

**GHURA WILL BENEFIT FROM STIMULUS FUNDING
CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM RECOVERY (CFPR) GRANT**

Roof coating, exterior painting, and replacement of worn-out kitchen cabinet and countertops are just some of the improvements planned for the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority's (GHURA) public housing units with a grant awarded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA 2009). The Authority, which owns 750 public housing units, was awarded \$1,984,169 in economic stimulus funds.

"It's more money than we anticipated," said Raymond F.Y. Blas, Acting Executive Director of GHURA. "It is a very good thing." The funds will provide a great boost to the economy and to our developments with the list of projects that were prioritized in anticipation of stimulus funds. "All we did is move items for future years forward," he said. The stimulus funds are anticipated to cover the following projects:

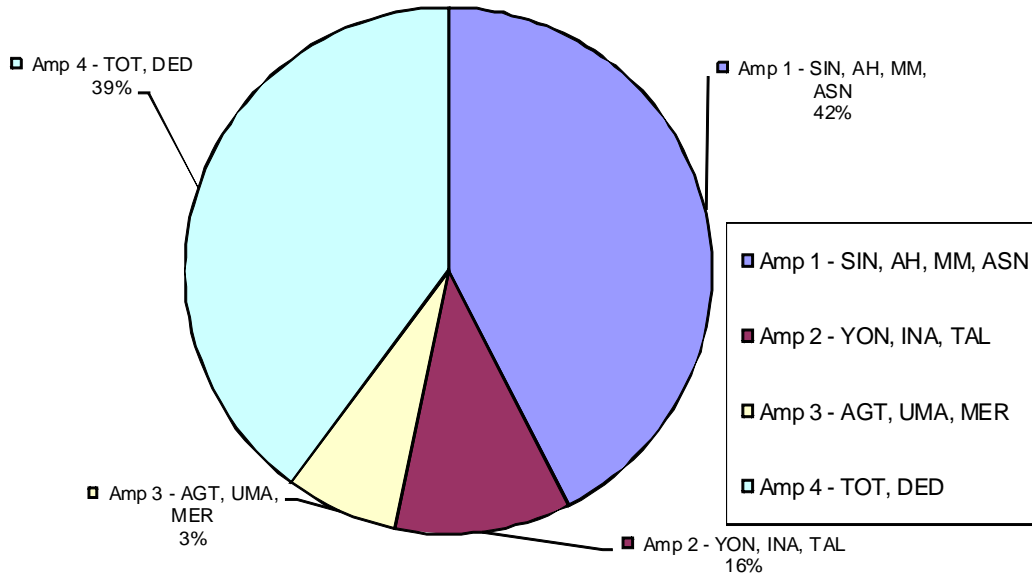
- Roof Coating at Various Units; proposed project to address 339 units at Sinajana, Agana Heights, Mongmong, Toto, Asan, Dededo, and Talofoto; estimated cost at \$1.2 million. This project will stop roof leaks and keep the heat out; this will also help reduce the power bills in the long run.
- Exterior Painting at Various Units; proposed project to address 333 units at Sinajana, Agana Heights, Mongmong, Toto and Talofoto; estimated cost at \$500,000. This project will improve our units and add value. This will also lower utility bills and provide a pleasing environment to the developments.
- Kitchen Cabinet Replacement at Various Units; proposed project to address 322 units at Sinajana, Agana Heights, Mongmong, Toto, Yona and Agat; estimated cost at \$200,000.
- Other proposed projects: Energy Efficient Lighting at 750 units and offices; upgrade 504 accessibility at 35 units and developments; address soil erosion around units and developments-estimated cost at \$84,169.

"This will allow GHURA the ability to address more houses in each property development instead of just one per development," Blas said. The funds couldn't come at a better time for our contractors.

"Sometimes people question why we do not get things corrected sooner, and usually it is a funding issue," said Modernization Coordinator Philly San Nicolas. "This helps to take care of things and, in the meantime, creates some jobs in the construction area, and that is always welcome."

GHURA will be working alongside with Guam Environmental Protection Agency/Energy Office in obtaining weatherization funding for our public housing units. This funding will be geared towards retrofitting the public housing units with energy-efficient lighting, replacing old refrigerators with energy star models, to name a few.

**Public Housing Capital Fund
Estimated Funding (by AMP site)
Stimulus Initiative**



Property Site	Estimated Dollars from Stimulus Initiative	Proposed Projects	UPDATE (as of 7/31/09)
Amp 1 - SIN, AH, MM, ASN	\$830,518	Exterior Painting (GH250), Roof Coating/Heat Reduction (GH250), Kitchen Cabinets/Counters (GH250)	
Amp 2 - YON, INA, TAL	\$307,621	Roof Coating/Heat Reduction (GH28), Kitchen Cabinets/Counters (GH100)	
Amp 3 - AGT, UMA, MER	\$66,452	Kitchen Cabinets/Counters (GH100)	
Amp 4 - TOT, DED	\$779,578	Exterior Painting (GH250), Roof Coating/Heat Reduction (GH250), Kitchen Cabinets/Counters (GH250)	
TOTAL	\$1,984,169		