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## **Executive Summary**

The Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) has met at least annually every year since 1999 to participate in professional development and networking activities and to advance an agenda for financial management improvement. IGFOA Meetings also provide a forum for participants to discuss common issues and strategies, and to develop a shared agenda for training, organizational development, and technical assistance.

The 2018 IGFOA winter conference presented trainings on developing cybersecurity plans, the challenges of auditing in the insular areas, and identifying obstacles to measuring performance. In addition, participants were updated on new GASB accounting standards and FY17 Performeter scores. Finally, the forum provided each participating government with the opportunity to update their government-specific action plans to address ongoing issues, including audit performance, new accounting standards, FMIS procurement and implementation, and finance office performance measurement.

The agenda for the conference was developed following feedback from previous conferences, and current issues in government accounting. The goals of the December 2018 IGFOA conference were to:

- Share the status of each government's single audits, finance office operations, performance measures, and other initiatives completed since the May 2018 IGFOA conference in St. Louis;
- Present and discuss best practices in single audit improvement, finance office performance improvement, unfunded pension liabilities, cyber-security plans, and FMIS systems acquisition;
- Exchange information on the latest Performeter analyses;
- Build government-specific plans to address emerging GASB standards, enhance finance office
  performance measures, address unfunded pension liabilities, and continue corrective action planning for
  single audits.

The conference agenda has been included in this report as **Attachment 1**. A complete list of conference participants can be found as **Attachment 2**.



It is a great honor and privilege to welcome you all to the 2018 IGFOA Winter Meeting. A significant part of our time together will focus on finance operations and best practices. We have learned not to let events control us, not to rely on reaction, but rather to take our own actions. Like a boat without an engine or rudder, tide, winds, and rain can sweep us away and take us where we do not want to be. Instead, we should strive to use the outcome of this meeting to plan our course, working together to improve our governments. We must include all departments, working together like the tide, to raise our boats.

On behalf of IGFOA, I would like to take the opportunity to thank OIA, and especially Nik and Tom, who are here with us today. Thank you also to our resource consultants, Debbie, Diane, and Frank for their continued patience bringing out the best in our countries. Last but not least, we thank the Graduate School USA for their hard work to make this conference possible.

To everyone here, some of us have been here a long time and some are new. Let us work together in the next three days to set best practices, and commit ourselves to work hard for our people and our governments.



Aloha! I would like to take this opportunity to thank every one of you for making time to come here and I'd also like to thank the Graduate School for pulling this meeting together.

As I look through the list of people here today, I realize some of you have been here for many years like Minister Sadang and Tom Bussanich from my office. However, I also see a lot of new faces, like Ezra from the CNMI who I had the opportunity to talk with this morning. The IGFOA is a wonderful group of people.

Sometimes we come together annually and take this meeting for granted, but I was thinking this morning, if I were starting my career and could do it all over again, this would be a great way to begin, attending these meetings. So, thank you to the Graduate School for having this program.

When looking at the names on the program, Debbie Milks and Frank Crawford, they have been doing this for years, helping our islands become more fiscally responsible. Diane, I do not know personally, but I will make an effort to know you better. Kevin O'Keefe, our facilitator this morning, originally began his Pacific work as Peace Corps in Samoa. Tom Bussanich also started as Peace Corps in Chuuk. I would like to express gratitude for all they have done in our islands.

To highlight a few more familiar to me, Catherine Saelua from American Samoa, Feliciano Perman from FSM Pohnpei, and Tiser Reynold from FSM Chuuk. Thank you for being here. Each one of you here are important, not only in your governments but at Insular Affairs. You are our backbone.

My message for your today is a simple notion – depth perception. Why depth perception? Every time I parallel park, my wife says she is amazed, that I have great depth perception. So, now I have to do it to impress her. When I arrived here, I told the woman helping me that I did not want a minivan, but a mid-sized car, to ensure I could parallel park. My car arrived and she drove it around for me. Just then, a minivan came around and ran into her! I thought to myself, bad depth perception! So, now in doing work for the next few days, depth perception is going to be an important thing.

I look at my staff and ask who has good depth perception? Who is good at their work? As finance officers, ask yourself, how good is your depth perception in the work you do? Are you able to improve someone's career or move someone forward?

Thank you. In the next few days, please think about what you are going to bring back to your colleagues. I hope your depth perception will not end up as a car accident, but bring good results. Thank you!



Happy Tuesday everyone and happy holidays. I'd like to echo Nik's comments in welcoming everyone to Honolulu. While it's true that the IGFOA began in 1999, our organization has continued to innovate throughout the years to address emerging issues throughout the finance offices. The institutional knowledge that exists in this room—among participants, among resource instructors, and with Interior—presents a unique opportunity for all of us to share knowledge and work together. I thank the Department of Interior's Office of Insular Affairs, and thank each of the insular governments that have come here to share. I appreciate that it's not easy traveling to Honolulu from your home governments, and appreciate your participation as an indication of how you value the IGFOA.

For many insular governments, this is also a year of political transition, while other governments have been working on disaster recovery; USVI, CNMI and Guam.

It's hard to look around this room without noting that one of our longtime participants, Tom Bussanich, will be retiring at the end of this year. He will be deeply missed by all of us. As these transitions occur, we need to be strategic to take advantage of our time together, and to ensure we are moving forward with shared knowledge and a common agenda. Our meeting agenda for the next three days has been carefully designed to support ongoing issues and challenges throughout the insular areas. I'd especially like to highlight the Hawaii State Auditor, Les Kondo, who presented at the APIPA conference in Palau in August and will be joining us. We will also hear from Vincent Hoang, the Hawaii's Chief Information Security Officer, who will share his experiences regarding cyber security.

On behalf of Jack Mayksoki, and the Graduate School USA team, as well as our team of resource consultants who are here today, thank you all for coming and participating in this winter IGFOA conference. I'm excited for our next three days of training.

### **Island Government Presentations**

Each of the insular governments prepared presentations in advance of the IGFOA conference. Conference participants were provided a template and asked to prepare presentations that reported on the following:

- FY 2018 Audit Status
- · Changes to prior year audit qualifications or findings
- Unusual challenges for FY 2018
- · Effect of pension liability on financial statements
- Status of Action Plans
- Performance Measures
- Finance Office Challenges

Each of the insular government presentations have been included as **Attachments 3a-3i** of these proceedings. A question and answer (Q&A) session followed the island government presentations, which have been summarized below:

#### American Samoa =



- Confirmed that the net pension liability has decreased between FY 2016 to FY 2017 from \$240 million to \$207 million. Net position grew overall, not pension liability government-wide.
- Also confirmed that standard operating procedures (SOPs) being done by ASG accounting staff with several people assigned to each division (e.g., payroll, accounts payable, revenue).
- Will report on cyber security plan/s at May IGFOA. Recently awarded a homeland security grant on cyber security training.

#### CNMI -



- Noted improvements in the audits in getting component unit audit information submitted on time. The
  Office of the Public Auditor contracts component unit audit work out, and some of these units have been
  late getting their information in.
- The Graduate School also works to support component units in response to specific requests. As the CNMI identifies key issues, the Graduate School should be considered a resource.
- Additional follow-up with the OIA will also occur on this matter.

#### Guam



• Currently going through transition to a new administration including recruitment of new finance officer. Continuing to reduce the deficit in governmental funds; also a key performance measure.

#### FSM National Government —



- Confirmed only one repeat audit finding for this past year.
- Also confirmed that component units help pay for the cost of the annual financial audit--\$500,000 for all five governments.

#### RMI =



• The RMI's lack of an unfunded pension liability is partly because they manage their own Social Security system (instead of a government pension system.) RMI's social security system is underfunded, a concerted effort to address this issue is critical to the financial stability and viability of the RMI...as well as the FSM and Palau.

- · Fixed asset inventory continues to be a problem for the outer islands due to transportation challenges.
- The RMI's newly formed ICT is comprised of department directors, but their mission not clearly known. It is hoped this team can help address cyber security issues/planning.

#### FSM Chuuk



· Confirmed the current audit is scheduled to be issued on time. (Past audits have been late.)

#### FSM Yap =



 Yap indicated that they have completed 80% of finance office personnel evaluations. The drive to continuing to develop staff is critical to ongoing success and improvement.

#### Republic of Palau:



- Five repeat findings. Most of delinquent travel advances resolved. Fixed asset threshold increased to \$5,000 based on actual cost of asset which should improve performance of fixed asset inventory measure in the future.
- Pension actuarial study in process, awaiting recommendations and report.
- FMIS acquisition RFP issued, bids due February 5, 2019. Pre-conference vendor meeting in December 2018. Chart of Accounts under development.
- · In the process of getting cyber security technical assistance regarding developing policy and plan.
- Expenditure reductions made recently to maintain balanced budget and meet cash flow/management needs.

#### General Comments/Requests:

The following general comments were also raised during the Island Government Updates session:

- Could we include the original date of each goal/performance measure so we can know where we started and are today? Our presentations should reflect this going forward.
- Qualified and/or experienced personnel and staffing issues are a common challenge across finance
  offices. The purpose of IGFOA is to share and learn from each other how performance of our finance
  office services can be improved.
- The OIA is interested in hearing and knowing about all island government challenges, and the Graduate School has institutionally knowledgeable and experienced human resources who can assist and support all governments in this regard.

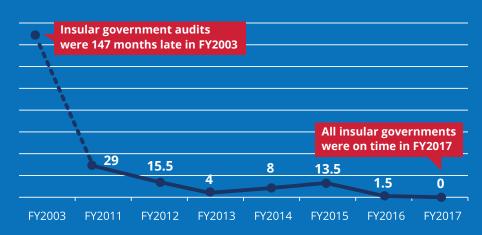
## **Insular Government FY 2017 Audit Improvement Update**

Ms. Deborah Milks, CPA, delivered an FY17 Audit Improvement Update to IGFOA participants. Ms. Milks noted that the intent of the audit improvement program was to focus on the timeliness and results of the insular government audits. In FY2003, the governments were, as a group, a total of 159 months or over 13 years late with their audits. There were 139 audit report qualifications and hundreds of audit findings. None of the governments had "clean" audit opinions.

#### **AUDIT RESULTS: TIMELINESS**

# Months Late (excluding the USVI) FY2003-FY2017

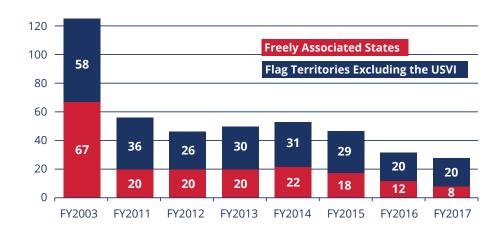
IGFOA has achieved many successes through the years, but perhaps the most striking is the insular governments' dramatic improvement in audit timeliness. In 2003, the ten insular governments were collectively 147 months late issuing their single audits. In 2018, for the first time, the same ten insular governments all submitted their audits on time.



#### **AUDIT RESULTS: QUALITY**

Total Modifications (excluding the USVI) FY2003-2017

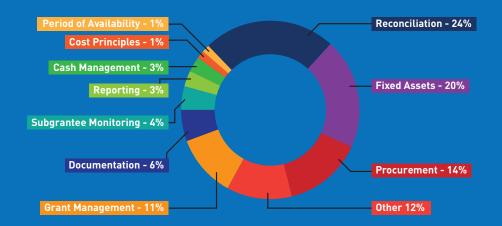
The audit improvement project began with 139 audit modifications across all of the insular governments in FY2003. In FY2017 there were a total of 28 modifications. Five governments have had zero financial statement modifications for the past 10 years!



#### TYPE OF AUDIT ISSUE AS PERCENT OF TOTAL FINDINGS

Insular Governments (excluding the USVI) FY2017

An analysis of the types of audit issues being found across the insular areas reveals that reconciliations, fixed assets, and procurement continue to be significant issues.



In FY2017, there is a total of 28 modifications. Five governments have had no financial statement modifications for ten years.—a wonderful achievement.

Several of the governments continue to have findings associated with: fixed assets, reconciliation, and procurement. An analysis of the types of audit findings indicates that most of the governments continue to have issues with reconciliation including bank reconciliations, reconciliation of federal SF425 reports with the government's financial management system and long-term liabilities.

Findings related to recording and maintaining fixed assets continue to be an issue for eight (8) of the governments. The number of findings has decreased substantially, and the severity of the findings has declined quickly and completely.

The majority of audit findings concern or are due to the following:

- The general ledger is not reconciled to subsidiary ledgers or source documents on a monthly basis, nor is it closed or summarized in such a manner to accurately portray the accounts and activity on a monthly basis.
- Several governments do not have processes or procedures in place to analyze and implement new
  accounting principles as promulgated by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). For
  example, GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures, was not adequately addressed in FY2017.
  In addition, the journal entries required by GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting
  for Pensions were not adequately prepared.

Additionally, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) is in noncompliance with applicable equipment management requirements and should consider seeking technical and financial support from federal agencies to develop human resources and a financial management system that are capable of effecting compliance.

The presentation on Insular Government FY2017 audit Improvement Update has been included as **Attachment 4** of these proceedings.

## Insular Government Performeters and After Analysis



The Performeter provides an independent assessment of each insular government's financial health and success, based on audited financial statements. Originally developed in 2001 to serve state and local governments within the United States, the scope and methodology of the Performeter has been modified to provide relevant analysis for the Pacific and Virgin Islands governments. Today's Performeter is a unique tool customized for the insular governments:

- The Performeter now provides over fifteen years of data for each government to analyze financial trends—both positive and negative;
- Insular governments utilize the Performeter to explain their overall financial health to non-financial stakeholders, especially members of legislative and executive branches;
- Because the Performeter utilizes common metrics, scores are comparable across each of the insular governments;
- Each Performeter contains an A.F.T.E.R. Analysis (Audit Findings, Timeliness and Exception Resolution), which details timeliness and accuracy of financial statements by tracking the number and type of single audit qualifications, and the timeliness of audit publication, for each government.

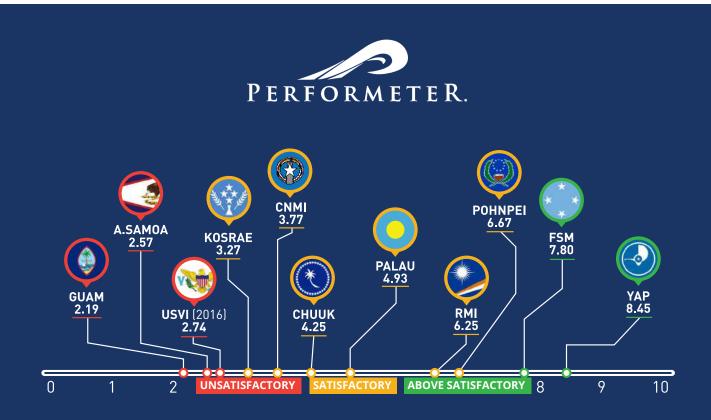
The Performeter is utilized across all of the insular governments to improve public awareness of each government's fiscal health. At the outset of the Performeter project, insular governments demonstrated high levels of unreliability, as audits were issued late with numerous qualifications. Today, Performeters are much more relevant as they reflect timely and accurate audits. Moreover, today's Performeters are used strategically by both finance officers and elected officials to contribute to better-informed decisions.

In 2018, Performeters were developed for ten of the eleven insular governments based on information in each government's FY2017 audited financial statements. A Performeter was not developed for the U.S. Virgin Islands, as their FY17 audit has not yet been released following the devastation of Hurricanes Irma and Maria in late 2017. In addition, for the first time, the Performeter was enhanced in 2018 to show not only an overall government score, but also disaggregated scores in three categories of financial position, financial performance, and financial capability. Thus, each government can determine which factors contribute to their overall score, and can, for example, score highly on their financial performance for the year, despite an overall poor financial position.

Highlights from the 2018 Performeter reports and FY2018 audits include the following:

- Performeter scores generally improved in 2018, with eight of ten governments posting higher overall scores. Only American Samoa and Kosrae posted lower scores than last year.
- Five governments received unmodified opinions (formerly known as unqualified or clean opinions) on their financial statements, with three additional governments issuing only one qualification each.
- Six governments posted \$0 of questioned costs in 2018, with three additional governments reporting less than \$200,000 current year questioned costs.
- For the second consecutive year, Kosrae posted a "perfect" AFTER analysis, with a clean financial statement opinion, clean single audit opinion, no financial statement internal control or compliance findings, no grant internal control or compliance findings, and zero current and cumulative questioned costs.
- Yap's overall 2018 Performeter score of 8.45 is the highest score ever achieved across the insular governments.
- Unfunded pension liabilities remain a significant negative factor in the overall health of nearly all insular governments. The collective liability across the insular areas now tops \$10 billion.
- The FSM, RMI and Palau Social Security programs are at their lowest funding levels in the 10 years of analysis.
- The RMI posted their highest score ever in 2017, and has improved steadily over the past ten years.
- Both the FSM National Government and Kosrae State received unmodified (clean) opinions on both their Financial Statement audits and the audits of compliance with federal program monies (single audits).
- Pohnpei received a clean single audit opinion with only one financial statement qualification.

The 2017 Performeter and A.F.T.E.R. Analysis presentation has been included as **Attachment 5** of these proceedings.



## Lessons Learned in Island Auditing

Les Kondo, Hawaii State Auditor, presented some of his notable experiences and lessons learned since becoming the State Auditor 2.5 years ago.



The State Auditor is appointed to a six-year term by leaders of the Hawaii State Legislature. The Office of the Auditor is responsible for performance and independent financial audits in the State of Hawaii.

Mr. Kondo said that his Office is a part of building and maintaining the public's trust in their government. He described several recent performance audits conducted by his office. Some of the recent performance audits conducted by the Hawaii State Office of the Auditor are related to:

- Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation
- Hawaii Tourism Authority
- Office of Hawaiian Affairs
- Superferry

Les Kondo.

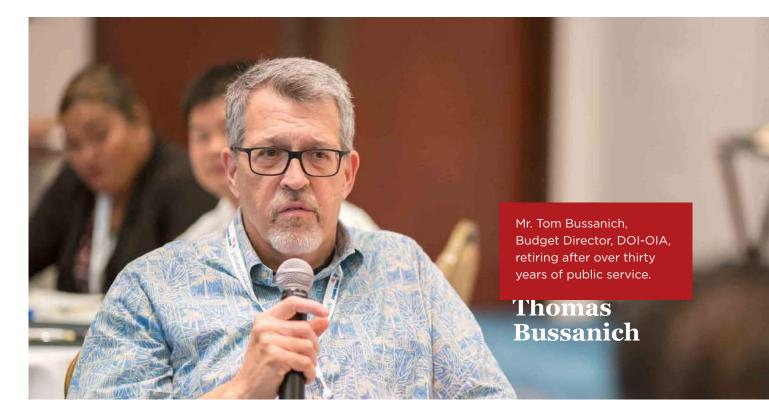
- Endangered and Invasive Species
- · Infectious Diseases and Outbreaks
- · Adult Care Facilities
- Midwives
- Office of Energy
- Special, Revolving and Trust Fund Reviews

Mr. Kondo also shared that he has learned that how information is presented and communicated to policy makers (legislators) and the public, is just as important as what is being recommended in the audits. Clearly and succinctly communicating about complex issues and concepts in performance audit reports, including having an executive summary and the use of graphics and charts to summarize key findings, is critically important to having policy makers, executive management and the public understand and be motivated to implement report recommendations.

The presentation of Lessons Learned in Island Auditing has been included as Attachment 6 of these proceedings.

## Budget Update From the Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs

Presented by Mr. Thomas Bussanich, Budget Director DOI-OIA, the budget update from the Office of Insular Affairs provided an update on the status of the 2019 budget, and specific relevance and impacts to the US Territories and FAS government.



The OIA 2018 budget request totaled \$608 million, of which \$524 is permanent mandatory. Permanent mandatory means it will not be affected by any budget cuts and is fixed. This includes Compacts of Free Association and Fiscal Payments (for Guam and US Virgin Islands). Other components of the 2019 budget request are:

- Current Mandatory (CPI Grants)--\$27.7 million
- Directed Appropriations (American Samoa Operations)--\$21.5 million
- Discretionary Assistance --\$25 million
  - --Technical Assistance--\$14.7 million
  - --Maintenance Assistance Fund--\$1.0 million
  - --Brown Tree Snake Control--\$2.8 million
  - --Empowering Insular Communities--\$2.8 million
  - -- Coral Reef Initiative & Natural Resources--\$946,000
  - --Federal Services--\$2.6 million
  - --Enewetak--\$473,000
- OIA S&E--\$9.43 million

The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the US Territory component of the budget request is subject to competitive criteria including audit performance. There is more emphasis on effective financial management of budgeted funds. Established in 1996, the 2019 budget request remains unchanged at \$27 million for the past 22 years. There is a need to review and increase this CIP amount to reflect the impact of inflation over time on this.

Total discretionary assistance being requested is \$56.4 million that is lower by \$23.7 million over 2018 (CR) in the areas of: Technical and Maintenance assistance, Brown Tree Snake Control, Coral Reef Initiative & Natural Resources, Empowering Communities, and the Palau Compact Extension. \$13.2 million of the \$23.7 million reflects a one-time reduction due to the direct appropriation to Palau for the remaining seven years of the Compact of Free Association. Hence, the net decrease of discretionary assistance is \$10.5 million or 11 percent.

The Office of Insular Affairs is requesting proposals for its Technical Assistance Program (TAP) which provides grant funding for short-term projects intended to meet the immediate needs of the insular areas. Funding priorities include, but are not limited to, projects that foster the development of the insular areas in the following categories:

- Accountability
- · Financial Management
- Economic Development
- Education
- Energy
- Production
- Management Control Initiatives
- Disaster Assistance
- Natural and Cultural Resources
- Capacity Building
- Public Safety/Emergencies
- Health Initiatives
- Invasive Species Management

An enumeration of migrants from Compact areas is scheduled to be completed in 2018. The outcome of this enumeration will affect Compact Impact distributions.

The following questions and comments were also raised and discussed:

Bipartisan spirit and cooperation in Congress is gone....WWII generation no longer in power, hence historical background, understanding and deep interest in the Pacific is gone.

Finally, Tom Bussanich, Budget Director, DOI-OIA shared that he will be retiring at the end of the year, and expressed his thanks and gratitude to all including Elbuchel Sadang, Minister of Finance, Republic of Palau, Debbie Milks, CPA from the Graduate School for a 30-year career serving the peoples of the Pacific. Mr. Bussanich also shared some memories of his early days in Chuuk and Pohnpei, and said that this region of the world excited him endlessly.

This presentation of the Budget Update from the Office of Insular Affairs has been included as **Attachment 7** of these proceedings.

### **Unfunded Pension Liabilities**

Mr. Frank Crawford, CPA presented on unfunded government pension and social security liabilities that included historical and current information for each of the governments.

The presentation focused on ways to address reforming current practices and unfunded liabilities by addressing: contributions, investment returns and benefit payments. Also addressed were the different types of pension plans (e.g., defined benefit, hybrid, defined contribution), how these liabilities should be calculated, reflected and disclosed in government financial statements.

The presentation has been included as **Attachment 8** of these proceedings.

Conference attendees also met by jurisdiction to define, discuss and develop recommendations on how these issues could be addressed by their governments going forward, and shared their thoughts with all participants.

What follows is a brief summary of the governments' presentations and group discussions:

- Commonwealth of the North Mariana Islands (CNMI): There was discussion of recent litigation and the
  court settlement concerning approximately \$30 million pension benefits. The financial auditors believe
  these funds are a settlement trust fund versus a pension fund post-the court settlement, and how
  these funds should be recorded in the CNMI financial statements. CNMI has requested relevant court
  documents and is awaiting receiving them to clarify and before determining what and how these funds
  should be recorded.
- Republic of Palau (ROP): The Legislature has appropriated funds to conduct an actuarial study of the unfunded pension liability/funds. Palau is also developing hybrid pension plans to address the unfunded liability issue going forward. An increase in the environmental fee of \$25 per person entering Palau is being considered to increase funding of the government pension fund. Taking out a low interest (2%) loan and using the proceeds to make other more lucrative investments at around 7% is also being considered to increase the pension fund earnings. Yap in the FSM did something similar to this. Interest arbitrage was raised as a potential issue of this strategy.
- Palau is also considering including private sector pension fund/s that the government will not contribute into to potentially increase the amount of pension contributions hence returns for all.
- American Samoa: The group proposed increasing the employee contribution by 5% to address the
  current unfunded pension liability. It was suggested that an increase something less than 5% of the
  employee pension contribution amount (around 2%) would be more doable and have a higher probability
  of being approved. A hiring freeze would be another way of funding an increase of the employee share of
  the pension liability. Having another revenue stream to add to the funding of the current pension liability
  was also suggested.
- Guam: Senators have raised questions about this issue. Guam also has social security for government employees.
- The Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia also presented similar alternatives to addressing their unfunded pension liabilities, and similar discussion occurred.

### **Finance Office Performance Measures**

Ms. Debbie Milks, CPA, presented a brief history of this program effort, summarized current progress at toward improving performance, confirmed what is being measured and why, and how to calculate progress.

Performance measurement began in 2003 to decrease the types and number of audit findings and qualifications. In 2011, six measures were adopted by the IGFOA, and significant progress has since been made in these areas.

Five additional performance measures have been added to the original six measures since 2011. In May 2014, the IGFOA began using a standard dashboard presentation, and has modified it at the last meeting in May 2018. The following is the current eleven (11) performance measures of the IGFOA:

- 1. Number of Days to Process an Invoice
- 2. Reduction of Overdue Travel Advances
- 3. Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory
- 4. Bank Reconciliations Completed on a Timely Basis
- 5. Revenue Estimates within Target Percent (%)
- 6. Completion of Comprehensive Cash Management Plan
- 7. Timeliness of SF425 Report Submission
- 8. Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable Balance
- 9. Percent of Unspent Federal Funds
- 10. Completion of Personnel Evaluations
- 11. Number of Training Hours per Finance Employee

Ms. Milks also reviewed and summarized each government's performance measure updates prepared by each IGFOA government that were turned into her prior to the conference starting. Ms. Milks also provided a Performance Measure Calculation Worksheet to help guide each government in measuring, calculating and tracking each performance measure.

A general discussion and Q&A session occurred after Ms. Milks' presentation, and the following is a brief summary:

- There was discussion about the Reduction of Federal Grants Receivable Balance measure and how
  difficult it is to monitor multiple funds to insure timely grant/cash management per CNMI. In the case of
  Guam, Medicaid funds are mostly a budget not program management and timely use of funds issue as
  Guam does not have the funds needed to fully fund their Medicaid program.
- A question was raised regarding a guide/goal of the number of hours should be set as a goal for the
  Number of Training Hours per Finance Employee performance measure. In practice, each government
  has set a goal/target for measure, and some are recording the number of training hours by finance
  employee. Guam tracks this measure from training leave forms already required of staff to complete prior
  to attending training, and there is a specific account code associated with this activity.

The presentation of Measuring Our Measures, What are the Rules? Has been included as **Attachment 9** of these proceedings.

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## Cybersecurity Readiness: Is Your Government Secure?

Mr. Vincent Hoang, Chief Information Security Officer, State of Hawaii, presented information and shared experiences concerning what and how we are all at risk of cybercrime, and what can be done to improve government data security.

The following is a brief summary of Mr. Hoang's presentation and the group discussion on this subject:

- We live in an increasingly complex cybersecurity environment.
- There have been many very significant and damaging data security breaches over the last several years especially as electronic commerce has evolved and increased.
- Most recently, the Starwood chain of hotels discovered a data breach of their reservation database of over 500 million guests from 2014 to September 8, 2018 of names, credit card and payment information, addresses, passport numbers. The full extent of this has yet to be determined.
- Another recent cyberattack on the credit rating agency Equifax in 2017 may have affected 143 million people in the U.S.
- · Data breaches result in a loss of trust and professional reputations being questioned.
- There are very heavy financial consequences and penalties associated with such failures including ongoing mediation effort costs.
- The single most common cause of data security breaches (63%) are weak user passwords.
- Passwords should be ten characters long or longer and more complex including several special characters/values/symbols to decrease the probability of being hacked.
- Multi-factor authentication (e.g., phone, access card, text) in addition to online passwords or pins can also be used to increase security.
- Only connect to internet sites you trust when using Wi-Fi in public spaces (e.g., Starbucks).
- A methodological approach to administering software patches on existing automated systems is better and more important than expedient patching.
- Described and explained a standard incident response method and life cycle.
- Applicable Hawaii State laws relating to cybersecurity were shared.
- Described cybersecurity training provided in Hawaii state government.
- · Provided cybersecurity industry framework and resource information and websites.

#### **Q&A** Discussion:

- Cybersecurity is usually part of the information technology budget in government and is approximately 3 percent.
- Many governments already have the tools needed to improve security by using them better and investing in training staff to do so on an ongoing basis.
- Identify critical information to secure, safeguard, move infrastructure offsite (e.g., financial system and/or information).
- Doesn't see Hawaii moving towards cybersecurity framework per Center for Internet Security (CIS) standard for all systems since it would be very costly and doesn't always work. Goal is to operate from

Tier 2 or 3 for most, and Tier 4 for financial systems given the sensitive nature of the information in them.

- SMS is not the most secure however, it is still better than using a login and password.
- Use a data breach as an opportunity to update and move to more resilient technologies.

The presentation of Cybersecurity Readiness: Is Your Government Secure? has been included as **Attachment 10** of these proceedings.

## **Developing a Cybersecurity Plan**

Ms. Debbie Milks presented information on how to develop a Cybersecurity Plan for island governments. Her presentation included the following information:

- · Not many governments are prepared
- · Industry standard Cybersecurity Framework: What Governments Can Do Now
- Preparing an Incident Response Plan: What and How to Create One
- Invest in redundancy for mission-critical services/operations
- · Communicate risks to policy makers
- · Invest in getting and training staff

Discussion Note: Only Palau has a redundant financial system.

The presentation Cybersecurity Island Style has been included as **Attachment 11** of these conference proceedings.

## Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Update

Mr. Frank Crawford, CPA provided an update on current and future GASB pronouncements and how to best implement them. The following are the GASB pronouncements and effective dates reviewed during Mr. Crawford's presentation:

- 2018
  - » Statement 75—OPEB (employers)
  - » Statement 81—Irrevocable split-interest agreements
  - » Statement 85 Omnibus 2017 (partial implementation)
  - » Statement 86 Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues
  - » Implementation Guide 2017-1
  - » Implementation Guide 2017-2
  - » Statement No. 74 & 85
  - » Implementation Guide 2017-3
  - » Statement No. 75
- 2019
  - » Statement 83—Certain asset retirement obligations

- » Statement 85 Omnibus 2017 (remaining implementation)
- » Statement 88 Certain Disclosures related to Debt
- 2020—Statement 84—Fiduciary activities
- 2020 Statement 90, Majority equity interests
- 2021 Statement 89, Accounting for interest costs incurred before the end of a construction period
- 2021 Statement 87 Leases
  - » Equity interest ownership issues
  - » IT Arrangements including Cloud Computing
  - » Overall Note Disclosures Reexamination
  - » Public-Private Partnerships

The presentation of the GASB Update has been included as **Attachment 12** of these proceedings.

## **FMIS Status Update Panel Discussion**

Governments shared updates on the current status and upcoming plans for replacing their financial systems. What follows is a summary of the updates provided:

#### Republic of the Marshall Islands (ROP):

- In early stages of FMIS acquisition and replacement.
- Recruitment of Project Manager underway; internal/externally advertised; seventeen candidates being interviewed; estimated selection in February 2019.
- Internal management team in the process of identifying desired functionality of new FMIS; study scheduled to be completed by February 2019.

#### Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas (CNMI):

- JD Edwards current financial system.
- Looking into acquiring document management system (Laser Fish) to integrate with current financial system.

#### Republic of Palau (ROP):

- Established Project Executive Committee with Ministers and Directors as members.
- Technical staff are Finance Chiefs and Systems Accountants.
- · Ruth Wong, former employee of the Ministry of Finance, will be the Project Manager.
- RFP issued on November 6, 2018; contract award scheduled by March 6, 2019.
- RFP for external implementation consultants in process.
- Plan to Go Live by October 1, 2019.
- A bidder has expressed interest and a scripted demonstration is scheduled for January 13, 2019 (prior to contract award).

#### Federated States of Micronesia (FSM National):

- FMIS being acquired and implemented for federal and state governments—five governments, five implementations.
- · Kelly Keller, Project Manager, Program Financial Management
- · World Bank funding FSM-wide FMIS acquisition and implementation over next five years (to 2023).
- · Design consultants selected; kickoff of system design scheduled on January 7, 2019.
- Challenges: HR and Change Management--training and retaining staff and managing expectations.
- Need to change attitudes as there is resistance to change.

## **Government Action Planning**

At the conclusion of the IGFOA Meeting, each government represented at the December 2018 Winter IGFOA conference prepared action plans and shared their plans with the other participants.

The insular government action plans can be found as Attachment 13a - 13x of these proceedings.

### **Conference Close-Out**

Official closing of the Winter 2018 IGFOA remarks were delivered by Catherine Saelua, Director, Department of Budget from American Samoa. Director Saelua noted the following:

Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the IGFOA, and for being here. There has been a wealth of knowledge and sharing these last three days. They say sharing is caring, and all our strengths can help each other improve things.

Thank you very much Department of Interior our sponsor. Thank you very much for sponsoring this valuable conference. We all appreciate learning with and from each other at these conferences. Thank you Nik, Tom and Steve. Thank you Graduate School, Jason for coordinating all this. We appreciate all the hard work that went into this conference. Thank you Debbie; you've been doing this for many years. Thanks also to Frank, Diane.....you know those numbers are eye openers, and we'll be working on it. And thank you very much Kevin. Thanks also for all the food! It made the conference such a success.

In closing, have a blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year everyone!

