

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS OFFICE

2024 CENTRIC REPORT



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DIVISION OVERVIEW

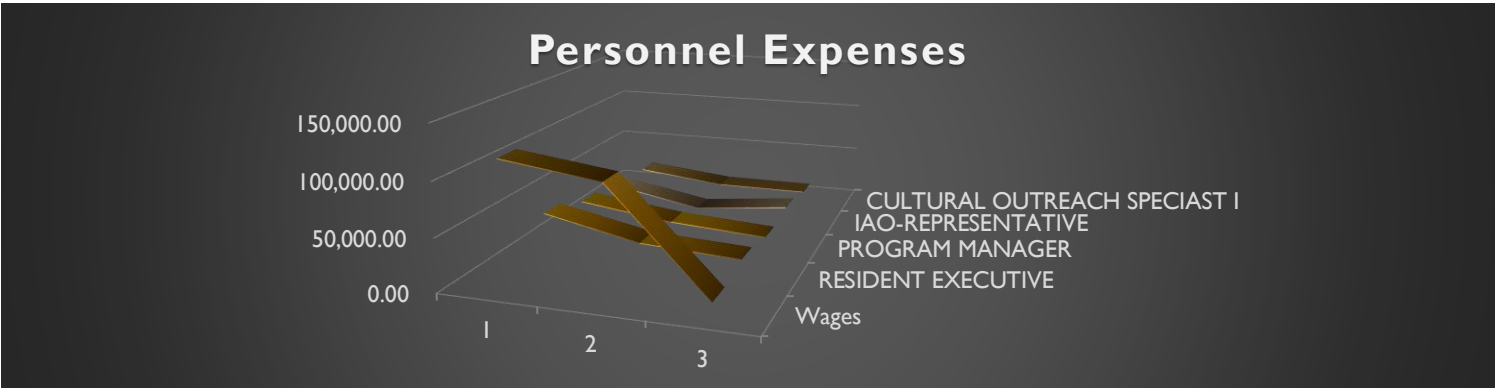
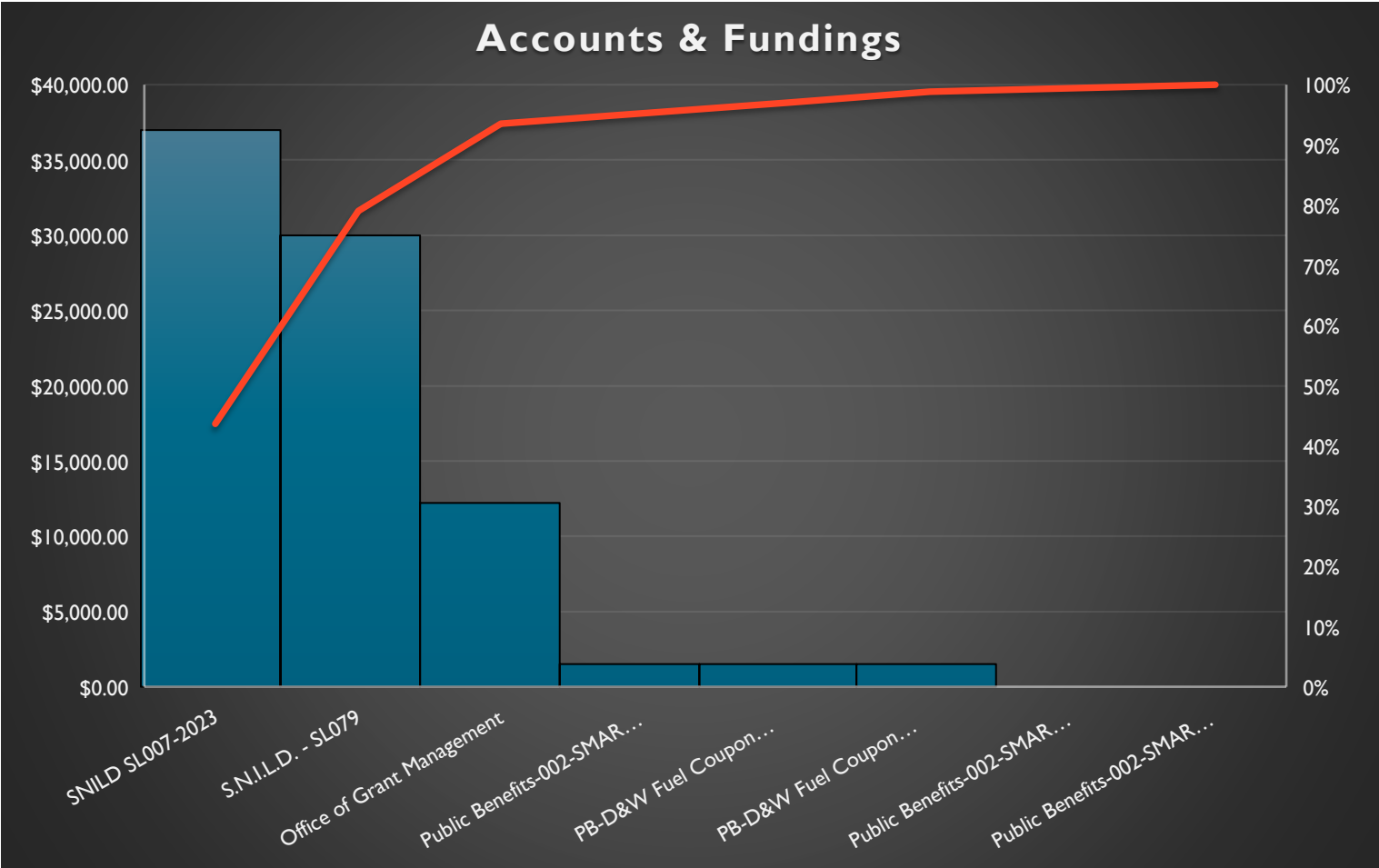
The CNMI Indigenous Affairs Office (IAO) was established in June 1985 through the 2nd Constitutional Convention. Article III Section 23 of the CNMI Constitution tasked the Resident Executive with the responsibility to:

