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Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration Provides \$26.3M in Rental Aid Relief

Temporary Pause Accepting New Applications Begins March 10, 2023

Hagåtña, Guam – The Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program, administered by the Department of Administration, has delivered over \$26.3 million in combined rental and utility relief since March 2021. ERA continues to provide financial assistance to rental household families and individuals still facing hardship since the pandemic.

The ERA program will temporarily pause accepting new applications under Cycle 5 beginning Friday, March 10, 2023, at 5 p.m. for staff to review and process over 2,600 applications.

“Through programs like the Emergency Rental Assistance, our administration continues to provide financial footing for families in rental households and individuals still facing financial hardship as a result of the pandemic,” said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. “To date, we have provided \$17,459,844 in rent and \$8,858,693 in combined utilities to eligible households.”

“Through programs like ERA, our administration has been able to prevent homelessness and stabilize so many households in our community. We urge those needing support or continued aid to apply now—either online at doa.guam.gov, at the ITC building in Tamuning, or at the Guam Relief Center in Hagåtña,” said Lt. Governor Josh Tenorio.

Combined assistance of rent, rent arrears, utility, utility arrears incurred from March 13, 2020 to present is available for a maximum of 18 months. Applicants who have not exhausted their 18 months of assistance may be eligible for Continuance of Assistance.

The ERA eligibility criteria and web-form applications are available at doa.guam.gov. Hard copy applications can also be picked up and submitted at the Emergency Rental Assistance Office, 2nd floor Suite 219 in the ITC building in Tamuning, or at the Government of Guam Relief Center on the 3rd floor of the Bank of Hawaii building in Hagåtña.

For more information, visit doa.guam.gov or contact the ERA program office at era@doa.guam.gov or (671) 638-4518/4519, or call the Guam Relief Center at (671) 475-2060.

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