

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT
FY 2024



Who are we?

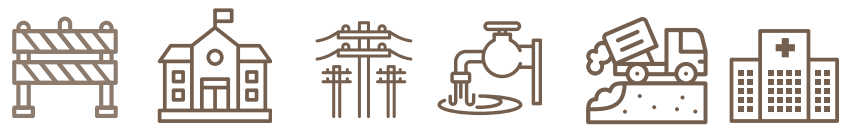
The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is funded by the Office of Insular Affairs, Department of Interior. CIP financially supports a variety of projects towards the development of the Commonwealth's critical infrastructure. These projects boost economic development and attract new investments, helping the CNMI achieve self-sufficiency and improve quality of life.



Our Mission

CIP's mission is to efficiently administer, implement, and manage 702 capital improvement projects funded under the Office of Insular Affairs in accordance with critical needs in areas of health, education, power, water, wastewater, and solid waste in the CNMI.

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HOW ARE WE DOING?

FY 2024 ONGOING PROJECTS

- Program Administration
- Garapan Beach Road Improvements
- CUC Heavy Equipment Procurement
- Saipan and FEMA Cost Share
- DOC Fire Alarm
- Procurement Office Renovation
- New projects listed in the section below



FY 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS



- **Completed the following projects:**
 - NMTI Roof Replacement
 - Attorney General Office Renovation (AGO)
 - Dept. of Finance Building Renovation (SOF)
 - CEDA Building - ADA Compliance
 - PSS Fire Alarm and Sprinklers Upgrade
 - Phase 2: Kalabera Cave Improvements
 - Rota Health Care Improvements
 - Procurement of CUC Crane
 - DOC Surveillance
 - Rota DPW Procurement Heavy Equipment
- **Began construction on the following projects:**
 - DOC HVAC
 - Rota Health Center HVAC



FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

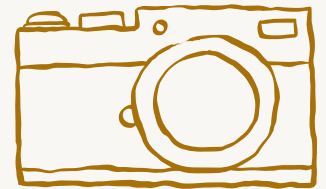
FY 2024 Allocation

Saipan: \$5,899,000.00

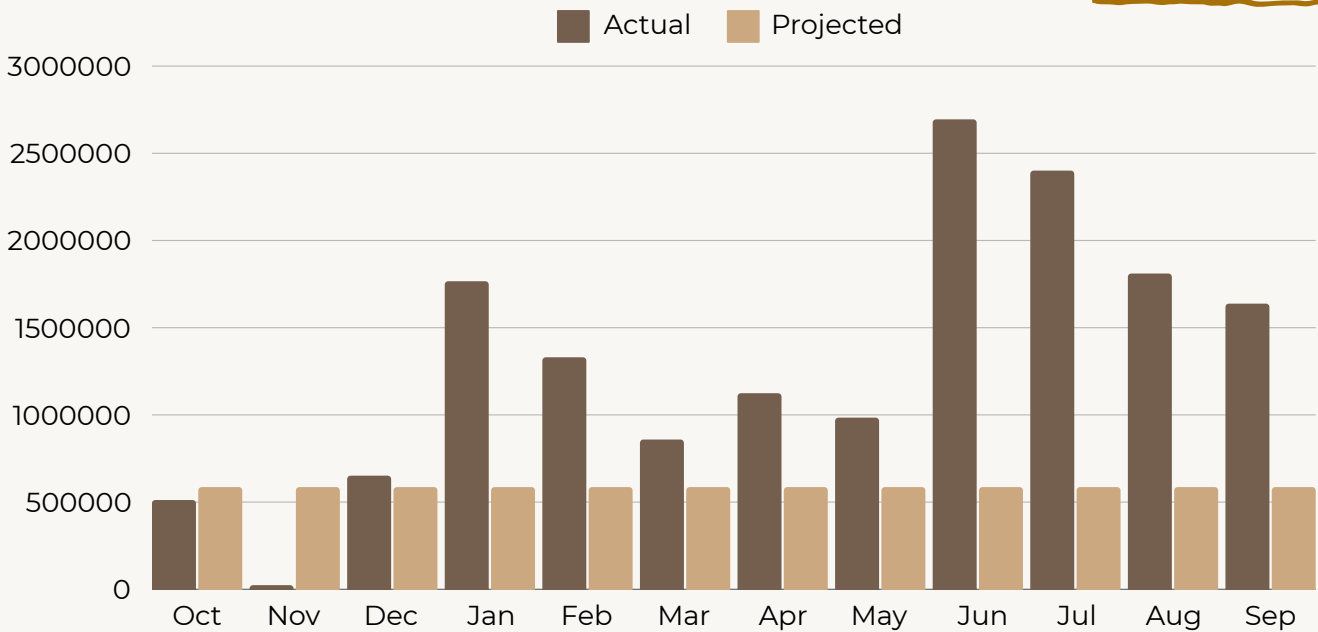
Tinian: \$830,655.00

Rota: \$830,655.00

The Capital Improvement Program receives annual funding from the Office of Insular Affairs through Section 702 of the CNMI Covenant. The annual allocation is determined by a grading system set by the Federal Government. This year's funding was significantly lower due to the CNMI's pending FY 2020 audit. Funds are allocated to all three of the CNMI's populated islands as follows: Saipan 75%, Rota 12.5%, Tinian 12.5%.



FY 2024 Drawdown Overview



The CNMI is seeing increased drawdowns of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funds this fiscal year, driven by ongoing construction projects and program administration. Most projects have received Authorizations to Proceed (ATPs) and are progressing or nearing completion. While NEPA has delayed some grant-approved projects, monthly reviews with OIA and USACE have improved environmental review timelines. However, complex projects requiring Environmental Assessments (EA) or Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) still face challenges.

FY 2025 PROJECTS

Proposed Projects

- Law Enforcement Operational Support
- Route 33 Beach Road Improvements
- Infrastructure Maintenance
- Program Administration
- Rota Sports Facility
- West San Jose Waterline Installation



PROJECTS PENDING NEPA REVIEW

NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) reviews are conducted by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for projects funded by the Office of Insular Affairs



Saipan

- OIT Office Renovation

Tinian

- West San Jose Waterline Installation
- West San Jose Powerline Installation

Rota

- Rota Dugi Waterline Installation
- Rota West Harbor Access Road
- Rota Water Testing at Tatchog Dumpsite

FUTURE CHALLENGES

- CIP's annual funding relies on the CNMI's overall score with OIA, which is significantly influenced by the government's financial status and the Single Audit. Delays in overdue audits adversely affect CIP's annual funding.
- The NEPA review required for federal grants remains a lengthy process, with the duration depending on the project's level of impact.