- coordinate the development, distribution, adoption, and translation of a comprehensive history of the Marianas.
- ensure local participation in executive managerial decision making in the government and private sector.
- assist and promote local entrepreneurial development.
- establish a community foundation for the advancement of the indigenous people.
- coordinate the translation and distribution of such official documents as the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the Covenant and the analyses thereof.
- plan for the establishment of the Indigenous Cultural Center and the Indigenous Hall of Fame.
- coordinate an annual cultural festival.
- develop and implement a long-range plan to assist and promote the entry of the indigenous people into professional and technical institutions of higher education.
- serve as an advocate of positions taken by indigenous people on issues brought before them.

DIVISION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 10/31/2023 – IAO Halloween with Women's Affairs Office
- 11/8/2023 – Memorial Park - 1944 Remembrance & Blessings Ceremony
- 11/14/2023 – FEMA Appreciation Dinner
- 12/5/2023 – Governor & 1st Lady Xmas Lighting
- 12/7/2023 – Funeral for Late Ross Hugh S, Manglona
- 02/24/2024 – MHS Cultural Heritage Day
- 02/25/2024 – Rigalu/Lifang Project
- 02/27/2024 – Hopwood Jr. High School Career Day
- 03/01/2024 – CNMI Women's Proclamation Month
- 03/26/2024 – CNMI Green Growth Initiative
- 03/29/2024 – Good Friday Outreach - Gov. & Lt. Gov. Office
- 04/08/2024 – Commonwealth Women Association Health & Wellness
- 04/08 >14/2024 – Outreach Southern High School - Cultural Day
- 04/09 >10/2024 – Outreach WSR- Cultural Day
- 04/15>23/2024 – World Indigenous Tourism Summit & Austronesian Conference
- 04/16>21/2024 – Flame Tree Festival in Collaboration with CCAC/DCCA
- 05/07>10/2024 – GTC Elementary Cultural Heritage Month

