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The Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority intends to expand on its closed-circuit video surveillance in and around its various properties once agency personnel complete phases of the Active Shooter Awareness Program.

"Recent worldwide tragedies serve to remind us that risks in our community are real," officials stated in a release. "All citizens play a critical role in creating a safe environment. Through education, planning and preparation, employees are empowered to remain

diligent in the workplace."

On Friday, personnel completed Active Shooter Awareness Briefing Phase I. With active shooter awareness full-scale drills, employees can expect real-world scenarios to take place at the main office in Sinajana,

the release stated. There also will be drills at offices in Tumon, Toto, Agat and Yona. In Phase I, GHURA employees learned tools to develop plans to minimize harm and confusion during an active-shooter incident.

(Daily Post Staff)

\$3.8M repaid to emergency 911 fund

Leon Guerrero-Tenorio Administration announced Monday it has repaid \$3.8 million into the fund for upgrading Guam's aging emergency 911 system, which has lacked the capability to record calls.

With the completion of the payments, the Guam Fire Depart-

ment is able to continue to move forward with the procurement of a service contract for the upgrade of its 911 system, the governor's office announced.

previous administration removed money from the 911 fund to pay for other government needs. Phone customers pay into the fund through a surcharge on their monthly phone bills.

"It is beyond disappointing, as it is hard to imagine what could be more important to the lives and well-being of your residents than a well-functioning 911 system," FCC Commissioner Michael O'Rielly wrote in 2018 to then-Gov. Eddie

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Calvo. The Public Utilities Commission investigated the transfers and recommended that the \$3.8 million that was diverted from the fund be remitted back.

The administration stated it prioritized returning what was taken from the E911 Fund and did so by managing our cash without affecting any of the critical services we provide to our people."

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Sewing machines donation will help teach new skill

By Oyaol Ngirairiki deskeditor@postguam.com

Island Girl Power now has eight sewing machines that can be used to teach residents a practical skill.

The sewing machines will be used at the Island Girl Power Clubhouse in Dededo for sewing workshops to teach members a skill that can help provide self-sufficiency, according to a news release.

"The sewing machines represent sustainability, freedom and so much more for the women and girls of our island community," said Island Girl Power Director Juanita Blaz. "Island Girl Power is very grateful for this donation and for The Sewing Machine Project's faith in our mission."

Island Girl Power, a nonprofit created in 2002, aims to empower girls and young women to make healthy lifestyle choices. IGP encourages positive self-esteem while inspiring cultural and community pride.

Blaz, who started as a parent volunteer, has expanded the program to reach out to all levels of

the community.

The group has touched the lives of thousands of residents with its many programs - from its capoeira and jump rope programs to the community gardens along with the Saturday and after-school workshops, and thrift shop.

She thanked Triple B Forwarders Inc. and Matson Inc. for their help in shipping the machines to Guam, and voiced her gratitude to The Sewing Machine Project for the sewing machines and a serger, which trims and encloses the seam at the edge of the fabric.

The Sewing Machine Project is a nonprofit organization based in Madison, Wisconsin. The organization sends sewing machines to other nonprofits across the nation. The organization approved a request from the Bureau of Women's Affairs, led by Director Jane Flores, to send eight sewing machines and a serger to Island Girl Power.

"We receive used machines in good working condition from people no longer using them, as well as some new machines that have been given through the generosity of corporate donors," said Christine Thomas, a board member of The Sewing Machine Project.

'We passionately believe in the possibility a sewing machine embodies. We believe that everyone has the power to make the world a better place. So we share sewing machines creating partnerships, strengthening community and nurturing the creative spirit."



TEACHING: The Sewing Machine Project, a nonprofit organization out of Wisconsin, donated eight sewing machines to Island Girl Power. Triple B Forwarders Inc and Matson Inc. helped transport the machines to Guarn on May 2. in the photograph, from left: Walden Weilbacher, Ayuda Foundation board member; Juanita Blaz, IGP director; Jayne Flores, Bureau of Women's Affairs director: and Francis Cruz, Triple B Forwarders.



LABOR MOU: U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division Deputy Administrator Keith Sonderling, left; Gov. Lou Leon Guerrero and Guam Department of Labor Director David Dell'Isola on Tuesday signed a memorandum of understanding in the governor's conference room at Adelup. Kevin Kerrigan/The Guam Daily Post

MOU aims to strengthen wage, overtime enforcement

By Kevin Kerrigan kevin@postguam.com

Local and federal officials have signed a memorandum of understanding that is aimed at strengthening the enforcement of federal wage and hour regulations on Guam.

On Tuesday, Gov. Lou Leon Guerrero and Guam Department of Labor Director David Dell'Isola signed the MOU with federal labor officials. U.S. Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division Deputy Administrator Keith Sonderling said the agreement addresses the need for enforcement training, allows for the sharing of resources, enables joint investigations and provides employers and employees with compliance information.

The goal is to protect "the wages, safety and health" of workers, Sonderling said, adding that "a big part of this is not just enforcement, it's compliance assistance."

Terrence Trotter, assistant district director for the Wage and Hour Division in Honolulu, said counting the number of hours worked correctly and making sure that employees get paid for all the hours they worked are some of the big issues. "When we do see violations they tend to be more on the overtime," he said.

The governor welcomed the opportunity to strengthen Guam's relationship with the U.S. Labor Department, saying, "We're very keen on making sure that our workforce" is being treated fairly.

"As we grow our economy and as we see more construction, I want to assure the people of Guam that we are following and complying" with local and federal wage and hour regulations, the governor said.

Dell'Isola said the agreement allows opportunities for his staff to train with USDOL and "shadow and work with their offices just to learn their processes."



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