

# Kumision Eleksion Guåhan

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# Guam Election Commission

“Your Vote is your voice.”

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## GEC Members

- Joseph F. Mesa (R), Chairman
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  - G. Patrick Civile (I)
  - Joseph P. Mafnas (D)
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- (D) = Democrat, (R) = Republican, (I) = Independent  
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## Who qualifies to register?

An individual must meet the following qualifications as provided in 3GCA §3101 to be a registered voter on Guam:

- ✓ Must be a citizen of the United States of America.
- ✓ Must be a resident of Guam.
- ✓ Must be 18 years of age by the day set for an election.
- ✓ Must not be committed under a sentence of imprisonment.
- ✓ Must not be confined to a mental institution.
- ✓ Must not be judicially declared insane.

## Who qualifies for the Decolonization Registry?

The Guam Decolonization Registry is the index of Guam Native Inhabitants who will vote in a plebiscite on the political status wishes of the People of Guam. You are a “Native Inhabitant of Guam” if you or any of your ancestors:

- ✓ Became U.S. Citizens by the 1950 Organic Act of Guam.
- ✓ Were “Inhabitants of Guam” on or before April 11, 1899, and were not already U.S. Citizens and chose not to seek citizenship elsewhere.

Decolonization Registry	1	2	3
Registered Native Inhabitants	8,032	3,950	8,423

1. Total Native Inhabitants registered on Oct. 1, 2014.
2. Chamorro Land Trust Commission Lessees per 3GCA §21002.1.
3. Native Inhabitants GEC registered on Sept. 30, 2015.

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Guam Election Commission is to conduct elections in accordance with Guam and Federal laws with an efficient and effective voting process.

## Guam Election Commission (GEC)

The GEC is an autonomous and independent commission of the Government of Guam. The Commission is made up of seven members, all of whom are registered voters of Guam. *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* (Governor of Guam) appoints six members, three from each political party through recommendations made by the Democrat and Republican parties. The seventh member is selected and appointed by the six members. Members serve a two-year term.

The Guam Election Commission’s administrative arm rests with Executive Director Maria I.D. Pangelinan, who serves at the pleasure of the Commission. Including the Executive Director, GEC’s full-time staff consists of fourteen employees. Precinct Officials and temporary employees are hired to work the elections. Guam has nineteen voting districts and fifty-eight precincts within the districts.

## Goals and Objectives

The Guam Election Commission strives to provide a fair, honest, and orderly election process, and ensure timely election returns and resolutions on issues/questions.

Administrative responsibilities include certification of candidates, voter registration, setting up twenty-one polling places and the Election Return Center, the recruitment of Volunteer and District Registrars, Decolonization Registrars, Precinct Officials, Poll Maintenance Workers and Ballot Machine Tabulators. The GEC is also mandated to advise “officials” of the Public Officials Financial Disclosure Act and candidates’ requirement to file Election Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Report.

The Decolonization Registry is administered by the GEC. Native Inhabitants may register at the GEC during the work week, with deputized voter registrars around the island throughout the year, or at the polling sites on Election Day.

## 2014 General Election Demographics

Full-time employees	14
District Voter Registrars	28
District Decolonization Registrars	16
Telephone Operators (Election Day)	8
Poll Workers / Tabulators	28
Precinct Officials	290
Precincts	58
Polling Places	21

## 2014 General Election Results

### Voter Participation (2014 – 2010)

General Election	2014	2012	2010	2008	2006	2004
Registered Voters	51,975	50,701	52,821	50,806	55,311	54,940
Total Voted	37,373	34,124	40,616	35,092	40,220	36,678
% Voted	72%	67%	77%	69%	73%	67%

### Partisan

Governor and Lt. Governor	Votes
<b>CALVO, TENORIO (Rep)</b>	<b>22,512</b>
GUTIERREZ, GUMATAOTAO (Dem)	12,712
Write-In	117

