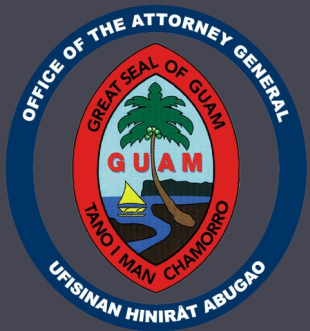


# 2012 Ufisinan Hinirat Abugao . Office of the Attorney General CITIZENS CENTRIC REPORT

## Our Mission:

*To enforce Guam's laws fairly and impartially, ensuring justice and safety for all of her resident's as well as providing legal advice and representation of the highest quality to agencies, officers and employees of the Government of Guam.*



Hafa Adai and Welcome to the Office of the Attorney General's 2012 Citizens Centric Report. This serves as a condensed summary of the activities within the Office for Fiscal Year 2012.

Attorney General Leonardo M. Rapadas humbly serves as Guam's third elected chief legal officer. Tasked with protecting the interests and safety of our community, he proudly leads 171 public servants working in one of five Divisions housed within the Office of the Attorney General: Administration; Child Support; Civil/ Solicitors; Family/Juvenile; and Prosecution.

We are committed to enforcing local and applicable federal laws for our island community. We prosecute adult and juvenile criminal offenders; litigate to protect our children and man'amko from abuse; provide legal advice and guidance to the executive and legislative branches of government as well as Government of Guam agencies, boards and commissions; safeguard children's rights to receive financial support from non-custodial parents; and defend government agencies and officers in court.

Staffing Pattern	
Attorneys	53
Investigators	18
Support Staff	105
Total: 171	



Attorney General Leonardo M. Rapadas

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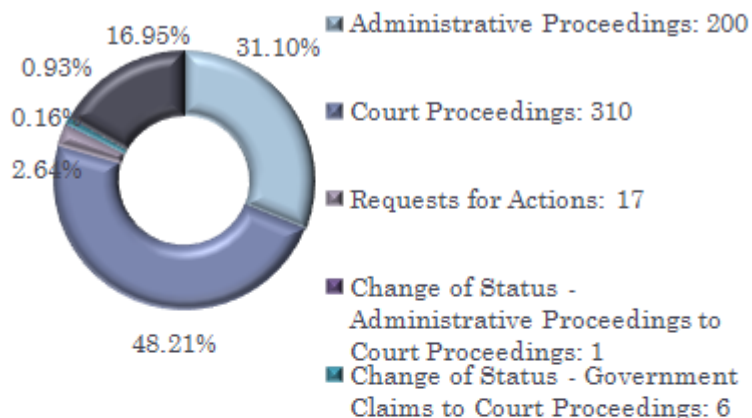
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# Our Performance.

Each Division of the Office of the Attorney General plays a crucial role in protecting the interests of the Government and People of Guam. Nearly all divisions have seen an increase in either cases received or monies collected. The Child Support Division saw a huge increase in monies collected as a result of local tax offset distributions. The Civil Litigation and Solicitor's Division continues to see a steady increase in requests from government agencies. The caseload for the Juvenile Division has skyrocketed in the last year and the Prosecution Division continues to receive an influx of cases from the Guam Police Department and other law enforcement agencies. Below is a summary of each Division's caseload in correlation with its function as public servants.

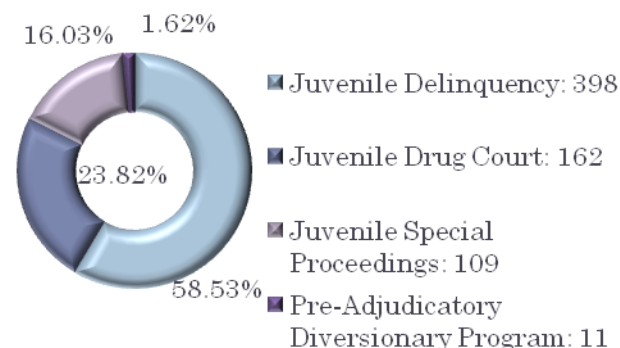
## Civil Litigation

Total Requests: 534



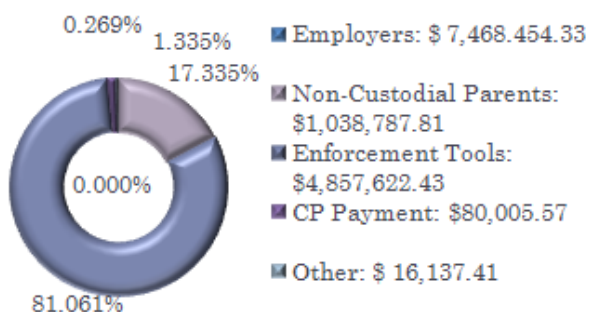
## Family/Juvenile

Total Cases Received: 680



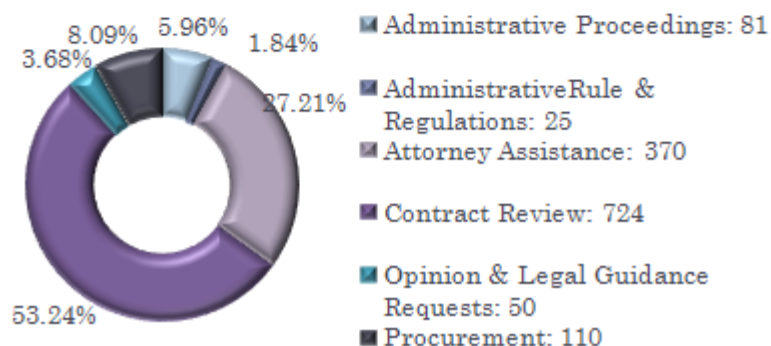
## Child Support

Total Amount Collected: \$14,489,206.



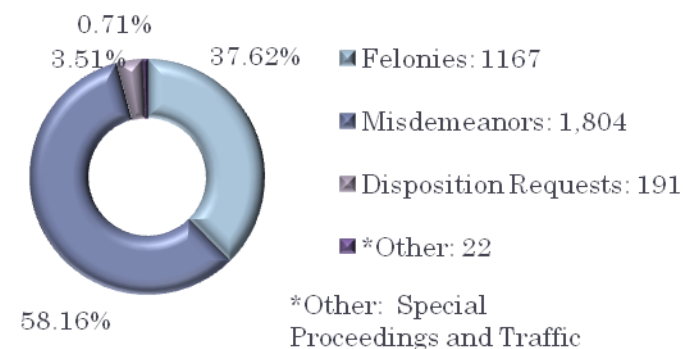
## Civil Solicitor

Total Requests: 1,360



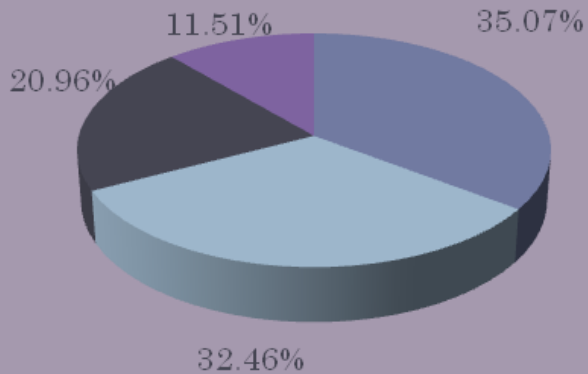
## Prosecution

Total Cases Received: 3,184



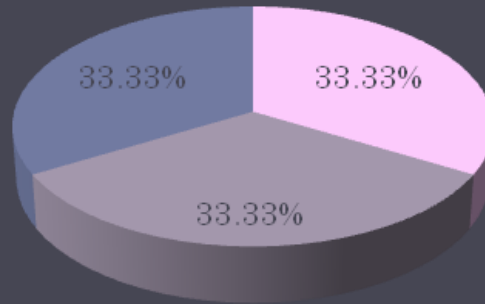
**Our Budget.** The Office of the Attorney General, like other Government of Guam agencies, faced many financial difficulties and unanticipated costs for its operations during Fiscal Year 2012. The Office has however, as in previous years, managed to both operate and stay within the fiscal year budget. The Office instituted and improved the financial oversight of all the operations and related costs and expenditures of its various divisions and has implemented and enforced cost-cutting measures throughout. The Office continued to seek alternative sources of funding other than local fund monies for the recruitment and hiring of much needed attorneys and support staff to meet the high caseload numbers and growing demands for legal services for the various Government of Guam agencies.

