naming & Home Numbering
  - Dog Control Program
  - International Exchange Program



The staff of the Saipan Mayor's Office are diligently committed to serving the people of Saipan in the most professional and compassionate manner. Each employee is held to the utmost qualities and standards befitting of a public servant to the community and to the Saipan Mayor's Office's mission and vision.



Employee Demographics



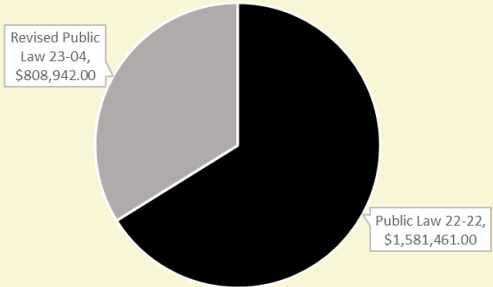
Mayor Camacho's dedication to fostering employee growth, development, and team building through a range of programs, including professional development as well as training in areas such as CPR, roadside safety, ethics, and timekeeping, brings about a multitude of advantages for both individual employees and the organization at large. These benefits include enhanced skills, increased job satisfaction, better teamwork, higher productivity, improved employee retention, boosted morale, adaptability to industry changes, an enhanced organizational reputation, and a positive impact on the community through CPR training and ethical education. This approach fosters a thriving workplace culture and contributes to overall success.

# OUR PROGRESS REPORT

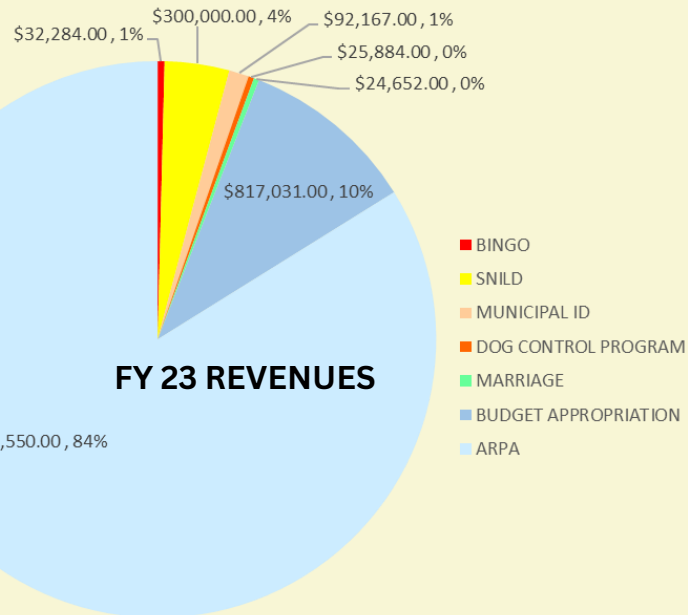
## FINANCES

### FY23 BUDGET APPROPRIATION

A 49% cut in the total budget appropriation in fiscal year 2023 indeed created a significant impact, and it's not surprising that it led to hardships and enforced cost-cutting measures.

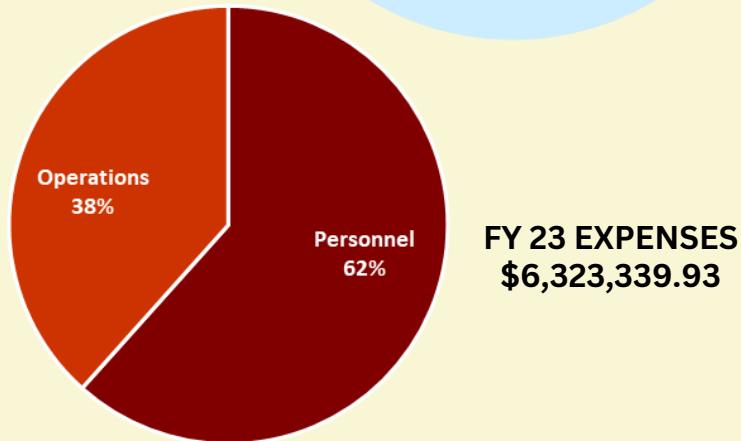


Such a large reduction in funding affected various municipal services, programs, and projects.



