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ABOUT US

The Guam Department of Agriculture was established under Public Law 3-103, effective August 1, 1956.

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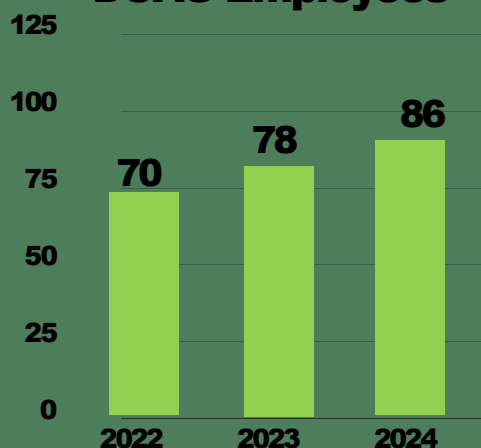


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FORESTRY AND SOIL RESOURCES

The mission of Guam Forestry and Soil Resources Division (FRSD) is to conserve, protect and enhance Guam's vegetative environment and sustain the natural resources which are dependent on healthy forests. These efforts are strengthened by working with stakeholders to promote healthy and productive forests from an ecosystem level management approach embracing the concepts of ridge-to-reef. Goals include improving fire prevention, control, suppression and prescribed fire activities through organizing training and equipping staff and resources, implement highest priority plantings in urban, rural and undeveloped areas, protect, conserve and

FORESTRY & SOIL RESOURCES ACCOMPLISHMENTS FY 2024

TREE PLANTING EVENTS	4
TREES PLANTED	3,510
TOTAL VOLUNTEERS	275
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS	1,126

and restore forests on public, private, and other non-military lands, and implement a forest health program and unify interagency efforts to control invasive species.



LAW ENFORCEMENT



Your Department of Agriculture's Law Enforcement Division is here to keep our island resources safe by providing education and

enforcing federal and local laws that keep Guam safe, clean, and sustainable. The law enforcement division is comprised of 5 Conservation Officers, 8 Conservation Officer Apprentices, and 11 Civilian Conservation Officer Reservists. The Conservation Officer Apprentice Program is a new initiative in FY 2024.

BIOSECURITY

Number of plant import permits issued for FY2024:

4,874

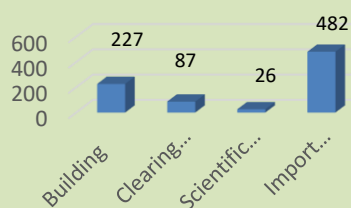
The Biosecurity Section serves as Department of Agriculture's center for Biosecurity and Agricultural Quarantine at the Plant Inspection Facility to protect against invasive species and threats to agricultural products. The Plant Inspection Section operates a federally certified plant inspection station for Guam and others in the region. The Plant Inspection Facility inspects live plants with pest identification

determinations performed to identify if plants are safe, pests and disease free to enter and exit Guam. In FY 2024, there was a total of 4,874 import permits and 512 export permits issued. The Invasive Species Pest Hotline received 119 calls to assist community members with identifying potentially threatening pests. Biosecurity Commodity Officers inspected 510 stores and 10 reconditioning facilities resulting in 3 seizures to protect our community.



AQUATIC AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

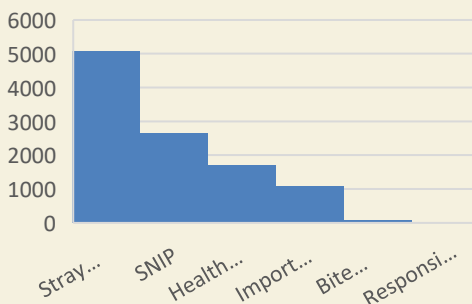
DAWR PERMITS



The Division of Aquatic and Wildlife Resources (DAWR) monitors and evaluates trends in the flora, fauna, and aquatic environment and uses the data to protect Guam's environment by providing environmental reviews, permits, and conservation areas to manage populations for generations to come. DAWR has an aviculture program to manage and protect endangered bird species. The fisheries program aims to increase sustainable cultural and sportfishing while protecting fragile species of aquatic life and coral through community programs.