### General Fund



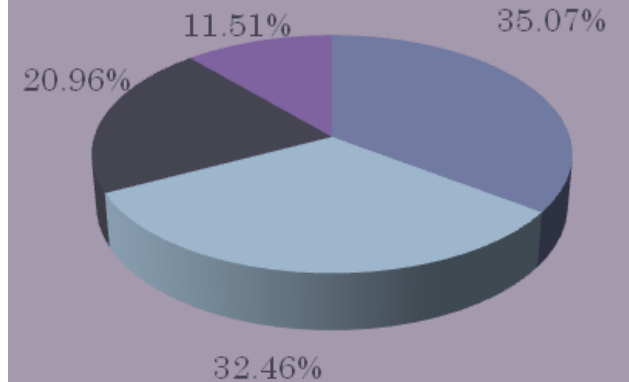
- Original: \$12,713,496
- Final: \$11,768,303
- Actual: \$7,596,832
- Variance: \$4,171,471

### Federal Fund



- Original: \$1,456,538.00
- Final: \$1,456,538.00
- Actual: \$1,456,538.00
- Variance: \$0.00

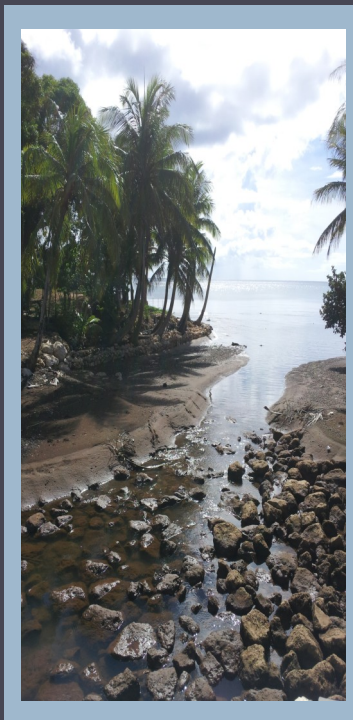
### General Fund Comparative to the Year Ended September 30, 2011



- Original: \$12,713,496
  - Final: \$11,768,303
  - Actual: \$7,596,832
  - Variance: \$4,171,471
- FY 2011: \$6,683,255  
FY 2012: \$7,418,296

An independent audit was conducted, resulting in a clean audit opinion. For complete financial information, please visit our website at [www.guamag.org](http://www.guamag.org).

# 2014 Ufisinan Hinirat Abugao . Office of the Attorney General Future Outlook



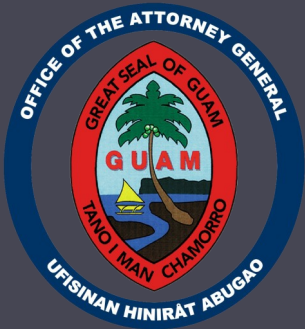
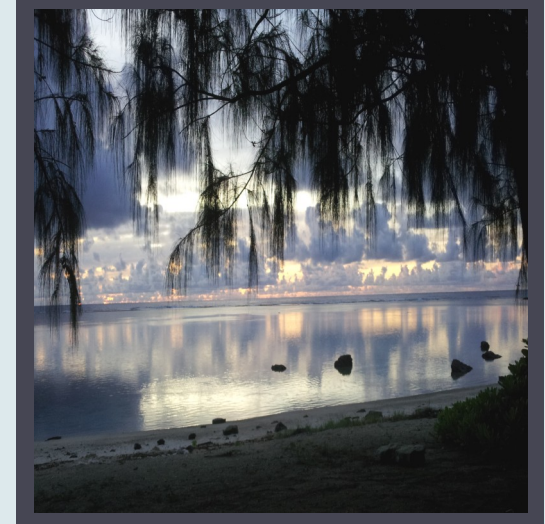
Attorney General Leonardo M. Rapadas looks forward to serving another year alongside his dedicated staff, with several initiatives and improvements already in progress.

AG Rapadas is determined to get the Family Violence registry- a domestic violence registry that creates a central database containing information on repeat domestic violence offenders for the general public 24 hours a day- online within the next year.

He also intends to activate the Distracted Driving Campaign in which our Office will work with several businesses to educate the community on the dangers of inattentive driving.

Improved communications between the Child Support Division and the public can be expected because a call center has been established with the goal that every phone call gets answered and reaches the necessary party. The Division also hopes to offer enhanced online services that will allow parents and guardians to track their own cases and make online payments.

We are also looking to increase personnel in the Prosecution Division and the Victim Witness *Ayuda* Services Unit to better serve the growing needs of our island. This increase in personnel will also allow us to take advantage of a training grant we recently received from the Department of Interior for our white collar and government corruption prosecution and investigation which will, in turn, increase our joint efforts with our federal counterparts to continue serving and safeguarding the Government of Guam and her People.



How did we do on our reporting this year? Do you have recommendations on how we can improve? We welcome all comments and suggestions! Please direct them to Carlina Charfauros, Public Information Officer for the Office of the Attorney General. You may reach her at 475-3324 ext.5020 or at [ccharfauros@guamag.org](mailto:ccharfauros@guamag.org)