## **Conference Evaluations**

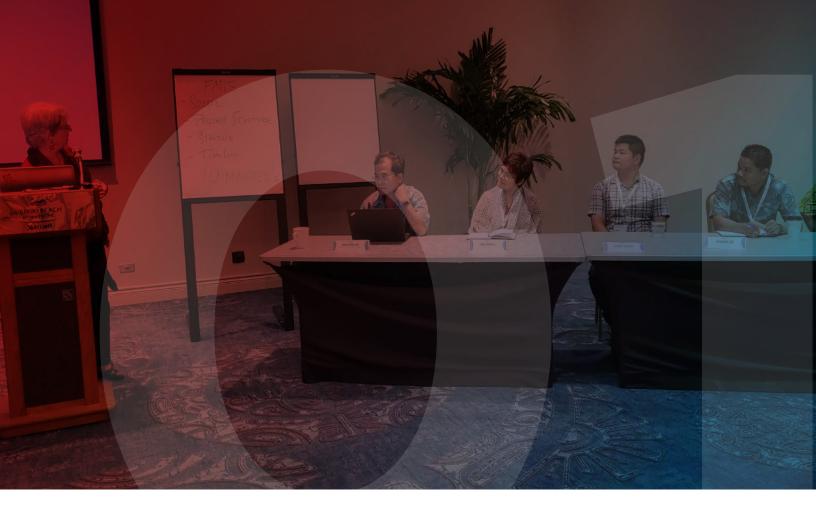
At the end of the conference, each participant completed a conference evaluation. Participants agreed that the IGFOA sessions were timely and relevant (4.8 Out of 5.0). The complete conference evaluation, along with the specific participant comments, has been included as **Attachment 14** of these proceedings.



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IGFOA Honolulu 2018 Agenda



## IGFOA

**DEC 4-6, 2018 IGFOA Winter Meeting** Honolulu, Hawaii | Mariott Waikiki Hotel

## The **Goals** of the December 2018 IGFOA conference are to:

- Share the status of each government's single audits, finance office operations, performance measures, and other initiatives completed since the May 2018 IGFOA conference in St. Louis;
- Present and discuss best practices in single audit improvement, finance office performance improvement, unfunded pension liabilities, cyber-security plans, and FMIS systems acquisition;
- Exchange information on the latest Performeter analyses;
- Build government-specific plans to address emerging GASB standards, enhance finance office performance measures, address unfunded pension liabilities, and continue corrective action planning for single audits.

Tuesday

**Buffet Breakfast** 7:00 a.m.

Marriott Waikiki I Salon A Lanai

8:30 a.m. **IGFOA Conference**  Marriott Waikiki - Salon A

#### Welcoming Remarks.

- Hon. Elbuchel Sadang, Palau Minister of Finance, IGFOA
- Mr. Nikoloa Pula, Director, U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Insular Affairs
- Jason Aubuchon, Senior Program Manager, Pacific & Virgin Islands Training Initiatives

9:00 a.m. Introductions & Agenda Review. Mr. Kevin O'Keefe, Facilitator

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#### 9:30 a.m. Insular Government Updates

Moderators: Mr. Kevin O'Keefe; Ms. Deborah Milks, CPA.

Insular government presentations will feature current information on FY17 single audits, updates on government finance office performance measures,

Presentations (7-10 minutes each):

- American Samoa
- Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
- Guam

#### 10:15 a.m.

#### **Morning Break**



#### 10:30 a.m.

## Insular Government Updates (Continued).

Moderators: Mr. Kevin O'Keefe; Ms. Deborah Milks, CPA.

#### Presentations (7-10 minutes each):

- Republic of the Marshall Islands
- FSM National
- Pohnpei

- Chuuk
- Kosrae
- Yap
- Republic of Palau

## 11:30 a.m. Insular Government FY2017 Audit Improvement Update

Ms. Deborah Milks, CPA

Analysis of audit trends for FY2017, including historical trends in audit timeliness, number and types of audit qualifications, amount of questioned costs, and general observations of recent trends.

#### 12:00 p.m.

#### **Group Photo**

#### 12:30 p.m.

#### Lunch



#### 1:15 p.m.

#### **Lessons Learned in Island Auditing**

Mr. Les Kondo, Hawaii State Auditor

As a relatively new state auditor, Les Kondo will share examples of issues encountered, new approaches utilized by the Hawaii State Auditor's Office, and the challenges and opportunities ahead.

#### 2:15 p.m. Addressing Unfunded Pension Liabilities

Mr. Frank Crawford, CPA

Unfunded government pension liabilities, underfunded social security systems, and other post-employment benefits remain a significant challenge for many of the insular governments. This session will share current data for each of the insular governments, and review progress to-date.

#### 3:15 p.m.

#### **Afternoon Break**



#### 3:30 p.m.

#### **Panel Discussion**

#### **Addressing Unfunded Pension Liabilities**

Panelists will discuss actions taken to (a) raise the level of awareness of unfunded liabilities within insular governments; (b) reduce the size of unfunded liabilities; and (c) the consequences of inaction.

#### 5:00 p.m.

#### Adjourn Day One.

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5:00 p.m.

**Adjourn Day Two** 

7:00 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast						
8:30 a.m.	IGFOA Conference Mr. Kevin O'Keefe, Facilitator Marriott Waikiki I Salon A						
	Review Day One and Agenda for Day Two						
8:45 a.m.	Budget Update from the Department of Insular Affairs  Mr. Thomas Bussanich, Budget Director, DOI-OIA						
9:00 a.m.	Finance Office Performance Measures  Deborah Milks, CPA						
	IGFOA finance measures have been chosen by finance office officials to be utilized as a management tool. This session will provide a refresher on current measures, including how to gather data, calculate the measures and how to best use utilize the measures.						
10:00 a.m.	Morning Break **						
10:15 a.m.	Finance Office Performance Measures (continued)  Deborah Milks, CPA						
12:00 p.m.	Lunch 💥						
1:00 p.m.	Cybersecurity Readiness: Is Your Government Secure?  Vincent Hoang, Chief Information Security Officer, Hawaii State						
	The question is not "if" but "when" your government will be the target of cyber-hackers. What are the consequences of a cybersecurity hack and how can your government avoid the worst of those consequences?						
2:00 p.m.	Developing a Cybersecurity Plan  Debbie Milks, CPA						
	What are the elements of a cybersecurity plan? Who should be involved in the planning? How is the plan tested and maintained? We will explore how the IGFOA members have already prepared and what remains to be done.						
3:00 p.m.	Afternoon Break						
3:15 p.m.	Insular Government Performeters  Mr. Frank Crawford, CPA						
	The FY17 Performeter scores have been calculated for all of the insular governments. This session will review overall scores, as well as review progress on the Audit Findings, Timeliness of Audit Submission and Exception Resolution (A.F.T.E.R.) analysis.						



**Buffet Breakfast** Marriott Waikiki | Salon A Lanai 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. **IGFOA Conference** Mr. Kevin O'Keefe, Facilitator Marriott Waikiki I Salon A Review Days One and Two, and Agenda for Day Three 8:45 a.m. **Panel Discussion** Status Updates on the Financial Management Information Systems (FMIS) in the **Insular Areas.** Multiple governments are currently in the process of implementing (or considering implementing) new Financial Management Information Systems. This panel discussion will provide a status update, highlighting current progress, obstacles encountered, and next steps. 10:00 a.m. **Morning Break** Governmental Accounting Update: Will It Ever End? Mr. Frank Crawford 10:15 a.m. Working Lunch Breakout Rooms 12:00 p.m. **Finalizing Insular Government Action Plans** 1:30 p.m. **Report Out: Government Specific Action Plans** Mr. Kevin O'Keefe, Facilitator 3:00 p.m. **Conference Wrap-Up**  Advancing the Action Plans Conference Evaluations

3:30 p.m. **Adjourn** 



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- Kelly Keller, Project Manager, Project for Strengthening Public Financial Management, FSM National Government

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• Feliciano M. Perman, Director, Department of Finance, Pohnpei

#### Federated States of Micronesia (Chuuk)



• Tiser Reynold, Advisor, Department of Finance and Administration, Chuuk

#### Federated States of Micronesia (Yap)



• Pius Talimeisei, Chief of Budget, Department of Budget, Yap

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#### Guam

- Edward Birn, Director, Department of Administration
- Ken Borja, Management Analyst, Department of Administration

#### **Republic of the Marshall Islands**



- Casper Lejjena, Senior Budget Officer, ROC
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American Samoa
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#### **GOVERNMENT STATUS UPDATE**

Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) Winter meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii December 4-6, 2018

	ASG FY 18 Audit Status
Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.	Federal portion of audit completed November 15, 2018. Auditors return January 2019 for financial portion of audit.
Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.	For the Single Audit and the Financial portions of the audit, we are hoping to resolve qualifications on reporting.
Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?	No. Expecting to resolve financial findings with reporting and hopefully with fixed assets.
What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?	The effect of the pension liability on the Territory of AS's financial position is that it has decreased the Territory's combined net position from \$240 million to 207M between FY16 & FY17.

S	Status of ASG action plans
Planning Area	Major accomplishment
Action plan item #1	Re-visit & update Finance SOPs:  General Accounting/Grants SOPs completed.  Currently working on Accounts Payable SOPs.
Action plan item #2	Finance Office Performance Measures: Reduction in Federal Grants Receivable Timeliness of SF 425 reporting
Action plan item #3	Employee Rewards Profiles:  Changed action plan to Employee Engagement Month Activity.
Cybersecurity Plans	Recently the Homeland Security Office has conducted trainings on ASG's cybersecurity plans; progress will be reported in the <i>upcoming</i> IGFOA conference in LA.

## ASG AP Quarterly Closing

TASK	Deadline Date	Deadline Met?
1. Accrue vouchers	10 days after month end	NO
2. Reconcile all prepaid items	5 days after month end	NO
3. Reconcile all invoices	5 days after month end	NO
4. Work with Procurement to cancel or void all POs	8 days after month end	NO
5. Reconcile all contracts	10 days after month end	NO

## Why is this measure important?

Closing procedures for Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable divisions have been executed. Improving these measurers enhances the ASG's ability to accurately budget and build expectations for financial operations.

## What is our plan to improve this measure?

Re-visit and update SOPs, train staff, and set deadlines for staff to meet. Assign an accountant from General Accounting to monitor and report.

## When do we expect to meet our goal?

Aiming for end of 2019 2nd quarter

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### **ASG Finance Office Challenges**

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

- 1) Cash Flow
- 2) Limited technical staff including Comptroller and experienced Staff witl knowledge and skills in general and governmental accounting to close ASG's books.

#### How could you resolve that challenge?

Cash Flow: Consistently monitor expenses and revenues for all funds, encourage collection efforts, and drawdown of grant expenses.

Staff shortage: ASG has just hired a comptroller on a two-year contract to handle the FY18, but in the long run, we still need a full time comptroller that is available on island; another solution is to request for the FY closing course financed and administered by the Graduate School to train new employees on board.

How would you measure whether your improvement plan is working?

- 1) Be consistent with the daily cash report for monitoring cash on hand and outstanding payments to be paid.
- 2) Financial findings are to be resolved, and that the single audit be free from findings.  ${\bf 5}$

ASG Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period FY16		Current Period FY'18		Notes	Audit issue?
Cash	Managemo	ent						
Revenue Estimates within target %	10% over or under estimated revenues	Annual	17%	7%	10%		ASG has met its target in FY'17 and again in FY18.	
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual	FY 2016 100%	FY 2017 100%	FY 2018 98 %	<b></b>	ASG has met the December 30 <sup>th</sup> deadline for CMIA for the past 3 fiscal years. ASG will meet 2018's deadline.	No

ASG Department of Finance Performance Measures	_	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?			
Grants M	Grants Management										
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	< 20 days	Quarterly	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2018 20 days	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr FY 2018 19 days	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr FY 2019 13 days		Payment of invoices occur only after AP has received all purchasing documents which include invoice, purchase order and receiving report.	No			
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports PREPARED on time for department		3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY 2018 100%	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr FY 2018 100%	1st Qtr FY 2019 N/A Reporting deadline is 12/30/18	<b></b>	Departments are informed to copy their Treasury grant analysts on reporting extension or reporting submission emails.	yes			
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	10%	Annual	2016 15%	2017 51%	2018 35%		Includes open grants	no			

ASG Department of Finance Performance Measures		Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	3					
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	100%	Annual	Sept 2016 0%	Sept 2017 0%	Sept 2018 19 %	This measure does not include the entire Treasury department only the General Accounting/Grants Division.	No
# of training hours per finance employee	40 hrs per employee	Annual	Sept 2016 12 empl 20 hrs	Sept 2017 11 empl 20 hrs	Sept 2018 16 empl 0 hrs	Treasury if facing shortage of staff due to illness, and retirement thus contributing in the lack of training hours.	No

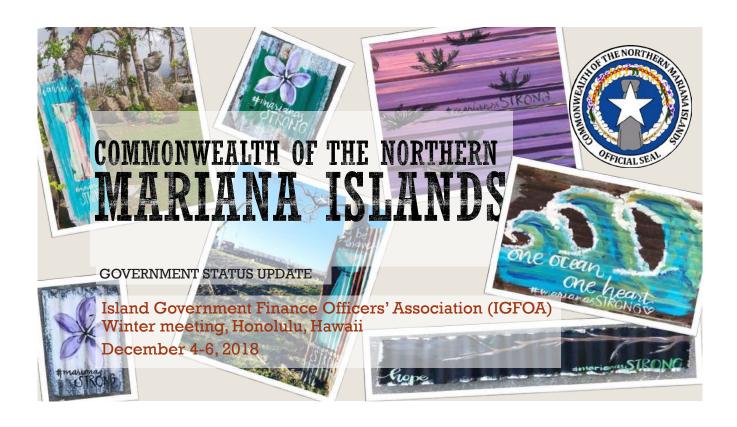
ASG Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation an	d Intern	al Contro	ol					
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	15 days after month end	Mnthly	Sept 2018 15 days	Oct 2018 26 days	Nov 2018 18 days		For the months of Oct and November, delays with bank reconciliation has been due to employee turnover due to illness, personal commitments, and retirement.	yes
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	10% of federal AR	Annual	FY 2016 19 M	FY 2017 \$18M	FY 2018 \$17M	-	Receivables due from the Federal Government has been reduced due to weekly monitoring by managers.	ves



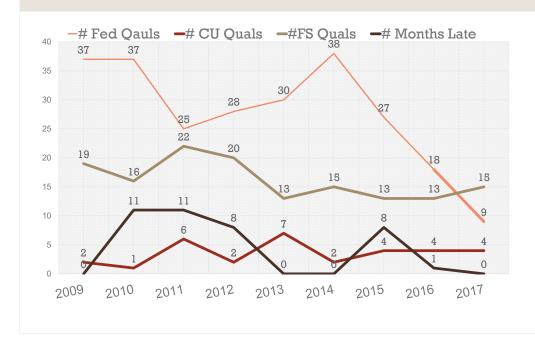
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Commonwealth of the Northern

Mariana Islands Government Presentation



#### CNMI AUDIT RESULTS FY 2009-2017



HIGHLI FY 2	
Completion date	June 30
# Federal Qualifications	9
# Financial Qualifications	15
# Component Unit Qualifications	4
# Repeat Findings	10

### CNMI FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

**Contracted** 

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

**Component Units** 

Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

**Delays from Component Units** 

What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

No Data to determine effect

### Status of CNMI action plans

Planning Area

Major accomplishment/Status Update

Travel Regulations

Current technology not compatible with proposed regulations

Fixed Asset Management

Interviewed CRM Director on best practices

Typhoon recovery opportunity

**ERP System** 

Project team assembled

Cybersecurity Plans

#### CNMI PERFORMANCE: FIXED ASSET INVENTORY



Why is this measure important?

What is our plan to improve this measure?

When do we expect to meet our goal?

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### CNMI Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

(A) Resource Capacity

(B) Technology

How could you resolve that challenge?

(A) Recruit and retain more employees

(B) More usable asset management system

How would you measure whether your improvement plan is working?

Fixed Asset inventory performance measure

CNMI Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2		Current Period 0		Notes	Audit issue?
Cash	Manageme	ent						
Reduction in overdue travel advances	20% reduction from prior period	Mntly	0	17%	29%	1	Figures presented are percentage of travel advances outstanding.	No
Revenue Estimates within target %	5% Of estimated revenues	Annual	11%	2%	-6%	<b></b>	(+) exceeds target (-) short of target	No
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual				<u> </u>	Bank information needs updating.	7

CNMI Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants Ma	anageme	ent						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	14 days	Average over one quarter	<b>10</b> days	<b>9</b> days	<b>10</b> days		from vendor invoice date to check date	No
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	95%		Typhoon Yutu	No
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	10% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	21%	15%	8%			No 8

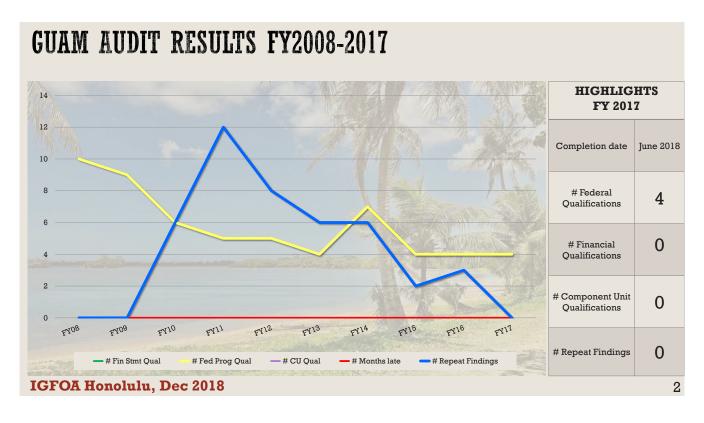
CNMI Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation an	d Interna	al Contro	ol					
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Annual or biannual				<b>↓</b>		Yes
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	25 days after month end	Mnthly	<b>15</b> days	<b>18</b> days	<b>20</b> days			No
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	10% of federal AR/federal expend	Annual	<sup>2016</sup>	2017 <b>14%</b>	<sup>2018</sup> <b>14%</b>			No 10



## **03**c

**Guam Government Presentation** 





#### **GUAM FY18 Audit Status**

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

Year 3 (FY2018) of 3 with Deloitte & Touche, LLP Pending final closing of FY2018 and issuance of contract (PO). First draft due February 28th and targeted final is March 31st, 2019

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

No expected changes

Do you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

First year OPEB liability will be recorded.

Reconcile assumptions in OPEB, funded and unfunded pension valuations

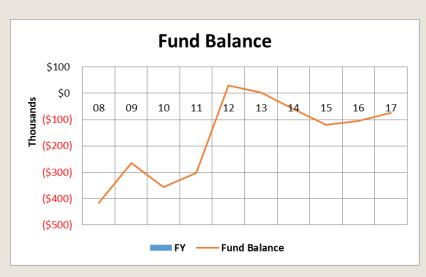
What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

Both the funded and unfunded pension liability were fully recorded last year with a further negative impact on Net Position.

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#### Status of GUAM action plans Major accomplishment Planning Area Shared plan with supervisors: June 2018 (#1) Share/Post IGFOA action Identify options to easily share with all plans with all staff (#2) Create dashboard for Pending: Review dashboard capabilities of Content Management Software Module. Implementation Spring 2019 tracking measurement (#3) Implement Quarterly On-going: First Quarterly Closing Circular issued for June 2018 closing schedule notifications On-going (#4) Improve cash forecasting (#5) Improve A/P aging report Completed: 31-Jan-18, Flow chart developed and included in SOP (#6) Develop Tax Receivable Timeframe: 31-Dec-18 forecast module (#7) Monitor FMS System On-Going **Projects** (#8) Review DOA annual & On-Going periodic reports format

#### GUAM



Why is this measure important?

Rating agencies and investors consider the Fund balance on Governmental Funds an important measure.

What is our plan to improve this measure?

Reduce the deficit without new debt.

When do we expect to meet our goal?

Achieved goal over the last two years. Need to maintain.

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### **GUAM Finance Office Challenges**

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

- 1. New Administration
- 2. Recruitment
- 3. Employee morale and health (i.e. stress, anxiety, etc.)
- 4. Collecting receivables from exiting public employees

How could you resolve that challenge?

- 1. Involve all employees, provide training/education on Department's missions, responsibilities, processes, SOPs and mandates;
- 2. Work with incoming Administration for additional staff;
- 3. Encourage more healthier lifestyles and cross-train;
- 4. Implement garnishment process (i.e. tax refunds, lump sum, etc.)

How would you measure whether your improvement plan is working?

Monitor employee performances

GUAM Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period O	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Cash Managem	ent							
Reduction in overdue travel advances	10% Reduction from prior period	Quarterly	FY18 Q2 2% \$3K	FY18 Q3 3% \$11K	FY18 Q4 7% \$22K	<b>*</b>	QUARTELY O/S TRAVEL A/R  250  250  100  100  100  100  1st Otr Snd Otr Srd Otr 4th Otr	
Revenue Estimates within target %	5% over or under estimated revenues	Annual	FY2016 3.83%	FY2017 <b>2.77</b> %	FY2018 <b>4.15</b> %		Budget vs Actual  \$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc	
Completion of Comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual	FY2016 100%	FY2017 100%	FY2017 100%	<b>\</b>	Completed, Updated and Approved	7

GUAM Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants Manage	ment							
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	< 15 days	Average over one Quarter	FY18 Q2 11 days	FY18 Q3 11 days	FY18 Q4 12 days	<b>\</b>	Federal invoice payments are processed upon receipt of drawdown funds.  The number of days measured is from the date invoice added to FGIA Receivable Subledger to check date. (FGIA Sub-ledger is updated weekly)	
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports PREPARED on time	Quarterly	FY18 Q2 100%	FY18 Q3 100%	FY18 Q4 100%	<b>-</b>	Timeliness Measures:  Request for extension Delinquent notice Hold/Lock online access	
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	10% unspent funds / total funds	Annual	Under Review	Under Review	Under Review	<b>\</b>	Draft percentages of Unspent Funds for monitoring purposes ONLY. These percentages are NOT based on official grant final close out reports.	8

GUAM Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity Build	ing							
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed on time	100%	Quarterly	FY18 Q2 33%	FY18 Q3 64%	FY18 Q4 <b>80</b> %	1	Summary by   Do Field   Latt (1- UEF) LATE (Down Constitution   Do Field   Down)   10 Down   1	
# of training hours per finance employee	24 hrs per employee	Annual	N/A	FY2017 13 Empl 37 Hrs	FY2018 36 Empl 63.5 hrs	1	Employee Training - Hrs per Employee  40  30  20  Procurement Fed Fin Year-End Gort Acrtg (GSA) Reporting (FFR) Closting Training Basics  ### of Empl ### Library (Fry Many)	
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GUAM Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period - 2	Prior Period - 1	Current Period O	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation	and Internal	Control						
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Annual	FY2016 <b>29</b> %	FY2017 20%	FY2018 18%	<b>*</b>	Fixed Assets Cumulative Inventory  Completion  1500  1500  60% 40% 750 90% 500 20% 20% 20% 20% 20% 20% 20% 20% 20% 2	
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	15 days after month end	Monthly	Aug 2018 14 days	Sep 2018  10-days	Oct 2018 20-days	<b>*</b>	G/F Bank Recon Completion  25 20 15 10 S Aug Sep Oct	
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	5% of Federal AR / Federal Exp	Annual	FY2016 4.37%	FY2017 <b>5.03</b> %	Prelim FY2018 10.50%	<b>*</b>	FEDERAL GRANT RECEIVABLE  11 11 11.00 11.00 11 11 11.00 11.00 11 11 11.00 11.0	10

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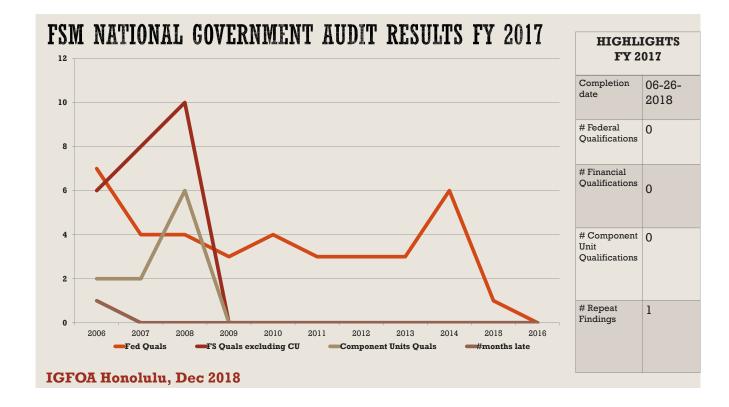
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#### **GOVERNMENT STATUS UPDATE**

Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) Winter meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii December 4-6, 2018



#### FSM National Government FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

Auditor has already started the field work.

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

We are aiming to eliminate the finding from prior year.

Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

We do not expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit.

What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

We do not have pension liability.

#### Status of FSM National Government action plans

Planning Area Major accomplishment Reduction of audit findings- for FY17, FSM NG's audit finding is reduced to Action plan item #1 one. Action plan item #2 Staff evaluation- ongoing Reduction of travel advances- billing statement is sent on a monthly basis. Action plan item #3 Traveler is asked to settle the outstanding advance before approving a travel authorization. Protect rational property from theft, threat located either inside or outside of the network. Protect employee's & vendor's personally identifiable Cybersecurity Plans information(PII). To able to identify and understand what information rolling in, provide high degree of confidentiality on sending and receiving email.

#### FSM NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

Bank reconciliation

#### Why is this measure important?

Cash is susceptible to fraud, accurate balance is necessary to avoid overdrawn.

What is our plan to improve this measure?

**Ensuring that reconciliation** is completed on time monthly and daily monitoring is performed.

When do we expect to meet our goal?

Monthly.

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## FSM National Government Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

#### Current FMIS.

How could you resolve that challenge? We are currently in the process of acquiring a new system which we expect to utilize in the current or next fiscal year.

improvement plan is working?

How would you measure whether your When we are able to process our transactions with ease and generate the needed reports faster.

FSM National Government Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2		Current Period 0		Notes	Audit issue?
Cash	Managem	ent						
Reduction in overdue travel advances	% reduction from prior period	Qtrly	56%	35%	30%	<b>→</b>	Billing statement is sent on a monthly basis, traveler with outstanding advance is asked to settle such advance before the next travel is approved.	No
Revenue Estimates within target %	% over or under estimated revenues	Annual	18% over	23% over	4% over		Current period is FY18, prior period -1 is FY17 and prior period -2 is FY16.	No
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual					We follow what is in the budget.	

Government Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants Ma	anageme	nt						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average over one quarter	3	3	3		Measure is based on the date that finance received the invoice from the vendor.	No
Timeliness of SF425 reports	% of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	100%		An audit issue from the previous fiscal year.	Yes
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	3%	12%		<u></u>	Accrual for FY18 has not completed yet since liquidation period ends on December 31, 2018.	No

(YOUR GOVT) Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Irena	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	3						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	%	Annual						
# of training hours per finance employee	hrs per employee	Annual	40	40	40			No

(YOUR GOVT) Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	irena	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation an	d Intern	al Contro	ol					
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Annual or biannual	100%	100%	90%		AJEs are not completed yet for FY 18.	No
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30 days after month end	Mnthly	<30 days	<30 days	<30 days		Monitoring is done on a daily basis.	No
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	% of federal AR/federal expend	Annual	19%	20%		<b>→</b>	Program managers were met and discussed the reasons for uncollected receivables. Accrual for FY18 has not completed yet since liquidation period ends on December 31, 2018.	No



## **03e**

Republic of the Marshall Islands Government Presentation





## **REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

#### **GOVERNMENT STATUS UPDATE**

Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA)

Winter meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii December 4-6, 2018



#### RMI AUDIT RESULTS FY 2008-2017



HIGHLIGHTS FY 2017									
Completion date	June 29,2018								
# Federal Qualifications	1								
# Financial Qualifications	0								
# Component Unit Qualifications	0								
# Repeat Findings	33%								

IGFOA Honolulu, Dec 2018

### RMI FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

Trial Balance and Schedules have already submitted to the auditors on Nov 30, 2018

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

No expected changes

Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

No unusual challenges

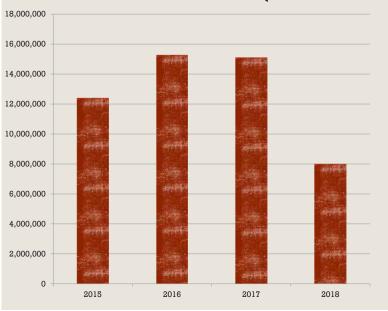
What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

None

	Status of RMI action plans
Planning Area	Major accomplishment
1. Cash Management	-We've implemented 90 days policy for Purchase order (No more back order) -We've completed the manual for Grants management including policy draw downs -Improved collection on TAs
2. Fixed Asset Inventory	-Continues to be a challenge due to transportation to the outer islands (working with <b>WIU</b> )
3. Develop an Ethics Training Program	-Recently hired HR Manager and HR Consultant and already had one Employee Forum regarding PSC Regulations - Ethics training to be conducted by Ethics Committees mid January
Cybersecurity Plans	Don't have a plan yet. Govt established Informations & Communication Technology Committee(ICT) to improve Government IT

#### RMI GOVERNMENT (MEASURE)

#### Accounts Receivable (Federal Grants)



Why is this measure important?
It affects our cash on hand, ability to pay and the operation of the Government

What is our plan to improve this measure?
-We plan to do monthly monitoring and continue to work with Compliance Unit

When do we expect to meet our goal? It's an ongoing progress and hopefully by the end of FY19 we will reduce the amount by 50%

#### RMI Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

Cash Management Planning & Monitoring Procurement

How could you resolve that challenge? •

- Complete a cash management policy
- Conduct the cash management training to require ministries and agencies to produce monthly or quarterly procurement plans
- Policy to require ministries and Finance to stick to procurement plans (allows for MOF to know the cash requirements of each agencies)

How would you measure whether your • improvement plan is working?

- Percentage of ministries' expenditures to reflect what is on procurement plan
- Financial reports to be consistent to proposed procurement plan

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RMI Ministry of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2		Current Period 0		Notes	Audit issue?
Cash Management								
Reduction in overdue travel advances	10% reduction from prior period	Quarterly	5% Reduction	10% Reduction	10% Reduction			No
Revenue Estimates within target %	5% over estimated revenues	Annual	estimated	estimated	10% under estimated revenues	•	Available cash forecasts on an annual basis only.	No
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	In Progress	Annual						Yes 7

RMI Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants Ma	anageme	ent						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	10 days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average over one quarter	15 days	10 days	10 days		Timely submission of invoices with complete supporting documents in order not to delay the payment	No
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	100%		To work closely with Program Managers to ensure the accuracy and timeliness of the reports	No
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	10% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	30%	20%	10%			No 8

RMI Ministry of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	3						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	60%	Annual						No
# of training hours per finance employee	24 hrs per employee	Annual						No
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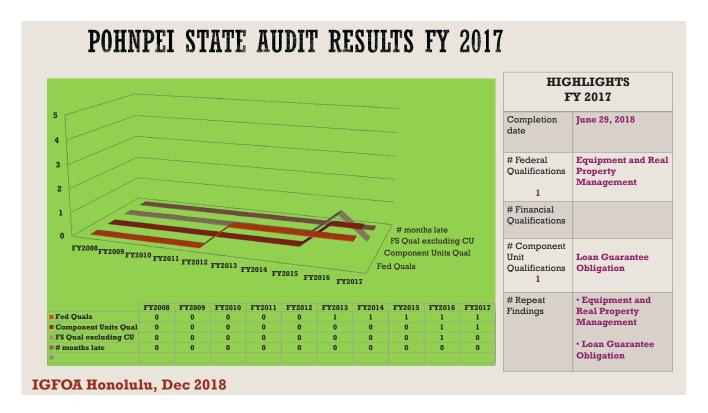
RMI Ministry of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation an	d Intern	al Contro	ol					
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	80% completed and AJEs posted	Annual	30%	75%	In Progress		Continue to conduct physical inspection on regular basis and monitor condition status	Yes
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30days after month end	Mnthly	<30 days after month end	<30 days after month end	<30 days after month end	1	Bank reconciliation is available within one month from the end of each month	No
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	40% of federal AR/federal expend	Annual	20%	30%	35%	•	Still working on the reconciliation	Yes



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**Pohnpei State Government Presentation** 





### Pohnpei State Government FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18

FY18 Audit is still ongoing

audit.

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior

Prior Year Accounts Receivable (Pohnpei Utilities Corporation)

years.

Do you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

**Grant Compliance** 

What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

Not applicable to Pohnpei State Government

#### Status of Pohnpei State Government action plans

Planning Area Major accomplishment Action plan item #1 Resolved \$448,013 in prior year Questioned Costs Bank Reconciliation on Compact Sector Fund Including all Savings and TCD Action plan item #2 were completed. Except for the schools and clinics located on our outer islands, all fixed assets Action plan item #3 were accounted for. Had I.T. Manager trained and certified in November 2018 by the Business Innovation Institute (BII) in Majuro. · Plans on securing the IT facility Cybersecurity Plans · Secure assets both software and hardware • Monitor Network Security

#### MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT

State Department of Treasury, Education and Health Services with the assistance of Dr. Roger Gorham, hosted a workshop to all administrative/fiscal staff from all state departments on November 15, 2018 for the Fiscal/Personnel Administrators Reform Recommendation:

**Goal:** To achieve a consensus understanding of the critical issues facing administrators dealing with Sector grants and the overall administration of the State government as well as agreement on the strategies required to address those issues.

#### **Objectives:**

- \* Identify critical issues that must be addressed if the Executive Branch is to function effectively
- Agree on priorities
- ❖Outline a Plan of Action

□ On November 21, 2018, the Reform Recommendation was presented to the Governor, Lt. Governor and State Cabinet, awaiting their endorsement on the Proposed Plan of Action.