ANIMAL HEALTH

Your Department of Agriculture's Animal Health Division provides compassionate support, education, and enforcement for Guam's animal health laws. Animal Control Officers apprehended and transported 5,065 animals to GAIN and responded to 87 bite reports. The SNIP Clinics sterilized 2,647 animals. Health Certificates for 1,722 export animals were processed. Approved import permits was 1,080.

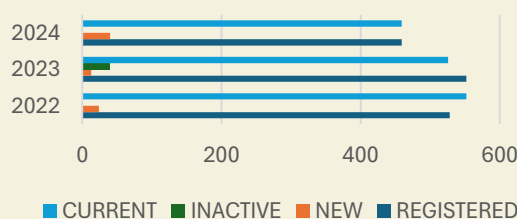


AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Agricultural Development Services aims to empower a sustainable future for Guam by fostering food sovereignty through innovative agricultural practices, community engagement, and preservation of our unique cultural heritage. FY 2025 Registered Bonafide Farmer enrollment

was 459. It is down by 93 farmers from FY 2023. Crop loss compensation paid out was \$1,668,371.

Bonafide Farmer

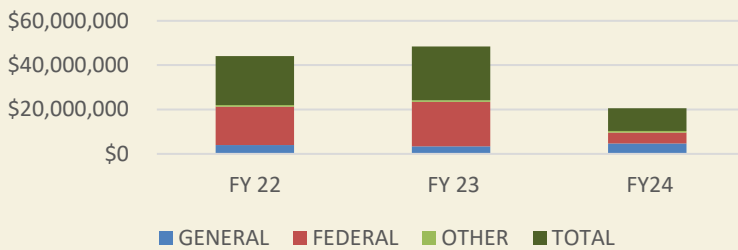


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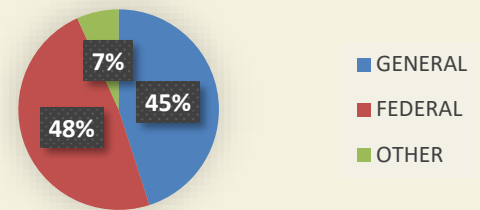
FUNDS	2021	2022	2023	2024	% CHANGE
GENERAL	\$5,721,638	\$3,987,601	\$3,441,961	\$4,628,938	34%
FEDERAL	10,423,532	17,275,059	20,020,002	4,953,022	-75%
OTHER	2,755,851	761,751	780,042	694,853	-11%
TOTAL	\$18,901,021	\$22,024,411	\$24,242,005	\$10,278,837	-23%

General funds expended in 2024 were 34% higher than fiscal year 2023. \$2.2 million in federal funds were unspent due to large multi-year construction projects. Those funds were extended to the FY 2025.

Funding Sources Expended Over Fiscal Years



FY 2024 Funding Sources

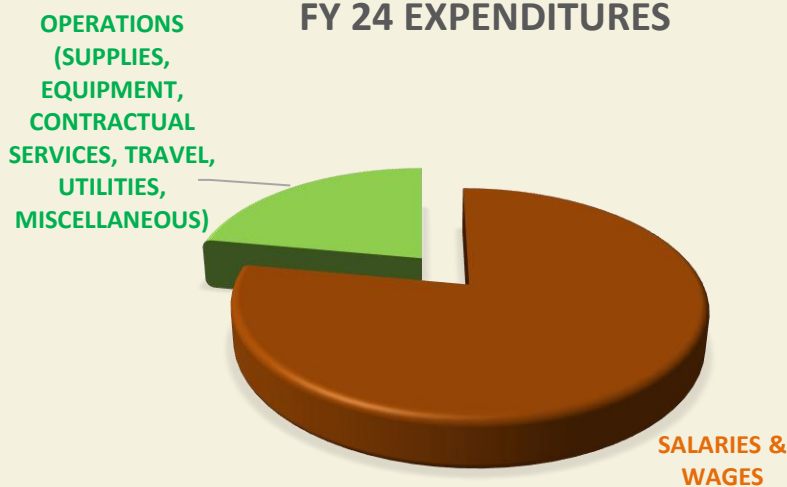


HOW OUR SOURCES WERE USED

EXPENDITURES	2021	2022	2023	2024	% CHANGE
SALARIES & WAGES	\$5,053,452	\$6,230,781	\$6,208,957	\$8,006,440	-23%
OPERATIONS (SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, CONTRACTUAL SERVICES, TRAVEL, UTILITIES, MISCELLANEOUS)	13,847,569	15,793,630	18,033,048	2,272,397	-87%
TOTAL	\$18,901,021	\$22,024,411	\$24,242,005	\$10,278,837	-90%

The total amount expended in the fiscal year 2024 was \$10.3M. This is an decrease of 58% compared to 2023, mainly from lack of finalized procurement using federal funds for large 5 years projects that include 3 new buildings. environmental reviews and clearances extend the construction start dates.