### GRANTS

The Saipan Mayor's Office has been actively seeking grant funding opportunities to support its mission and services, encompassing enhancements to local communities and villages, resource mobilization for disaster and emergency response, and the creation of programs aimed at enhancing the quality of life for our people.



## Field Operations

Our Field Operations team is dedicated to daily efforts aimed at enhancing the cleanliness and aesthetic appeal of our community areas, including but not limited to villages, parks, and roadsides, while ensuring safety. These ongoing initiatives underline our unwavering commitment to elevate the island's overall visual quality and environmental standards. By doing so, we are nurturing a sense of community pride and creating a warm and inviting living environment that resonates with both residents and visitors. Since March 2023, we have taken a significant step as we have extended our operation hours to include Saturdays.

A grand total of 2,471 community service requests were fulfilled, excluding support for religious community events, non-profit organization and community events, island-wide road repair and maintenance, all around the island beautification projects, response to tropical storms, and so forth.



### Community Services

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|-----------------------------|------|
| Coral/ Aggregate Delivery   | 111  |
| Roadside Clearing           | 414  |
| Road Repair                 | 221  |
| Earthmoving / Land Clearing | 3    |
| JunkCar Removal             | 135  |
| Trash Trailer Delivery      | 166  |
| Tree Pruning / Cuttings     | 12   |
| Debris Removal              | 1216 |
| Water Delivery              | 188  |
| Water Buffalo               | 5    |

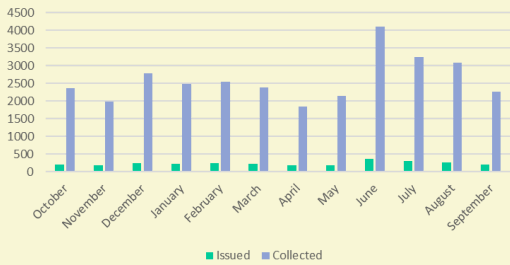


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## Municipal Identification

Saipan Local Law (SLL) 13-16 was created "To establish a Saipan or Northern Islands Resident Identification Card Program; and for other purposes". Applicants **MUST** be a resident of Saipan and Northern Islands, U.S. Citizen or a Citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau or a Permanent Resident. A Certified copy either a birth certificate, valid passport, voter's registration card or permanent resident card is required for the issuance of an identification card.

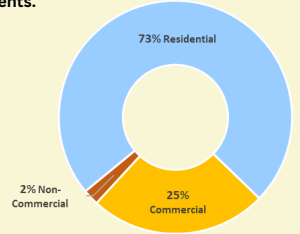
Municipal Identification Cards



## Saipan Street Naming & Addressing

Since the inception of the Saipan Local Law on Street Addressing and Numbering, our office has made significant strides, having issued a total of 6,810 street numbers. A standout accomplishment in this endeavor is the successful completion of 585 assignments during the fiscal year 2023. This milestone underscores our steadfast commitment to enhancing the functionality and organization of our community.

In a proactive move to enhance accessibility and deliver top-tier service, our office took the initiative to extend our operating hours, effective March 2023. This extension is a direct response to the needs of residents who, due to their schedules, were previously unable to avail of our services during regular working hours. In our continuous efforts to support the community, we've started providing residential numbers to those who may face challenges in purchasing them. This initiative reflects our unwavering dedication to ensuring that every member of our community has equitable access to the resources and assistance they need for the street addressing and numbering program. Our ultimate aim is to foster a more organized and efficient community environment for all residents.



## International Exchange Program

The International Exchange Program Department is actively involved in strategizing and executing a diverse array of international exchange initiatives, encompassing student exchanges, sports programs, cultural exchanges, and more. These programs are designed to offer the local community valuable opportunities to acquire enriching experiences.

In July 2023, we reestablished contact with our student exchange partners in Japan to relaunch the exchange program, which had been on hold since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.