□ On November 27, 2018, Acting Governor, the Honorable Reed B. Oliver sent out a Memorandum to all Departments, Offices and Agency Heads informing them that the Department of Treasury will be conducting a workshop on December 18 to 19, 2018 to address issues raised in the Reform (Administration of the Public Service System Regulation and the Financial Management Act). He also invited the presence of both the Budget and AG Office to assist with legal and budgetary matters.

IGFOA Honolulu, Dec 2018

### POHNPEI STATE GOVERNMENT



#### Why is this measure important?

To expense out unnecessary AR created from not filing travel vouchers on time.

#### What is our plan to improve this measure?

•Strictly re-enforce the travel regulations to ensure that all travelers file their travel vouchers no later than 10 days upon arrival.

### When do we expect to meet our goal?

\*We expect to see changes by the end of March, 2019.

### Pohnpei State Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

- · Cash flow problem with the Compact Sector Fund
- Collection of Prior Year Accounts Receivable
- Resolving Prior Year Questioned Costs

- How could you resolve that challenge? Additional Revenue Sources and other investment opportunities
  - Look into legal ways to collect prior year accounts receivable
  - Train administrative/fiscal staff in all areas associated with their work, especially, Grant Compliance.

How would you measure whether your Unmodified Audit Opinion improvement plan is working?

Pohnpei State Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Cash I	Manageme	ent						
Reduction in overdue travel advances	25% reduction from prior period	Qtrly	Jan-Mar	Apr-May	July-Sept		A workshop is scheduled to be conducted on December 18 and 19 to re-educate all administrative/fiscal staff with the Finance Management Regulations, compliance policies and the importance of being on track with finance performance measures.	No
Revenue Estimates within target %	To collect 100% of estimated revenues	Annual	FY16 3%	FY17 44%	FY18 14%		<ul> <li>In FY16, Revenue collected was \$344k more than what was estimated.</li> <li>In FY17, collection was \$4.5m more than the estimated revenue.</li> <li>In the current period, our actual is higher than the estimated by \$1.6 million.</li> </ul>	No
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	50% completed and approved	Annual	50%	50%	50%		The Cash Management Plan is in the revision process.	No 8

Pohnpei State Department of Financ Performance Measure		Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants N	1anageme	ent						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	2-3 days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average over one quarter	<3	<3	<3	$\rightarrow$	The cash flow problem creates a delay in the processing of checks. In the current period, we are in the process of preparing payments for our off-island vendors.	No
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100 % of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	75%	<b>→</b>	Variances between the budget figures posted by the Budget staff and revenue posted by the Finance staff contribute greatly to the delay of our report submission, System Error. Reconciliation must be done in that area.	No
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	FY2016 4%	FY2017 11%	FY2018 14%	ļ	•FY16, awarded \$2.2m, exp \$2.2m and lost over \$88k •FY17, awarded \$2.3m, exp \$2.1m, total unspent \$244k •.FY18, awarded over \$704k, exp over \$605k, total unspent over 99k •Most of the unspent funds comes from the Personnel Category & FY18 Expired Accounts	No 9

Pohnpei State Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Irend	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	3						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	100 %	Annual	0%	0%	0%		The Director has advised the Personnel Chief to schedule personnel evaluations for the departments.	
# of training hours per finance employee	hrs per employee	Annual					Will be reported after the completion of the personnel evaluation.	
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Pohnpei State Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation an	d Interna	al Contro	ol					
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Biannual	80% completed and AJEs posted	80% completed and AJEs posted	60% completed and AJEs posted	<b>→</b>	We are looking into locating additional funding to fund our procurement officers to travel to our outer islands to conduct fixed asset inventory in the schools and clinics.	No
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30 days after month end	Monthly	>30	>30	<30	<b></b>	Our Bank Recon for General Fund and Sector Accounts were updated except for Payroll Account which was delayed during the July system crash. We are still in the process of correcting some entries.	??
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	100% of federal AR/federal expend	Qtrly	3%	2%	3%	<b></b>	Timely collection of Reimbursements for the Federal Grants except for those that are withheld pending liquidation.	11





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**Chuuk State Government Presentation** 



## CHUUK STATE GOV'T

#### **GOVERNMENT STATUS UPDATE**

Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) Winter meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii December 4-6, 2018

#### CHUUK STATE AUDIT RESULTS FY 2007-2017



HIGHLIGHTS FY 2017									
Completion date	June 21, 2018								
# Federal Qualifications	-0-								
# Financial Qualifications	2								
# Component Unit Qualifications	-0-								
# Repeat Findings	3								

IGFOA Honolulu, Dec 2018

#### CHUUK STATE FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

AUDIT IS ONGOING. SHOULD BE COMPLETED ONTIME.

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

THERE SHOULD BE REDUCTIONS IN QUALIFICATIONS AND FINDINGS (Fixed Assets Maintenance Procedures & Recon findings will be eliminated)

Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

Yes, receivables from FSM National Government on Sector grants

What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

NOT SURE. CLARITY SHOULD BE MADE WITHIN THE Five FSM Governments

### Status of CHUUK STATE action plans

Planning Area Major accomplishment Action plan item #1 Substantial improvement Collection of outstanding (82% as of Sept. 30, 2018) Total issued \$670,000 collected \$552,600 at year travel advances end. Action plan item #2 Revenue/Budget Substantial improvement (leading to budgetary surplus in FY17) tracking Action plan item #3 3 training sessions to over 30 employees Training of finance (CFCC&DAS/GS/World Bank) employees Draft completed (under review) Cybersecurity Plans

#### Proposed cybersecurity improvement to ICT system for Chuuk State Government complex

In light of the pending upgrade of the Financial Management Information System and the pending relocation to the new office spaces, it is opportune time to further secure and optimize the ICT network through which flows mission critical information for the Chuuk State government departments and agencies.

Following is a proposed plan:

- 1. Secure perimeters with network firewalls and Intrusion Detection & Prevention Systems
- Secure workstations, servers, and networked devices with anti-malware
   Secure intra-network with VLANs (Virtual Local Area Networks) and secure transport protocol(s)
- 1. Secure perimeters with a network Firewall and network Intrusion Prevention System
  - A. Install network NEXT GENERATION FIREWALL (a simple firewall is just a simple firewall; a Next Generation Firewall is a firewall with IPS and enterprise anti-malware 1. Cisco ASA with FirePOWER Next-Generation Firewall ALL IN ONE DEVICE (Firewall, IPS, Antivirus)

    - 2. Cisco Firepower NGFW is the industry standard for multi-faceted security
    - 3. Cisco is the most trusted brand of network routers and security appliances
    - 4. Cisco has been time-tested and has documentation readily available in print and via the Web. Cisco products are well documented and user friendly.
    - 5. Cisco ASA and NGFW security appliances are VPN capable should the need arise
  - 6. Recommending 2 or 3 NGFW's for redundancy, with all 2 or 3 configured exactly the same or "cloned" to minimize downtime \$1000 per appliance
  - B. Install web-portal to allow remote offices to gain access to FMIS reporting FMIS proposing to install web-portal to new FMIS
- 2. Secure workstations, servers, and networked devices with anti-malware software
  - A. Install enterprise grade anti-malware to minimize vulnerability to malicious software (virus, worms, trojan-horse, etc.) Install network anti-malware with a local update server to ease Internet congestion from having devices downloading duplicate updates
    - 1. Symantec Enterprise with update server on LAN, downloading single copies of updates and disseminating to local devices \$28 per device
    - 2. McAfee Endpoint Protection SMB \$28 per device
- 3. Secure intra-network with VLANs and secure transport protocol(s)
  - A. Install smart-switches/routers to segregate/segment network traffic
  - B. Install secure transport protocols to secure intra-network traffic
  - C. Network infrastructure throughout the government complex remains fixed, but ports on smart-switch configure according to who uses port. Otherwise, IT would need to rerun network cables every time a different person or office uses port(s)

#### IGFOA Honolulu, Dec 2018

## CHUUK STATE

Timely processing of transactions





#### Why is this measure important?

To satisfy customers and maximize efficient operation

#### What is our plan to improve this measure?

Fill vacancies at Finance (4) Continue process trainings (3) Reduce errors/noncompliances

#### When do we expect to meet our goal?

Recruitment by March 19 Trainings in February & July 196

# CHUUK STATE Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

#### Timely and Efficient Processes

How could you resolve that challenge?	By filling in existing vacancies in Finance and continue process trainings with staffs (CFCC/DAS trainings – 1 every other quarter/ Deloitte annual training during finance conference)  Utilizing error/non-compliance tracking system in collaboration with CFCC
How would you measure whether your improvement plan is working?	Effective timeliness of transaction processing and reduction of errors. (current processing days to be reduced from 18 days to 7 days after receipt of required obligation documents; reconciliations from 60 days to no more than 30 days after the month)

CHUUK STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2		Current Period 0		Notes	Audit issue?		
Cash	Cash Management									
Reduction in overdue travel advances	50% reduction from prior period	Mntly	42%	48%	100%		The period Oct – Dec 2017 is also 100%. The total annual reduction is 82%	NO		
Revenue Estimates within target %	5% over estimated revenues	Qtrly and Annual	FY16 16.4% over estimate (\$1.2 m)	FY17 28% over estimate (\$2.3 m)	Will be available and reported on Jan 15, 2019	-	This is an area that has been improved substantially due to improved collaborations and oversight by management with the Tax Division	NO		
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual	N/A			1	Not doing CMP. Should be considered as a project.	NO 8		

CHUUK STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?	
Grants Management									
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	7 days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average over one quarter	21	18	12		Need to strive for 7 days target.	NO	
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	100%		Reports are submitted to FSM Finance on time. From there to USDOI, not sure.		
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	0% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	0%	0%	0%		It should be noted that the State of Chuuk receives portions of grants allotted from FSM National government on different timelines and not the total authorized grants for Chuuk. This process resulted in over- expenditures of grants (payroll, etc.)	<sub>No</sub> 9	

CHUUK STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	S						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	100%	Annual	N/A	N/A	N/A		AGREEMENTS BETWEEN DEPT. HEADS AND DAS/CPSC HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED	
# of training hours per finance employee	hrs per employee	Annual	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>→</b>	TRAININGS WERE UNDERTAKEN (see slide #4) however the measurement is difficult to assess	
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CHUUK STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures		Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?	
Reconciliation and Internal Control									
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	biannual	100%	0	100%			NO	
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30 days after month end	Mnthly	10 Months	30 days	60 days	-	Recon Supervisor left government, lead to backlog again. Hiring new Recon Supervisor is ongoing	YES	
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	100% of federal AR/federal expend	Annual	100%	88%	89.6%	<b>→</b>	\$124K out of \$1.2 million not received yet.	<sub>NO</sub> 11	



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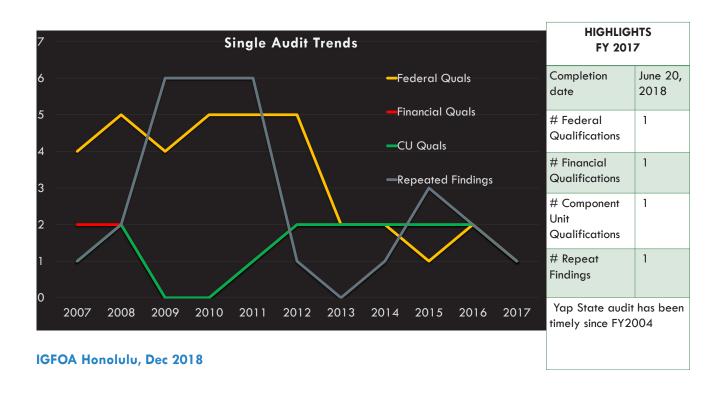
**Yap State Government Presentation** 

# YAP STATE GOVERNMENT



**GOVERNMENT STATUS UPDATE** 

Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) Winter meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii December 4-6, 2018



Yap	Yap State Government FY 18 Audit Status							
Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.	Auditor's have been engaged. Preliminary trial balance to be provided to auditor by end of November.							
Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.	We are expecting the procurement findings to be reduced in the FY18 audit.							
Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?	None at this time.							
What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?	N/A							

# YAP STATE FINANCE IMPROVEMENT PLANS

Focus Area	Responsible Party	Status	Note
Resolve outstanding QC's.	Finance Office	Partially Complete	Majority of prior years' QCs has been cleared. Will continue to assess and identify internal weaknesses to avoid potential QC's in future audits.
Continue working on FMR	Finance Office	On-going	Minor changes are being undertaken. Assessment and adjustment with the piece-meal approach ongoing, before a complete update of the FMR can be completed.
Continue cleaning A/R	Finance Office	On-going	Still working on this area with a target date of completion by end of $2^{\text{nd}}$ Quarter.
PAFR	Finance Office	Incomplete	Remains a goal to improve accountability and transparency, but need to increase manpower to have a sustainable PAFR.
Personnel Regulation Change	Personnel Office	On-going	ADB study and consultation just completed. Need further instructions from our leaders on the next step.
FMIS Technical Team	Finance Office	Complete	Team already establish. Tasks delegation complete. Follow up and improve coordination with FSMNG.

## YAP STATE GOVERNMENT



#### Why is this measure important?

Real-Time revenue vs. expense measurement.

# What is our plan to improve this measure?

Need to improve timely collection of all revenue. Better collaboration amongst relevant agencies for improvement in enforcement.

#### When do we expect to meet our goal?

Hopefully soon. Some improvements including better collaboration may be beyond the capability of our office to correct/improve.

# Yap State Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

Staff Capacity and Capacity Building Program

How could you resolve that challenge?	Would need additional resources to be able to increase wages to a competitive level to retain staff with high potential and establish training program. Currently difficult to do either due to high staff turnover
How would you measure whether your improvement plan is working?	Decrease in staff turnover

YAP STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?		
Cash Management										
Reduction in overdue travel advances	100%reducti on from prior period		89%	78%	86%	Need Improvement	Has improved due to improved monitoring by Finance Office. Can be better if depts, offices and agencies improve on their end.			
Revenue Estimates within target %	10% over or under estimated revenues	Annual	16% Under	11% Under	20% Under	Can Improve	Projection remain in safe zone below actual, but expenditure is moving ahead of revenue impacting cash availability			
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual	-	-	-	Need Improvement	Draft was completed some years back. Need to update and formalize.	7		

Yap State Div. of Finance &Treasury Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	irend	Notes	Audi issue
Grants Ma	anageme	nt						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	3 days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average over one quarter	5	4	4	Good		
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports filed on time	Qtrly	100%	100%	100%	Good		
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	0% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	~90% Spent	~90% Spent	~85% Spent	Need Improvement	Rough estimate. Difficult to do assessment due to multi-year concurrent grants with varying lapse date.	8

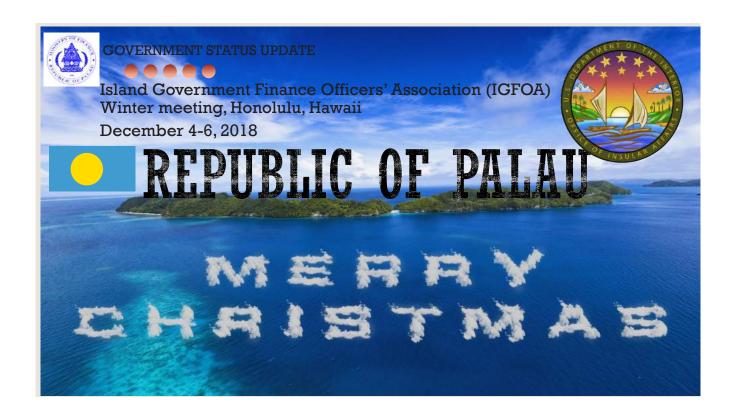
YAP STATE Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period - 2	Prior Period - 1	Current Period 0	Irend	Notes	A) iss
Capacity	/ Building	S						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	100 %	Annual	0	100%	80%	Improvement	Need to establish a set time for evaluation. Currently, evaluation is prompted when salary increase is assessed for the specific employee.	
# of training hours per finance employee	hrs per employee	Annual	n/a	n/a	n/a	Need Improvement	No formal training plan established. New employees get on the job training.	
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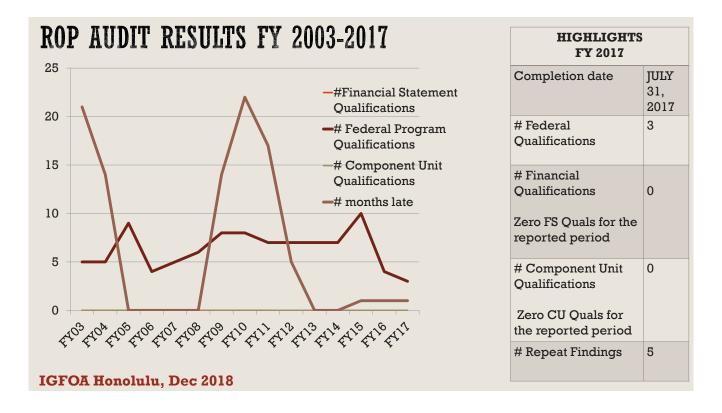
Yap State Government Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period - 2	Prior Period - 1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	A is		
Reconciliation ar	Reconciliation and Internal Control									
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Biannual	85%	-	85%	Need improvement	Delay in completion mainly due to lack of transportation to outer islands to complete physical inventory.			
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30 days after month end	Mnthly	-90 days	-90 days	-90 days	Need Improvement	High staff turnover limits these crucial tasks to be delegated to staff. Management has been taking on much of these roles.			
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	100 % of federal AR/federal expend	Qtrly	89%	100%	100%	Good				



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**Republic of Palau Government Presentation** 





# ROP FY 18 Audit Status

Describe the current status of your FY18 audit.

D&T audit firm; On Sept. 22, we submitted preliminary reports as of 8.31.18 for preliminary audit field work to start; Nov. 21, final trial balance was submitted and all required schedules.

Describe any expected changes in your qualifications and findings from prior years.

Less findings

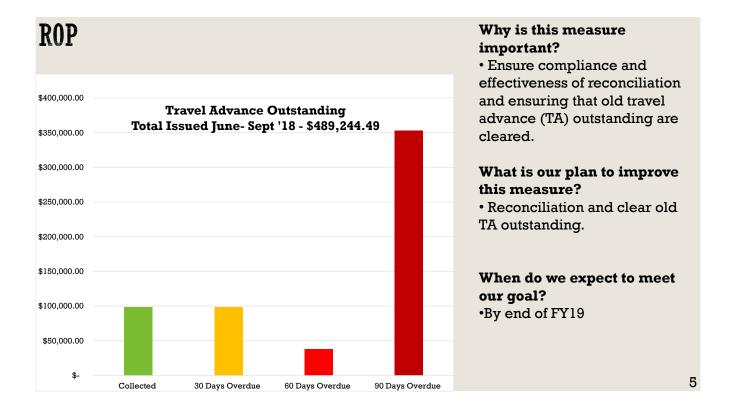
Have you expect any unusual challenges for the FY18 audit?

No

What is the effect of the pension liability on your financial statements?

Effects our net position by a large decline of \$157.8M

	Status of ROP action plans
Planning Area	Major accomplishment
TRAVEL OUTSTANDING	We were able to reconcile and clear most of the old travel advance outstanding; however we continue to work to ensure that all prior years that are 2 years old and back are clear.
CSPP UNFUNDED LIABILITY	Actuarial Study is complete now awaiting report for recommendations.
FMIS Acquisition	RFP is out and the bidding period is until February 05, 2019. We are inviting interested vendors to join us in our pre-conference in December where they can get more clarification if needed & to also schedule scripted demonstrations with us in January, 2019. Chart of Accounts is being developed.
Cybersecurity Plans	None in place. We are getting technical assistance to develop our Cybersecurity Plans and policy.



# ROP Finance Office Challenges

What is the greatest challenge in your financial operations?

Cash flow

How could you resolve that challenge? •

- Cut unnecessary spending
  - Ministries to be prudent with spending/expenditure plan
- · Strengthening tax collection efforts
- · Produce a financial forecast in order to be up to date with the cash flow

improvement plan is working?

How would you measure whether your • At year end, Actual revenues exceeds estimated revenues by 3%

ROP Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2		Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Cash	Manageme	ent						
Reduction in overdue travel advances	25% reduction from prior period	Mntly	July 18 67%	Aug 18 68%	Sept 18 60%		Slightly improving. The old TA's outstanding continues to make our percentage high. Once we clear them it should improve drastically. On management letter, outstanding over 90 days be investigated and reconciled.	Manage ment letter
Revenue Estimates within target %	-2% and 2% over or under estimated revenues	Annually	FY16 4%	FY17 6%	FY18 3%	<b>—</b>	FY16 and FY17 are audited numbers. FY18 unaudited.	No
Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	100% completed, approved, & updated	Annual	100%	100%	95%	<b></b>	Need to update and review our interna control on an annual basis. Audit finding on cash receipts not reconciled and verified for completeness and validity.	

ROP Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Grants Ma	anageme	ent						
Number of days to process an invoice paid by federal funds	30 days from vendor invoice date to chk date	Average Monthly	July '18 28 days	Aug '18 32 days	Sept '18 20 days	1	Continue to communicate with vendors to submit invoices on a daily basis to Accounts payable section and ensuring that we meet requirement of processing invoices within 30 days.	No
Timeliness of SF425 reports	100% of reports filed on time	Annual	FY16 96%	FY17 100%	FY18 91%	<b>→</b>	Lost track of due dates; working to hire additional staff to manage reports on time.	No
% & \$ of unspent federal funds	_0% unspent funds/ total funds	Annual	14%	9%	25%	<b>→</b>	To ensure that departments are spending federal funds according to their narrative budget and in line with grants terms and conditions. Most of unspent funds are personnel hiring, and most grants won't be able to hire in time when grants lapse.	

ROP Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Capacity	/ Building	S						
Percentage of personnel evaluations completed	90%	Annual	N/A	39%	42%	<b></b>	After the last training date November 5-8, 2018 departments have been asked to set up meeting with HR to review evaluation processes and to train supervisors 1 on 1 on effectively completing forms	No
# of training hours per finance employee	40 hrs per employee	Annual	N/A	44 hrs	90 hrs (28 employees)	1	Training hours shown in minimum but BPSS continue to seek training opportunities for finance employees and executive government as well.	No
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ROP Department of Finance Performance Measures	Target	Period	Prior Period -2	Prior Period -1	Current Period 0	Trend	Notes	Audit issue?
Reconciliation ar	nd Interna	al Contro	ol					
Completion of Fixed Asset Inventory	100% completed and AJEs posted	Annual or biannual	inventory; N/A	FY17 Bi-annual Inventory- 100% FA recon- 100%	FY18 Bi-annual Inventory; N/A FA Recon- 100%	<u> </u>	Bi-annual inventory; Fixed asset reconciliation with departments continues on an annual basis. Audit finding ROP did not enforce compliance with applicable equipment and real property management requirements.	Yes
Bank Reconciliations completed on a timely basis	30 days after month end	Mnthly	July 18 Payroll- 8 days GF Savings-16 days	Aug 18 Payroll- 16 days GF Savings-28 days	Sept 18 Payroll- 0 days GF Savings-6 days	1	Continuous improvement by requiring to provide performance measures on a monthly basis and address any issues arises during reconciliation. Bank recon are done on a daily basis to meet the requirement.	No
Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	0% of federal AR/federal expend	Annual	FY16 17%	FY17 11%	FY18 21%	<b>→</b>	In September 2018 prior to 9/29/2018 AR was below 1 million  After closing 9/29/2018 AR is \$2,397,241	10

# MAHALO, THANK YOU, SULANG!!!



IGFOA Honolulu, December 2018



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Audit Improvement Update, Debbie Milks, CPA

# Audit Improvement Program FY2017 audit analysis

## IGFOA December 2018





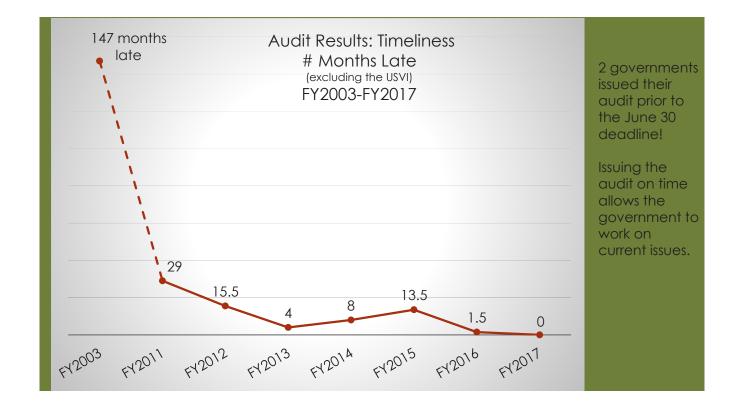


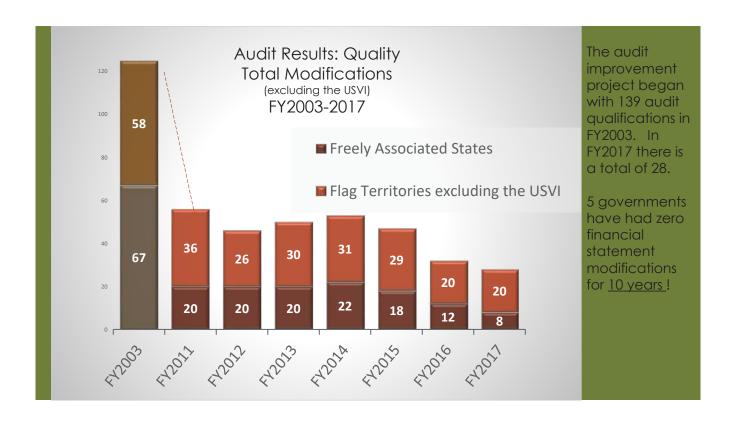


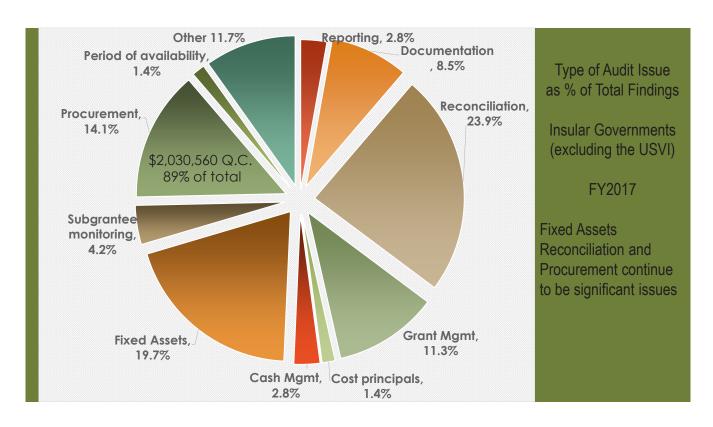


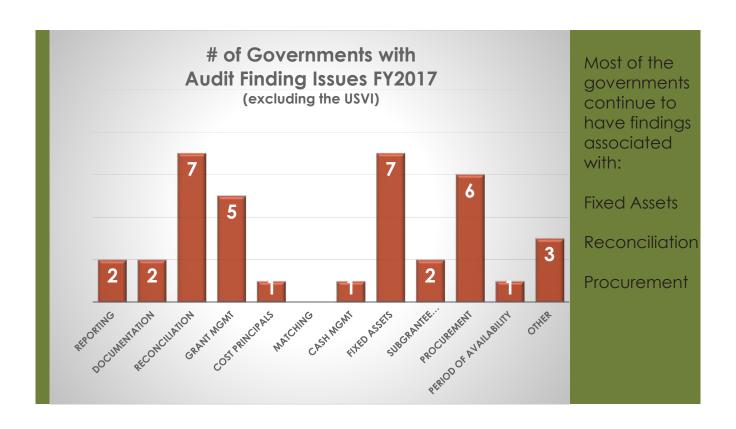


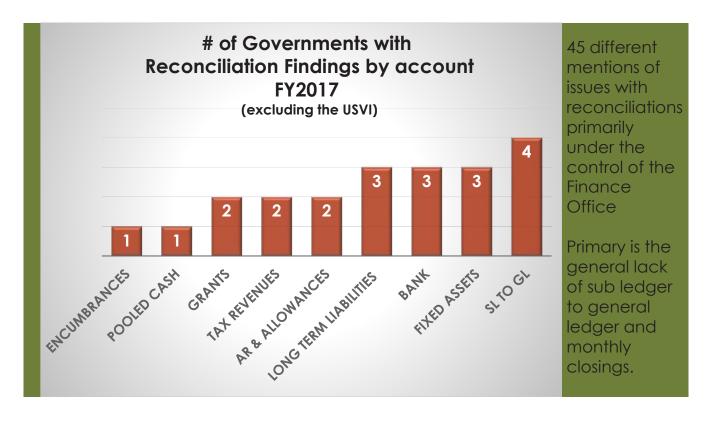












### General Reconciliation

The Government's general ledger is not reconciled to subsidiary ledgers or source documents on a monthly basis, nor is it closed or summarized in such a manner to accurately portray the accounts and activities of ..... on a monthly basis. At year end, the general ledger is not closed on a timely basis and significant audit adjustments were posted by the auditors during fieldwork

# **GASB Updates**

The Government does not have processes or procedures in place to analyze and implement new accounting principles as promulgated by the GASB. For example, GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures, was not adequately addressed ..in 2017. Additionally, the journal entries required by GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions were not adequately prepared.

# Reconciliation of Encumbrances

#### **Grants Assistance Funds**

- 1. Encumbrances in the subsidiary ledger of \$12,937,469 differed from the general ledger of \$48,538,909 at September 30, 2017. The difference of \$35,601,441 was corrected through a proposed audit reclassification.
- The encumbrance aging includes a balance of \$3,293,868, which has been outstanding for more than five years. There was no evidence of DOF review of outstanding encumbrances.

<u>Fund</u>	CFDA No.	<u>Amount</u>
2020	10.475	\$ 7,268
2020 2020	15.605 16.582	2,400 42,583
2020	66.600	20,971
2020	93.243	4,162
2020	93.251	5,280
2020	93.268	3,607
2020	93.505	11,712
2020	93.959	4,350
2020	93.994	1,240
2020	97.044	1,315
2020	DUNS 929955383	. 75
2020	Unknown	94,404
2022	16.803	12,100
4044	15.875	26,450

# Recommendation to request outside assistance

<u>Effect</u>: The CNMI is in noncompliance with applicable equipment management requirements. See below for the cumulative dollar amount of property and equipment acquired with program grant funds over the past five years.

2017	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
\$ 579,437	\$ 62,939	\$ 1,123,090	\$ 42,537	\$ 104,272	\$ 1,912,275

<u>Recommendation</u>: The CNMI should consider seeking technical and financial support from Federal agencies to develop human resources and a financial management system that are capable of effecting compliance with applicable property management policies and procedures.

# Cybersecurity Issues

Unauthorized movement of funds amounted to \$1,445,357, of which \$913,796 was paid out by the fund custodian. The unauthorized payments were subsequently reimbursed by the custodian in fiscal years 2017 and 2018 in the amounts of \$136,849 and \$776,947, respectively.

<u>Cause</u>: The cause of the above condition is the lack of adherence to established policies and procedures governing withdrawals and movement of funds within the Compact Trust Fund investment accounts. Furthermore, the lack of policies and procedures governing use of information technology and general security of electronic information and data, resulting in Ministry of Finance staff's use of personal email accounts to conduct business, exposed the Ministry to various cybersecurity risks.

Effect: The effect of the above condition was misappropriation of RepMar assets.

<u>Recommendation</u>: Management should establish policies and procedures governing use of information technology, general security of electronic information and data, data ownership, and access rights.

#### Criteria

Construction projects funded by federal grants are required to include the Buy American clause within the contract. Further, AIP grants require the Ban on Texting When Driving clause be included in the contract.

#### Condition:

Of four expenditures tested, amounting to \$2,185,975, we noted one contract, the Rehabilitate Apron-Phase II, did not include the Ban on Texting When Driving clause.

Under FAR 23.1105 and FAR 52.223-18, which is to be included in every contract, a government contractor "should" adopt and enforce a policy banning texting whenever an employee is: (1) driving a vehicle owned or rented by the company; (2) driving a vehicle owned by the government; or (3) driving a privately owned vehicle when performing any work on behalf of the government. In addition to establishing an anti-texting policy, contractors should conduct initiatives "commensurate with the size of the business," such as education and other outreach efforts, to educate employees about the dangers of texting while driving. In other words, if you are a larger company, the government may expect to see seminars, workshops, or some other form of employee education, besides just a written anti-texting policy. Moreover, no matter how big or small your business, you must "flow down" the anti-texting clause, FAR 52.223-18, to all of your subcontracts that exceed the micro-purchase threshold.

# Net Pension Liability

#### Criteria:

The Republic should assess contingent liabilities as to their potential impact on the financial statements.

#### Condition:

The Republic of Palau Civil Service Pension Trust Fund's actuarial valuation has determined that the Fund has a net pension liability of \$249,453,960.

#### Cause:

The net pension liability would cause the Fund's fiduciary net position to become a deficit in 2019.

#### Effect:

The Fund is potentially at risk of failure to provide future benefits and the Republic's actuary has determined that cash flow may be impacted by the Fund's net pension liability by 2019.



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2017 Performeter and A.F.T.E.R. Analysis Presentation, Frank Crawford, CPA

# 2017 Performeter and A.F.T.E.R Analysis Update

Presentation to IGFOA 2018
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# Topics for today

- A brief review of what the *Performeter* and A.F.T.E.R Analysis is (and what it is not...)
- Review of factors and circumstances contributing to the 2017 scores and causes
- Provide an update on the most recent 2017 Performeter scores and A.F.T.E.R. findings for 2017



# A brief review...

- The Performeter measures the financial health and success of a government using a scale that all users (including decision makers) can understand, 0−10, with 0 = poor, 5 = satisfactory, and 10 = excellent
- Uses financial ratios for the evaluation
- The evaluation is only as **reliable** as the information found in the annual audited financial statements, and most **relevant** when the information can be used in a timely manner
- Relevance and reliability are the key concepts in accountability



# A brief review...

The A.F.T.E.R. Analysis is very simple analysis of the status of audit findings, the timeliness of the submission of the audit and the resolution of certain audit exceptions; this analysis can be used to track a government's progress towards eliminating its most significant findings and exceptions, along with tracking the timeliness of submission to the Federal Clearinghouse.