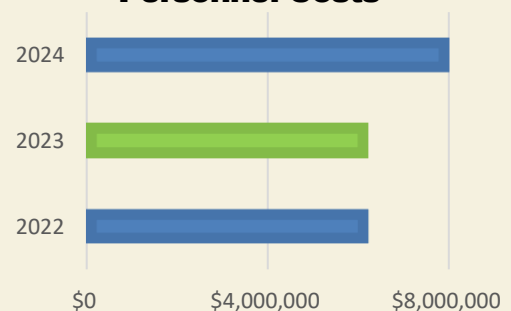
FY 24 EXPENDITURES



In FY 24, 78% of costs were salaries and fringe benefits. The remainder of operational costs were 22% of the total expenditures.

Personnel costs have remained stable across fiscal years 22-24, with a slight increase in FY24, due to additional employees.

Personnel Costs



CHALLENGES



Feral swine (*sus scrofa*) is an invasive species that has been wreaking havoc on farmlands, forests, and suburban areas. The swine have caused massive damage to forested lands and farmlands, which leads to soil erosion and damage to our waterways and ultimately coral reefs. There have been significant agricultural losses due to damage.

Feral Swine



Guam lies within the typhoon belt which leads to an average of three tropical storms and one typhoon each year. Natural events and disasters, such as Typhoon Mawar, can cause contaminated bodies of water, loss of harvest or livestock, destruction of irrigation systems, and damages in other agricultural infrastructure.

Climate on Guam



Because of wildfires and the degraded landscape of Guam, the water quality and water supplies are at risk of deteriorating. Movement of sediment from erosion into waterways is a problem associated with poor land cover which reduces the quality of surface water, domestic water supplies, and fragile reef systems.

Water Quality & Water Supply

MOVING FORWARD

Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund Grant Program

The program will allow for the creation of a comprehensive plan for the conservation of endangered species and their habitats. "The creation of an Island-Wide HCP will enable us to protect habitats for endangered and threatened species while providing a course of action for responsible development," said Chelsa Muña, Director of DOAG.



Hunting Derbies

The babui and binadu derbies are events to promote safe, responsible, and ethical hunter development and to help facilitate the 3Rs: Recruit new hunters, Retain current hunters, and Reactivate former hunters. These events also aims to encourage community participation in enhancing Guam's food security and lowering the wild pig population.



Spay and Neuter Island Pets (SNIP)

SNIP's goal is to create a sustainable impact on the animal population of Guam, decrease animal suffering, and increase community education that addresses the issue of Guam's stray animal population. Funding has been secured in an America the Beautiful Grant to help trap large groups of feral canines. The grant will begin its first phase in late 2024.



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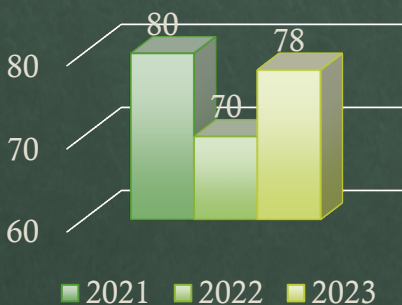
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AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

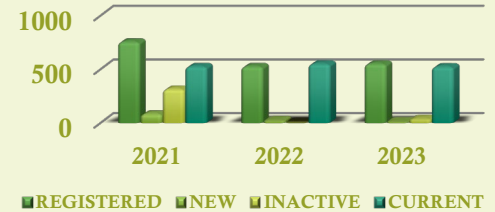
“Provide for the further development of the Agricultural Industry in adopting organic and conservation practices in the protection of land, water resources safeguarding human health and the environment.”

