

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- Mission, Goals and Objectives -

The Mayor of Saipan is responsible for administering government programs, public services, and appropriations provided by law, for the island of Saipan. Furthermore, the Mayor coordinates various federal programs extended to the island. The core responsibilities of the Mayor of Saipan primarily involve services, programs, and other efforts that target the community. The Mayor is authorized to promulgate regulations on local matters as provided by law.

The mission of the Mayor of Saipan is to develop and preserve a diverse community that helps everyone as a stakeholder in maintaining a safe, clean, and healthy environment, where everyone has equal opportunities to grow, prosper, enjoy peace and respect.

- Services and Programs -

- Grant Marriage Licenses
- ID Issuance (Municipal ID Card)
- Dog Control Program
- Student Exchange Program
- Disaster Recovery
- Secondary Road Repair, Maintenance, Improvement
- Debris Clearing
- Community Assistance
- Maintenance of Various Parks
- Coordinate Annual Liberation Day Festivities

- Direct Beneficiaries -

- Residential property and homeowners
- Local Community
- School Systems
- Students
- Tourists
- Motorists
- Pedestrians
- Business Establishments
- CNMI Government



DAVID M. APATANG

Mayor of Saipan

2015 – Present
Mayor of Saipan

1998 – 2010
Member of the Commonwealth Northern Marianas Legislature – Precinct 1

1996 – 1988
Member of the Saipan Northern Islands Municipal Council of the Northern Marianas Commonwealth

1990 – 1996
State Director - U.S. Selective Service System (GS-15/01E)

1987 – 1996
Chief of Procurement and Supply; acting Director of Finance and Accounting (Department of Finance)

1967 – 1987
Soldier, U.S. Army (Retired)

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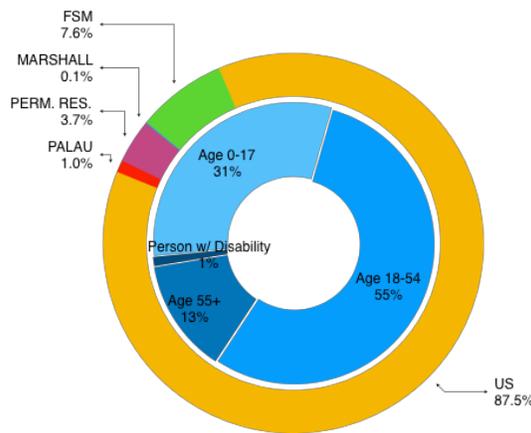
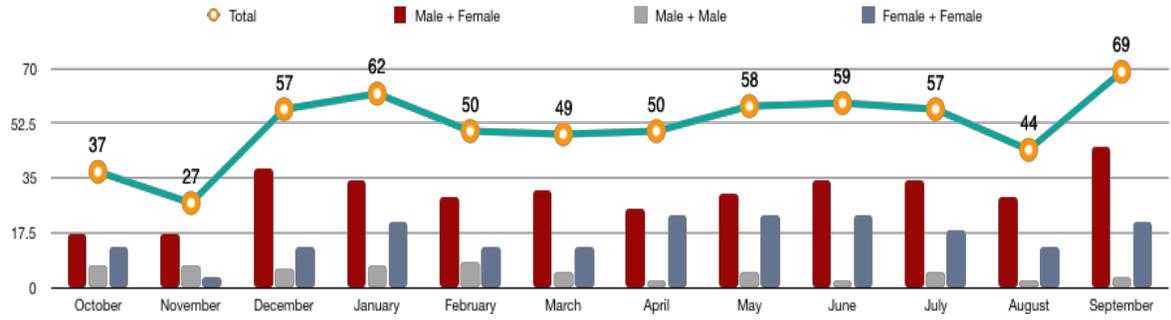
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Our Progress

What have we accomplished?

- Performed Marriages -

The number of marriage licenses granted in Fiscal Year 2019 exceeded FY2018 by 17%. In FY2018, 529 marriages were performed and granted licenses, 71% of which were male + female and 29% were same sex. Fiscal Year 2019 closed with 619 licenses issued, of which 59% were male + female and 41% same sex. Same sex marriages increased in FY2019 by 12% compared to FY2018 and the years prior since same sex marriages became legal in the CNMI in 2015. Of the total marriage licenses granted in FY2019, the Mayor of Saipan officiated 75.5% of marriage ceremonies while 9.5% were performed in religious establishments, and 9% in civil, *i.e.*, court and governor. Even after the increase in marriage application fees and the devastation of Super Typhoon Yutu in late 2018, the number of marriage licenses issued increased in FY2019.