#### Factors and Circumstances for 2017

- For all but 2 governments (and one unknown since the VI hasn't released FY 2017 yet), the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017 produced improved results, with 8 governments reporting an increase in their overall Performeter score.
- In addition, for the first time, we have divided up the overall score by its 3 components which are Financial Position, Financial Performance, and Financial Capability (also known as Financial Sustainability), and reported the individual scores for each of the 3 components.



## Factors and Circumstances for 2017

- With this additional separation of components of the score, each government can now see the weakest and strongest components of their overall score
- For example, an overall score of a 3.8 might actually consist of an excellent score of 10 on Financial Performance, a poor score of 1.5 on Financial Position, and a Financial Capability score of 3.6. The combinations of these scores are what drives the overall score of 3.8.
- In addition, a small red, yellow and green "speedometer" is on each rating slide now, to give the reader some perspective.



#### Factors and Circumstances for 2017

#### Highlights

- The RMI remains the model of consistency, with slight improvements in each year since their lowest score in 2008. They posted their highest score in 2017, and have been above a 5 now for 8 consecutive years
- For all governments except the FSM and States and the RMI, the impact of GASB 68's pension requirements in 2015 still remains a significant factor, with many of the governments' pension systems remaining severely underfunded
- For the FSM National Government, the RMI, and to some extent Palau, the Social Security programs offered by the government are at some of their lowest funding levels in the 10 years of analysis, although the FSM National Social Security trust plan improved its funding percentage by 2% since its last actuarial valuation.



### Factors and Circumstances for 2017

- Highlights, cont.
  - Guam takes the prize for the highest percentage increase in the overall score, with a 103% improvement during FY 2017.
  - Pohnpei comes in second this year for posting a 58% improvement in their score from FY 2016.
  - Yap take the prize for their highest score ever, and the highest score ever reported for an insular government in the Performeter's history, and is also the second highest score of ANY type of government in the Performeter's history.



#### Factors and Circumstances for 2017

- >Highlights, cont.
- 5 governments received unmodified opinions, (formerly known as unqualified or clean opinions) on their financial statements, with 3 additional governments only having 1 qualification each
- Two governments, FSM National and Kosrae, received unmodified (clean) opinions on both their Financial Statement audit and the audit of compliance with federal program monies (Single audit), while one additional government, Pohnpei, received a clean single audit opinion with only one financial statement qualification.
- Kosrae posted a "perfect" AFTER analysis in 2017 (for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year), with a clean financial statement opinions, clean single audit opinions, no financial statement internal control or compliance findings, no grant internal control or compliance findings, and zero current and cumulative questioned costs. Several other governments were very close (1 or 2 findings tripping them up)
- 6 governments, posted \$0 of questioned costs this year, with 3 other governments reporting less than \$200,000 current year questioned costs



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### THE PERFORMETER

Current Scores Based on FY16 Audit Data

#### A 7-10 SCORE INDICATES:

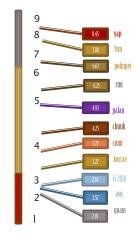
- · repetitive positive performances for several years
- · sufficient cash flows to pay vendors and employees
- · relatively low tax and debt burdens per capita
- · ability to consistently live within their means

#### A 4-6 SCORE INDICATES:

- lower than satisfactory levels of reserves
- satisfactory capital asset useful lives remaining
- moderate levels of tax and debt burdens per capita
- and the beginnings of cash flow issues that often delay on-time payments to vendors

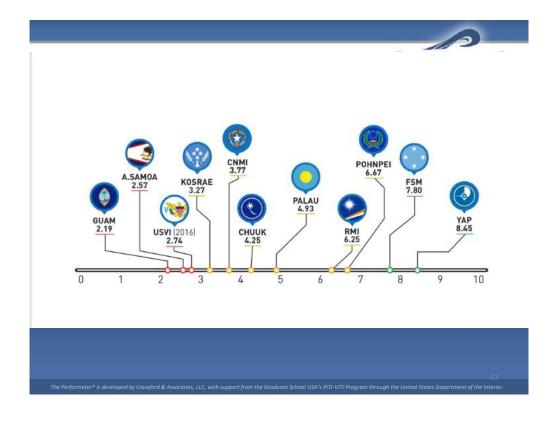
#### A 0-3 SCORE INDICATES:

- significant unrestricted net position deficit and/or a deficit in their general fund unassigned fund balance
- a significant tax and/or debt burden per capita
- severe cash flow issues
- Making the deficit worse by incurring more expense than earning in revenue



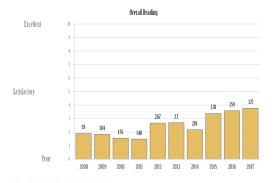


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# Performeter® Reading - CNMI

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

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Financial Position 1.5
Financial Performance 10.0
Financial Capability 3.6

The 2017 reading of 3.77 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands Government's overall financial health and performance improved during the year, however the reading continues to remain below satisfactory as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

The Commonwealth's continued improved performances are slowly reversing several years of less than satisfactory health and performance. However, continued excellent annual performances are still necessary to completely reverse the poor financial position that the CNMI has found itself in over the last several years.

#### FY 17 Overall Performeter® Reading: 3.77



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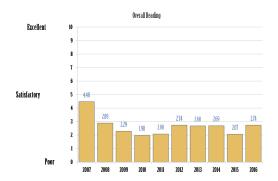
Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	2	1	6	3	7	2	5	5	5
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	5	8	8	8	7	8	8	6	6
Number of F.S. Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	0 18 <u>1</u> 19	0 15 <u>1</u> 16	0 19 <u>3</u> 22	2 18 <u>0</u> 20	2 11 <u>0</u> 13	2 13 <u>0</u> 15	1 12 <u>0</u> 13	0 12 <u>1</u> 13	0 14 <u>1</u> 15
Percentage of Findings Repeated	78.9%	100%	72.7%	72.7%	100%	60%	85%	92%	80%
Number of Single Audit Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	37 0 <u>0</u> 37	37 0 <u>0</u> 37	22 0 <u>3</u> 25	28 0 <u>0</u> 28	0 29 <u>1</u> 30	2 36 <u>0</u> 38	22 0 <u>5</u> 27	18 0 <u>0</u> 18	9 0 <u>0</u> 9
Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	75.7%	100%	56%	56%	50%	39.5%	59%	61%	56%
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	9	20	20	17	9	9	?	10	9
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	2	1	6	2	7	2	4	4	4
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$4,817,031	\$5,483,038	\$4,223,661	\$6,620,692	\$10,288,891	\$3,754,204	\$3,200,953	\$16,067,272	\$1,393,892
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$19,231,826	\$24,714,864	\$28,938,525	\$35,559,217	\$45,848,108	\$26,187,584	\$17,114,454*	\$31,568,469	\$21,722,238
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,414,727	\$55,526	\$1,613,257	\$11,240,123

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How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



The 2016 reading of 2.74 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the VI's overall financial health and performance improved during the year. The government's near breakeven year with total revenues and total expenses, along with an improvement in intergenerational equity and the level of unrestricted net position are the primary reasons for the improved overall score. However, the size of the General Fund unassigned fund balance deficit, increasing tax and debt per capita ratios, and low current and quick ratios remain the primary causes for the overall low score.

FY 16 Overall Performeler® Reading:

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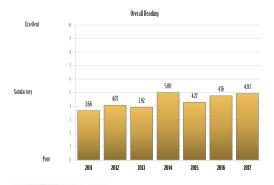
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Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	6	5	2	3	6	9	9
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Percentage of Findings Repeated	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)	100% (estimate)
Number of A-133 Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	26 0 <u>0</u> 26	7 19 <u>0</u> 26	13 - - 13	14 0 <u>0</u> 14	46 0 <u>0</u> 46	57 0 <u>0</u> 57	56 0 <u>0</u> 56
Percentage of A-133 Findings Repeated	65.4%	Unable to determine	Unable to determine	Unable to determine	100%	84%	(100% estimate)
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	26	24	16	9	12	9	9
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	4	5	5	4	3	6	5
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$744,885	\$2,490,612	\$3,328,464	\$0	\$1,172,427	\$348,349	\$0
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$59,957,932	\$3,235,497	\$5,730,775	\$0	Unable to determine	Unable to determine	Unable to determine
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$891,130	557,721,390	\$833,186	\$5,730,775	Unable to determine	Unable to determine	Unable to determine

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# Performeter® Reading - Palau

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 5.33 Financial Performance 4.76 Financial Capability 4.32

The 2017 reading of 4.93 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the Palau Government's overall financial health and performance increased during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, to a level near a satisfactory reading

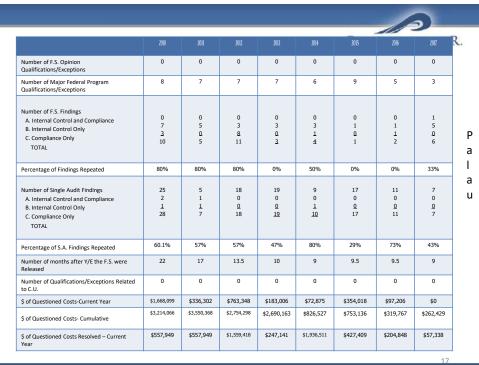
Palau has maintained a relatively consistent level of scoring over the past nine years. However, the 2015 implementation of GASB Statement 68 related to the recognition of net pension liabilities turned downward what would have been a positive upward trend. The severe unfunded status of the Palau Government Civil Service Pension Plan may well hamper cash flows and the financial health of the government in future years.

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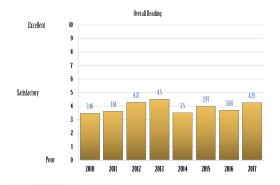
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# Performeter® Reading - Chuuk

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 0.58 Financial Performance 9.30

**Financial Capability** 6.73

The 2017 reading of 4.25 indicates the evaluator's opinion that Chuuk Government's overall financial health and performance is considered less than satisfactory as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, but does represent an increase from the reading of the prior year.

CHUUK's improvement in reporting a positive change in net position, improved intergenerational equity, and low tax and debt burdens contributed to the improvement in the over score. However, the size of the unrestricted net position deficit, the size of the General Fund unassigned fund balance deficit, low revenue dispersion, and insufficient current quick ratios remain the primary reasons for the less than satisfactory reading of the current year.

FY 17 Overall Performeter® Reading:





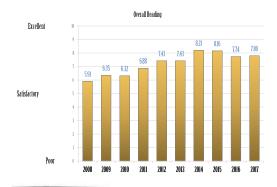
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Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Number of F.S. Findings  A. Internal Control and Compliance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B. Internal Control Only	3	1	5	4	5	2	2	2	2
C. Compliance Only	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	3	1	5	4	5	2	2	2	2
Percentage of Findings Repeated	67%	0%	20%	50%	60%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of Single Audit Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	2	1	1	1	3	2	4	1	0
B. Internal Control Only	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
C. Compliance Only TOTAL	<u>0</u> 2	<u>0</u> 1	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> 1	<u>0</u> 4	<u>0</u> 3	<u>0</u> 4	<u>0</u> 1	<u>0</u> 1
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Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	50%	100%	100%	100%	25%	50%	25%	100%	100%
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$194,238	\$114,918	\$55,292	\$0	\$0
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$1,055,719	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$194,238	\$309,156	\$364,448	\$364,448	\$0
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$1,000,607	\$1,055,719	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$364,448

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# Performeter® Reading — FSM Natl

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 7.5
Financial Performance 10.0
Financial Capability 7.2

The 2017 reading of 7.80 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the Federated States of Micronesia Government's overall financial health and performance remained relatively the same as the prior period, with a slight adjustment upward from the past period, and continues to be considered well above satisfactory.

The FSM National Government's continued consistency and improvements in unrestricted net position, low tax and debt per capital amounts, high levels of current and quick ratios are the significant factors in the well above satisfactory reading of the current period.

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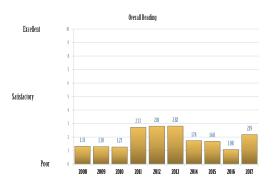
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Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	4	3	3	3	6	1	0	0	
Number of F.S. Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
B. Internal Control Only	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	
C. Compliance Only	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>							
TOTAL	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	
Percentage of Findings Repeated	100%	50%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	0%	
Number of A-133 Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	12	12	9	7	12	5	2	1	
B. Internal Control Only	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	
C. Compliance Only	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>							
TOTAL	12	12	9	9	12	5	2	1	
Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	58%	41.7%	77.7%	77.7%	16.7%	0%	50%	0%	
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$2,049,222	\$301,014	\$709,783	\$2,665,578	\$580,807	\$28,936	\$0	\$0	
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$6,106,882	\$5,211,836	\$3,060,019	\$3,642,795	\$4,223,602	\$4,257,599	\$27,391	\$27,391	
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$2,021,418	\$1,196,066	\$2,861,600	\$2,082,802	\$0	\$33,580	\$4,230,168	\$0	

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# Performeter® Reading - Guam

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio

category were as follows:
Financial Position 0.6
Financial Performance 8.6
Financial Capability 1.0

The 2017 reading of 2.19 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the Government of Guam's overall financial health and performance improved when compared to the reading of the previous year.

The primary reasons for improvement were the positive change in total net position of \$51.7 million and the improvement in intergenerational equity (now at 102.2%). However, the overall poor financial position and poor financial capability of the government continues to drag down its overall score.

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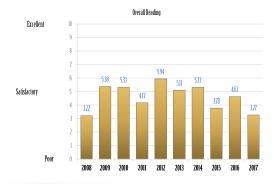
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Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	6	5	5	4	7	4	4	4	
Number of F.S. Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
B. Internal Control Only	3	6	4	3	3	1	0	0	
C. Compliance Only	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
TOTAL	3	6	4	3	3	1	0	0	
Percentage of Findings Repeated	0%	0%	100%	100%	33%	0%	0%	0%	
Number of Single Audit Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	6	3	3	5	6	8	9	7	
B. Internal Control Only	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
C. Compliance Only	0	0	0	0	<u>0</u>	0	0	<u>0</u>	
TOTAL	6	3	3	5	7	8	9	7	
Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	16.7%	33.3%	0%	0%	14%	12.5%	33%	71%	
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	9	
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$3,734	\$41,790	\$35,293	\$18,178	\$46,293	\$348	\$432,056	\$135,451	
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$2,313,561	\$1,428,837	\$45,370	\$53,471	\$99,764	\$14,798	\$432,056	\$567,507	
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$2,306,577	\$926,514	\$1,418,760	\$10,077	\$0	\$85,314	\$14,450	\$348	

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# Performeter® Reading - Kosrae

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 1.7 Financial Performance 3.3 Financial Capability 6.7

The 2017 overall reading of 3.27 indicates the evaluator's opinion that Kosrae's overall financial health and performance decreased from the previous period and remains below the satisfactory reading.

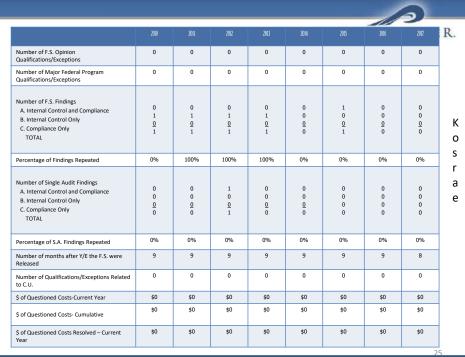
Kosrae's current year rating decrease is due primarily to decreases in the change in net position, the decrease in intergenerational equity, and the decrease in current ratio.

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## Performeter® Reading - Pohnpei

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?

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 For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 5.3 Financial Performance 10.0 Financial Capability 6.8

The 2017 overall reading of 6.67 indicates the evaluator's opinion that Pohnpei's overall financial health and performance improved significantly when compared to the prior period and is now above satisfactory.

Pohnpei's overall financial health improved significantly during the 2017 fiscal year due to the positive amount of unassigned fund balance and unrestricted net position, its low tax and debt burdens per capita, and its low debt to assets ratio. These are the primary reasons for the above satisfactory reading and improvements.

FY 17 Overall Performeter® Reading:

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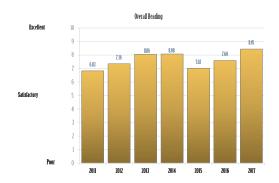
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	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	
Number of F.S. Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	0 0 <u>0</u> 0	0 0 <u>0</u> 0	0 0 <u>0</u> 0	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	0 2 <u>0</u> 2	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	
Percentage of Findings Repeated	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	
Number of Single Audit Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	1 0 0 1	1 0 0 1	1 0 <u>0</u> 1	3 1 <u>0</u> 4	4 0 <u>0</u> 4	4 0 <u>0</u> 4	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	1 0 <u>0</u> 1	i
Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	100%	100%	100%	25%	25%	25%	100%	100%	
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$541,593	\$368,539	\$0	\$0	
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$121,682	\$663,275	\$1,032,816	\$1,032,816	\$584,803	
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$121,682	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$448,013	

## Performeter® Reading - Yap

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For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio

category were as follows:

Financial Position 9.2 Financial Performance 9.5

Financial Capability 6.7

The 2017 overall reading of 8.45 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the Government of Yap's overall financial health and performance improved during the year, to what appears to be its all-time high score since this rating process started in FY 2004.

Yap's overall unrestricted net position, the General Fund's level of unassigned fund balance, low tax and debt burdens per capita, an excellent debt-to-asset ratio, and excellent current and quick ratios are the primary reasons for the continued improved rating.

FY 17 Overall Performeter® Reading

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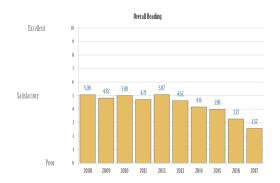
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Number of F.S. Opinion Qualifications/Exceptions	0	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	
Number of Major Federal Program Qualifications/Exceptions	5	5	5	2	2	1	1	1	
Number of F.S. Findings A. Internal Control and Compliance B. Internal Control Only C. Compliance Only TOTAL	0 2 <u>0</u> 2	0 3 <u>0</u> 3	0 4 <u>0</u> 4	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	0 1 <u>0</u> 1	0 1 0 1	0 0 <u>2</u> 2	1 0 <u>0</u> 1	
Percentage of Findings Repeated	100%	100%	0%	0%	100%	100%	50%	100%	
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Percentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	100%	67%	50%	0%	0%	67%	25%	0%	1
Number of months after Y/E the F.S. were Released	8	6	9	9	9	9	9	9	
Number of Qualifications/Exceptions Related to C.U.	0	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	
\$ of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$150,534	\$222,065	\$3,660	\$45,776	\$129,385	\$30,354	\$74,514	\$95,055	1
\$ of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	\$1,729,116	\$818,483	\$822,143	\$864,259	\$993,644	\$1,023,998	\$1,098,512	\$277,044	
\$ of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current Year	\$915,667	\$1,115,668	\$0	\$3,660	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$916,523	

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# Performeter® Reading - ASG

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 0.00 Financial Performance 1.49 Financial Capability 5.97

The 2017 reading of 2.57 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the American Samoa Government's overall financial health and performance decreased slightly during the year, and remains at a level below satisfactory. Relatively small declines in nearly all of the financial ratios, along with a significant decline in the BTA self-sufficiency ratio, are the primary causes in the drop in score.

FY 17 Overall Performeter® Reading

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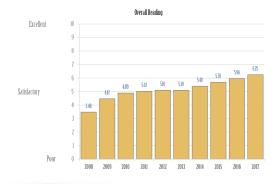
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lumber of Major Federal Program Lualifications/Exceptions	18	38	15	9	11	10	4	2	2
lumber of F.S. Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	6	6	0	2	3	1	1	1	1
B. Internal Control Only	0	0	3	3	4	7	6	5	4
C. Compliance Only	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	6	6	6	5	7	8	7	6	5
ercentage of Findings Repeated	100%	100%	83%	80%	57%	87.5%	86%	100%	100%
lumber of Single Audit Findings									
A. Internal Control and Compliance	15	6	5	11	5	5	2	4	0
B. Internal Control Only	0	0	0	7	5	3	4	0	3
C. Compliance Only	0	0	1	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0	1
TOTAL	15	6	6	18	10	8	6	4	4
ercentage of S.A. Findings Repeated	Unable to determine	100%	50%	22%	90%	50%	33%	100%	50%
lumber of months after Y/E the F.S. were eleased	9	10	11	11	9	9	7	7	8
lumber of Qualifications/Exceptions elated to C.U.	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1
of Questioned Costs-Current Year	\$0	\$1,785	\$2,377,962	\$2,606,662	\$0	\$279,912	\$0	\$0	\$0
of Questioned Costs- Cumulative	Unable to determine								
of Questioned Costs Resolved – Current	Unable to determine								

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# Performeter® Reading - RMI

How Was Our Overall Financial Performance?



For the 2017 fiscal year, the readings by ratio category were as follows:

Financial Position 4.14
Financial Performance 10.00
Financial Capability 7.46

The 2017 overall reading of 6.25 indicates the evaluator's opinion that the RMI's overall financial health and performance improved during the year, and represents the highest rating of any year in this analysis.

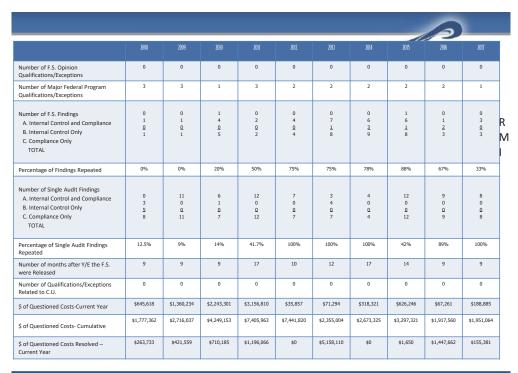
The continued consistency related to the increase in overall net position, the decrease of the overall unrestricted net position deficit, and the growth and continuation of a positive position of the General Fund unassigned fund balance are the primary reasons for most ratios being better than prior year scores. This becomes the seventh consecutive year that the RMI has scored above a 5.

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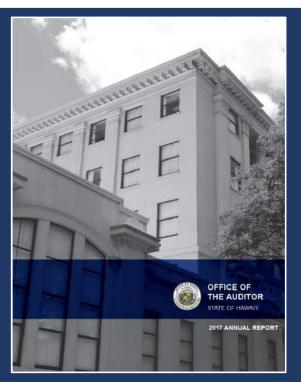
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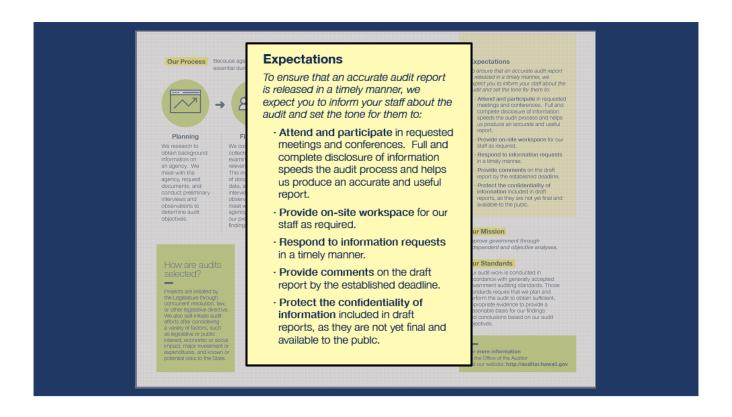














## Chapter 2 \$155 Million KOLEA Project Does Not Achieve All ACA Goals

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### Summary of Findings

1. The Department of Himan Services did not properly plan for eximplement the ROLEA system. As a result, the department cannot achieve all the goals of the feedbast [Robullek Cure Act—munch; to Cure to simple, two-time eligibility and unsultment process that tweeelectronic data to case the payerwork burden on applicants and starespectors while expediting eligibility determinations.

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 The departament's enterprise plotform is not integrated with DRIS' other health and lumans services programs, such as SNAP and TANF. It therefore does not yet support the ACA's goals of facilitating individuals' our olliment is a programs other than Medicaid.

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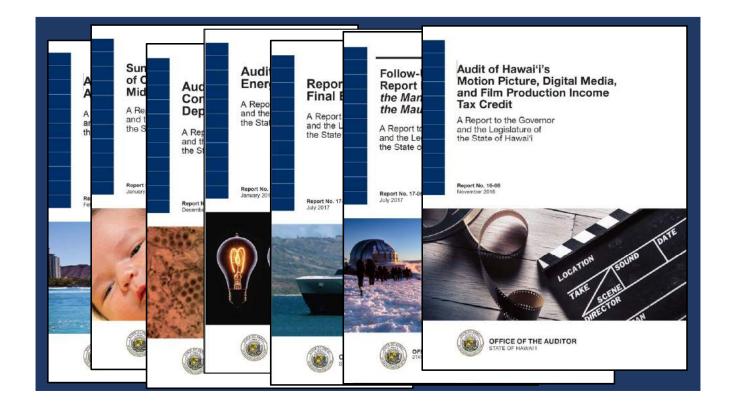
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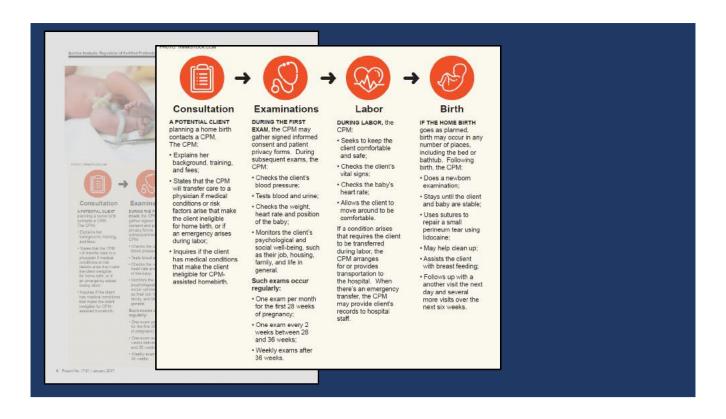
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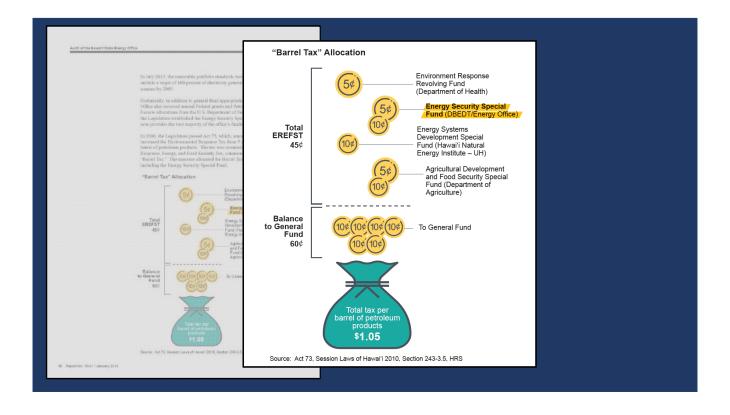
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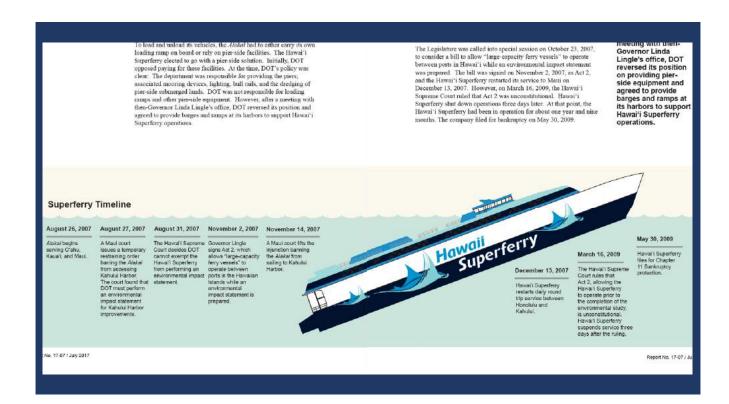
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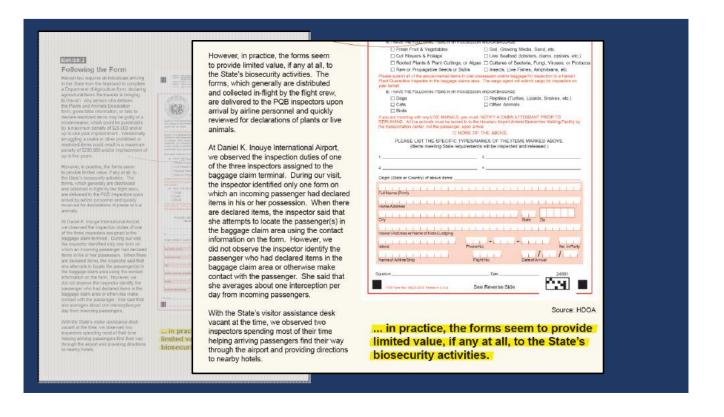












## Auditor's Summary Audit of Hawai'i Department of Agriculture's Plant Quarantine Branch

Report No. 17-05



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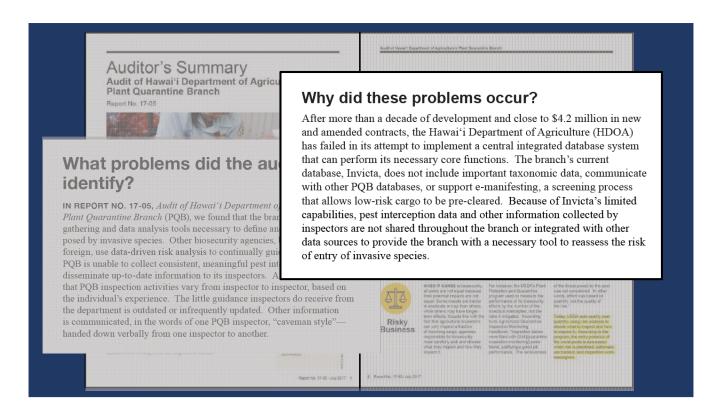
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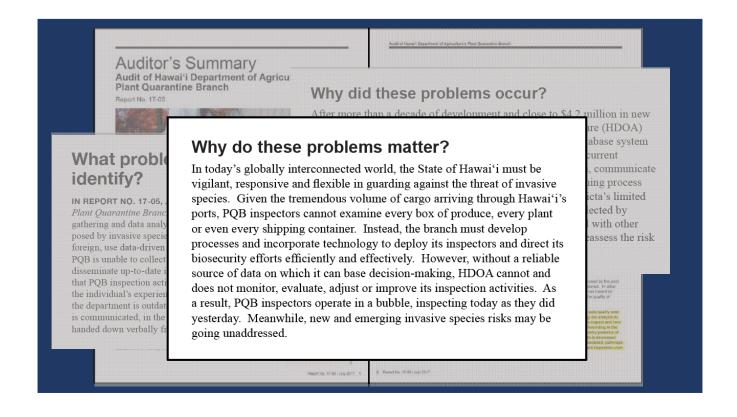
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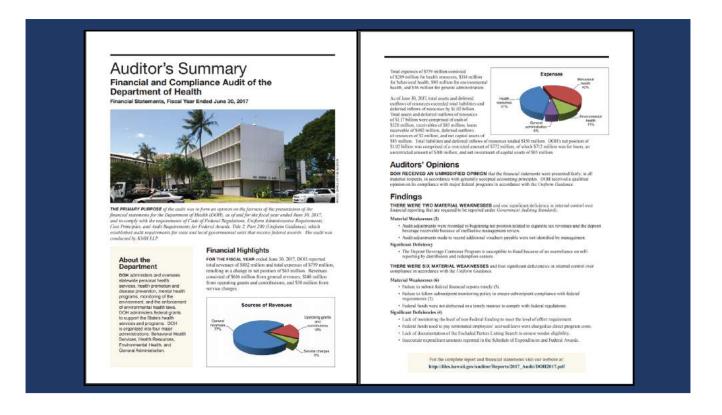
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## **Auditors' Opinions**

DOH RECEIVED AN UNMODIFIED OPINION that the financial statements were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. DOH received a qualified opinion on its compliance with major federal programs in accordance with the *Uniform Guidance*.

## **Findings**

THERE WERE TWO MATERIAL WEAKNESSES and one significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

### Material Weaknesses (2)

- Audit adjustments were recorded to beginning net position related to cigarette tax revenues and the deposit beverage receivable because of ineffective management review.
- Audit adjustments made to record additional vouchers payable were not identified by management.

## Significant Deficiency

 The Deposit Beverage Container Program is susceptible to fraud because of an overreliance on selfreporting by distributors and redemption centers.

THERE WERE SIX MATERIAL WEAKNESSES and four significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance in accordance with the *Uniform Guidance*.

## Material Weaknesses (6)

- · Failure to submit federal financial reports timely (3).
- Failure to follow subrecipient monitoring policy to ensure subrecipient compliance with federal requirements (2).
- · Federal funds were not disbursed in a timely manner to comply with federal regulations.

## Significant Deficiencies (4)

- · Lack of monitoring the level of non-Federal funding to meet the level of effort requirement.
- · Federal funds used to pay terminated employees' accrued leave were charged as direct program costs.
- · Lack of documentation of the Excluded Parties Listing Search to ensure vendor eligibility.
- · Inaccurate expenditure amounts reported in the Schedule of Expenditures and Federal Awards.