The Agricultural Development Services Division reported steady production and strong sales, with April seeing the highest levels due to consistent demand for fruit trees. Outreach efforts doubled from 2022 to 2023, benefiting vendors. Pesticide inspections remain strong, ensuring compliance and food safety. Specialty crops, including grafted and air-layered varieties, entered the market in early 2023 and showed growth potential, with rising sales through May. Farmer inactivity has significantly decreased since 2021, with registrations stabilizing in 2023. Federal funding of \$1.57 million was secured for farm programs, including USDA specialty crop grants and food security initiatives.

PLANT SALES VALUE (USD)

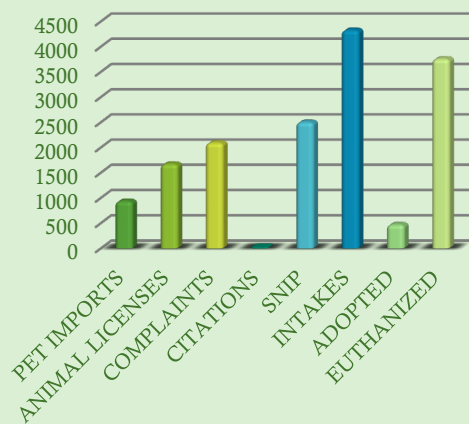


FARMER REGISTRATION



ANIMAL HEALTH

ANIMAL HEALTH OVERVIEW



“Safeguarding and improving the health, management, and movement of animals and animal products while promoting educational initiatives.”

The Animal Health Division made significant progress in adoption initiatives through outreach events in March and April at venues like the Astumbo Community Center and GAIN. These events offered pet licensing, permits, microchipping, and rabies vaccinations, highlighting animal welfare efforts. Public engagement campaigns, such as "RPOE/GAIN Clear the Shelter" and "Home for the Holidays," successfully promoted animal care and adoption. Our achievements included addressing public complaints, issuing citations, processing pet entry permits and licenses, facilitating spay/neuter surgeries, hosting outreach events, and procuring humane equipment for animal control.

FORESTRY & SOIL RESOURCES

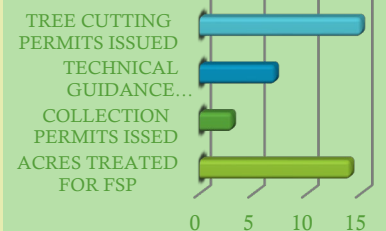
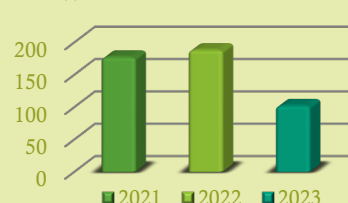
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The Guam Forestry and Soil Resources Division (FSRD) achieved significant milestones in FY 2023 despite challenges, including the aftermath of Typhoon Mawar. Guided by its mission to conserve and enhance Guam's forests, the Division focused on priority initiatives like tree planting, forest restoration, and wildfire prevention. Partnerships with agencies like the USDA Forest Service and the National Park Service enhanced recovery and management efforts.

FORESTRY & SOIL RESOURCES ACCOMPLISHMENT

TREE PLANTING EVENTS	20
NATIVE TREES PLANTED	1,194
ACACIA TREES PLANTED	7,579
TOTAL VOLUNTEERS	2,199
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS	6,597