- ID's Issued -

The ID Section received and processed 3,487 applications for a Municipality of Saipan identification card in FY2019, which was higher by 11.8% (+368) compared to FY2018. There was a slight spike (+2%) of 0-18-year-old persons who applied and a slight dip (-1%) of persons between the ages of 18-54. ID's processed for persons 55 years old and above, and persons with disability have remained consistent in FY2019 even with the slight overall increase in ID's processed. Out of the 3,487 ID cards that were processed, 87.5% of those were issued to U.S. citizens, 7.6% to Federated States of Micronesia citizens, 1% to Republic of Palau citizens, 0.1% to Republic of Marshall Islands citizens and 3.7% to those who are permanent residents on Saipan. These numbers reflect a consistent analysis compared to FY2018.

- Field Operations -

The Field Operations Section had a busy FY2019. It performed the following services: Completed 1,954 of debris removal totaling 20,827 cubic yard of solid waste, removed 1,162 junk cars from villages, made trash trailers available to 403 requests, completed 134 tree trimming/pruning requests, 33 earthmoving requests, 19 water buffalo requests, delivered 14,00 gallons of water for 8 water delivery requests, provided 1,772 cubic yards of coral/aggregate material requests, and completed 361 primary/secondary road repair improvement and maintenance services. In addition, the operations section played a large role after Super Typhoon Yutu and removed and disposed of 140,758 cubic yards of debris throughout the island within 3-4months. The Field Operations Section also acquired a new roller compactor, 10 cubic yard dump truck, and a hydro mower to better perform its work of assisting the community. The Field Operations Plant Nursery team was out daily working on the Mayor's Island Beautification project, maintaining the cleanliness of villages, parks, roadsides, and other community areas.

- Student Exchange Program-

The Student Exchange Program coordinated the arrivals of 28 students, hosted 17 group meals, and collaborated with 10 host families to house exchange students from the Sanpo-En Group and KSKK Group out of Japan. The program also coordinated travel for 29 students and 1 chaperone to Korea in partnership with the Korean Community of Saipan. Participants of the program consisted of 7 students between the ages of 11-14 and 22 students between the ages of 15-18, who attended Grace Christian Academy, Kagman High School, Marianas High School, Mount Carmel School, Saipan Southern High School and Northern Marianas Academy. During each visit, the students were able to learn and experience first-hand the life, culture and history of each place they visited, e.g., museums, temples, government office, shopping malls, and Disneyland in Japan. Unfortunately, due to the devastation of Super Typhoon Yutu, 2 island trips were canceled to allow the Saipan community to recover.

- Dog Control Program-

The Dog Control Program maintained operations with minimal kennels at a temporary animal shelter in As Perdido as the program awaits the building of its permanent facility. The program received an estimated 330 requests of services from the community which continues to increase as the requests are being completed. A total of 131 intakes into the temporary shelter was recorded in FY2019, 78 of which were surrendered and 53 strays. The program continues to work on eradicating the number of stray dogs on Saipan. A total of 175 dogs were registered and 32 dogs were adopted through the Dog Control Program. The Dog Control Program continues to work with the CNMI State Veterinarian for humane euthanasia and improvement of animal health. The Dog Control Program also offers assistance to the Tinian Mayor's Office Dog Control Program.



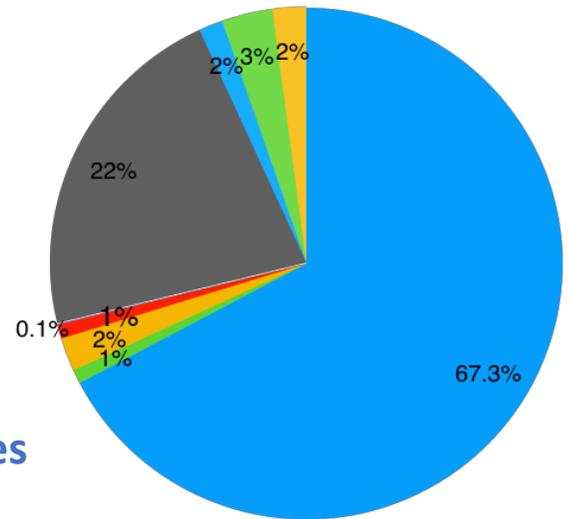
Finance Profile

The Revenues and Expenses

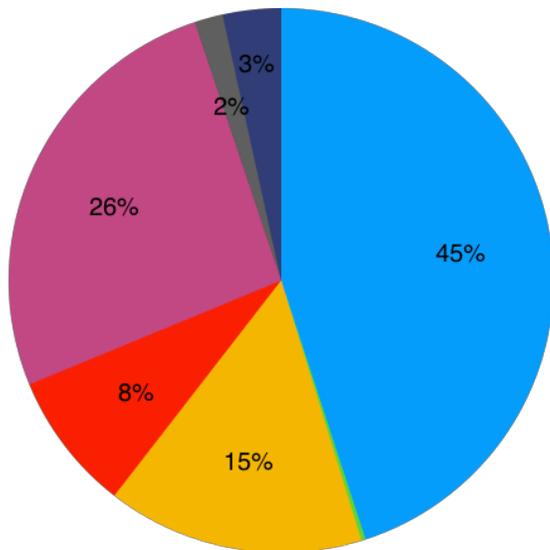
The Office of the Mayor of Saipan fiscal year budget is provided by law, which includes appropriations from the general fund and local level funds. Its appropriation budgets pay for personnel and fringe benefits, travel, equipment, supplies, contractual/rental services, construction, and others, e.g., utilities, official representation, and licenses and fees. Other revenues are generated through grants, incentives, and revenue generating sections of the Mayor's Office.

- Revenues FY 2019 -

● CNMI GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$3,053,700
● COCKFIGHT	\$ 40,000
● MARRIAGE	\$ 95,920
● IDENTIFICATION CARD	\$ 39,206
● DOG CONTROL PROGRAM	\$ 3,434
● LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 996,790
● DOI GRANT (NPS)	\$ 68,889
● FEMA	\$ 145,375
● ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION GRANT (MVA)	\$ 96,533



Total Revenues
\$4,539,847



- Expenses FY 2019 -

● PERSONNEL & FRINGE BENEFITS	\$1,826,399
● TRAVEL	\$ 10,131
● EQUIPMENT	\$ 619,327
● SUPPLIES	\$ 335,852
● CONTRACTUAL/RENTALS	\$ 1,059,443
● OTHER	\$ 68,764
● CONSTRUCTION	\$ 140,000

Total Expenses
\$4,030,858

MOS Employees	2017	2018	2019
Total NOP	58	70	82
Administrative	14	14	15
Field Operations	28	38	48
Dog Control Prog	6	6	7
Provisional Hires (HUD, WIA, others)	NA	NA	50



LOOKING AHEAD

What's next?

- Caring for Our Parks/Beaches -

Great public parks are the staples of great places throughout the world. Maintaining and improving parks and recreational areas is critical for quality of life. The Mayor's Office continues to service community parks, beaches and recreational areas within and beyond its scope for the people of Saipan and all who visit. The Mayor's office will be repairing and installing new concrete table and benches along Beach Road for the convenience and enjoyment of the public. Repairs and installation will be paid by a grant from the Administration for Native Americans.

- Street Naming and Addressing -

The Mayor's street naming and addressing project is in the initial stages of implementation. It is a project the mayor has been working on to complete for the last few years, stalled until recently because of lack of funding. A project that will benefit the community through home delivery services, emergency response efficiency (i.e. Fire Department, EMS and Police), efficiency for emergency aid programs (i.e. FEMA, Red Cross, SBA), and many others. The mayor has contracted the initial stages of developing a master map of all roads (primary and secondary) and street address numbers on Saipan, which has been delivered. The next stages of implementation will be getting the people of Saipan their designated house numbers which will still be a process. The anticipated start date to designate numbers is January 2020.

- Building the Animal Shelter -

Since 2015 the Dog Control Program has been operating at a temporary animal shelter. The Mayor's office has finally completed the record of environmental consideration for the proposed construction of the animal shelter. The federal government has awarded the Mayor's office \$324,000 for the construction of the facility, \$140,000 in local appropriations, and is currently seeking an additional \$80,000 in funding to complete the project (funds have not been released to the Mayor's office as of this time). The proposed animal shelter will be able to accommodate 40 dog kennels, 10 cat kennels and 10 kennels for sick dogs or cats, and an operating office space for registrations, adoptions, and other operations related to the Dog Control Program.

- Improving Our Secondary Roads -

Each year, repairs and maintenance on secondary roads is a priority. The request for funding has been included in the CEDS, and submitted through the CDBG-DR program. With the amount of storm systems and heavy rainfall occurring, until these secondary roads are paved, the Mayor's office will continue to conduct repair and maintenance as needed. Roads like Chalan Galaide, Falape Rd, Earhart Dr, to name a few, are being monitored for maintenance and repair.

- Sugar King Park -

Under the control of the Mayor of Saipan, the Sugar King Park will be undergoing a few renovations. These renovations include installing solar lighting, fresh coat of paint throughout the park, revitalize concession stands for the community to enjoy, a cleared pathway to showcase the entirety of the park interior, public facilities will undergo maintenance and repairs, and the historic Japanese train monument at the park will be restored and repaired.



- Other Projects/Events -

- Old Man by the Sea permeable parking area.
- Addressing homelessness and affordable housing.
- 2020 Liberation Day festivities.
- Promulgate regulation to change fees for various services.