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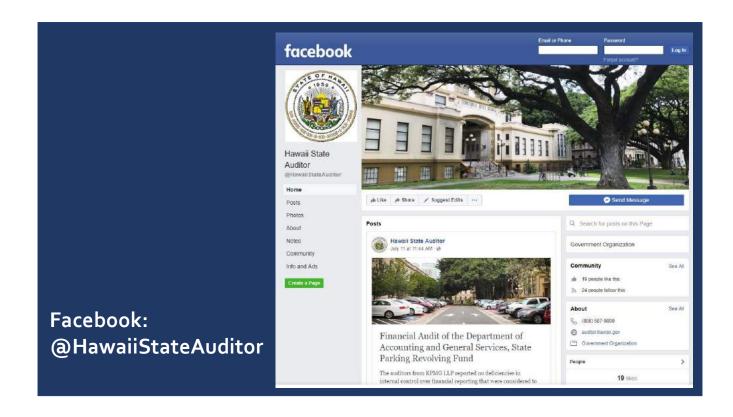
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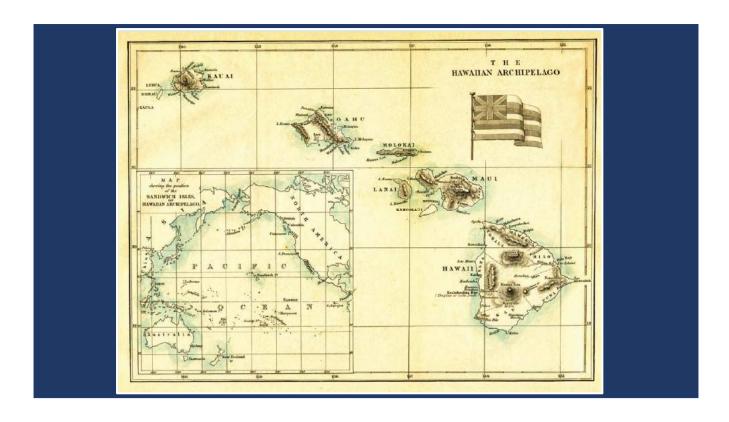


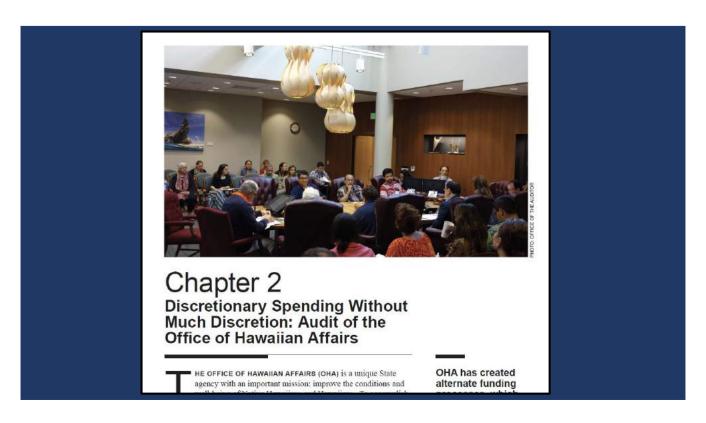


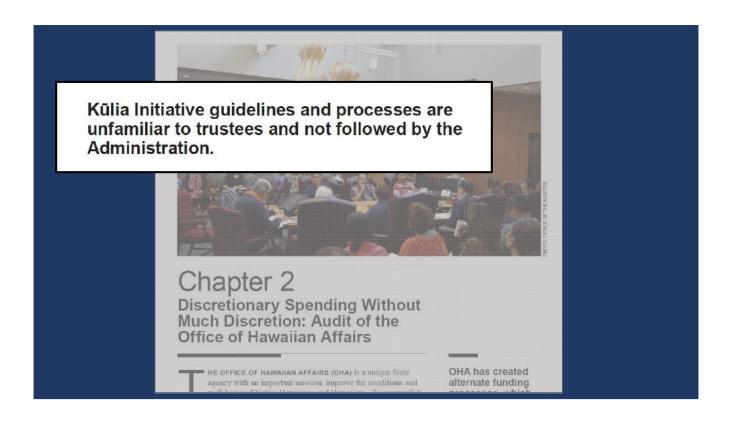


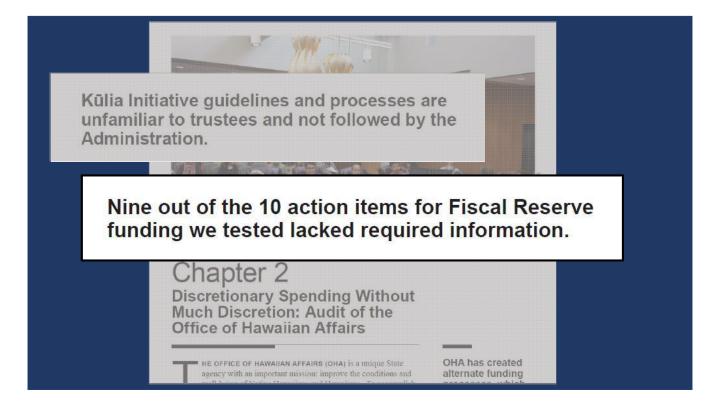




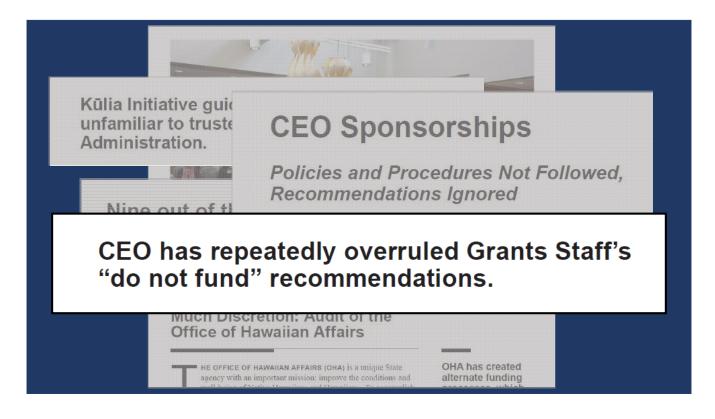






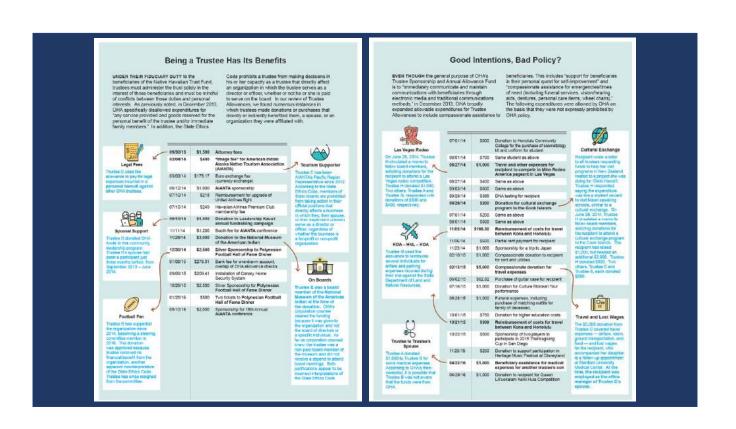


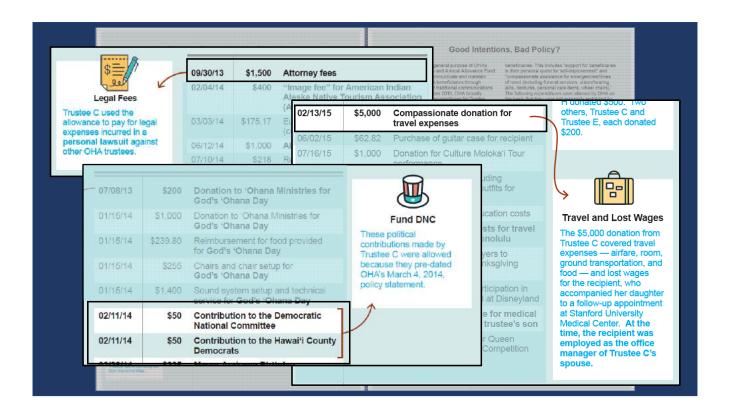


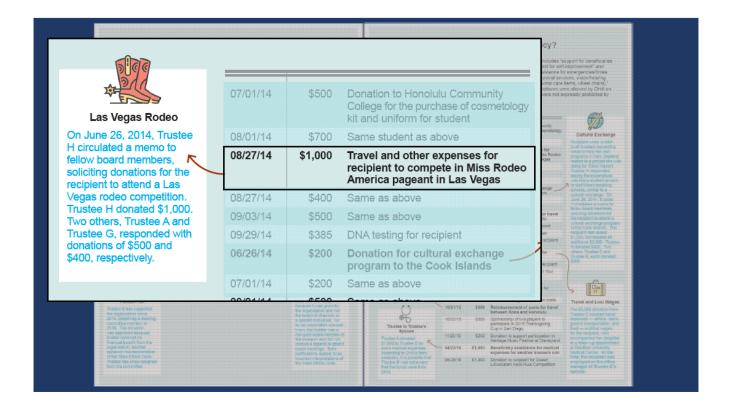


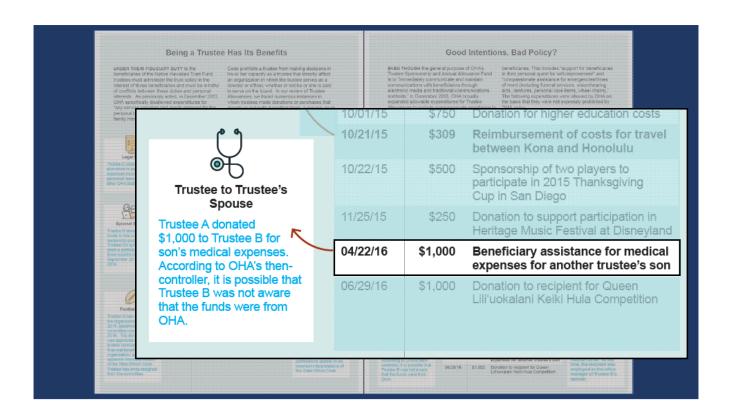
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Report of Hawaii Superferry Final Expenses

... this report
updates the total
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# Underwater: State's Costs of Hawai'i Superferry Total \$71 Million

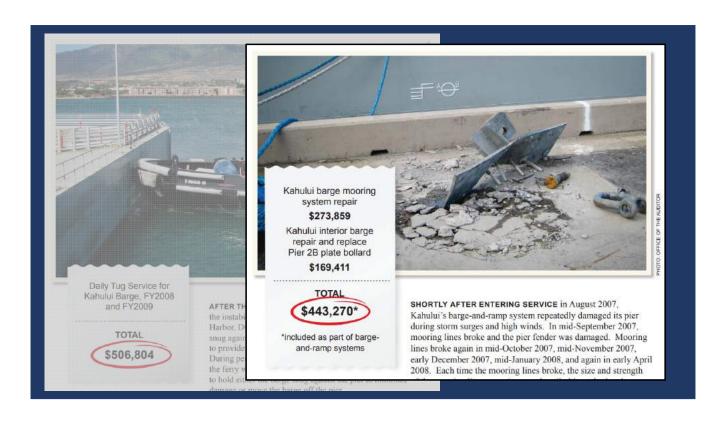
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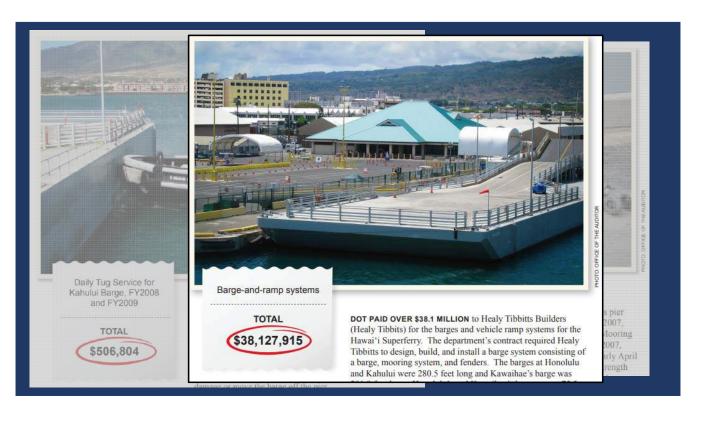
Last year, the Legislature appropriated \$50,000 to the Hawai'i Department of Transportation (DOT) to study the feasibility of establishing an interisland and intra-island ferry system. DOT received an additional \$500,000 for the study from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration.

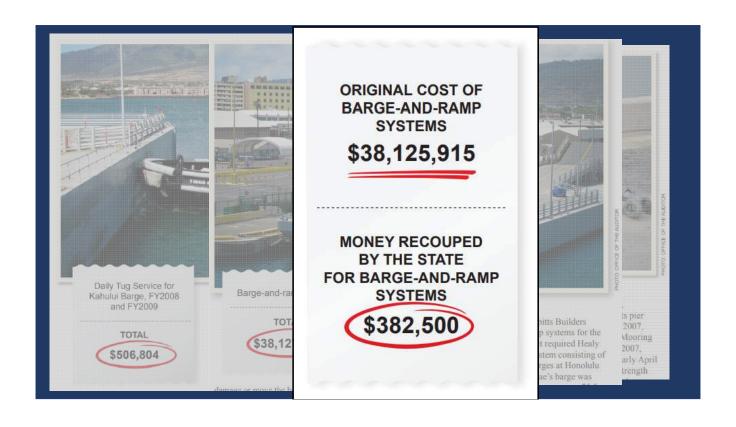
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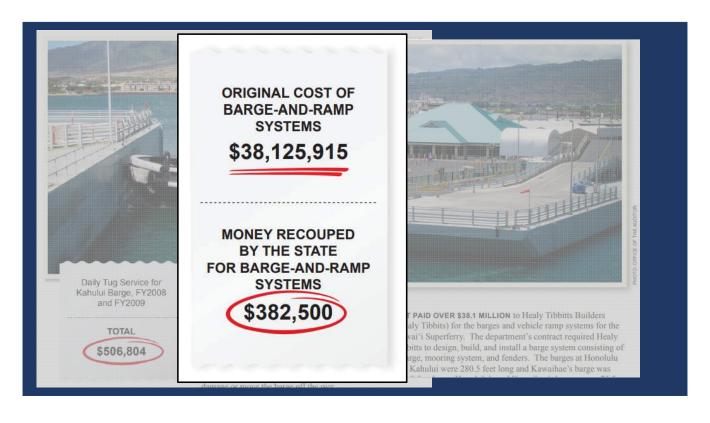
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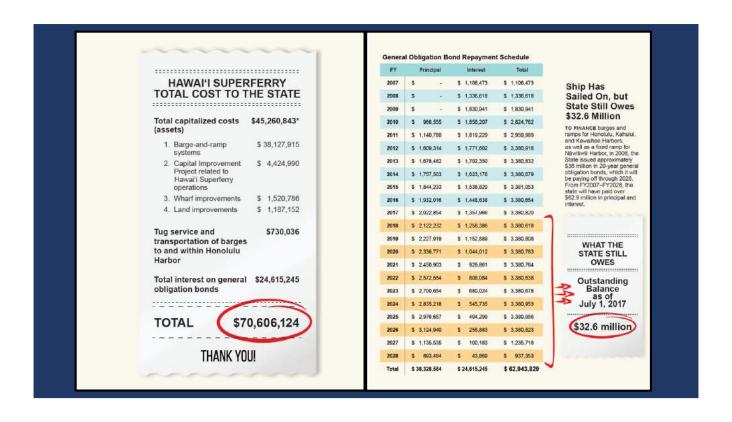




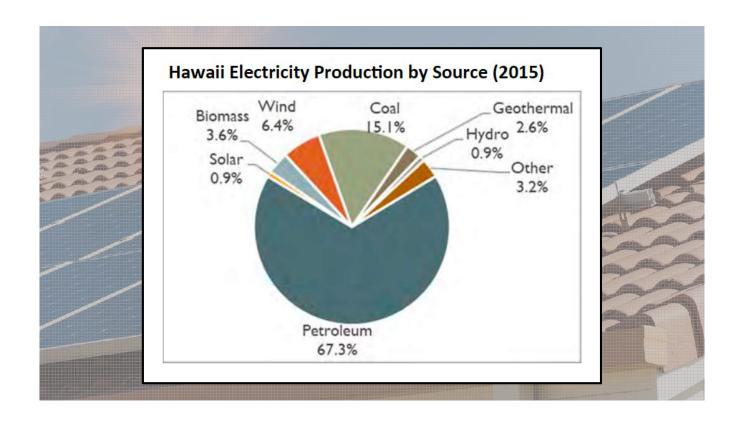


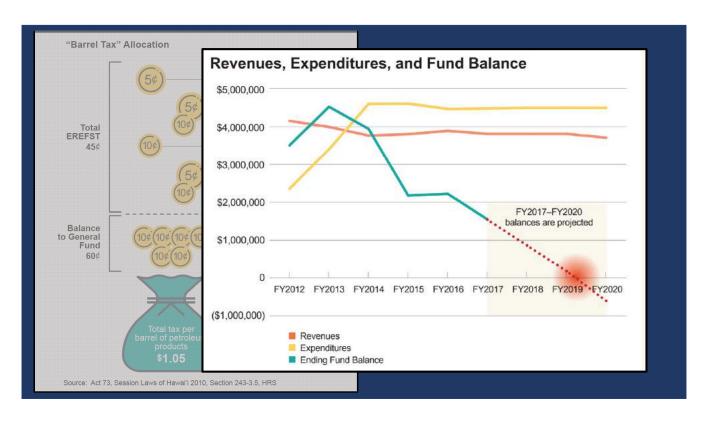






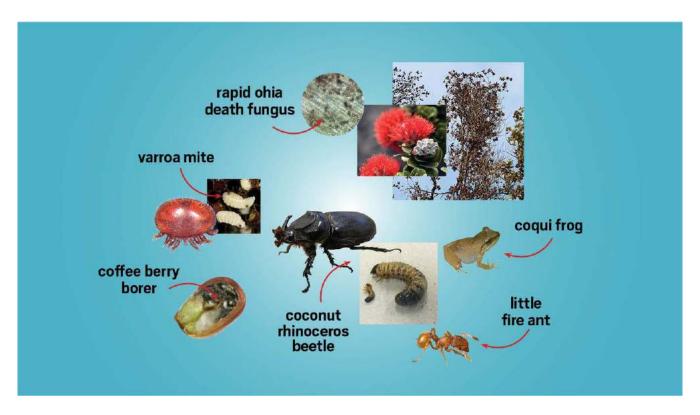




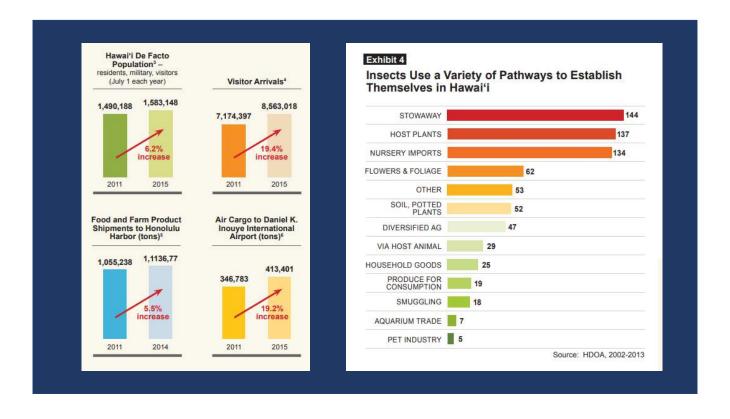


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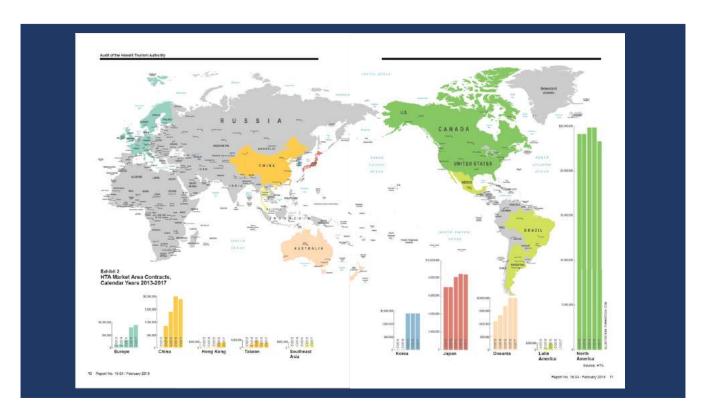


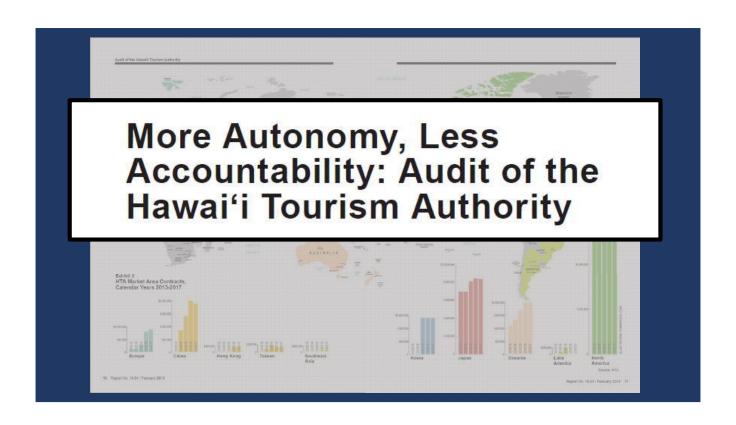


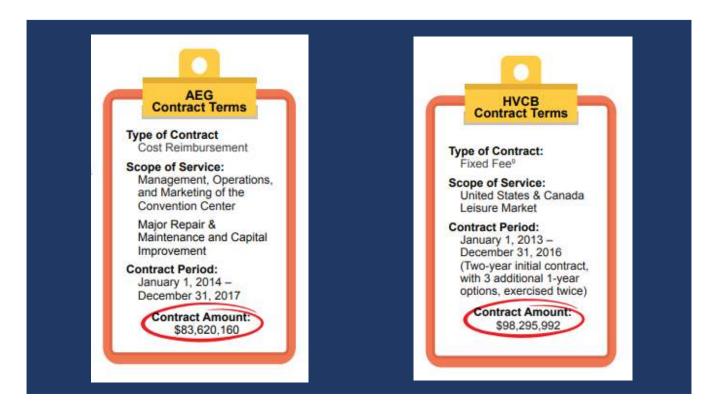


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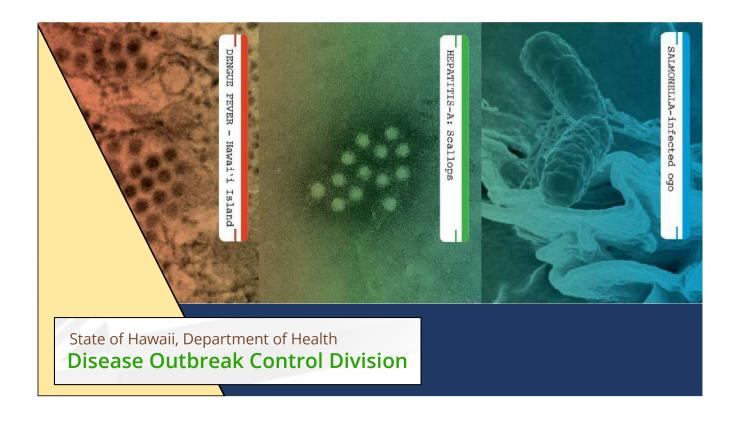


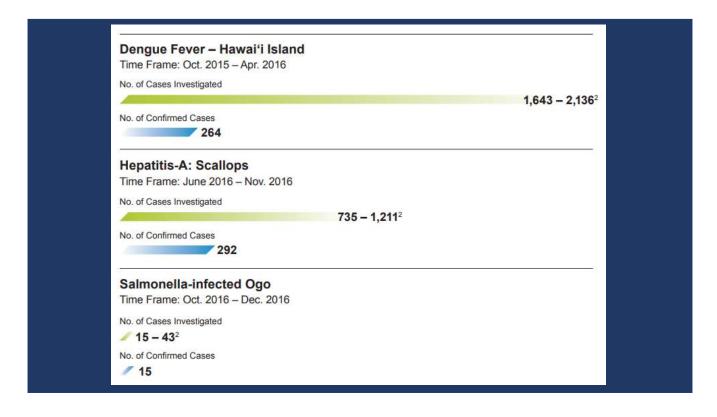




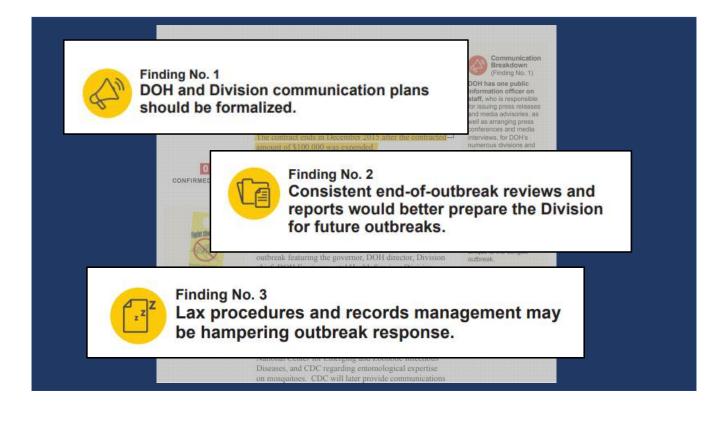








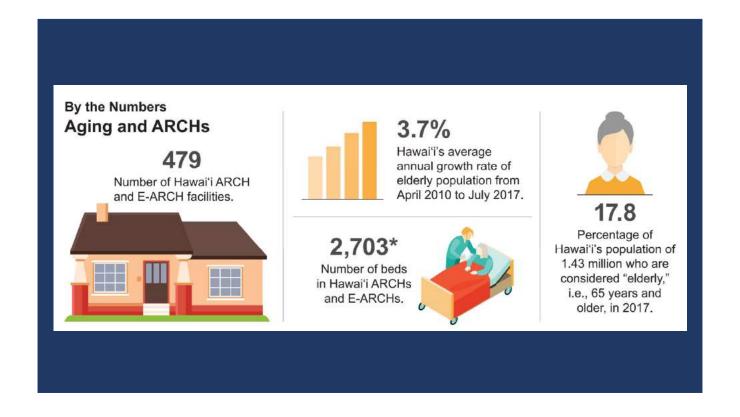




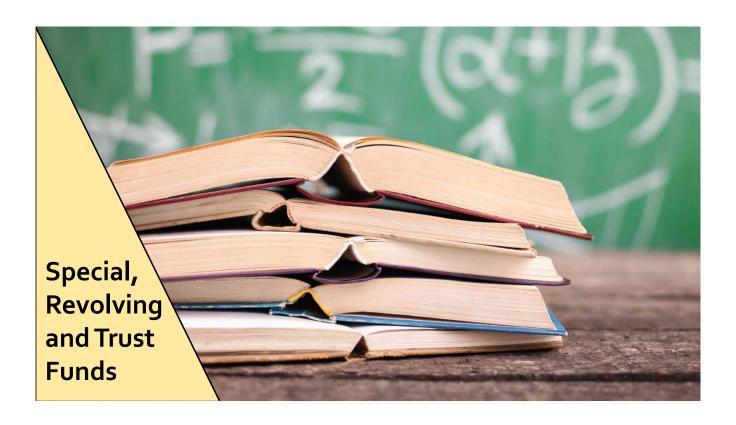




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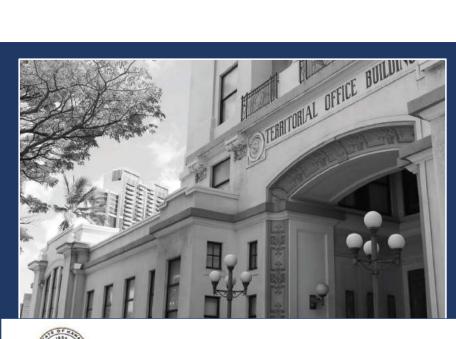


# Where's the money?









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OIA 2019 Budget Update, Tom Bussanich, DOI-OIA

# **2019 Budget Request Office of Insular Affairs**



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# 2019 Budget Request Office of Insular Affairs

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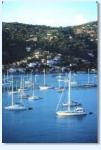
#### The Big Picture

### Total 2019 Budget Request (Dollars in Thousands)

Budget Authority	2017 Actual	2018 CR	2019 Request
Current Discretionary	67,523	67,064	56,356
Current Mandatory	40,867	40,778	27,720
Total Current	108,390	107,842	84,076
Permanent	544,069	520,809	523,929
Total OIA	652,459	628,651	608,005
FTEs	33	36	36
DoD Transfer	0	0	111,000
Total OIA w/ DoD Transfer	652,302	628,651	719,005







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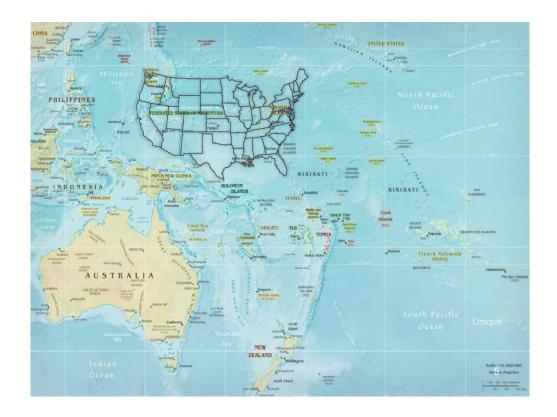
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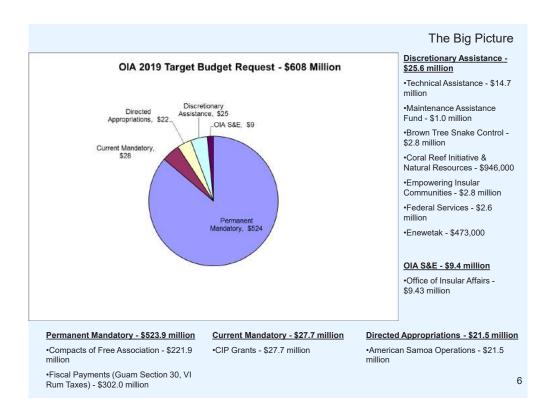
# **OIA's Mission**

Strengthen economic and health capacities in the US Territories, and fulfill US compact obligations to the freely associated states

- ➤ Bolster Healthcare Capacity
- ➤ Strengthen Island Economies
- ➤ Fulfill US Compact Obligations







FY 2019 E	udget at a	Glance			
Office o	f Insular A	Affairs			
(Doll	ars in Thousand	s)			
			Fixed Costs		
	2017 Actual	2018 CR	& Related	Program Changes	2019 Request
	2017 Actual	2018 CR	Changes	Changes	2019 Request
Assistance to Territories					
American Samoa Operations	22,752	22,597	0	-1,068	21,529
Capital Improvement Projects	27,720	27,720	0	0	27,720
Territorial Assistance					
Office of Insular Affairs	9,448	9,384	-62	+108	9,430
Technical Assistance	16,784	16,670	0	-1,999	14,671
Maintenance Assistance	4,000	3,973	0	-2,950	1,023
Brown Tree Snake Control	3,500	3,476	0	-639	2,837
Coral Reef Initiative & Natural Resources	1,250	1,242	0	-296	946
Empowering Insular Communities	3,471	3,447	0	-636	2,811
Compact Impact Disc.	3,000	2,980	0	-2,980	0
Total, Assistance to Territories	91,925	91,489	-62	-10,460	80,967
Compact of Free Association - Current					
Federal Services	2,818	2,798	0	-162	2,636
Enewetak	500	497	0	-24	473
Palau Compact Extension	13,147	13,058	0	-13,058	0
Total, Compact of Free Association - Current	16,465	16,353	0	-13,244	3,109
Total Current Discretionary/Mandatory	108,390	107,842	-62	-23,704	84,076
Compact of Free Association					
Marshall Islands Compact	76,065	76,948	0	+1,270	78,218
Federated States of Micronesia Compact	110,135	111,500	0	+1,844	113,344
Compact Impact	30,000	30,000	0	0	30,000
Judicial Training	370	361	0	+6	367
Total Compact (Permanent)	216,570	218,809	0	+3,120	221,929
Fiscal Payments					
Guam Section 30 Income Taxes	85,712	78,000	0	0	78,000
VI Rum Excise Taxes	242,099	224,000	0	0	224,000
Total, Fiscal Payments (Permanent)	327,811	302,000	0	0	302,000
American Samoa Loan Program Account	0	0	0	0	0
American Samoa Loan Financing Account	-312	0	0	0	0
Total, American Samoa Loan (Permanent)	-312	0	0	0	0
Total, Office of Insular Affairs	652,459	628,651	-62	-20,584	608,005
Palau Compact DoD Transfer	0	0	0	+111.000	111.000
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#### 2019 Budget Request

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#### Assistance to Territories

#### 2019 Budget Request

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				Fixed Costs							
				& Related	Internal						
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ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES											
1. American Samoa Operations	22,752		2 22,597	-	-	-	(1,068)		2 21,529	-	(1,068)

- American Samoa Operations 2017 Usage
  - Education \$12.6 million
  - LBJ Hospital \$7.9 million
  - American Samoa Community College \$1.4 million
  - High Court of American Samoa \$923,000





#### 2019 Budget Request

	2017 Actual	2018 CR*				Program Changes		2019 Request		Change from 2018 (+/-)	
				Fixed Costs							
				& Related	Internal						
Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE	Amount	Changes	Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES											
2. Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Grants											
Northern Mariana Islands Construction	9,082		- 9,082	-	-	-	583		- 9,665	-	583
American Samoa Construction	9,613		- 9,613	-	-	-	251		- 9,864	-	251
Guam Construction	6,578		- 6,578	-	-	-	(251)		- 6,327	-	(251)
Virgin Islands Construction	2,447		- 2,447				(583)		- 1,864		(583)
Total, CIP Grants	27,720		- 27,720	-	-	-	-		- 27,720	-	

<sup>\*</sup>Capital Improvement Project grant allocations by territory for 2018 will follow the competitive outcome displayed in the 2018 budget request once full year appropriations are enacted instead of the 2018 CR allocations shown above.