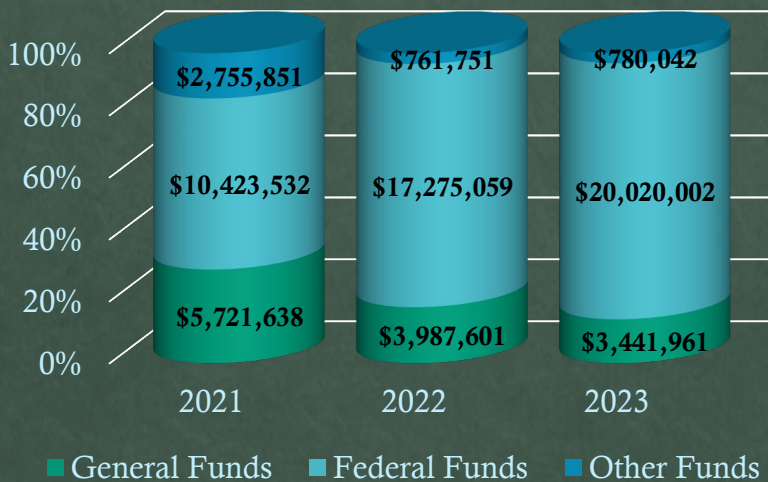
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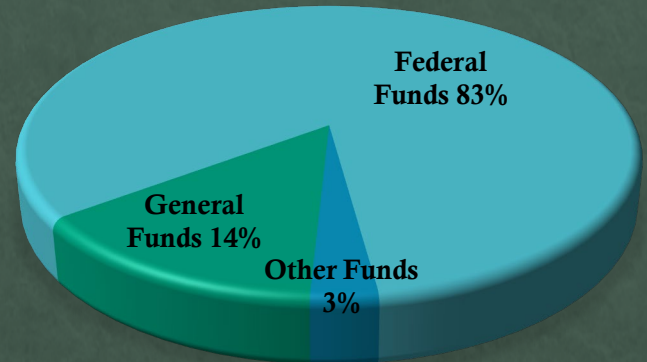
WHERE ARE SOURCES CAME FROM

In 2023, total operational budget increased from previous years. This growth is driven by an approximate \$3 million increase in federal grants.

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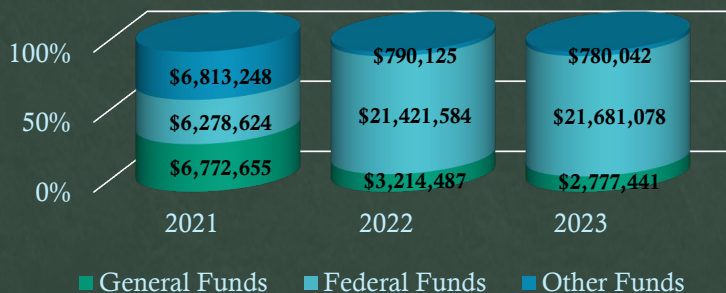
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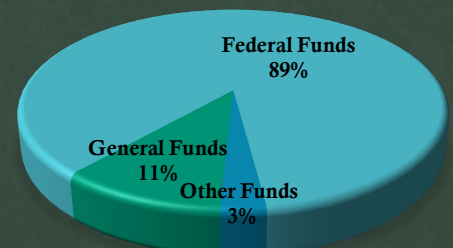
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The total expenditures for 2023 were \$24.2M, an increase of 10% compared to 2022. This growth is primarily attributed to a 14% rise in operations expenses, including supplies, equipment, contractual services, travel, utilities, and miscellaneous costs, while salaries and wages slightly decreased.



FY 2023



WHAT'S NEXT FOR FY 2024



The Division of Aquatic and Wildlife Resources (DAWR) has long been central to preserving Guam's biodiversity. In FY 2023, "Our Living Reef" initiative achieved notable progress in coral reef conservation, and educational outreach programs emphasized the need for marine preservation. DAWR plans to deepen its conservation efforts by expanding habitat restoration projects and protecting endangered species. It also aims to build on the "Our Living Reef" initiative with additional coral restoration projects to rehabilitate damaged reefs and boost biodiversity. To foster greater understanding of marine ecosystems, the division will broaden its outreach efforts to schools, communities, and local organizations, emphasizing the ecological and cultural significance of Guam's marine habitats.

The Biosecurity Division is dedicated to protecting Guam's ecosystems by strengthening efforts to control invasive species, such as the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, which poses a significant threat to the island's natural resources. The division aims to expand public outreach, implement mitigation measures, and develop innovative strategies to combat these threats effectively, including comprehensive outreach programs and control measures targeting invasive species that impact Guam's forests. The division also plans to enhance community-based programs to educate residents on prevention and mitigation, empowering the community to play an active role in safeguarding Guam's environment.



Law Enforcement Section (LES) conservation officers have been instrumental in protecting Guam's natural resources by enforcing regulations and deterring illegal activities such as poaching and habitat destruction. LES aims to increase patrols and monitoring activities to ensure compliance with conservation laws. Officers will receive enhanced training to strengthen enforcement capabilities, while partnerships with local communities will foster awareness of conservation regulations and encourage the public to report violations.

