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Re: Office of the Attorney General 2014 Citizen Centric Report

Dear Madame Speaker:

Hafa adai. Pursuant to PL30-127, I respectfully submit the OAG's 2014 Citizen Centric Report.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Carlina Charfauros, Public Information Officer at 475-3324 ext. 5020.

Sincerely,

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# Office of the Attorney General

A Citizen-Centric Report | Fiscal Year 2014

### **ABOUT US**

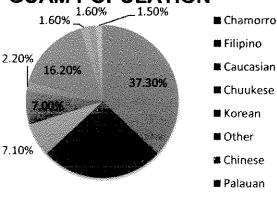
The Office of the Attorney General functions as the law firm that represents the Government and People of Guam. It is comprised of six divisions: Administration, Child Support Enforcement, Civil Litigation/Solicitors, Consumer Protection, Family/Juvenile, and Prosecution. These Divisions collectively work to ensure that the mission of the Office is upheld in the highest regard. Independently, each division functions and works to guarantee its clients and stakeholders are afforded due process and legal representation.

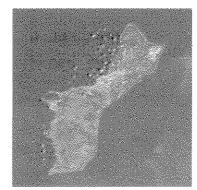
Leonardo M. Rapadas was the Attorney General in fiscal year 2014. Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, the current Attorney General, took office on January 5, 2015. She is serving her second tenure having been appointed as attorney general from 1987-1994.

### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

DESCRIPTION	2012	2013	2014
Population*	159,914	160,378	160,843
Unemployment Rate**	11.80%	13.30%	7.40%
Guam Public School Enrollment	31,698	31,593	31,144
Registered Voters	50,701	45,734	51,975
*Source: FY13 GovGuam CAFR. FY14 pr	ojection based o	on .29% growti	h.
**For comparison purposes, unemploy	ment rate is has	ed on March 2	014

### **GUAM POPULATION**







Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson Attorney General of Guam 2015

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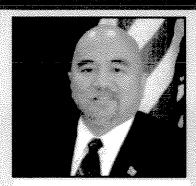
To enforce Guam's laws fairly and impartially, ensuring justice and safety for all of her residents as well as providing legal advice and representation of the highest quality to agents, officers and employees of the Government of Guam.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Protect public interest
- Ensure the safety and welfare for our island residents
- Fight for the rights of children, victims, and consumers

Personnel				
Attorney	54			
Investigators	17			
Support Staff	114			
Total	185			

# How We Have Progressed Our Performance



Leonardo M. Rapadas Former AG of Guam 2011-2014



The harsh and irreversible realities of drunk driving and improper child restraint could not be more apparent than in the heartbreaking story of a 4year-old girl who was killed as a result of her father drinking and driving. That devastating event presented a unique opportunity for the OAG and other law enforcement entities to educate the communityspecifically Chuukese residents - on safe driving habits and proper child carseat safety.

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PERFORMANCE MEASURES	2012	2013	2014	% CHANGE	TREN
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION					
Attorneys	49	56	54	(3.57%)	۱
Investigators	18	17	17	0.00%	-
Support Staff	94	110	114	3.64%	*
Total Staff	161	183	185	1.09%	*
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	DIVISION				
Children Served	11,013	11,225	11,347	1.09%	*
Newly Filed Cases (Open)	6,452	6,600	6,714	1.73%	*
Number of Patemity Established	7,105	6,964	7,129	2.37%	*
\$ Collected	\$14,683,203	\$12,873,022	\$12,201,440	(5.22%)	
CIVIL LITIGATION/SOLICITORS (	NOISIVIC				
Administrative Proceedings	170	650	626	(3.69%)	•
Court Proceedings	21	89	92	3.37%	•
Government Claims	34	98	126	28.57%	•
Contract Review	724	613	583	(4.89%)	•
Procurement	110	98	79	(19.39%)	•
Total Requests	713	874	914	4.58%	•
FAMILY JUVENILE DIVISION*					
Drug Court	162	196	167	(14.80%)	
Delinquency	369	309	215	(30.42%)	*
Special Proceedings	108	93	83	(10.75%)	*
PROSECUTION DIVISION*					
Driving Under the Influence	343	295	420	42.37%	
Family Violence	191	277	350	26.35%	•
Child Abuse	43	62	67	8.06%	•
Criminal Sexual Conduct	23	36	42	16.67%	•
Family Violence	22	79	126	59.49%	•
Drugs	10	25	46	84.00%	•
Theft / Bulgary	44	114	142	24.56%	•
Robbery	- 8	15	23	53.33%	•
Murder	6	2	3	50.00%	•
Assault	47	82	90	9.76%	•
Total Filed Criminal Misdemeanors	1,207	1,083	1,155	6.65%	
Total Filed Criminal Felonies	735	710	696	(1.97%)	•

