

TAP and MAP GRANTS ANNOUNCED FOR THE FREELY ASSOCIATED STATES AND REGIONAL SUPPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 September 30, 2021

The Office of Insular Affairs (OIA) awarded numerous Technical Assistance Program (TAP) and Maintenance Assistance Program (MAP) grants in fiscal year 2021 to the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau. Other grants awarded provided support to several insular areas. The various grants were provided to local governments, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and academic institutions as follows:

FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (FSM)

POHNPEI

- \$237,444 Pohnpei Public Broadcasting Corporation to replace AM/FM broadcasting equipment; solar paneling; telephone system at the V6AH Radio Station in Pohnpei.
- \$71,000 Pohnpei Utilities Corporation for Kolonia Town sewer system equipment.
- \$70,000 Sokehs Municipal Government for junk vehicle removal project.
- \$30,000 Pohnpei Port Authority for a master plan for the Pohnpei ports.
- \$9,950 Micronesian Productions (NGO) for programs to raise public awareness about COVID-19 and climate change.

YAP

• \$375,900 - Pacific Mission Aviation (NGO) for Yap hangar repairs and aircraft parts.

ALL STATES

• \$342,299 Habele Outer Island Education Fund (NGO) for robotics league in high schools on Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap.

REPUBULIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS (RMI)

National and Local Governments in the Marshall Islands - \$1,546,996

- \$500,000 RMI 2020 Census of Population and Housing project.
- \$350,000 Utrok Clinic and Health Center project.
- \$285,000 Rongelap Atoll solar energy power project for homes.
- \$263,696 Likiep Atoll community dock repair.
- \$100,000 Namo Atoll renewable energy project.
- \$ 48,300 Majuro Atoll project to improve safety in Downtown Majuro.

REPUBLIC OF PALAU

• \$350,000 - Westcare Pacific Islands (NGO) for the Cheberdil Belau Center project.

REGIONAL

- \$246,050 Yap State Public Services Corporation to fund the Pacific Lineman Training Program for the Pacific Insular Areas such as Guam, Saipan, Palau, Majuro, Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap.
- \$174,900 Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (NGO) to cover membership fees for American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau.