



## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

August 10, 2020

Governor Ralph DLG. Torres  
Commonwealth of the Northern  
Mariana Islands  
Caller Box 10007  
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Torres,

After reviewing and scoring grant applications submitted in response to the Office of Insular Affairs's 2020 Technical Assistance Program (TAP) notice, I am pleased to award \$2,571,650 to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for the following projects:

- \$507,493 to the *Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services* for Cadet Employment & Resiliency Program as detailed in your proposal submitted on March 3, 2020;
- \$430,828 to the *Department of Public Safety* for the Community Oriented Policing project as detailed in the proposal submitted on March 3, 2020;
- \$334,360 to the *Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation* for advancing mammography equipment & replacement as detailed in the proposal submitted on March 20, 2020;
- \$232,706 to the *Office of the Mayor of Saipan* for increasing staff level and capability to pre-pandemic level as detailed in your proposal submitted on May 31, 2020;
- \$202,598 to the *Marianas Visitors Authority* for Visitor Data Analysis program as detailed in your proposal submitted on June 2, 2020;
- \$153,605 to the *Commonwealth Zoning Board* for Technological Enhancing of Land use and Buildings Management project as detailed in your proposal submitted on May 31, 2020;
- \$146,826 to the *Department of Commerce's Central Statistical Division* for Prevailing Wages Study as detailed in your proposal submitted on February 20, 2020;
- \$116,070 to the *Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services* for Breathing Air Quality for Respiratory Protection project as detailed in your proposal submitted on May 31, 2020;
- \$101,613 to the *Rota Department of Community and Cultural Affairs* for Rota Historical Sites Maintenance and Improvement project as detailed in your proposal submitted on April 29, 2020;
- \$96,793 to the *Department of Lands and Natural Resources* for the Invasive Species Coordinator as detailed in your proposal submitted on April 30, 2020;
- \$79,015 to the *Department of Public Works* for Advanced Technological Support for Architectural and Engineering project as detailed in your proposal submitted on May 31, 2020;

- \$77,745 to the *Office of Vocational Rehabilitation* for a Benefit Planning Training Program as detailed in your proposal submitted on April 30, 2020;
- \$68,674 to *Tinian Mayor Office* for Tinian Children's Park Improvement Project as detailed in your proposal submitted on April 29, 2020 and;
- \$23,324 to the *Department of Lands and Natural Resources* for propagation of native trees impacted by natural disasters as detailed in your proposal submitted on June 1, 2020.

The grant award documents will be sent to your staff by the grant manager. Please contact me or have your staff contact Ms. Merriam Porter at (202) 219-0403 or [Merriam\\_Porter@ios.doi.gov](mailto:Merriam_Porter@ios.doi.gov), should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Douglas W. Domenech  
Assistant Secretary  
Insular and International Affairs

Cc: The Honorable Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan