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GEDA Disburses More Than \$316,000 in QCCC Series 8 Grants.

Tamuning, Guam — The Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA) yesterday hosted a check presentation ceremony recognizing recipients of \$316,858 in grant funding under the Qualifying Certificate Community Contributions (QCCC) Grant Program, Series 8. The ceremony marks another milestone in GEDA's continuing efforts to ensure Guam's economic growth directly supports grassroots initiatives and essential public services across the island.

Since its launch in June 2020 under the Leon Guerrero-Tenorio administration, the QCCC Grant Program has awarded more than \$2.6 million through over 150 community grants. These funds support impactful projects that address critical community needs throughout the island. This latest round of funding, which allowed eligible organizations and agencies to receive up to \$25,000 per award, was made possible through the community contributions of Guam Regional Medical City (GRMC).

"Every grant awarded today represents an investment in the people of Guam," said Governor Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero. "Through partnerships like the QCCC Grant Program, we're empowering organizations that are improving lives, preserving our culture, strengthening public services, and creating opportunities that will benefit our island for generations to come. I commend GRMC for its continued partnership, and GEDA for bridging the gap between economic development and community wellness."

Series 8 funding supports a diverse mix of public services and community programs, spanning five categories: (1) Healthcare, (2) Public Safety, (3) Economic Development, (4) Higher Education, and (5) Cultural Preservation.

Lt. Governor Joshua F. Tenorio said the program demonstrates the value of collaboration between government and the private sector. "The QCCC Grant Program reflects what is possible when government, nonprofit organizations, and private industry work together toward a common purpose," said Tenorio. "These grants help community organizations expand their reach and continue delivering programs that make a meaningful difference in the lives of our people. We are proud to support the nonprofits and agencies carrying out the important work of improving Guam's quality of life."

GEDA CEO/Administrator Christina D. Garcia highlighted how these investments ripple across the island. "We are grateful for Guam Regional Medical City's continued commitment to giving back to our island through the QCCC Grant Program," Garcia said. "Series 8 demonstrates the far-reaching impact these investments have across Guam by supporting organizations that educate our youth, improve public health and safety, preserve our heritage, and expand economic opportunity. Together, we are creating lasting benefits that reach every corner of our community."

[ATTACHED PHOTO]: Pictured are QCCC Series 8 recipients during the check presentation ceremony held in the large conference room at Adelup, on July 15, 2026.

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