#### Capital Improvement Program

- General infrastructure construction including water, sewer, power, schools and hospitals
- Competitive Criteria



Manu'atalele - American Samoa Ferry Boat

Guam Environmental Public Health Lab

Puerto Rico Dump Closure, CNMI

#### Assistance to Territories

#### 2019 Budget Request

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Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE	Amount	Fixed Costs & Related Changes	Internal Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
ASSISTANCE TO TERRITO RIES											
Territorial Assistance     Office of Insular Affairs	9,448	34	9,384	(62)	-	-	108	34	9,430	-	46

- · Office of Insular Affairs
  - 34 FTE Staff in DC, HI, Am. Samoa, CNMI, FSM, RMI
  - Oversight resources are crucial



#### 2019 Budget Request

	2017 Actual	201	8 CR*				ogram anges	2019	Request		nge from 18 (+/-)
Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE	Amount	Fixed Costs & Related Changes	Internal Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
ASSISTANCE TO TERRITO RIES  3. Territorial Assistance											
Technical Assistance	16,784		- 16,670	-	-	-	(1,999)		- 14,671	-	(1,999)

#### · Technical Assistance

- \$30.4 million in requests in 2017
- Focus on urgent emergent needs and effective governance.



USVI - Juan F. Luis Hospital Equipment Upgrades



American Samoa Drug Sniffing Dogs

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#### **Technical Assistance to Territories**

2019 Budget Request

The Office of Insular Affairs is requesting proposals for its Technical Assistance Program (TAP) which provides grant funding for short-term projects intended to meet the immediate needs of the insular areas. Funding priorities include, but are not limited to, projects that foster the development of the insular areas in the following categories:

Accountability, financial management, economic development, education, energy production, management control initiatives, disaster assistance, natural and cultural resources, capacity building, public safety/emergencies, health initiatives, and invasive species management.

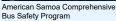
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ASSISTANCE TO TERRITO RIES											
Territorial Assistance     Maintenance Assistance	4,000		3,973	-	-	-	(2,950)		- 1,023	-	(2,950)

#### Maintenance Assistance Fund

- Institutionalize good maintenance practices
  - Training, planning, tools, and repairs
- Assessment of Buildings and Classrooms (ABCs) Initiative
  - 2013 report noting \$177 million in deferred maintenance; \$17 million health and safety
  - 5-year push to reduce deferred maintenance







The Pacific Lineman Training



Insular ABC's Assessment

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#### Maintenance Assistance to Territories

2019 Budget Request

The Office of Insular Affairs (OIA) is requesting funding proposals for its Maintenance Assistance Program (MAP). MAP funding is used to support, develop, improve and, as much as possible, institutionalize infrastructure maintenance practices in the seven insular areas. Activities will support maintenance training to extend the life of island infrastructure, ensure the safety of maintenance technicians, and/or increase the capacity of infrastructure to withstand extreme events; this may include training of maintenance technicians that increases knowledge and awareness of measures to be taken to protect infrastructure from severe weather impacts.

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#### 2019 Budget Request

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3. Territorial Assistance											
Brown Tree Snake Control	3,500		- 3,476	-	-	-	(639)	-	2,837	-	(639)
Coral Reef Initiative & Natural Resources	1,250		- 1,242	-	-	-	(296)		946	-	(296)

- Brown Tree Snake Control
  - Containment; Aerial suppression system creation, testing and implementation
- Coral Reef Initiative & Natural Resources
  - Protect and improve the health of coral reef habitats for long-term economic and social benefit





BTS Aerial Suppression System

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#### Assistance to Territories

#### 2019 Budget Request

									_		-
	2017 Actual	201	8 CR*				ogram ianges	2019	Request		nge from 18 (+/-)
				Fixed Costs & Related	Internal						
Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE	Amount	Changes	Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES											
3. Territorial Assistance											
Empowering Insular Communities	3,471		3,447	-	-	-	(636)		- 2,811	-	(636)
Compact Impact - Discretionary	3,000		2,980	-	-	-	(2,980)			-	(2,980)

- Empowering Insular Communities
  - Energy costs up to 3X national average
  - Sustainable energy projects
    - Photovoltaic, energy efficiency, wind, geothermal, integrated resource planning
- Compact Impact Discretionary
  - Program Elimination





Pilot Wind Turbine Project (275 kW)16

#### Compacts of Free Association - Current

#### 2019 Budget Request

	2017 Actual	20	18 CR				ogram anges	2019	Request		nge from 18 (+/-)
				Fixed							
				Costs &							
				Related	Internal						
	Amount	FTE	Amount	Changes	Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION - CURRENT											
Federal Services	2,818		- 2,798	-	-	-	(162)	-	2,636	-	(162)
2. Enewetak	500		- 497		-	-	(24)		473	-	(24)

- Federal Services
  - USPS mail service to freely associated states
- Enewetak
  - Agricultural rehabilitation and community support





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#### Compacts of Free Association

#### 2019 Budget Request

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					Pro	ogram	2019	Change from 2018
	2017 Actual	2018 CR				anges	Request	(+/-)
			Fixed Costs					
			and Related	Internal				
Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE Amount	Changes	Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE Amount	FTE Amount
COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION - PERMANENT								
Compact Impact	30,000	30,000	-	-		-	30,000	-

- Compact Impact
  - Compact Impact enumeration to be completed in 2018
  - Updated allocations began in 2020

#### **Compact Impact Enumeration Summary**

	:	2008 Enume	ration	201	3 Enumera	tion	Change from 2008 to 2013					
	COFA	Percent	Compact Impact	COFA	Percent	Compact		COFA Percent	Compact Impact			
	Population	of Total	Funding	Population	of Total	Impact Funding	Population	of Population	Funding			
Total	32,635	100%	30,000,000	34,555	100.0%	30,000,000	+1,920					
Hawaii	12,215	37%	11,228,742	14,700	43%	12,762,263	+2,485	+5.1%	+1,533,521			
Guam	18,305	56%	16,827,026	17,170	50%	14,906,671	-1,135	-6.4%	-1,920,356			
CNMI	2,100	6%	1,930,443	2,660	8%	2,309,362	+560	+1.3%	+378,919			
AS	15	0%	13,789	25	0%	21,705	+10	+0.0%	+7,916			



#### 2019 Budget Request Compacts of Free Association Change from 2018 (+/-) 2019 Program Changes 2017 Actual 2018 CR Request Fixed Costs and Related Internal Activity/Subactivity COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION - PERMANENT FTE Amount Changes Transfers FTE Amount FTE Amount FTE Amo Assistance to the Marshall Islands: Sector Grants 36,505 36,358 36,350 500 17,747 Trust Fund 16,053 16,855 Rongelap Resettlement Kwajalein Lease Payment Enewetak 21 404 21.670 22 030 360 1,591 78,218 1,603 1,565 26 1,270 26 1,270 Subtotal, Marshall Islands Assistan 76,948 Assistance to the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) 80,145 353 80,533 353 Sector Grants 80,180 Trust Fund Audit 29,490 30,820 1,491 32,311 1,491 500 500 1,844 Subtotal, FSM Assistance 110,135 - 111,500 1,844 113,344 Judicial Training

#### Summary of RMI and FSM assistance





					E		LIC OF P.	ALAU 2010-2024								
						Dollar	s in thous	ands								
. ACTIVITY (Revised Agreement)	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTALS //
Trust Fund Contributions									65,250							65,250
a Infrastructure Maintenance Fund 2/									2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	14,000
Fiscal Consolidation Fund									0							0
a Economic Assistance - Compact Extension Economic Assistance	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	2,468 22,106							107,644 22,106
5 Infrastructure Projects									20,000							20,000
Direct Assistance to Palau - Compact Extension  Direct Assistance to Palau	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147				111,824	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	2.000	107,644 121,356
Total, Direct Assistance to Palau	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147				13,147		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	229,000
ANNUAL FUNDING, PALAU COMPACT	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	13,147	111,824	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	229,000
FUNDING STREAM									111,824	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	123,824
1/Discretionary appropriations provided by the Congress in 2010-2 2/Entry Into Force repayment (Sec. 212) \$3 million paid into Infrastru-																
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#### Fiscal Payments

#### 2019 Budget Request

	2017 Actual	2018 CR*				Program Changes		2019 Request		Change from 2018 (+/-)	
				Fixed Costs & Related	Internal						
Activity/Subactivity	Amount	FTE	Amount	Changes	Transfers	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES											
1. Guam Section 30 Income Taxes	85,712		78,000	-	-	-	-		- 78,000	-	-
2. VI Rum Excise Taxes	242,099		224,000	-	-	-	-		- 224,000	-	-

- Summary of Fiscal Payments
  - USVI Rum (\$10.50 or \$13.25 a proof gallon)
    - \$13.25 for 5 years under PL 115-123 ("Budget Deal")





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**Unfunded Pension Liabilities, Frank Crawford, CPA** 

## Addressing Unfunded Pension Liabilities: The Pension Reform Trifecta

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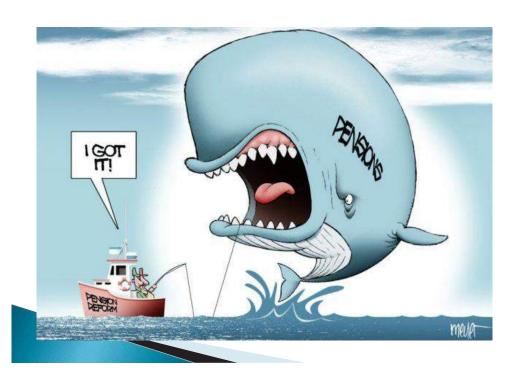




# Pension Reform Trifecta

- Contributions (in)
- Investment returns (in)
- Benefit payments (out)
- What can you effectively do to these three things to decrease the amount of the unfunded liability?





## Defined benefit pensions

- Liabilities to employees for pensions
  - "Net pension liability" (NPL)
    - Total pension liability (TPL), net of pension plan's fiduciary net position
      - TPL = actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributed to past periods
      - · Fiduciary net position as measured by pension plan
  - Single/agent employers recognize 100 percent of NPL
  - Cost-sharing employers recognize proportionate shares of collective NPL



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# Changes in NPL

NPL recognized in current reporting period (NPL recognized in prior reporting period)
Change in NPL for current reporting period

- Recognize most changes as expense in full in reporting period of change
  - Examples: service cost, interest on TPL, benefit changes, projected earnings on pension plan investments
- Exceptions:
  - Differences between expected and actual experience (TPL)
  - Changes of assumptions (TPL)
  - Difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments
  - Employer contributions



## Changes in NPL—TPL exceptions

- Expense recognized in current and future periods
  - Systematic and rational method
  - Closed period
  - Average of expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive, including retirees)
- Portion not recognized in expense = deferred outflow of resources/deferred inflow of resources related to pensions



# Changes in NPL—investment earnings exception

- Expense recognized in current and future periods
  - Systematic and rational method
  - Closed, 5-year period
- Portion not recognized in expense = deferred outflow of resources/deferred inflow of resources related to pensions
- Report <u>net</u> deferred outflow of resources/deferred inflow of resources from this source



## Defined contribution pensions

- Pension expense for amounts defined by benefit terms as attributable to the reporting period
  - Net of forfeited amounts removed from employee accounts
- Liability for difference between pension expense and contributions
- Note disclosures
  - Descriptive information about plan, benefit terms, contribution rates, amount of expense, amount of forfeitures, amount of liability
- Nonemployer contributing entities with legal requirements to contribute directly to pension plan also addressed



# DB - DC Hybrid Plans

- A newer option that we are starting to see appear
  - A plan where part of the retirement benefit is fixed, i.e., a defined contribution (DC plan), and part of the plan is a defined benefit (DB plan)
    - The DB component of this plan is usually small, but still will required a funding component beyond the retirement date



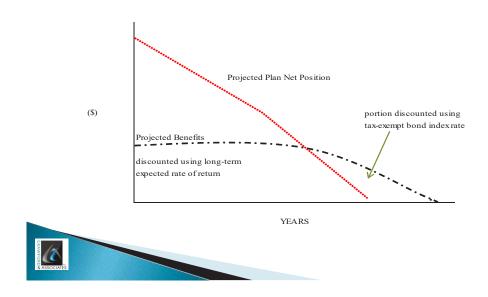
- Discount Rate
  - Single rate reflective of:
    - Long-term expected rate of return to the extent that plan net position from specified sources is
      - · Projected to be sufficient to make benefit payments
      - Expected to be invested using a long-term investment strategy
    - Index rate for a tax-exempt 20-year municipal bond rated AA/Aa (or equivalent) or higher



# Calculating Total Pension Liability

- Long-term expected rate of return
  - Should consider the nature and mix of current and expected pension plan investments
  - For determination of future plan net position:
    - Include expected future employer contributions intended to fund benefits of current plan members
    - Exclude expected future employer contributions intended to fund benefits of future plan members and expected future contributions by future plan members





Let's take a quick look at the current status of the Insular governments pension plans and Social Security systems

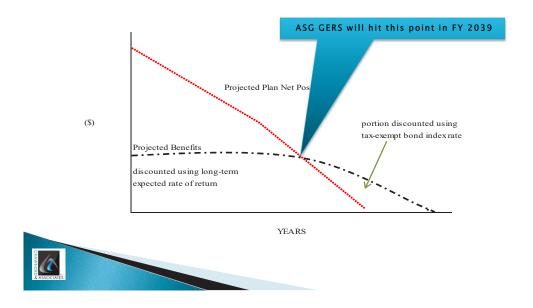




# ASG GERS, as of 9-30-16

- Current contribution rates paid (% of covered payroll)
  - Employer 8%
  - Employee 3%
    - Total 11%
- ▶ Total Contribution rate *needed* = 18.11%
- Net Pension Liability = \$159,221,857 (that's \$150.2 million)
- ▶ Funded ratio = 55.03%
- Discount rate = 5.87%
- ▶ Estimated crossover date FY 2039

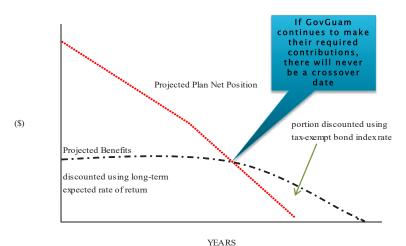




# Guam GGRF, as of 9-30-16

- Current contribution rates paid (% of covered payroll)
  - Employer 27.41%
  - Employee <u>9.55%</u>
    - Total 36.96%
- ▶ Total Contribution rate *needed* = 36.96%
- Net Pension Liability = \$1,659,820,401 (that's \$1.66 billion, with a b), for all three DB plans in existence
- Funded ratio = 49.81%
- Discount rate = 6.7% for two plans, 3.06% for the third
- Estimated crossover date None, plan closed, with post 1995 hires in a DC plan, which only requires GovGuam to make 5% contributions annually
- It appears that Guam has created a DB DC Hybrid Pension Plan for all post 1995 employees currently enrolled only in the DC plan. Effective date was 1-1-18, or maybe 1-1-19.



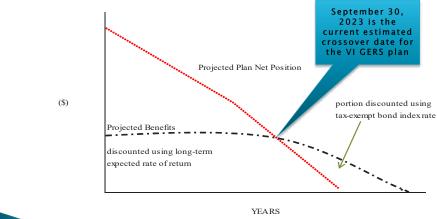




# VI GERS, as of 9-30-17

- Current contribution rates paid (% of covered payroll)
  - Employer 20.50%
  - Employee <u>11.95%</u>
    - Total 32.45%
- ▶ Total Contribution rate *needed* = 74.6%
- Net Pension Liability = \$4,380,440,589 (that's \$4.4 billion, with a b)
- ▶ Funded ratio = 16.2%
- Discount rate = 3.74%
- ▶ Estimated crossover date 9-30-2023



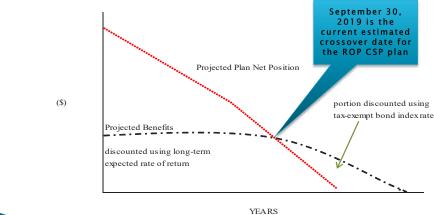




# ROP CSPP, as of 9-30-16

- Current contribution rates paid (% of covered payroll)
  - Employer 6%
  - Employee <u>6%</u>
    - Total 12%
- ▶ Total Contribution rate *needed* = 33.30%
- Total Unfunded Accrued Actuarial Liability = \$249,444,443
- ▶ Funded ratio = 10.55%
- Discount rate = 2.98%
- ▶ Estimated crossover date 9-30-2019
- Palau also has a Social Security trust fund, for social security payments to all citizens



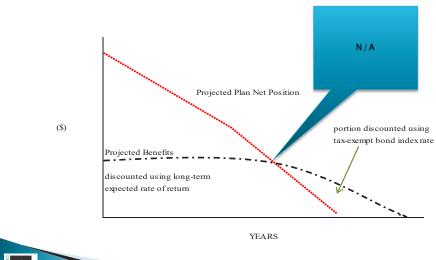




# CNMI NMISF, as of 9-30-16 (post-settlement amounts)

- Current contribution rates paid (% of covered payroll)
  - Employer 100%
  - Employee <u>0%</u>
    - Total 100%
- ▶ Total Contribution rate *needed* = 100%
- Net Pension Liability = \$1,004,561,770
- Funded ratio = 7.50%
- Discount rate = 2.68%
- Estimated crossover date N/A
- Although this is actually a settlement trust fund and not a pension plan anymore, we attempted to create pension-like elements for this comparison







	Year	TYPEROFE	Datelofilli Actuariali		ion!RateslPaid	Retirement			Discount	Estimated de crossover	Total®Contribution Requirement@s@8%@f	
CLIENT	Perfomed	PLAN	Valuation	Employer	Employee	Provider	UAAL	Funded:Ratio	Rate	date	Annual:Salary	
Virgindslands	2013	DB	9/30/11	17.50%	8%-11% Depends@nlipositionliheld	GERS	\$200,719,110,906	45.74%	7.50%	9/30/2023	59.10%	Actuarialiin
Guam	2013	DB	9/30/12	23.17%	9.50%	GGRF	\$200,482,646,076	47.26%	7.00%	N/A	35.91%	Forfall@mp
		DC	-,,	5.00%	5,00%	GGRF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Forfall@mp
CNMI	2013	DB	10/1/10	0.00%	9.5% P.11% Depends Ton Too Sition Theld	NMIRF	\$200,574,000,000	5.5%⊞12.7%	3.20%	3-14/11-16	,	Govillatellisi
American\suma	2013	DB	10/1/12	8.00%	3.00%	ASGERF	\$1000008,446,771	80.80%	8.00%	Unablelitolidet.	15.79%	Actuarialin
Palau	2012	DB	10/1/11	6.00%	6.00%	ROP-CSPP	\$177777103,899,191	25.80%	7.50%	9/30/2029	39.00%	39%@total,@

,928,102,944



			Date of							Estimated	Total Contribution
	Year	TYPE OF	Actuarial	Contributi on Rates Paid		Retirement	Net Pension		Discount	crossover	Requirement as a % of
CLIENT	Perfomed	PLAN	Valuation	Employer	Employee	Provider	Liability	Funded Ratio	Rate	date	Annual Salary
Virgin Islands	2017	DB	9/30/2017	20.50%	11.95% Depends on position held	GERS	\$ 4,380,440,589	16.20%	3.74%	9/30/2023	71.6% - 74.6%
Guam	2017	DB-A	9/30/2016	27.41%	9.55%	GGRF	\$1,368,645,559	54.62%	6.70%	N/A	36.96%
		DB-B	9/30/2016	N/A	N/A	GGRF	\$229,486,817	0.00%	6.70%	N/A	N/A
		DB	9/30/2016	N/A	N/A	GGRF	\$61,688,025	0.00%	3.06%	N/A	N/A
							\$1,659,820,401	49.81%			
CNMI	2017	DB?	9/30/2016	100.00%	0.00%	NMISF	\$ 1,004,561,770	7.50%	2.68%	N/A	N/A
American Samoa	2017	DB	9/30/2017	8.00%	3.00%	ASGERF	\$ 159,221,857	55.03%	5.87%	9/30/2039	18.11%
Palau	2017	DB	9/30/2016	6.00%	6.00%	ROP-CSPP	\$ 249,444,443	10.55%	2.98%	9/30/2019	33.30%
							9,113,309,461				
Pension spreadsh	neet totals	from 201	3 under old	methodolog	ЭУ		4,928,102,944				
4 year Growth \$							4,185,206,517				
4 year Growth %							85%				



# What about FSM, RMI and Palau Social Security Trust Funds?

- Since their "Social Security" trust funds are not technically "Pension" trust funds, they don't have to follow GASB accounting for pensions that the rest of us with pension plans have to do, BUT
  - I can measure the unfunded liability of their SS plans by doing a bit of homework
    - · RMI Social Security Trust Fund
      - Unfunded liability = \$370,143,000, as of 10-1-2014
    - · FSM Social Security Trust Fund
    - Unfunded liability = \$258,394,920, as of 1-1-2014
    - Palau Social Security Trust Fund, as of 9-30-11
    - Unfunded liability = \$176,995,000, as of 10-1-2015
- So the grand total of unfunded pension and SS liabilities is......

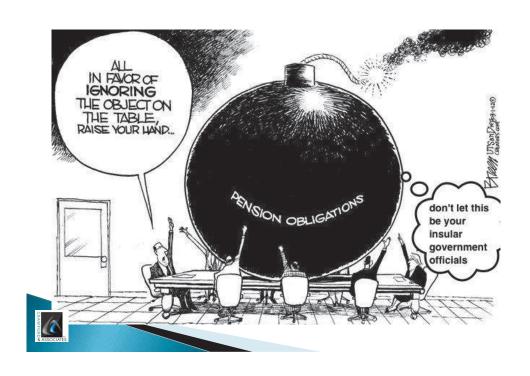
\$9,918,842,381 billion (that's billion with a B...)

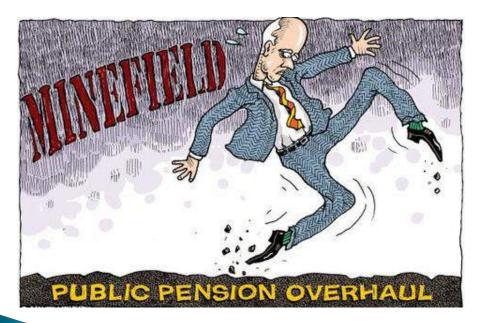


### ➤ Solutions?

- ➤ What can you affect that can materially help?
- > Remember the pension trifecta:
  - > Contributions, both employer and employee
  - > Investment returns
  - > Benefit payments
- > What would you do to restructure one or all of the above elements?









# PREPARING YOUR PRESENTATION FOR THURSDAY A.M. CONSIDER:

- 1. Define the Size, Timeline and Cause(s) of the Problem\*
- 2. Identify the range of solutions available for consideration, e.g. the pension trifecta: contributions, investment returns, benefits
- 3. Highlight what you would recommend to your legislature to sufficiently address your jurisdiction's pension (or SS) liability:
  - · Specific reform actions
  - Timing and/or phasing of recommended actions
  - Monitoring mechanism(s) that would reduce future risks

\*please include a description of the pension benefit: e.g. for an employee who worked for 30 years and retired at age 60 what % of final salary is promised?





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Measuring our Measures, What are the Rules? Debbie Milks, CPA



MEASURING OUR MEASURES, WHAT ARE THE RULES?

IGFOA WINTER CONFERENCE HONOLULU, HAWAII DECEMBER 4-7, 2017

# FINANCE OFFICE PERFORMANCE MEASURES WHAT WORKS, WHAT DOESN'T

- What are our measures and why were they selected?
- What are the issues with the data collection and calculation of the measure?
- Group exercise
- Government "votes" on usefulness and ease of collection for each measure

### A BRIEF HISTORY

- Audit Improvement Program started in 2003
- Initially the only measures were timeliness, # of qualifications and # of findings
- As audit improvement plans became more focused on quality, each government selected their own measures to demonstrate interim progress on their improvement plans
- In Dec 2011 six measures were adopted by the group:

Performance Measure	# Governments with related findings historically	# Governments with related findings currently
Timely completion of bank reconciliations	6	3
Reduction in overdue travel advances	4	2
Completion of a cash management plan	9	1
Number of days to process an invoice		
Accuracy of revenue estimates		
Completion of the Fixed Asset inventory	11	3

- At subsequent meetings new measures were discussed and selected by the group
- May 2014 IGFOA began using a standard dashboard—modified May 2018

IGFOA MEASURES	FOCUS	Since
Number of days to process an invoice (general and federal)	Grant & Cash Management	2011split between general & federal in 2013
2. Reduction in overdue travel advances	Cash Management	2011
3. Completion of fixed asset inventory	Reconciliation & Internal Cntrl	2011
4. Bank reconciliations completed on a timely basis	Reconciliation & Internal Cntrl	2011
5. Revenue Estimates within target %	Budget & Cash Management	2011
6. Completion of comprehensive Cash Management Plan	Cash Management	2011
7. Timeliness of SF425 reports	Grant Management	2013
8. Reduction in Federal Grant Receivable balance	Grant & Cash Management	2013
9. % of unspent federal funds	Grant Management	2013
10. Completion of Personnel Evaluations	Capacity Building	2017
11. # training hours per finance employee	Capacity Building	2017

### WHY ARE WE MEASURING?

Monitor routine operations / Measuring progress on improvement projects

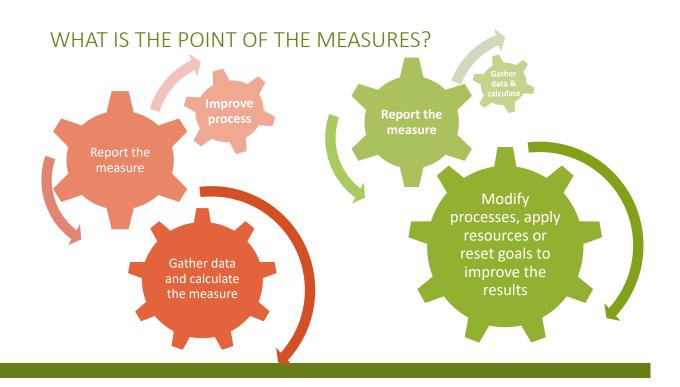
- Timeliness of bank reconciliations
- Timeliness of SF 425 reports
- Process for Travel advance collections
- Process for Fixed Asset inventories
- Invoice payment process
- Process to collect grant receivables

### Monitor Financial efficiency

- Accuracy of revenue estimates
- Unused federal funds

### Staff capacity building

- # performance evaluations
- # hours staff training



### REVENUE ESTIMATE WITHIN A TARGET %

- The % is relevant whether high or low
- If revenues are higher than estimates by a significant amount, they are often not spent effectively.
  - Not part of the normal planning and budgetary cycle
  - Supplemental appropriation process can be a quick "give away"
  - If left unappropriated, effectively reduce deficit
- Of all the measures, is least likely to be under the control of the finance office
- Affects cash flow

### COMPLETION OF THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

Cash management plan came out of all the cash management findings

<u>Cause</u>: The cause of the above condition is the lack of procedures for timely disbursement of cash advanced from the grantor agency in accordance with the requirements of the CMIAA.

- Lack of "procedures" and often a recommendation to develop a plan
- Plan consists of multiple parts including a listing of all the bank accounts—purpose, funding sources, signatories, etc

1. The government's legislation and regulations regarding cash.

2. A listing of cash accounts with associated relevant information.

This document provides the auditors as well as anyone working with the general ledger & Treasury, a "one stop shop" for information regarding the government's cash accounts.

3. Cash procedures. At a minimum the procedures should include:

Bank reconciliation procedures

NSF checks procedures

Petty cash procedures

Remote deposit procedures

Federal grant (including Sector grants) drawdown and disbursement procedures

4. Grant specific documentation:

Treasury State Agreement document (for flag territories)

the average clearance pattern calculations

the grant drawdown/disbursement spreadsheet

5. Cash management plan checklist and internal control assessment

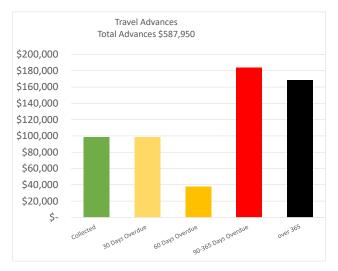
This checklist is designed to be filled out on an annual basis by the Finance officer and is the proof to the auditors that your office is reviewing compliance with your cash management plan.

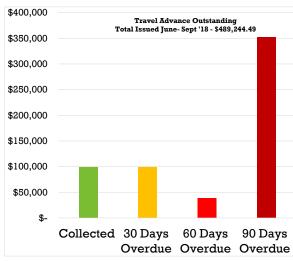
IGFOA CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW CHECKLIST		
CASH MANAGEMENT OVER RECEIPTS:	YES	NO
1. Are the cash receipt procedures documented in your existing plan still current?		
2. Does your current Cash Management Plan include the following:		
a. Deposit cutoff times and overnight safeguarding procedures?		
b. Any daily deposit requirement exceptions?		
c. Accounts receivable procedures?		
d. Documented federal fund draw down procedures?		
e. Procedures for the acceptance of electronic payments (credit/debit card and ACH/EFT)?		
CASH MANAGEMENT OVER DISBURSEMENTS:	YES	NO
3. Are the cash disbursement procedures documented in your existing plan still current?		
4. Does your current Cash Management Plan include the following:		
a. Bank reconciliation procedures?		
b. Procedures for ACH/EFT payments?		
5. Are procedures documented and in place to ensure that checks are not released before supporting requisitions are approved and updated?		
6. Are the reconciliations for all bank accounts current?		
CASH INTERNAL CONTROL ASSESSMENT:	YES	NO
7. Has staff not responsible for cash entries performed the annual internal control assessment for cash?		
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8. Have any deficiencies noted in the review been corrected?		

### REDUCTION IN OVERDUE TRAVEL ADVANCES

% reduction from prior period	Qtrly	56%	35%	30%	
20% reduction from prior period	Mntly	0	17%	29%	Figures presented are percentage of travel advances outstanding.
25% reduction from prior period	Mntly	July 18 67%	Aug 18 68%	Sept 18 60%	Slightly improving. The old TA's outstanding continues to make our percentage high. Once we clear them it should improve drastically. On management letter, outstanding over 90 days be investigated and reconciled.
10% Reduction from prior period	Qtrly	FY18 Q2 2% \$3K	FY18 Q3 3% \$11K	FY18 Q4 7% \$22K	QUARTELY O/S TRAVEL A/R  250 200 201 201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 208 208 208 208 208 208 208 208 208

## CALCULATING OVERDUE TRAVEL ADVANCES





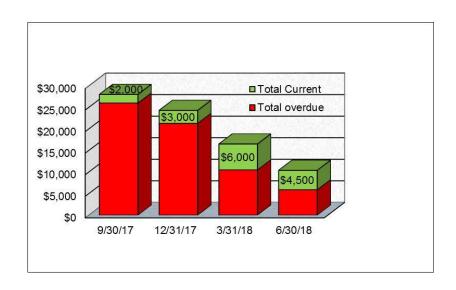
### TRAVEL ADVANCE EXAMPLE

	Current								
	0-??	Over	Over	Over	Over a	Total	Total	%	
	Days	30	60	120	year	overdue	advance	overdue	Change
9/30/17	2000	3000	6000	10000	7000	26000	28000	93%	
12/31/17	3000	3500	2000	9000	6800	21300	24300	88%	-5%
3/31/18	6000	500	1000	5000	4000	10500	16500	64%	-24%
6/30/18	4500	500	400	1000	4000	5900	10400	57%	-7%
9/30/18	1000	1000	2000	2400	4000	9400	10400	90%	34%

What should the measure be? The total % overdue or the improvement?

No change in advance balance between June and September, but major shift in overdue %

Should advances >year old be included in the measure?



### **FIXED ASSET INVENTORY**

Every government presented a measure on an annual or biannual basis

is it done or not?

How to measure interim progress?

by grant? by department? by asset type?

When does the inventory process start
Who is responsible for the actual inventory observations
How are the inventory worksheets produced & set up?
Who is responsible for gathering the data?
Is someone in charge of monitoring the progress?



### REMINDERS ABOUT MEASUREMENT BASICS

- Should be meaningful
  - Tell a story to stakeholders
  - Motivate to improve a process, re-allocate resources
  - Monitor a high-risk situation
- Should be a number
- Measurement data should be readily available
- Should include a target/goal
- The measurement period should be determined
- The reporting format and frequency should consider the primary audience



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Cybersecurity Readiness, Vincent Hoang, Hawaii Chief Information Security Officer

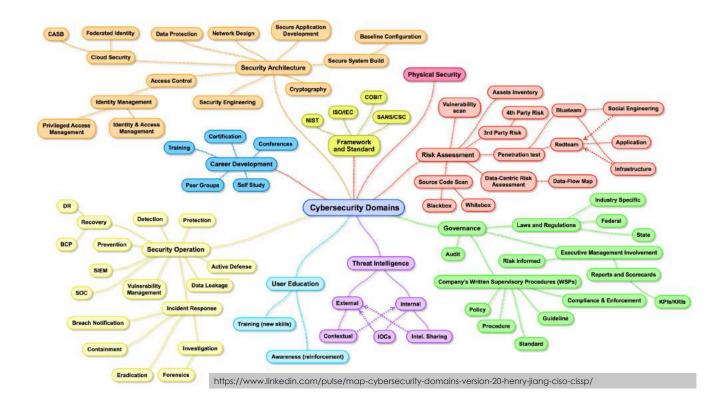




# Agenda

- ▶ Cybersecurity domain
- ▶ Risks of Data Breaches
- ▶ Common attack vectors?
- ▶ Why do breaches keep happening?
- ► Responsibilities and authority
- ▶ Preparing for the breach
- ► Technology initiatives

# Evolving Cybersecurity Domain





# Impact of Data Breaches

- ▶Loss of Professional Reputation
- ▶Loss of Trust in Managing Public Funds
- ▶ Heavy Penalties
- ▶Ongoing Remediation Efforts

# Notable Data Breaches

- ► Marriot / Starwood (2018)
  - ▶ Theft of 500 million records
  - ▶ Costs yet to be determined
- ► Equifax (2017)
  - ▶ Theft of personal information for over 145 million Americans
  - ▶ \$439 million costs combined in 2017 and 2018
- ► Home Depot (2014)
  - ▶ Theft of credit card information for over 50 million customers
  - ▶ \$179 million
- ▶ Target (2013)
  - ▶ Theft of credit card information for over 40 million customers
  - ▶ \$300 million in costs

# What Keeps Me Up at Night?

COMMON ATTACK VECTORS

# Unknown

"Marriott has not finished identifying duplicate information in the database, but believes it contains information on up to approximately 500 million guests who made a reservation at a Starwood property.