The Department of Agriculture is working on establishing the new Aquaculture Division to develop Guam's aquaculture industry and strengthen local food security. The Aquaculture Division will focus on promoting sustainable aquaculture practices to address the growing demand for seafood while safeguarding marine ecosystems. Plans to implement a comprehensive strategic plan prioritizing environmental preservation are in the works. The division also seeks to enhance collaboration with farmers, educational institutions, and private enterprises to expand training, research, and business opportunities in aquaculture. Efforts will be made to expand production facilities for high-value species such as shrimp, fish, and seaweed, which will contribute to local food independence and economic growth. Public education campaigns will also raise awareness about aquaculture's importance in supporting Guam's marine resources.



GUAM DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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ABOUT US

The Guam Department of Agriculture was established under Public Law 3-103, effective August 1, 1956.

MISSION

To protect and promote Guam's agricultural resources and economy through research, quarantine, control and conservation.

VISION

The Department's role of developing and protecting the island's agriculture, natural resources, and aquatic and wildlife resources is accomplished through the functions of various divisions.

GOALS

Restore and maintain balance to our ecosystem, working closely with our local and federal stakeholders on natural resource stewardship and agricultural development.

Develop and protect the island's agriculture, natural resources and aquatic and wildlife resources.

Monitor, manage and recover Guam's natural resources.

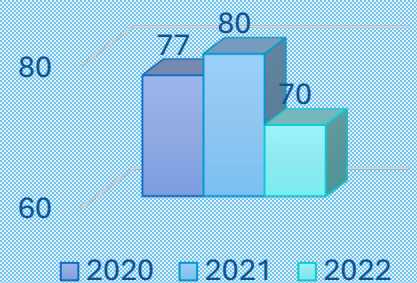
Increase and improve our level of services to farmers and landowners by providing cohesive implementation of programs.

Coordinate an efficient network of programs and market services; and to encourage people to protect, nurture and conserve our natural resources through the functions of our various divisions.



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Director

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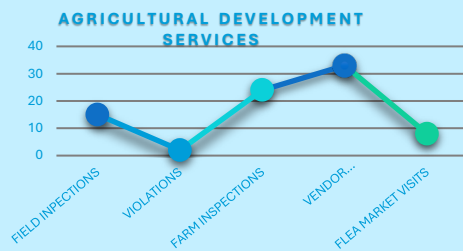
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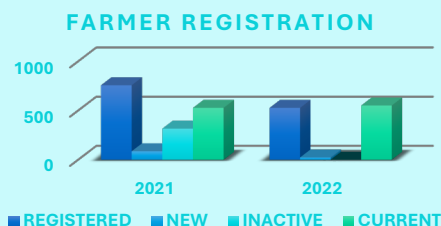
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AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES



“Provide for the further development of the Agricultural Industry in adopting organic and conservation practices in the protection of land, water resources safeguarding human health and the environment.”

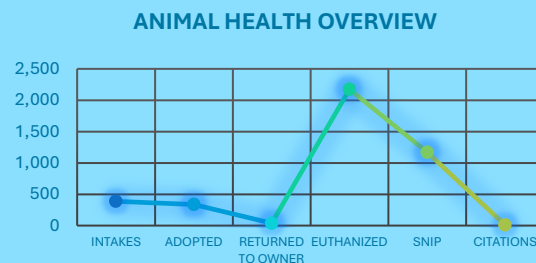
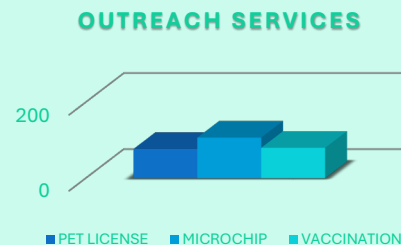
In fiscal year 2022, the Agricultural Development Services conducted field inspections for bona-fide certification, food safety, and pesticide use, with two pesticide violations identified in the South. They also completed farm inspections, facilitated vendor orientations, and increased flea market visits. Farmer registrations grew compared to 2021, with new farmers added and no inactive listings. These efforts highlight ADS’s commitment to improving food safety, supporting local farmers, and ensuring vendor compliance while addressing pesticide use challenges and maintaining active farmer registrations across Guam.



