



FROM CAPITOL HILL ACROSS THE AGENCIES

"TO ADVANCE OUR PEOPLE'S QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH STABLE, COMPASSIONATE GOVERNANCE"



2025 INDUSTRY DAY: CONNECTING CNMI BUSINESSES TO FEDERAL OPPORTUNITIES

The 2025 CNMI Industry Day series brought together over 200 participants across Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, providing local businesses with invaluable insights on accessing the federal marketplace. The Saipan event stood out as the largest, demonstrating the community's strong interest in federal contracting opportunities. Hosted by Northern Marianas College and led by the CNMI Small Business Development Center Network, with support from the Pacific Air Forces, the Naval Facilities and Engineering Systems Command, and the Commonwealth Bureau of Military Affairs, this event underscored a shared commitment to economic growth and resilience in the CNMI.

JOIN THE 5-1-1 RECYCLING REDEMPTION INITIATIVE!

The CNMI is making it easier for you to recycle and earn! Bring your eligible containers to the FSM Recycling Corporation in Lower Base and redeem:

- ✓ 5¢ per aluminum can
- ✓ 1¢ per plastic bottle
- ✓ 1¢ per glass bottle

This initiative is proudly supported by the Office of the Governor, Office of Grants Management, Department of Public Works, and the Bureau of Environmental & Coastal Quality.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR & LT. GOVERNOR
RECYCLING REDEMPTION INITIATIVE 2025

5-1-1
STARTING APRIL 28, 2025

5¢ per ALUMINUM can
1¢ per BEVERAGE plastic bottle
1¢ per BEVERAGE glass bottle

Redemption Site
FSM RECYCLING CORPORATION
Located in Lowerbase (right after TRIPLE B Forwarders)
Tel: (670) 322-2700 Email: fsmsaipan@gmail.com
Monday to Saturday from 8:00 AM-5PM

For inquiries please contact
Flor Deleon Guerrero at (670) 285-9284
or email at fguerrero.ogm@gmail.com.

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MAY 2025 DECLARED UNDERAGE SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION MONTH

Governor Arnold I. Palacios and Lt. Governor David M. Apatang have proclaimed May 2025 as Underage Substance Use Prevention and Enforcement Month in the CNMI. The proclamation highlights alarming youth statistics from the 2023 CNMI Youth Risk Behavior Survey, including high rates of underage drinking, smoking, vaping, and betelnut chewing. The initiative calls on all sectors—schools, families, law enforcement, and communities—to work together to protect youth and promote healthier choices.



PARTNERS CELEBRATE COMPLETION OF SMILING COVE REVETMENT

The Department of Lands and Natural Resources, Office of the Governor, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs Historic Preservation, American Memorial Park Rangers, Precinct 3 Representative Elias Rangamar, and other partners recently marked the completion of the Smiling Cove Revetment project. This initiative, addressing shoreline erosion from storms, involved installing a reinforced rock revetment, extending sidewalks, and adding native landscaping to safeguard the shoreline and ensuring safe access to the marinas.





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ALL ABOARD! COTA ROLLS OUT NEW TRANSIT ROUTES IN ROTA

The Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority (COTA) is set to officially launch new transit routes in Rota on May 15, marking a significant expansion of public transportation in the region. These new routes will provide underserved communities with consistent, reliable access to essential services, education, and employment opportunities, improving daily life for residents.

COTA's expansion into Rota underscores its commitment to enhancing connectivity across the Northern Mariana Islands, promoting economic growth, and ensuring that all residents have access to safe and affordable transportation.

NEW PLAYGROUND BRINGS JOY AND SAFETY TO CHALAN KANOA - LALY 4 AREA

The Rotary Club of Saipan, in partnership with the Department of Land & Natural Resources' Division of Parks & Recreation, proudly celebrated the grand opening of a new playground at San Isidro Beach Park on May 8, 2025. Families gathered for the ribbon-cutting ceremony, where community leaders joined in recognizing this new addition as a safe and vibrant space for children to play.

As part of the project, a security camera was also installed to ensure the ongoing safety of residents in the community, reinforcing a commitment to family-friendly recreation and public well-being.



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 10th, 2025
National Science Foundation STEM Day
Joeten Kiyu Public Library | 10:30AM - 4PM

May 19th, 2025
DLNR Bio-Security Conference
Crowne Plaza Hibiscus Hall | 10AM

Memorial Week Proclamation
Governor's Conference Room | 2PM

May 30th, 2025
Fishermen's Week Proclamation Garapan
Fishing Base | 3PM



HSEM OFFERS CYBERSECURITY TRAINING COURSES

The CNMI Homeland Security & Emergency Management (HSEM) is sponsoring two critical cybersecurity training courses—AWR-421: Demystifying Cyber Attacks and MGT-465: Recovering from Cybersecurity Incidents—from July 23-25, 2025, at the Pacific Islands Club (Napu Room).

Interested participants should reach out to Mr. David Pangelinan via email at dpangelinan@cnmihsem.gov.mp to request a Training Nomination Form. Registration must be confirmed prior to June 6, 2025 in order to participate, due to limited seating.