For approximately 327 million of these guests, the information includes some combination of name, mailing address, phone number, email address, passport number, Starwood Preferred Guest ("SPG") account information, date of birth, gender, arrival and departure information, reservation date, and communication preferences."

https://answers.kroll.com/us/index.htm https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/blog/2018/12/marriott-data-breach



https://krebsonsecurity.com/2018/11/marriott-data-on-500-million-guests-stolen-in-4-year-breach/

# **Exploits**

"If you have a credit report, there's a good chance that you're one of the 143 million American consumers whose sensitive personal information was exposed in a data break at Equifax, one of the nation's three major credit reporting agencies."

-Seena Gressin, Attorney, FTC, 2017



Equifax Says Cyberattack May Have Affected 143 Million in the U.S.

By TARA SIEGEL BERNARD, TIFFANY HSU, NICOLE PERLROTH and RON LIEBER SEPT. 7, 2017

# 2.5 Million More People Potentially Exposed in Equifax Breach

By STACY COWLEY OCT. 2, 2017

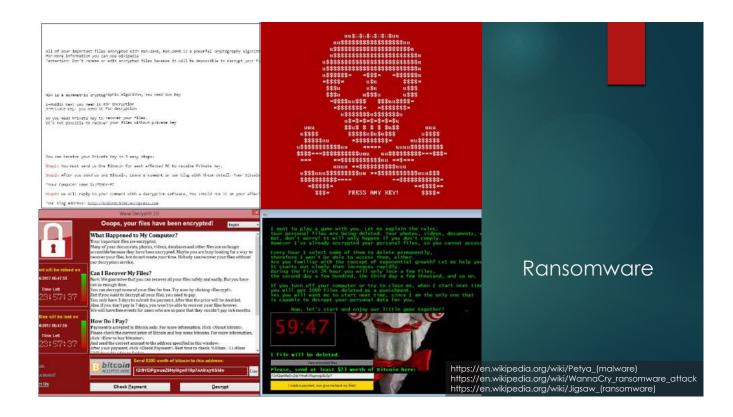
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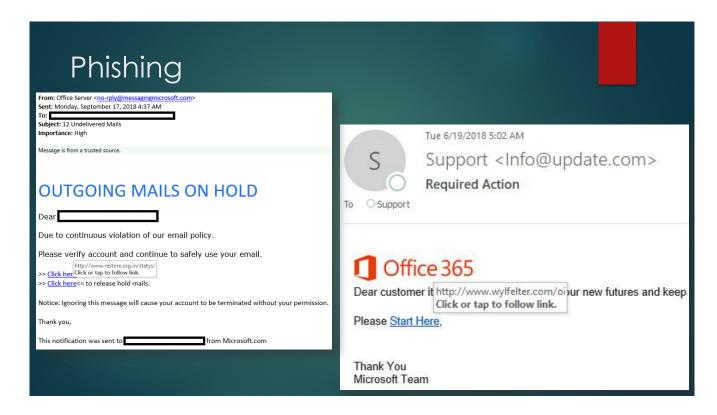
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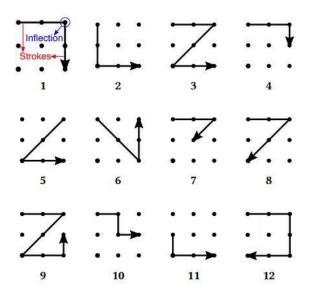


Figure 1: The twelve most popular unlock patterns according to [9]. An unlock pattern connects a number of dots, and it can be decomposed into several strokes separated by inflections.

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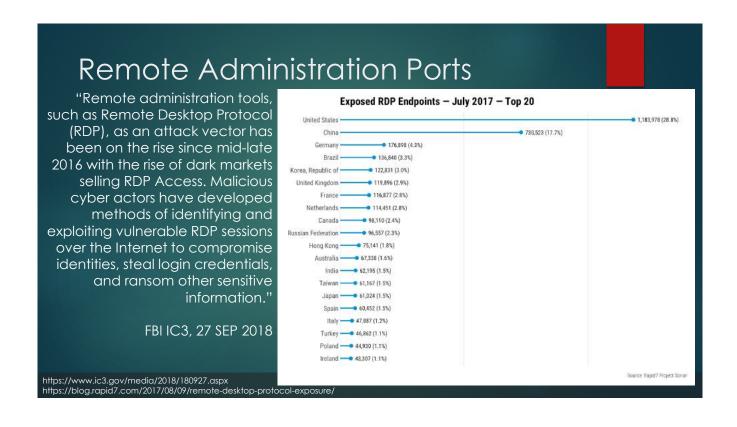


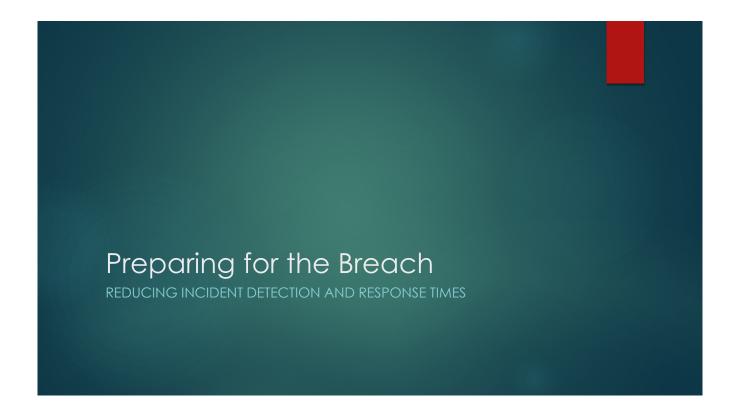
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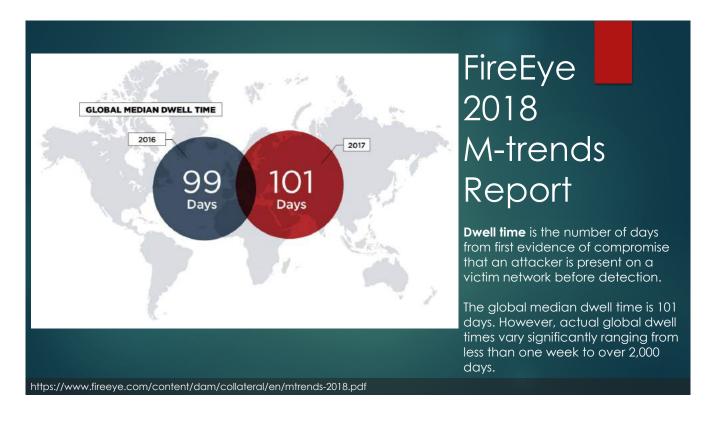
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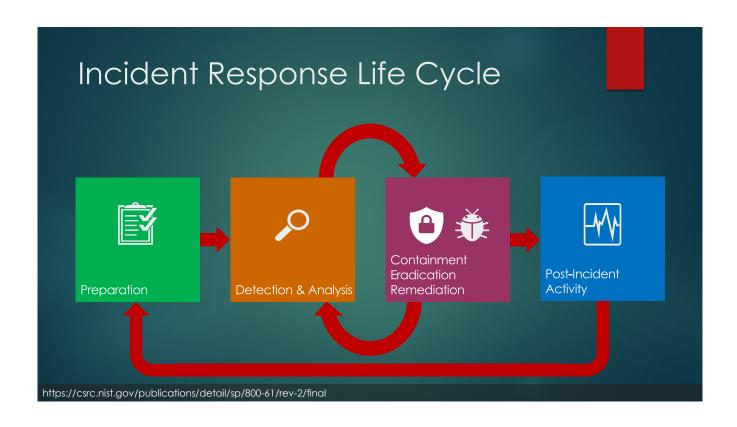
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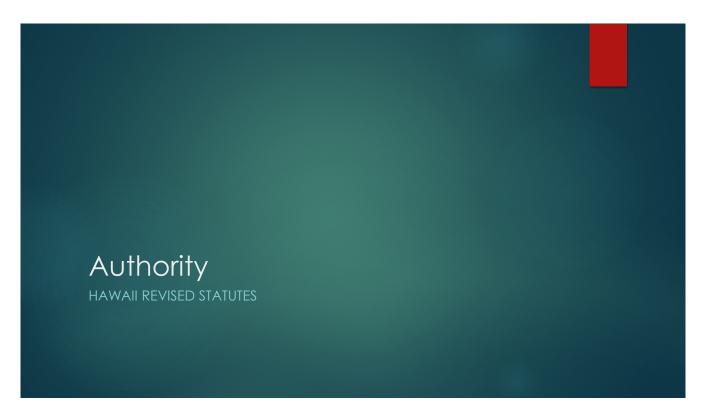
# Patches "Older vulnerabilities are still heavily targeted; a methodical patch approach that emphasizes consistency and coverage is more important than expedient patching" https://www.verizonenterprise.com/resources/reports/rp\_DBIR\_2016\_Report\_en\_xg.pdf







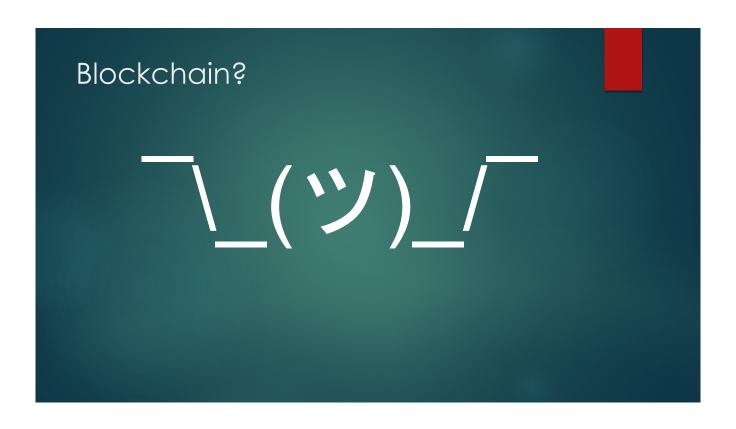


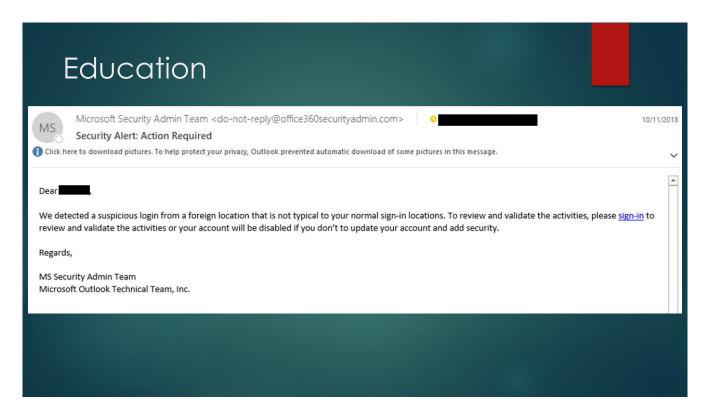


# Applicable Cybersecurity Statutes

Act 58 of 2016 authorizes the CIO to coordinate each executive branch department and agency's IT budget request to ensure compliance with ETS' IT governance processes and enterprise architecture policies and standards, including policies and standards for systems, services, hardware, software, and security management.	HRS §27-43
Provide for periodic security audits of all executive branch departments and agencies regarding the protection of government information and data communication infrastructure.	HRS §27-43.5
Set policies, procedures and standards for each executive branch department's reasonable efforts to make appropriate and existing electronic data sets maintained by the department electronically available to the public through the State's open data portal at data.hawaii.gov or successor website.	HRS §27-44
Provide services through centralized web portal and Internet presence (hawaii.gov) that allow citizens to conduct business electronically with the government, in accordance with statute (i.e., Access Hawai'i Committee).	HRS §27G
Provide guidance to protect personal information that is collected and maintained by state and county government agencies (i.e., Information Privacy and Security Council).	HRS §487N





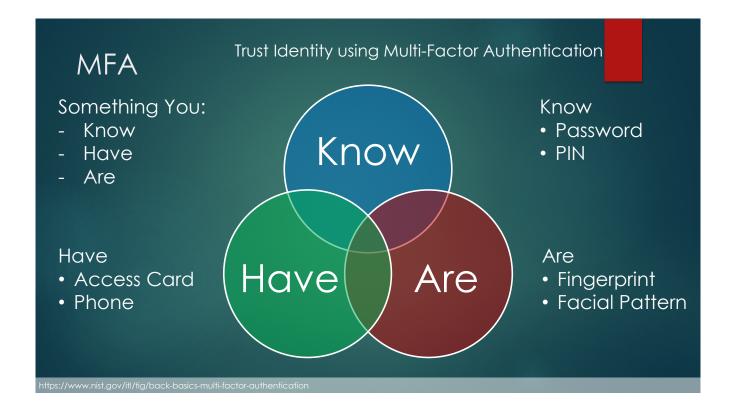


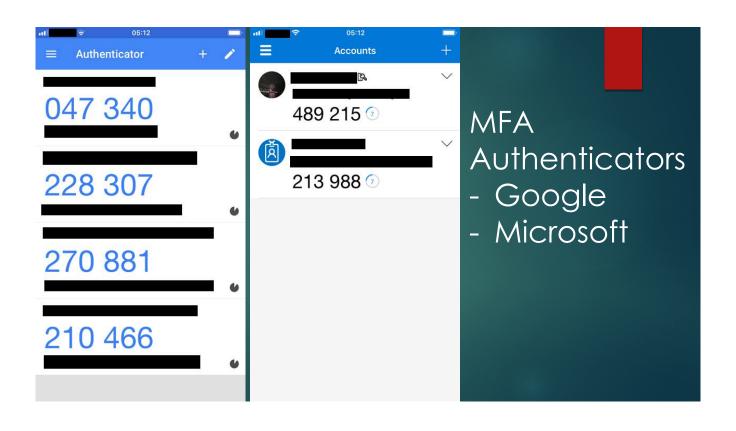
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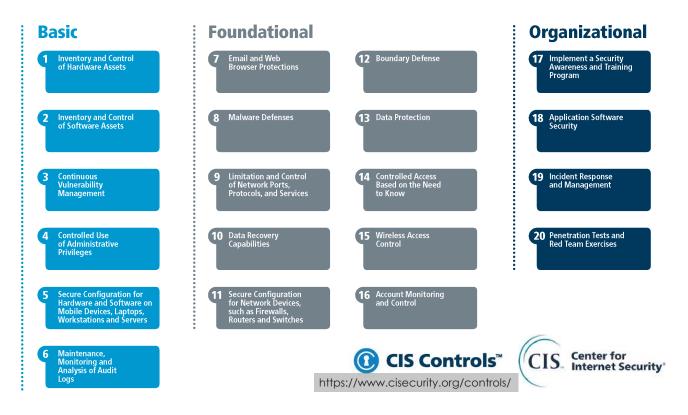
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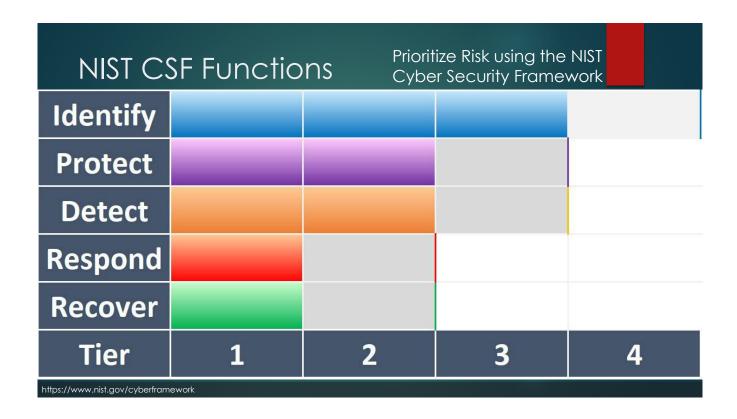
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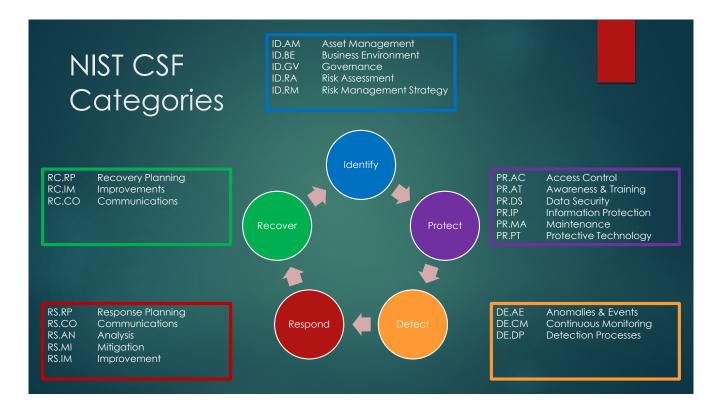
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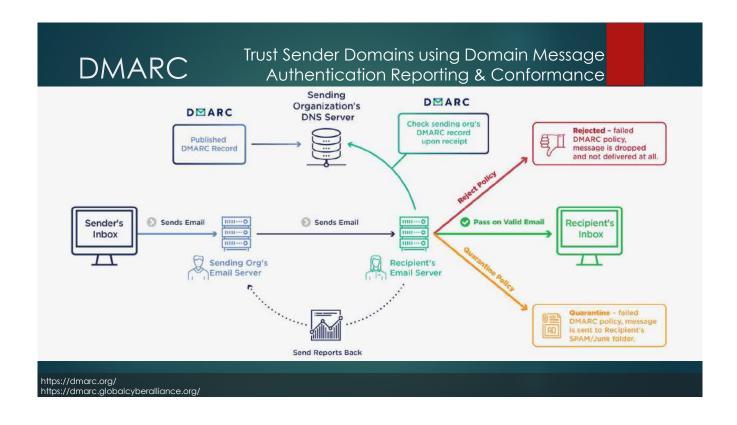


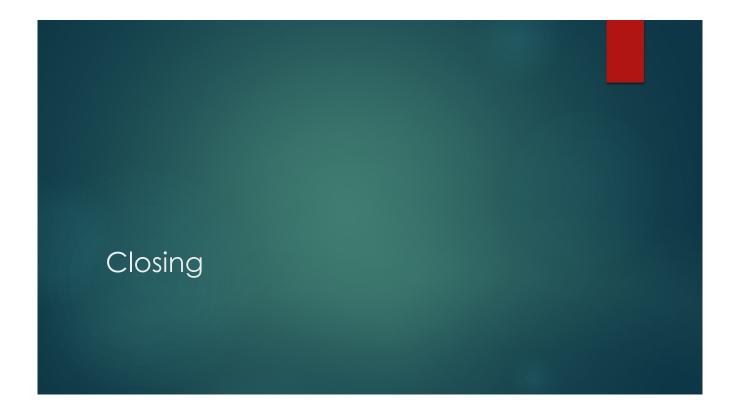


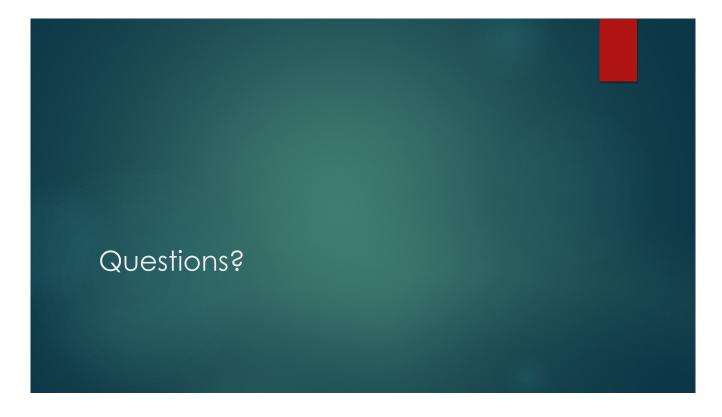


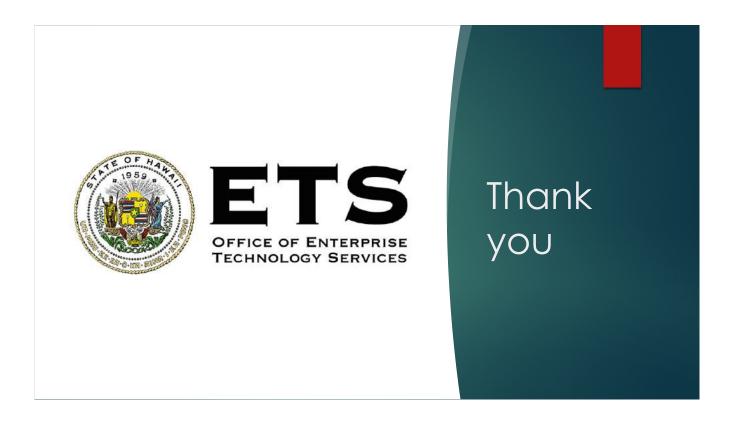


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Cybersecurity Island Style, Debbie Milks, CPA







## Plan for the inevitable

- Don't just rely upon the IT staff
- Make lawmakers (budget makers!) aware of the risk and the needed investments
- Prepare an incident response plan
- Invest in redundancy around all mission-critical services \$\$\$\$
- Think like a hacker
- Invest in good people

# stuff you can do now

#### basic

- Inventory hardware and software
- Inventory all your data
- Control admin privileges
- Monitor audit logs

#### foundational

- Set up email and browser protections
- Keep firewall, malware and virus protections up to date
- Keep software up to date
- Set up wireless access controls

#### organizational

- Implement a security awareness program
- Update application security
- Keep software up to date

# Prepare an incident response plan

- outline what to do in the event of a breach, including specific tactics and roles for everyone involved.
- know exactly what the most crucial data is, where it can be found, and how it can be protected.
- Time is of the essence, so the more prepared they are ahead of time, the better they can recover.

## Invest in redundancy around all missioncritical services

- redundant network infrastructure, such as standby switches and routers, can ensure the network isn't completely unavailable in the event that the initial path is compromised.
- ensure that there is additional back-up infrastructure available in the event that the first option is compromised.
- alternate network equipment is especially vital for maintaining network availability in case a government is hit by a distributed denial-of-service cyberattack.

# Leverage analytics

- automate and simplify cybersecurity incident response
- analytics can increase detection accuracy
- analytics technologies can continually collect, correlate, and understand data from multiple sources

https://learn.cisecurity.org/cis-ram

https://www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac/services/ncsr/

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/paloma/the-cybersecurity-202/2018/10/22/the-cybersecurity-202-pros-to-government-if-your-defenses-fail-think-pen-and-paper/5bcc91581b326b7c8a8d1ab3/?utm\_term=.957b05f4a43f

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GASB Updates, Frank Crawford, CPA

# GASB Update: Will it ever end?

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#### Effective Dates, using June 30 an example

- 2018
  - Statement 75—OPEB (employers)
  - Statement 81—Irrevocable split-interest agreements
  - Statement 85 Omnibus 2017 (partial implementation)
  - Statement 86 Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues
  - Implementation Guide 2017-1
  - Implementation Guide 2017-2
     Statement No. 74 & 85
  - Implementation Guide 2017–3
    - Statement No. 75
- 2019
  - Statement 83—Certain asset retirement obligations
  - Statement 85 Omnibus 2017 (remaining implementation)
  - Statement 88 Certain Disclosures related to Debt
- > 2020—Statement 84—Fiduciary activities
- 2020 Statement 90, Majority equity interests
- 2021 Statement 89, Accounting for interest costs incurred before the end of a construction period
- > 2021 Statement 87 Leases
- And on and on.....
  - Financial Reporting Model
  - Revenue and Expense Recognition
  - Going Concern Disclosures Reexamination
  - Equity interest ownership issues
  - IT Arrangements including Cloud Computing
  - Overall Note Disclosures Reexamination
- Public-Private Partnerships



## 2018 Implementation



# Statement 74 & 75, and some of 85 - OPEB

- Addresses both OPEB Plans Administered through trust & not administered through trust
  - Same trust criteria as the pension standards
- Requires reporting of liability in the FS
  - If there is a Trust: Total OPEB Liability (TOL) FNP (fiduciary net position) = NOL (net opeb liability)
  - If no Trust: TOL = NOL, therefore you report the TOL, and label it as the TOL throughout the FS
- Effective Date:
  - 74 (plan) fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016
  - 75 (employer) fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017
  - 85 fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017



#### What is OPEB?

- OPEB
  - Other postemployment benefits all postemployment benefits promised to employees other than pensions
    - Medical, dental, vision separately or through a pension plan.
  - Principally, retiree health insurance but also life insurance, disability, legal services, and other benefits
    - Provided separately from a pension plan.
- Includes:
  - Payments made to insurance companies on behalf of retirees,
  - Payments directly to retirees, and
  - Subsidizing retiree premiums by allowing them to be insured in the same group as active employees
    - Implicit Rate Subsidy
- What about termination benefits?
  - GASB 47

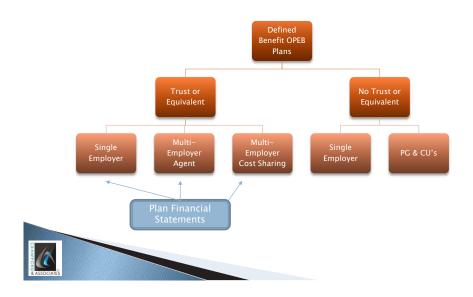


## Types of OPEB Plans

- Through a trust:
  - Single-employer defined benefit plans
  - Agent multiple-employer defined benefit plans
  - Cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans
- Not administered through a trust:
  - Single-employer defined benefit plan
  - Multiple-employer defined benefit defined benefit plans
- Defined Contribution OPEB



# Types of OPEB Plans



# GASB Definition of a Qualifying Trust

- Paragraph 4 of GASB 75 three criteria
  - Contributions from employers and non-employer contributing entities to the OPEB plan and earnings on those contributions are irrevocable.
  - OPEB plan assets are dedicated to providing OPEB to plan members in accordance with the benefit terms.
  - OPEB plan assets are legally protected from the creditors of employers, non-employer contributing entities, and the OPEB plan administrator. If the plan is a defined benefit OPEB plan, plan assets also are legally protected from creditors of the plan members.



#### **Trust Considerations**

- Reimbursement
  - Trust reimburses employer for OPEB benefits paid as they come due
    - Still a qualifying trust
    - · Plan considerations
      - Amount to be reimbursed No additional consideration in trust financials
      - Amount not to be reimbursed Requires additional recognition
- OPEB provided through a single trust with other benefits (pension or active employee health care, etc.)
  - Qualifying trust if OPEB portion is dedicated solely to providing OPEB Benefits.



#### **Trust Considerations**

- GASB Implementation Guide
  - Trust reimburses employer for OPEB benefits paid as they come due
    - Qualifying trust
  - Trust agreement calls for a return of amounts remaining in trust once all obligations have been fulfilled
    - Qualifying trust
  - Trust agreement calls for a return of trust assets to an employer if funded status reaches a specified level
    - · Not a qualifying trust



### Allocation of OPEB to Funds

- GASB Implementation Guide 2015-1, 5.161.2
  - For proprietary and fiduciary funds, consideration should be given to National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA) Statement 1, Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Principles, paragraph 42, as amended, which requires that long-term liabilities that are "directly related to, and expected to be paid from" those funds be reported in the statement of net position or statement of fiduciary net position, respectively.



## **Dates & Frequency**

- Old
  - Actuarial valuation frequency
    - Total membership of 200 or more biennially
    - Total membership of fewer than 200 triennially
    - Total membership of fewer than 100 alternative method (optional)
- New:
  - Measurement date
    - · As of date no earlier than end of prior fiscal year
    - Total OPEB liability determined at this date based on an actuarial valuation or the use of update procedures
  - Actuarial Valuation Date:
    - As of date no more than 30 months (+1 day) prior to FYE
    - Assumptions used should be in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice.
      - · Same deviation language used as in Statement No. 73
    - · Alternative Method still an option



# GASB 81: Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements

- What: Statement 81 addresses irrevocable split-interest agreements, which are particularly prevalent among public colleges and universities and public healthcare entities
- Why: Limited guidance exists for irrevocable split-interest agreements in which the government acts as trustee (and is one of the beneficiaries); no guidance exists for situations in which a third party is the trustee and the government is one of the beneficiaries; users need information about these arrangements
- When: Effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2016



# Statement 86: Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues

- Addresses the accounting and financial reporting for insubstance defeasances using ONLY existing resources
  - Placed with escrow agent in trust used solely for making scheduled payments of interest and principal
  - Trust restricted to only owning assets that are essentially risk free
    - · Direct obligations of the US Government
    - Obligations guaranteed by the US Government
    - Securities backed by the US government obligations as collateral
    - Cash flows from assets should coincide with scheduled defeased debt payments



## 2019 Implementation



# GASB 83: Certain Asset Retirement Obligations

- What: The Board issued Statement 83 to establish accounting and financial reporting standards for legal obligations to retire certain capital assets, such as decommissioning nuclear power plants, other radiation related capital assets, or removing sewage treatment plants
- Why: Statement 18 addressed only municipal landfills but governments have retirement obligations for other types of capital assets. Diversity exists in practice.
- When: Effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2018. Earlier application is encouraged.



# GASB 88: Certain Disclosures related to Debt

- Effective: The effective date for this standard is for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2018
- Purpose: To improve consistency in debt related disclosures including direct borrowings and direct placements.
- Debt is actually defined in this standard for the first time
  - Debt does not include in its definition the net pension liability or the net or total OPEB liability (those are long-term obligations, but are not defined as long-term debt for the disclosure purposes of this standard



## 2020 Implementation



## GASB 84: Fiduciary Activities

- What: The Board issued Statement 84 to clarify when a government has a fiduciary responsibility and is required to present fiduciary fund financial statements
- Why: Existing standards require reporting of fiduciary responsibilities but do not define what fiduciary activities are; use of private-purpose trust funds and agency funds is inconsistent; business-type activities are uncertain about how to report fiduciary activities
- When: Effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018. Earlier application is encouraged.



# When Should a Government Report Assets in a Fiduciary Fund?

Four paths to making this determination:

- Component units that provide postemployment benefits
- Component units that do not provide postemployment benefits
- Postemployment benefit arrangements that are not component units
- All other fiduciary activities not meeting the above 3 pathways



### What is Control?

- GASB 84 defines control as:
  - Government holds the assets
  - Government (or designee) has the ability to direct the use, exchange, or employment
    - Having a designee does not relinquish fiduciary responsibility from the government



#### All Other Activities

Fiduciary if all three of the following are met:

- The government controls the assets
- Those assets are *not* derived either:
  - Solely from the government's own-source revenues
  - From government-mandated nonexchange transactions or voluntary nonexchange transactions with the exception of pass-through grants and for which the government does not have administrative or direct financial involvement
- One of the criteria on the next slide is met



# Administrative Involvement or Direct Involvement

- ▶ GASBS 84, Footnote 2 A government has administrative involvement if, for example, it
  - Monitors secondary recipients for compliance with program-specific requirements,
  - Determines eligible secondary recipients or projects, even if using grantor-established criteria, or
  - Has the ability to exercise discretion in how the funds are allocated.
- A recipient government has direct financial involvement if, for example, it finances some direct program costs because of a grantor-imposed matching requirement or is liable for disallowed costs.



## **Examples**

- Student Activity Accounts
- Pass-through Grants
- IRC 457 Plans



# **Fiduciary Fund Types**

- No more Agency Funds
- Custodial funds, which now replace Agency funds, would report fiduciary activities for which there is no trust agreement or equivalent arrangement.
  - External portions of investment pools that are not held in trust should be reported in a separate column under the custodial fund umbrella



#### GASB 90 - Majority Equity Interests

- defines a majority equity interest and specifies that a majority equity interest in a legally separate organization should be reported as an investment if a government's holding of the equity interest meets the definition of an investment
- A majority equity interest that meets the definition of an investment should be measured using the equity method, unless it is held by a special-purpose government engaged only in fiduciary activities, a fiduciary fund, or an endowment (including permanent and term endowments) or permanent fund
- Those governments and funds should measure the majority equity interest at fair value.



## 2021 Implementation



## GASB 87: Leases

- ▶ What: In June 2017, the GASB issued Statement 87, which establishes revised standards on lease accounting and financial reporting.
- Why: The previous standards had been in effect for decades without review; FASB/IASB joint project updated their lease standards; opportunity to increase comparability, usefulness of information, and reduce complexity
- **When**: New standards are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Earlier application is encouraged.