- **05/04,11,18,25/2024 – Taste of the Marianas – Outreach**
- **05/23/2024 – DYS Kagman Community Center-Mini Cultural Carnival**
- **05/23>26/2024 – Participated and Co-Sponsored 6th Annual Gilita Festival on Rota**
- **05/31/2024 – Participated and Co-Sponsored the 49th Annual Okinawan Dinner**
- **06/01/2024 – Welcoming Naval Ships to Join 80th Peace Battle**
- **06/03>13/2024 – Attended the 13th Annual FESTPAC in Honolulu, Hawaii**
- **06/04/2024 – Co-Sponsored 4th Annual CNMI Ocean Month Proclamation Signing**
- **06/07/2024 – Supported the 37th Proclamation Saipan Agricultural Association (SAFA)**
- **06/13/2024 – Welcoming for the 80th Annual Peace in the Pacific @ the International Airport**
- **06/15/2024 – Supported & Co-Sponsored the 37th SAFA**
- **06/15/2024 - 80th Annual Peace in the Pacific wreath laying @ the American Memorial Park**
- **06/29/2024 – BECQ Fun Fair Outreach @ the American Memorial Park**
- **Guma Higai “FLORES” was Accomplished and Funded by Representative JP Sablan & Manny Gregorio Castro**
- **07/04/2024 – Assisted PETLAS Marianas Float**
- **08/14/2024 – IAO - 1st Guma Higai Town-Hall Meeting**
- **08/30/2024 – Proclamation signing for the 7th Annual Chamorro & Carolinian Cultural Heritage Month**
- **09/01 > 30/2024 – CHAMORRO & CAROLINIAN CULTURAL HERITAGE MONTH**
- **09/04>05/204 – WSR Elementary Outreach – CCCHM**
- **09/06/2024 – 1ST CCCHM ROADMAP @ NMI Museum & CAO**
- **09/07/2024 – EUCHARISTIC MASS**
- **09/10/2024 – Oleai Elementary & FMS Middle School Outreach – CCCHM**
- **09/17/2024 – Garapan Elementary Outreach- CCCHM**
- **09/19/2024 – San Vicente Elementary Outreach – CCCHM**
- **09/20/2024 – 2nd & 3rd CCCHM ROADMAP @ NMI Museum & CAO**
- **09/23/2024 – 13 Fisherman Commemoration Ceremony**
- **09/26/*2024 – Koblurville & Tanapag Elementary Outreach-CCCHM**
- **09/27/2024 – FINAL CCCHM ROADMAP @ NMI Museum & CAO**
- **09/29/2024 – Chahan/Uuwm Night - Closing Ceremony & Celebration**



ACCOUNTS & FUNDINNGS

Indigenous Affairs Office 2023-2024 Citizen-Centric Report			
ACCOUNT #	Received	Spent	REMAINING
*Public Benefits-002-SMART START-2022-2023	\$500.00	\$0.00	(\$500.00)
*Public Benefits-002-SMART START-2023-2024	\$500.00	\$0.00	(\$500.00)

*Public Benefits-002-SMART START-2024-2025	\$1,500.00	\$782.58	(\$717.42)
SNILD SL007-2023	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$0.00
S.N.I.L.D. - SL079	\$30,000.00	\$17,798.11	(\$12,201.89)
PB-D&W Fuel Coupon 2023-24	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
PB-D&W Fuel Coupon 2024-25	\$1,500.00	\$680.00	(\$820.00)
Office of Grant Management	\$12,228.25	\$12,228.25	\$0.00
Balance (income minus expenses)	85,963.25	70,270.49	(15,692.76)

ACCOUNT #	PERSONNEL EXPENSES	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
PL 23-26 ORG. 11260800	Wages	117,200.00	105,031.00	12,169.00
	RESIDENT EXECUTIVE	43,200.00	24,092.36	19,107.64
	PROGRAM MANAGER	30,000.00	17,888.21	12,111.79
	IAO-REPRESENTATIVE	24,000.00	7,168.33	16,831.67
	CULTURAL OUTREACH SPECIAST I	20,000.00	10,161.07	9,838.93
	Total Personnel Expenses	234,400.00	164,340.97	70,059.03

