

# **GUAM COMMISSION FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION**



## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Guam Commission for Educator Certification is to ensure that all certified Guam educators responsible for the education of our children are competent to perform their duties as teachers, school counselors, librarians, and school administrators. GCEC is a separate entity governed by a seven (7) member Board of Commissioners. Over 3,000 educators and 8,000 certificates have been processed through GCEC. Some educators hold one or more certificates, while others have moved off-island keeping their certificate current.

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# **CENTRIC REPORT 2023**

July 2024

# PERFORMANCE REPORTS

## Total GCEC Certifications Issued in Fiscal Year 2023



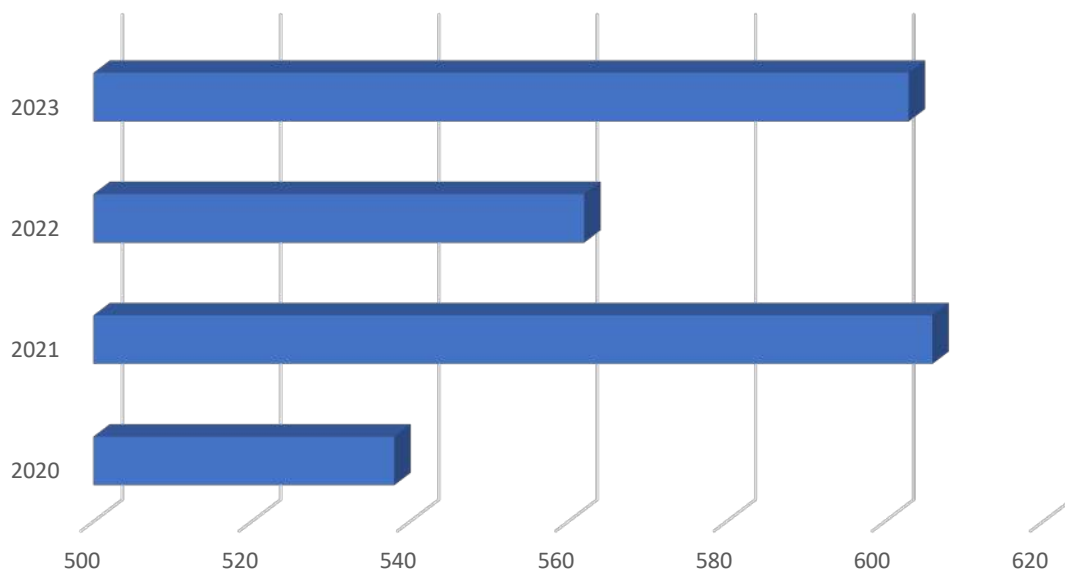
## GCEC Customer Service Data for Fiscal Year 2023

**EMAILS: 3,388**

**PHONE CALLS: 5,550**

**WALK-IN: 420**

Certifications Issued from 2020 to 2023



## **GCEC Special Fund Expenditures for FY2023**

Salaries	\$181,279
Fringe Benefits	\$66,474
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$247,753</b>

For fiscal year 2023, GCEC Special Fund Allotment was \$228,856 and Expenditures were \$247,753.

Revenues from Fees Collected in fiscal year 2023 was \$35,460 and Expenditures were \$32,478.

Revenues from the American Rescue Plan of 2021 (Federal) was \$145,346 and Expenditures were \$95,567.

Total Revenues for fiscal year 2023 was \$409,662 less Total Expenditures of \$375,798.

### **NO FINANCIAL AUDIT WAS PERFORMED IN FISCAL YEAR 2023**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Outreach visit to Guam schools by providing information reference to the application process and requirements for certification.
- Limited-Term Staff hired utilizing American Rescue Plan Funds of 2021 to assist with office operations.
- GCEC's new website is implemented and is active online.
- GCEC Commissioners presented a GCEC Video on Ethics at the NASDTEC Conference: (94<sup>th</sup> NASDTEC 2023 Conference Phoenix, AZ June 10-13. Dr. Lisa Baza-Cruz shared that they received high praises from NASDTEC for the video on ethics created by Dr. Aldrin Cajigal and David Mercado.)

#### **CHALLENGES**

- Budgetary restriction limits GCEC's ability to become fully staffed to fulfill all of the commission's mandates.
- Destruction of Typhoon Mawar, power outage restricts general office operations.
- Air Conditioning, Internet, Phone, and Mold Mitigation issues continue in current building.
- Remote access Issues with the Department of Administration's AS400 (Strategi).

#### **OUTLOOK**

- Encourage Guam educators to become certified and to keep up with their renewal of certificates.
- Continue to solicit budgetary support to full fund fiscal year 2024 special fund budget request.
- Ensure GCEC Commission members and staff are in compliance with the code of ethics mandates.
- Ensure GCEC employees are in compliance with Government procurement mandates.

## **GCEC COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Roberta M. Abaday, CHAIR (Community Representative)

Lisa Baza-Cruz, Ed. D., VICE-CHAIR (Terminal Degree-Education Rep.)

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Lisa Cooper-Nurse, Ed D. (Administrator Representative)

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