### Leases - Overview

- Single approach—right of use
  - No classification of leases into operating/capital or other categories
  - Potentially develop some exceptions
  - Underlying assumption that leases are financings
- Practicality exceptions—short-term lease
  - Lease that, at the beginning of the lease, has maximum possible term under the contract, including any options to extend, of 12 months or less
- All standard setters changing, but not all at once



#### **Exclusions**

- Leases of intangible assets
  - Except for the sublease of an intangible right-to-use asset
- Biological assets—timber or living animals
- Inventory
- Service concession arrangements (GASB 60)
- Asset financed with outstanding conduit debt unless both the asset and the conduit debt are reported by the lessor
- Ownership transfers without termination options = financed sales (notes receivable)
- Supply contracts
- Other
  - Short-term leases
  - Contracts that ultimately transfer ownership of the underlying asset to the lessee



#### Definition of a lease

- Applied to any contract that meets the definition of a lease: "A lease is a contract that conveys control of the right to use another entity's nonfinancial asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction."
  - The right-to-use asset is that "specified in the contract"
  - Control is manifested by (1) the right to obtain present service capacity from use of the underlying asset and (2) the right to determine the nature and manner of use of the underlying asset
- Leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset
  - Therefore, single approach applied to accounting for leases with some exceptions, such as short-term leases



## Definition of a lease

- Nonfinancial Assets
  - Land, Buildings, vehicles, and equipment
    - Yes even those pesky copier leases
  - Excludes contacts for services except those that contain both a lease component and a service component.
  - Capital or Operating?



# Right-to-use

- Leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset
  - Control not limited to contracts that convey substantially all of the present service capacity
  - Includes right to use underlying asset for portions of time, such as certain days each week or certain hours each day
  - Single approach applied to accounting for leases with some exception, such as short-term leases
  - Intangible vs Capital Asset
    - Lease = Right To USE



#### Lease Term

- For financial reporting, when does the lease start and end?
- Starts with the noncancelable period, plus periods covered by lessees' and lessor's options to:
  - Extend the lease, if the option is reasonably certain of being exercised
  - Terminate the lease, if the option is reasonably certain of NOT being exercised



# Lease Term, continued

- Excludes "cancelable" periods
  - Periods for which the lessee and lessor each have the option to terminate without permission or both parties agree to extend
    - · Rolling month -to-month lease
    - · Lease continues into holdover period until a new lease is signed
- Fiscal funding/cancelation clauses ignored unless *reasonably certain* of being exercises



# Transfer of Ownership

- An agreement that transfers ownership of the asset at the end of the contract
  - Agreement does not have termination options
    - · Excluding fiscal funding cancellations
      - Not reasonably certain to be exercised
- Lessee treat these agreements as financed purchases
- Lessor treat as sale of the asset



# GASB 89 – Construction period interest costs

- Removes the requirement to capitalize construction period interest costs in proprietary funds and BTA
- · Prospective application only
- Perhaps the only GASB Statement I've ever seen that you can implement by doing NOTHING
- No restatements, no reclassifications, no capitalization, no lookback period
- An easy target if you wish to early implement; in fact, we recommend it



## **Questions?**





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**Government Action Plan: American Samoa** 

# **American Samoa**

# Government Action Plan



Revisit & Update			Responsible	Financial & Technical	
inance SOPs			Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Follow-up on updated SOPs for Accounts Payable, A/R	Accountant & Staff		Dec. 2018
		Share, discuss final SOPs with Directors and Deputy,	Deputy Treasurer, Chief		
		accountants, departments managers, and division	Accountant & Staff		
	>	managers	Accountants		Dec. 2018- May 19
	>	Issue booklet of the updated SOPs			
	>	Meet to Discuss and plan approach for the Procurement SOP			
mprove Grant			Responsible	Financial &	_, .
rocesses		T	Parties	Technical	Timeframe
			Chief Accountant, Staff		
			Accountants &		
		SF-425 Timeliness- Treasury Grant Analyst Enforce Timely	Departments		
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Key Tasks:	>	' '''''5	Deputy Treasurer, Chief		Dec. 2018
			Accountant & Staff		
	>		Accountants		Dec. 2018- May 1
			Deputy Treasurer, Chief		
			Accountant & Staff		
	>	Reduction in Federal Grants Receivable	Accountants		Dec. 2018- May 1
			Accountants &		
			Departments		
	>	% of Unused Funds	Finance/Program Officer		Dec. 2018- May 1
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				Financial &	
			Responsible	Technical	
udit Improvemer	nt		Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
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Key Tasks:	>	auditing	Treasurer, Deputy, Chief		Dec. 2018- May 1
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	>	Thorough review of auditors' opinions and findings Prepare and work on matrix to ensure all accounts are	Treasurer, Deputy, Chief		Dec. 2018- May 1
		reconciled	Tours on Board Chief		D 2040 M. 4
	>	reconciled	Treasurer, Deputy, Chief		Dec. 2018- May 1
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				Financial &	
ension Unfunded	i		Responsible	Technical	
ability			Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Working with Fono Leaders on Proposed Legislation	Treasurer, Deputy, Chief		Dec. 2018- May 1
	>		Treasurer, Deputy		Dec. 2018- May 1
	>				
			1	Financial &	1
			Responsible	Technical	
whoreocurity			Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
ybersecurity		Working with IT on Dian		σαρμοιτ (၃)	
Key Tasks:	>	Working with IT on Plan	IT, Deputy		Dec. 2018- May 1



# 13b

Government Action Plan: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

# **CNMI**

# Government Action Plan



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Draft Date: 3/19/2019

FOCUS AREA for improvement:				Financial &	
# 1 of 3		Fixed Assets Inventory	Responsible Parties	Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Meet with CRM to discuss succesful completion	Ryan	DOF	Completed
	>	Apply for grant assistance to implement project	Ryan	OGM	Completed
	>	Conduct Physit <b>®iblin</b> €entory	Epi/Ryan	OGM/P&S	Sep-19
	>	Conduct Physicablin&entory	Epi/Ryan	OGM/P&S	Jun-20

FOCUS AREA for improvement:				Financial &	
# 2 of 3		Personnel Training	Responsible Parties	Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Contact Program Managers	Epi	OGM	Completed
	>	Determine Courses needed	Epi	OGM	Completed
	>	Contract Instructors	Epi	OGM/CMLO	Feb-19
	>	Conduct Training	Epi	OGM	June-Oct 2019

Draft Date: 3/19/2019

FOCUS AREA for improvement:				Financial &	
# 3 of 3		Electronic Document Management	Responsible Parties	Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Develop Business Case/Apply for grant	EDP/Ryan	EDP/OIA	Completed
	>	Pre-Installation: Track Supply Costs and Production time	EDP/Ryan	EDP/OIA	March-Dec 2019
		YR 1: Installation of hardware and Workflow development	EDP/Ryan	EDP/OIA	FY 2020
	>	YR 2: Desktop infrastructure and Review pilot implementation	EDP/Ryan	EDP/OIA	FY 2021
	>	YR 3: Program Implementation & Ongoing Training	EDP/Ryan	EDP/OIA	FY 2022



# 13c

**Government Action Plan: Guam** 

## Guam

## Government Action Plan



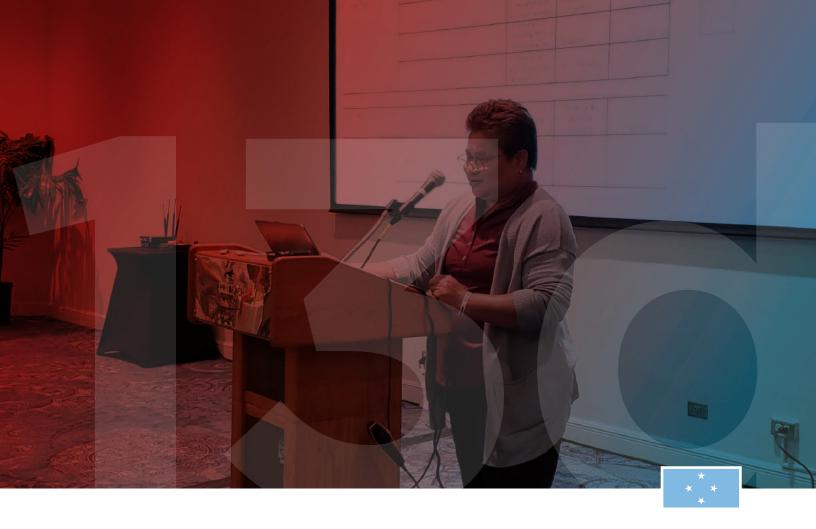
Jurisdiction: \_\_\_GUAM\_ December 2018 (HNL)- May 2019 (LA) Page 1 of 4 Draft Date: 12-6-18 FOCUS AREA for Financial & Responsible Technical improvement: Transparency Report to Parties Support Timeframe Key Tasks: Share/Post IGFOA action plans with all staff Acctg Staff FM MA 31-01-19 Review Action plans with financial manager Add task list to each action plan Finalized Action plans and submit to Debbie Identify best solution to post final action plan **FOCUS AREA for** Financial & Technical Responsible improvement: Transparency Report to Parties Timeframe Support Acctg Staff MA FM, GAS 30-06-19 Key Tasks: Create dashboard for tracking measuring Identify other useful measures for managers to use Identify each measure update frequency (daily, weekly, monthly) Identify data source of measure (system, manual) Explore dashboard feature of content management solution Financial & FOCUS AREA for improvement: Reporting Responsible Technical **Parties** Timeframe Report to Support Continue quarterly closing schedule notification All Agencies FM, GAS GAS, AO 30-06-19 Key Tasks: Create quarterly closing circular (similar to year-end) Review and approve circular Issue Organization Circular quarterly FOCUS AREA for Financial & Responsible Technical improvement: Reporting Parties Timeframe Report to Support Gov, Leg, DRT Director, FM, GAS Accountants On-going Key Tasks: Improve cash forcasting Review FIRM/400 Cash Flow Module (Option 24) Identify issues / weaknesses Develop plan to improve process Review, Test and Implement improvments Update FIRM/400 Cash Flow Module (Option 24) **FOCUS AREA for** Responsible Technical improvement: Reporting Report to Parties Support Timeframe FM, GAS Key Tasks: Improve A/P aging report Gov, Leg, DRT Accountants On-going Identify preferred format and output (detail/agregate) Document specifications Create report function on FIRM/400 System

# Guam

# Government Action Plan



FOCUS A	AREA for				Financial &	
impro	vement:	Reporting		Responsible	Technical	
			Report to	Parties	Support	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Develop Tax Receivable Forcast Module	Gov, Leg, DRT	DIRECTOR	DRT, DFM	31-12-19
		Meet with DRT to identify project members				
		Identify forcast data requirements and source				
		Identify forcast process and calculation				
		Review and Test forcast	1			
		Implement forcast module				
FOCUS A					Financial &	
impro	vement:	Reporting	Report to	Responsible Parties	Technical Support	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Monitor FMS System Grant Projects	DOA Dir, DOI	FM,Project Mgr	GAS, Accountants	On-going
,		Schedule Monthly Status reports				
		Identify challenges				
		Provide resources to prevent delays	1	1	<del>                                     </del>	
		Submit Narrative and Financial Reports on-time	<del> </del>	1		
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FOCUS A	AREA for				Financial &	
	vement:	Reporting		Responsible	Technical	
·			Report to	Parties	Support	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Formalize DOA annual and periodic reporting formats	Gov, All	FM, GAS	MA, GAS	On-going
•		Identify all internal and external reports and audience				
		Review similar reports for merging or consolidation				
		Issue new reports				
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FOCUS A	AREA for				Financial &	
impro	vement:	Reporting		Responsible	Technical	
			Report to	Parties	Support	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Implement SF425 reporting status policy and procedure	Gov, All	FM, GAS	MA, GAS	31-12-19
		Identify all grant project managers				
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	AREA for			Responsible	Financial & Technical	
			Report to	Responsible Parties		Timeframe
			Report to Acctg Staff	· ·	Technical	Timeframe 31-01-19
impro	vement	SUMMARY	·	Parties	Technical Support	
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# 13d

**Government Action Plan: Federated States of Micronesia** 

# **FSM**Government Action Plan



FOCUS AREA for				Financial &	
improvement:			Responsible Parties	Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
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			Assisstant Secretary of Finance and Advisor &		30-01-19
Key Tasks:	>	Clear Question Cost Finding	Deputy	Accountants	
				Manager and	
			Secretary and	Supervisor for each	
	>	Staff Performance evaluation	Assistant Secretary	section	30-09-18
			Secretary of Finance &Office of Revenue &		
	>	Increase Tax Collection	Tax	CTA Agents	30-12-18
			Secretary and Assistant Secretary &	World Bank and CFSM	
	>	Cybersecurity	Department IT	Funding	01-10-20
			Travel Section Staff, Manager and	Traveler's, Accountant and the Manager	
	>	Travel Advance Reconciliation	Supervisor	widilager	30-09-18



# 13e

Government Action Plan: Republic of the Marshall Islands

# **RMI**

# Government Action Plan



FOCUS AREA for		1		
improvement:			Financial &	
		Responsible	Technical	
# 1 of 5	Cash Management	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks	Deducing Outstanding Advances (14 days Deligy Incolors anted)	A/D Stoff and Asst		Ongoing
Key Tasks:	> Reducing Outstanding Advances (14 days Policy Implemented)	A/R Stall and Asst.		Ongoing
	> Shift some responsibilities to other ministries to help close TA	Secretary		19-Jan
	> Request other Ministries to assign a dedicated TA officer			19-Jan
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FOCUS AREA for		1		
improvement:			Financial &	
		Responsible	Technical	
# 2 of 5	Fixed Asset Inventory	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	> Complete FY18 Inventory	Procurement & Supply		Ongoing
	Established a Schedule to look at Fixed Assets in each			
	> Ministries/Agencies			Ongoing
	> Coordinate with PSS to have the head teachers take pictures			19-Jan
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FOCUS AREA for				
improvement:			Financial &	
		Responsible	Technical	
# 3 of 5	Develop an Ethics Training Program	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
	Cabine Training Decrees to be conducted by the Cabine			
Key Tasks:	Ethics Training Program to be conducted by the Ethics > Committee	HR Unit		Jan 19-Feb 19
key rasks.	> Committee >	HK OIIIL		Jan 19-Feb 19
FOCUS AREA for				
improvement:			Financial &	
_		Responsible	Technical	
# 4 of 5	Identify new innovations to improve business processes	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	> Schedule meeting with staff	CSO/MOF		Ongoing
	> Identify critical problems needing immediate fix	CSO/MOF		Ongoing
	> Get ideas and inputs from staff >	CAO/MOF		Ongoing
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FOCUS AREA for		<del>                                     </del>		1
improvement:			Financial &	
		Responsible	Technical	
# 5 of 5	CyberSecurity System	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	> CyberSecurity Plan	MOF		Dec-20
	Collaborate with NTA through Ministry Transportation,			
	> Communication and IT to come up with Security Plans and			
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Government Action Plan: Pohnpei State

# **Pohnpei** Government Action Plan



FOCUS AREA for		Responsible	Technical	
improvement:	REDUCTION IN OVERDUE TRAVEL ADVANCES	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks: >	Strictly re-enforce the travel regulations to ensure that all travelers file their travel vouchers no later than 10 days upon arrival.	PROGRAM MANAGERS/CHIEF OF FINANCE	FINANCE STAFF/FISCAL & ADMIN STAFF ROM ALL DEPTS %	January to May 2019
	Apply automatic bi-weekly deduction from the paychecks of those travelers with overdrawn T.A.s. or outstanding Travel Advances as stated in the FMR to encourage travelers to file travel youchers on time.	CHIEF OF FINANCE/PAYROLL STAFF	TRAVEL DIVISION STAFF	January to May 2019
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			Financial &	
FOCUS AREA for		Responsible	Technical	
improvement:	BANK RECONCILIATION	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
	RECONCILE MAJOR ACCOUNTS:  1. GENERAL FUND  2. COMPACT SECTOR FUND			10 DAYS AFTER
Key Tasks: >		RECON STAFF	FINANCE ADVISOR/CHIEF OF FINANCE	MONTHS END
	1. PAYROLL FUND	RECON STAFF	FINANCE ADVISOR/CHIEF OF FINANCE	20 DAYS AFTER MONTHS END
	1. HOSPITAL REVOLVING FUND 2. ESCROW FUND			5 DAYS AFTER MONTHS
	3. LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE FUND 4. TCD	RECON STAFF	FINANCE ADVISOR/CHIEF OF FINANCE	END END
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FOCUS AREA for		Responsible		
	GL TO SUB-LEDGER RECONCILIATION	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
improvement:  Key Tasks: >	Travel Advances	Parties FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS/DEPARTMENT HEADS	Support (\$)  FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR	15th of each month
improvement:	Travel Advances Federal Receivables	Parties  FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS/DEPARTMENT HEADS FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS	Support (\$)  FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR	15th of each month 15th of each month
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improvement:  Key Tasks: >  >  >   FOCUS AREA for  improvement:  Key Tasks: >	Travel Advances Federal Receivables Other Receivables Accounts Payable Payroll Revenue  IMPROVE OUR PERFORMETER RATING  Collaboration between the Program Manager and Finance and eventually the Grantor in	Parties  FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS/DEPARTMENT HEADS FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS  FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS  FINANCE ACCOUNTANTS  Responsible Parties	Support (\$)  FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR  HINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR  FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR  FINANCE CHIEF/FINANCE ADVISOR  FINANCE ADVISOR/FINANCE	15th of each month Timeframe
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FOCUS AREA for	t FIXED ASSETS INVENTORY	Responsible Parties	Financial & Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks: >	Conduct Physical Inventory To Determine Fairness & Value Of The Assets	PROCUREMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER/PROPERTY & SUPPLY ACCOUNTANTS/PROGRAM MANAGERS	CHIEF OF FINANCE/DOTA DIRECTOR	BI-ANNUALY
>	Collaborate with Program Managers to maintain an updated listing and status of assets in their custody	PROCUREMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER/PROPERTY & SUPPLY ACCOUNTANTS/PROGRAM MANAGERS	CHIEF OF FINANCE/DOTA DIRECTOR	QUARTERLY
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FOCUS AREA for improvement:	FIXED ASSETS MAINTENANCE PLAN	Responsible Parties	Financial & Technical Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks: >	Work With The Agencies And Departments To Come Up With A New Plan which includes updates on The Maintenance Of Their Fixed Assets	PROCUREMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER/HEAD OF DEPTS & AGENCIES	PROCUREMENT STAFF/DEPT & AGENCY STAFF	JANUARY TO MAY 2019
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			Financial &	
FOCUS AREA for		Responsible	Technical	
improvement:	REDUCE % OF UNSPENT FEDERAL FUNDS	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
			PROCUREMENT STAFF/DEPT &	
Key Tasks: >	Strictly Monitor Federal Expenditures VS. Budget	FINANCE CHIEF	AGENCY STAFF	MONTHLY



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**Government Action Plan: Chuuk State** 

# Chuuk

### Government Action Plan



FOCUS AREA for improvement: IGFOA performance measures  Key Tasks	Report to	Responsible Parties	Financial & Technical Support	Timeframe
Employee Evaluations	Dept.Heads	Chiefs	no	annually
Collection of outstanding travel advances	Director/PMGR	Chief/Finance	yes	monthly
Monthly reporting using template developed	Chief/Finance	Yanser/Anasita	yes	monthly
Federal Grants Receivable monitoring	Director/PMGR	Chief/Finance	Yes	Monthly
Monthly reporting using template developed	Chief/Finance	Betsy/Sharon	yes	Monthly
Revenue/Budget Tracking	Director/PMGR	Chief/Budget	yes	Quarterly
Monthly reporting using template developed	Chief/Budget	Resme/JD	yes	Quarterly

OCUS AREA for improvement: IGFOA performance measures  Key Tasks	Report to	Responsible Parties	Financial & Technical Support	Timeframe
# of Trainings for Finance Employees (The training sessions will be coordinated and held by Sept 2019)	Director	Chief/Finance	yes	Jan-Sept. 19 (3 training sessions)
Trainings for Finance/budget employees	Director/PMGR	Chiefs/F&B	yes	May/July/August
15 employees received trainings (along with many others from departments/agencies		Chiefs/F&B	CFCC/DAS Provided training	Feb-19
15 employees will receive trainings (along with many others from departments/agencies	Director/PMGR	Chiefs/F&B	Graduate School Will provide training (confirmed)	by Sept.19
15 employees will receive trainings (along with many others from departments/agencies	Director/PMGR	Chiefs/F&B	Public Auditor, Deloitte, FSM Finance Conference in Chuuk	Aug-19
Track the number of employees attending training sessions and report to Director/PMGR	The Chiefs of Finance and Budget			
Note: Tranining sessions are defined as those specifically designed for	or financial/budge	ting/personnel man	agement and are more th	an 1 day.
Cyber Security Plan (Cyper Security framework is in draft form and should be under review and completed by June 19, including recovery plan.)	Director/PMGR	IT Manager	yes	Jun-19
Draft outline and parameters with estimated costs under review				



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Government Action Plan: Republic of Palau

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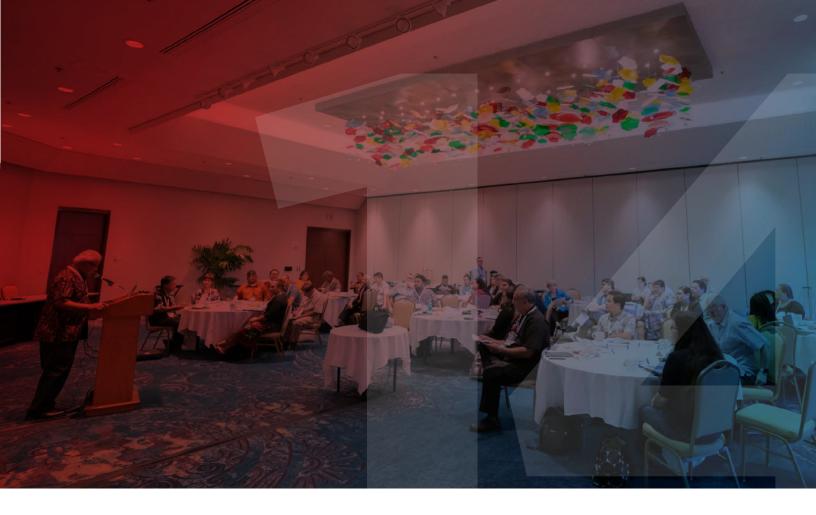
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improvement:				Financial &	
improvement.			Doononsible	Technical	
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# 1 of 6		HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
		Develop tracking system to ensure timely and comprehensive			
Key Tasks:	>	employee evaluation	BPSS		May-1
		Conduct Employee Engagement Survey to get feedback on			
	>	management SWOT	BPSS		Mar-1
	>	Training calendar	All Bureaus (BPSS)		Jul-1
	>				
FOCUS AREA for					
improvement:				Financial &	
			Responsible	Technical	
# 2 of 6		CSPP UNFUNDED LIABILITY	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
		Provide recommendation to Legislature based on actuarial	Turties	σαρροιτ (γ)	rimenume
Key Tasks:	>	report and recommendations	Minister of Finance		Mar-1
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improvement:			Responsible	Financial & Technical	
# 3 of 6		PERFORMANCE MEASURES	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Develop CHECKLIST for measures	All Bureaus		May-1
ney radio.					
	>	Present PERFORMETER to appropriate Ministry Employees	All Bureaus		Mar-1
	>	Payroll Measures (Migration ACH)	BNT		May-19
	>				
FOCUS AREA for					
improvement:				Financial &	
			Responsible	Technical	
# 4 of 6		FINANCIAL REPORTING - PAFR	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
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Key Tasks:	>	Identify content and coverage (Audited & Unaudited)	BNT; BBP		Mar-1
	>	Produce DRAFT	BNT; BBP		Jun-1
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	>	Publish PAFR	BNT; BBP		Aug-19
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FOCUS AREA for improvement:			Responsible	Financial & Technical	
# 5 of 6		TRAVEL OUTSTANDING	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Write off old travel advance outstanding (6 yrs +)	BNT		Jan-1
	>	Reconcile 90 days + travel advance outstanding	BNT		Mar-1
	>	Reconcile current travel advance outstanding	BNT		May-1
	>	Email to all employees to inform their outstanding balance	BNT		Jul-19
FOCUS AREA for			1	1	<del>                                     </del>
improvement:			Responsible	Financial & Technical	
# 6 of 6		IT TRAINING	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:	>	Cyber Security Awareness	ISSS		May-1
	>	Office tools training	ISSS		May-1
	>	Develop Cyuber Security Plan	ISSS		May-1
FOCUS ARE	A for	-		Financial &	
improver	nent:	:	Responsible	Technical	
		FMIS ACQUISITION	Parties	Support (\$)	Timeframe
Key Tasks:		RFP Closing, Evaluation, and Award	FMIS Tech. Team		Mar-19
	>	RFP for Project Coordinator Consultant	FMIS Tech. Team		Feb-19
	>	FMIS Implementation	Implementation Team		April 2019 to September 2019



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**Conference Evaluations Summary** 



HONOLULU, HAWAII

# **DEC 4-6, 2018**IGFOA Winter Meeting

MARRIOTT WAIKIKI HOTEL

### **CONFERENCE EVALUATION**

To ensure that conferences and meetings that the Graduate School USA conducts for the PITI and VITI programs are as responsive as possible, please take a few minutes to fill out this evaluation. Your input and comments will be very useful to us in planning future events.

On a scale of 1 - 5, with 5 being the highest score and 1 being the lowest score, please rate the IGFOA Meeting by circling the appropriate number.

### **IGFOA MEETING**

1. The IGFOA meeting sessions were relevant and timely.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
83%	17%	0%	0%	0%
Score: 4.8				

2. The meeting's objectives were substantially met.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
80%	14%	6%	0%	0%
Score: 4.7				

3. Logistics for bringing participants to and from Honolulu were handled satisfactorily.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
80%	11%	9%	0%	0%
Score: 4.7				

4. The IGFOA meeting site (Marriott Waikiki Resort and Spa) was comfortable and conducive to the meeting.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
74%	26%	0%	0%	0%
Score: 4.7				

5. Support services by the Graduate School USA staff during the meeting were handled well and in a timely manner.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
89%	9%	3%	0%	0%
Score: 4.9				

6. Overall, this conference of the Island Government Finance Officers' Association (IGFOA) was:

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
80%	14%	3%	3%	0%
Score: 4.7				

# 7. What sessions of the IGFOA Meeting were the most relevant and meaningful to you?

- The Performeter and the unfunded pension liabilities because I can use information to show our government our financial standing.
- Performeter slides stating stats of each country
- One session in particular was on lessons learned in auditing. Since I do not have as much information on auditing as I'd like, it proved to be very informative for me. Also, the update from DOI was relevant to my work in grants.
- Cybersecurity readiness Vincent Hoang, Developing a Cybersecurity Plan -Debbie.
- Because it is new to me (the conference) found all information meaningful.
- Government updates and further materials on issues.
- The outcome of FY17 Audit
- Updates, Performeter
- Pensions, FMIS, Performeters.
- Performeter Session
- Pension.
- The sessions where we were discussing the goals of each government and learning during that process.
- Report on Pacific Islands' financial status
- The Gov't sharing of information + advise from the Graduate School
- \*Budget Updates \*Performance measure/Insular Gov't performance measure
   \*Action Plan updates \*FMIS
- The session on auditing was the most relevant to my line of work.
- All the sessions were useful.
- All of them
- All of the topics for 3 days are really good and important tools to use.
- All the sessions were relevant to contributing Government Growth & improvement. It was very interesting listening to the Government presentation & seeing how they are doing; & what their strategies are when it comes to improvement.
- All were relevant!
- (II) ALL
- Addressing Unfunded Liability, Lessons Learned: Island Auditing
- Addressing Unfunded Liabilities, Audit improvement updates, Performeter
- Honestly, all of them.
- Presentations, especially the Public Auditor presentation
- Going over the action plans
- Audit update and Performeter

- Sharing of financial tasks, issues, & position of each of the island governments.
- The session on unfunded pension liability Frank Crawford. It was very interesting and helped me to understand pension liability more.
- 1) Lessons learned in island auditing Les Kondo, 2) Addressing Unfunded Liabilities Crawford, 3) Performeter
- Cybersecurity & GASB update
- Last day action plan report outs good ideas shared that could be adapted. Pensions & strategies for addressing via legislatures

# 8. What are the two most important items that you learned during the week, and how will you apply each when you return home?

- Mr. Les Kondo's role as the Hawaii State Auditor- performance audits
- I liked all of it
- 1) Cybersecurity readiness and how we can better prepare ourselves for any future attacks. When I return home, I will look through the items in the first column of cybersecurity. 2) How to handle fixed asset inventory I will make suggestions to work with other agencies to complete the fixed asset inventory in a timely manner.
- Password complexity < Password length</li>
- \*Training leave application \*tracking mechanism for performance evaluations + communicating info to all departments \*identifying partners for all ministries to completing key tasks
- Cyber security and to bring up the subject to get something positive towards establishing one. -Performeter, and how to minimize adaptations/cut costs and feed trust funds/put towards debt.
- How to maintain the performance evaluations of employee.
- DOI other source funding. Audit issues/lessons in Island Auditing.
- 1) Presentation by the Hawaii Auditor 2) Mr. Frank Crawford presentations
- \*Pension Reform \*Financial measures.
- 1) Improving on audit issues @ all levels 2) Collaborating & learning from other governments
- 1) Learned to take roles seriously to get an unmodified/clean opinion. 2) Learned of ways to improve performance.
- 1) leave code for training to keep track of training hours 2) Performeter how to improve our performance
- Performance Measure continual collaborating w/Ministry of Finance to ensure we continue to perform to standard... Pension Plan/S.S. Plan - continual pushing to help support the sustainability of the fund
- The development of cybersecurity plan for not only attacks but also data protection was very important. I will take steps to ensure my information is kept

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secure. Also, changing how we handle fixed asset management is something I plan on looking into.

- The importance of all the performance measures and I will make sure we do monthly monitoring in all the areas.
- \*Cybersecurity to ensure that IT manager will work to develop plans on policies to put in place to ensure that we are saved. \*GASB updates to review what are applicable for us + prepare for it before the implementation, or implement what we need to implement.
- I need to do employee evaluations when I get back home.
- Cybersecurity, Performeter scores
- Performeter
- Password Phrase. Unfunded Pensions
- 1) The increasing problem of unfunded pension liabilities 2) The ongoing improvement audits
- Everything
- Cyber Security, and it is something I have to alert my leaders back home on its importance
- GASB requirement on "leases" & Auditor's reporting format to catch people's attention & to lure people to at least look at report. Will imitate them as much as possible.
- 1 GASB, 2 Cybersecurity
- Cybersecurity plan and resolve all the audit findings
- Net financial position of our government, Performance measures for each island government
- Cybersecurity and the presentation by Les Kondo. I will apply the first by protecting my desk area better and the second was a great input on what is important about the audit.
- 1) Ways of tracking or encouraging performance evaluations, 2) Island Auditing
- Utilizing the performance measures outside of Dept. of Finance public perception.
- Cybersecurity heavy but important, looking into this

# 9. What sessions or aspects during the week were the least relevant and meaningful to you?

- (XI) None
- The updates on GASB weren't as meaningful to me because I don't deal with it primarily.
- Addressing unfunded pension liabilities
- \*Unfunded pension/SSA liabilities
- The performance evaluation

- Most: GASB. Performance Measures. Least: Pension reforms.
- GASB
- All sessions were relevant and meaningful.
- Although very meaningful, the presentation on GASB isn't really relevant to my line of work.
- None. Even if some do not apply to my gov't, I still learn valuable information.
- As I said on question #7, all are good and useful.
- All were relevant!
- FMIS Panel
- I enjoyed the cybersecurity but I understood very little
- N/A
- All of them were relevant.
- Cybersecurity
- All relevant

# 10. Please list any measurable achievement your government has made as a result of being represented at IGFOA conferences.

- Timely bank recon & awareness of the importance of the single audit.
- Raising/rising financial status => CONTENTS
- Les' findings on our audit and fixing more of our questioned costs.
- We started the ERD Project
- Timely financial audits, less findings and more efficient financial process implemented and concepts.
- Fixed assets, Performance evaluation
- Improvements in timeliness and quality of financial reporting
- Improvements on audits over a couple years and submission of audits.
- Timely filing & completing of audit report and issuance of CAFR.
- Unfunded Pension Liability How to decrease net effect.
- This is my first time, so next time.
- There are less findings/QCs on our audits
- Improvement in our Performeter as presented by Frank. Yay!!
- \*#'s of days to process an invoice, bank recon, fixed asset reconciliation, performance eval.
- Performeter
- -Question costs -Staff evaluations -Cybersecurity
- Improved Employee Eval completions
- We gain confidence in the professionalism of the island finance offices.
- HR unit has been established, Improved on cash management, FMIS in progress

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- Reduced funding (audit), Improved performance
- Improve audits, improve management of funds, improve in performance
- 1) FMIS, 2) Drawdowns, 3) TAs
- Help to reduce audit findings, New GASB update
- Progress on our findings.
- Amend procurement law, Establish use of performance measures in staff meetings
- Consistent, timely bank reconciliations & SF425 findings
- Reporting back to IGFOA added pressure for working towards focus areas w/renewed commitment & new team members to add to meeting goals.

# 11. Please provide any other comments concerning the GFOA Conference and the IGFOA Meeting that will make future conferences and meetings more meaningful and enjoyable.

- Wide variety of courses to be provided
- Great conference!
- Frankly, I thought that Guam was left behind. It has the largest population and has almost every problem addressed, but very little credit for past and future achievements.
- At some point, time wasn't enough to really dive deeper into the issues and really come up with concrete solutions.
- Effective means of education & be updated with latest GASB and motivation to be the model of effective government to maintain public's trust in government.
- A wider variety of sessions would be awesome.
- To be honest, Graduate School has always prepared the meetings to my satisfaction. I can never complain. Thank you all!
- No complaint & no comments.
- \*\*\*\*Continue to make paperless\*\*\*\*
- (II) GREAT JOB!
- They won't be the same without Tom
- I'm still interested in having more presentations in the areas of audit preparation and information leading to technical knowledge in fiscal inventory
- Sponsor more participants! Thank you!!
- Thank you Graduate School for a job well done
- It's always good to share finance tasks and measures amongst the other island nations.
- Less paper is better. Thank you for taking the initiative!
- Thank you always!!
- Great that there is less use of paper!



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