ANIMAL HEALTH

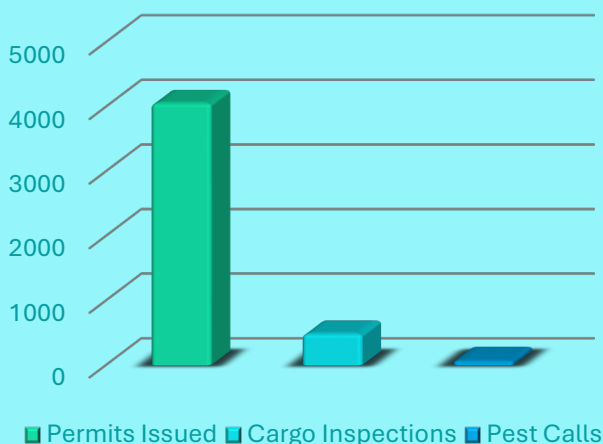
“Safeguarding and improving the health, management, and movement of animals and animal products while promoting educational initiatives.”

In fiscal year 2022, the Animal Health Division conducted multiple outreach events and managed the intake of 591 cats and 2,054 dogs, which were either adopted, returned to their owners, or euthanized. Animal Control Officers handled intakes and issued citations, while the Spay and Neuter Initiative Program (SNIP) performed numerous surgeries, with August being the busiest month. These efforts demonstrate the division's commitment to improving animal health, addressing stray populations, and enhancing community safety, while also working to mitigate challenges such as high euthanasia rates.



BIOSECURITY

BIOSECURITY OVERVIEW



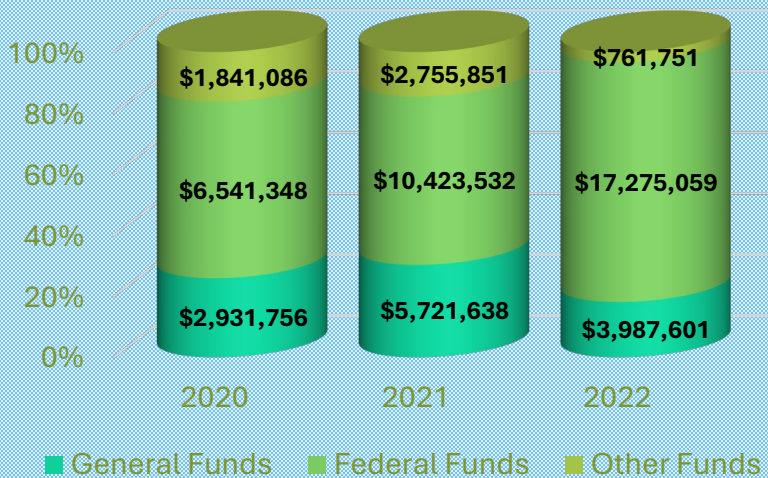
“Assist stakeholders interested in imports and exports of food and agriculture items, to assist in food security and safety concerns, and to coordinate the Government of Guam's responses to new invasive threats.”

The Biosecurity Division maintained an active role in mitigating threats posed by invasive species, such as the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle, which continues to jeopardize Guam's coconut trees and ecosystems. The division implemented outreach programs to educate the public on prevention and control methods, alongside on-the-ground mitigation efforts to protect the island’s natural resources.

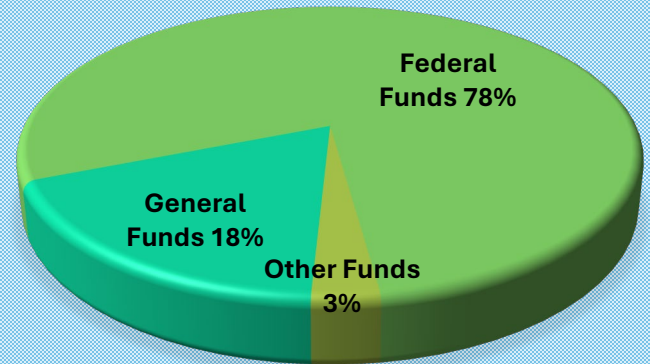
WHERE ARE SOURCES CAME FROM

In 2022, the Department of Agriculture's total funding increased by 17%, primarily due to a growing reliance on federal funding to support operations.