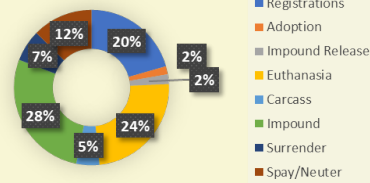
## Dog Control Program

The Office of the Mayor of Saipan takes the lead in ensuring responsible pet ownership and maintaining public safety guided by Saipan Local Law 9-12. Our Dog Control Program continues to diligently enhance the welfare of our beloved dogs but also create a secure and inviting atmosphere on our island working towards making Saipan a pet-friendly paradise.



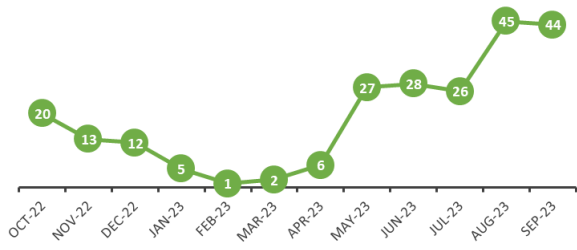
Partnership with Saipan Humane Society

Dog Control Program  
Total Services Rendered: 4227



## Marriage Department

FY 2023 MARRIAGES PERFORMED  
TOTAL: 229



## Adopt-A-Place

The Saipan Mayor's Office Adopt-A-Place program gives citizens the opportunity to play a greater role in the general state of their community surroundings. Organizations or individuals "adopt" an area, usually of great focus within the community, and are responsible for its general upkeep and maintenance of said area. Adoptees partake in the cleaning, refurbishing, painting, and other activities of their adopted location, so that it is safe and clean for use by the wider public.



### Adopted Areas

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|--|
| San Vicente Children's Park              |
| Gualo Rai Basketball Court               |
| Makaka Beach                             |
| Aquarius Beach                           |
| San Antonio Beach Area                   |
| Bantalan Pavillion                       |
| Civic Center Basketball Court            |
| Laly-4 Basketball Court                  |
| Garapan Fishing Base to Basketball Court |



# THE WAY AHEAD



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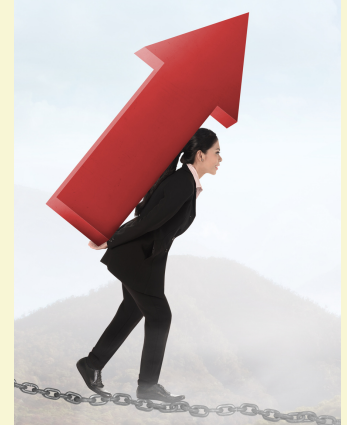
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## Our Challenges

- The continued challenges of acquiring a reliable supply of quarry materials such as aggregate may affect our ability to conduct necessary road repairs throughout the Municipality.
- There continues to be a need for the Saipan Mayor's Office to acquire property of their own to reduce the impact of rental fees for our office space.
- In light of the constrained recycling capacity, our office has temporarily suspended the collection of discarded vehicles, tires, and similar items.



## Future Outlook

- The Saipan Mayor's Office will continue with its various ongoing initiatives within the community such as the Adopt-A-Place initiative.
- We are also looking to expand international cooperation through our International Exchange Program, Sister Cities, and other initiatives. These initiatives play a pivotal role in fostering international relationships, cultural understanding, and economic growth.
- We are also anticipating the launch of new community initiatives such as the Neighborhood Watch Program, Farm to Table, and more.
- The Neighborhood Watch Program is being launched in response to an uptake in criminal activity within the community. The purpose of this program is to create a quasi community policing policy to help deter future offenders from criminal intentions
- The Saipan Mayor's Office will launch its Town Hall initiatives to better reach out to the general public and more effectively receive their opinions and concerns. The Town Hall program will allow citizens to have more face to face engagement with their mayor and create and more communing relationship between the people and their elected leader.
- As the CNMI looks to the return of tourism, the Saipan Mayor's Office will continue its beautification projects around Saipan, not just for the benefit of tourists but of the local residents.
- The Saipan Mayor's Office will continue to look for a long-term solution to its current challenges so that we are able to continue provide the general public with streamlined and reliable services.



**Safe Community, Safe Village,  
and a Clean Island!**