■ Indicates increase
 ※ No significant changes
 ■ Indicates decrease
 \*Based on Calendar Year

- The OAG filed 90% of all Driving While Intoxicated/Driving Under the Influence cases received from law enforcement. The conviction rate was 95% for all cases filed in the Superior Court of Guam.
- The Victim Witness Ayuda Services unit saw an increase in transportation services provided to its victims, as well as an increase in its outreach activities.
- The OAG successfully litigated on behalf of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency against a couple who was using their private property as an illegal dump site. The OAG obtained \$7.5 million in monetary damages and injunctive relief.

# Our Finances Revenue and Expenses

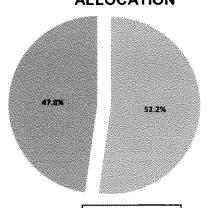
## **REVENUE SOURCES**

REVENUES	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	% CHANGE
General funds	\$11,765,212	\$9,176,377	\$11,048,550	20.40%
Federal funds	9,297,374	11,555,553	10,105,632	-12.55%
Total revenues	\$21,062,586	\$20,731,930	\$21,154,183	2.04%

### **Significant Changes to Revenues**

- In FY 2014, appropriations increased for salaries and benefits, travel, building rent, equipment and miscellaneous.
- Miscellaneous appropriations increased due to the CWA\* salary adjustments.
  - \* CWA: Competitive Wage Act of 2014

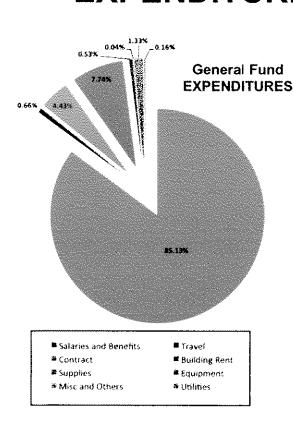
## FY14 REVENUE ALLOCATION



# General fund

# Federal funds

## **EXPENDITURES BY OBJECT**



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General Fund				
Salaries and Benefits	\$6,166,220	\$7,544,058	\$8,534,637	13.13%
Travel	25,946	32,598	66,240	103.20%
Contract	387,799	408,360	443,784	8.67%
Building Rent	346,093	509,513	775,595	52.22%
Supplies	74,724	57,880	52,637	-9.06%
Equipment	22,769	5,346	3,590	-32.85%
Misc and Others	708	670	133,281	19792.69%
Utilities*	184,201	192,179	15,639	-91.86%
Capital	208,097	26,038	0	-100.00%
Total general fund	\$7,416,557	\$8,776,644	\$10,025,403	14.23%
Federal Funds				
Total federal funds	5,890,893	6,124,419	6,588,120	7.57%
Total expenditures	\$13,307,450	\$14,901,063	\$16,613,523	11.49%

Utilities expenditures include costs allocated towards power, water and telephone. Not included are encumbrances, which represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods. As of September 30, 2014, encumbrances for General fund \$267,676; and federal funds of \$1,038,067.

### Significant Changes to Expenditures

- Travel expenditures increased mainly due to witness and expert witness testimonies in criminal trial People v. Chad R. De Soto
- Miscellaneous expenditures increased due to the CWA\* implementation.
- Utility expenditures became inclusive in the OAG's rental and lease agreement. The decrease in utilities and increase in rent reflects this change.
- In fiscal year 2014, total expenditures from general and federal funds were 60% and 40%, respectively.

The OAG is included in the government-wide annual audit. An independent audit was conducted, resulting in a clean audit opinion. Complete financial information can be found at http://opaguam.org/reports-audits/financial-audits.

# Challenges & Outlook What's Next for the OAG





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### **Our Challenges**

Some of the challenges the Office of the Attorney General faced during FY 2014:

- Unprecedented increase in jury trials
- Increased unfunded criminal justice mandates for victims and the agency



AG Barrett-Anderson and her staff commemorate victims and their service providers during National Crime Victims' Rights Week

### **Future Outlook**

The Office of the Attorney General seeks to accomplish the following:

- Enhance institutional authority of the OAG
- · Provide quality services
- Employee development and satisfaction
- Develop necessary infrastructure for technology, facilities, administration, and financial practices