FUNDS	2020	2021	2022	% CHANGE
GENERAL	\$2,931,756	\$5,721,638	\$3,987,601	-30%
FEDERAL	6,541,348	10,423,532	17,275,059	65%
OTHER	1,841,086	2,755,851	761,751	-72%
TOTAL	\$11,314,190	\$18,901,021	\$22,024,411	17%



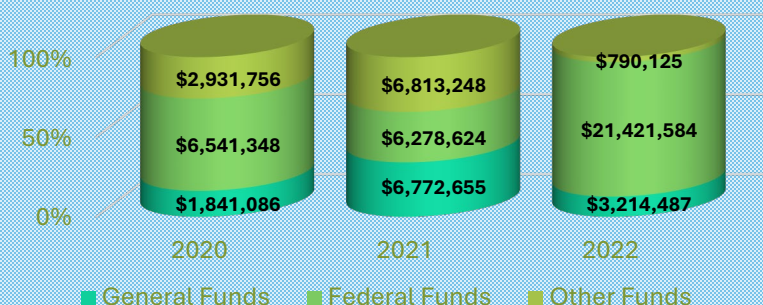
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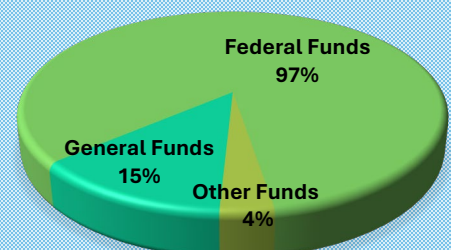
HOW OUR SOURCES ARE USED

EXPENDITURES	2020	2021	2022	% CHANGE
SALARIES & WAGES	\$4,909,738	\$5,053,452	\$6,230,781	23%
OPERATIONS (SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, CONTRACTUAL SERVICES, TRAVEL, UTILITIES, MISCELLANEOUS)	6,404,452	13,847,569	15,793,630	14%
TOTAL	\$11,314,190	\$18,901,021	\$22,024,411	17%

The total expenditures for 2022 increased by 17% compared to 2021. This growth is attributed to a 23% rise in salaries and a 14% rise in operational costs, reflecting increased investment in both personnel and operational needs.



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WHAT'S NEXT FOR FY 2023

The Aquatics and Wildlife Resources Division (DAWR) focuses on protecting and sustaining Guam's marine ecosystems, including improving marine resource management by monitoring and preserving coral reefs, seagrass beds, and fish populations to ensure long-term sustainability. DAWR aims to promote sustainable fishing practices to prevent overfishing and support food security and livelihoods. Another priority is to increase community education on responsible fishing, pollution prevention, and the importance of conserving marine habitats. Collaboration with local and federal partners will strengthen policies and enforcement to balance environmental protection with economic activities like fishing and tourism.



The Forestry and Soil Resources Division focuses on promoting sustainable farming and soil conservation to support Guam's agriculture and environment. By partnering with farmers, organizations, and agencies, the division will provide education and resources on techniques like crop rotation, organic farming, and using cover crops to maintain healthy soil and reduce environmental impact. Grant funding will assist these efforts, helping farmers adopt sustainable practices and access tools and equipment. FSRD will also promote climate-resilient strategies, such as integrating trees into farmland, to protect soil, support biodiversity, and adapt to challenges like typhoons and changing weather patterns. These efforts aim to create a productive, environmentally sound agricultural system that benefits farmers, the land, and the community.



Law Enforcement Section (LES) sets out to strengthen its enforcement of conservation laws, focusing on preventing poaching, illegal hunting, and fishing, while increasing patrols in conservation areas, marine reserves, and wildlife habitats. Protecting endangered species, such as the CHamoru bird (Ko'ko') is a key priority. LES also plans to collaborate with other divisions and agencies to implement habitat restoration projects, such as reforestation and coral reef preservation, and intensify efforts to manage invasive species like the brown tree snake. Public education and outreach are also emphasized, with programs designed to inform the community about conservation laws, responsible fishing, and the importance of environmental stewardship. Partnerships with schools and local organizations will further support these educational goals.