Guam Legislature	Votes
<b>AGUON JR., Frank Blas (Dem)</b>	<b>23,223</b>
<b>RODRIGUEZ, JR., Dennis G. (Dem)</b>	<b>21,820</b>
<b>ADA, Tony (Rep)</b>	<b>20,410</b>
<b>ESPALDON, Jim (Rep)</b>	<b>19,564</b>
<b>MORRISON, Tommy A. (Rep)</b>	<b>19,501</b>
<b>ADA, Thomas C. (Dem)</b>	<b>19,129</b>
<b>TORRES, Mary Camacho (Rep)</b>	<b>17,876</b>
<b>UNDERWOOD, Nerissa Bretania (Dem)</b>	<b>16,855</b>
<b>WON PAT, Judith T. Perez</b>	<b>16,822</b>
<b>SAN NICOLAS, Michael F.Q. (Dem)</b>	<b>16,738</b>
<b>MUNA BARNES, Tina (Dem)</b>	<b>16,635</b>
<b>BLAS, Frank F. Jr. (Rep)</b>	<b>16,565</b>
<b>CRUZ, Benjamin J.F. (Dem)</b>	<b>16,050</b>
<b>RESPICIO, Rory J. (Dem)</b>	<b>15,774</b>
<b>MCCREADIE, Brant T. (Rep)</b>	<b>15,577</b>
YAMASHITA, Ph. D., Aline A. (Rep)	15,240
DUENAS, Christopher M. (Rep)	15,072
CASTRO, Wil (Rep)	14,616
MENDIOLA, Adonis J.C. (Rep)	13,284
LEON GUERRERO, Glenn A. (Rep)	13,081
PALACIOS, Adolpho Borja (Dem)	12,498
GUTHERTZ, Dr. Judith Paulette (Dem)	11,959
CRISTOBAL, Hope Alvarez (Dem)	10,845
BLAS, Roland (Rep)	10,288
BAZA-HILLS, Derick (Dem)	9,295
TAITANO, MiChelle Hope (Rep)	8,973
BENAVENTE, Felix C. (Rep)	7,017
PEREZ, Valentino Gumataotao (Rep)	6,777
CRUZ, JR., Rodney A. (Dem)	6,456
UNGACTA, Frank T., Jr. (Dem)	3,357
Write-In	566

Non-Voting Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives	Votes
<b>BORDALLO, Madeleine Z. (Dem)</b>	<b>20,693</b>
METCALFE, Margaret G. (Rep)	14,956
Write-In	113

### Non Partisan

Attorney General	Votes
<b>BARRETT-ANDERSON, Elizabeth</b>	<b>23,260</b>
RAPADAS, Leonardo M.	11,608
Write-In	48

Judicial Retention Question for Honorable Robert J. Torres	Votes
<b>YES</b>	<b>24,635</b>
NO	5,242

Judicial Retention Question for Honorable Michael J. Bordallo	Votes
<b>YES</b>	<b>24,361</b>
NO	3,973

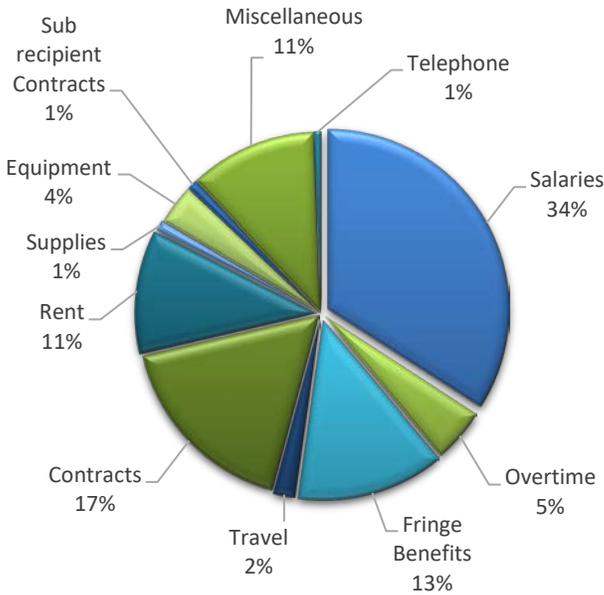
Guam Education Board	Votes
<b>ADA, Peter Alexxis D.</b>	<b>20,726</b>
<b>CRUZ, Dr. Jose Q.</b>	<b>16,514</b>
<b>SAN NICOLAS, Lourdes B.S.</b>	<b>14,886</b>
<b>BENAVENTE, Lourdes M.</b>	<b>14,846</b>
<b>SAN AGUSTIN, Albert T.</b>	<b>14,824</b>
<b>GUTIERREZ, Maria A.</b>	<b>13,462</b>
TAINATONGO, Rosie Rivera	12,484
SANTOS, Joseph Cruz	11,701
AYUYU, Ronald A.	9,256

Consolidated Commission on Utilities	Votes
<b>SANCHEZ II, Simon A.</b>	<b>17,692</b>
<b>SANTOS, Francis E.</b>	<b>9,835</b>
<b>BAMBA, Joseph G.</b>	<b>8,787</b>
<b>PALOMO, Benigno M.</b>	<b>8,302</b>
<b>HAGEN, William</b>	<b>8,229</b>
<b>HARA, Eloy P.</b>	<b>7,411</b>
LEON GUERRERO, Andrew S.	7,298
PAYNE, William	4,879
GARRIDO, Earl J.	4,761
SERVINO, Jose S.	4,156
TUPAZ, Fred Quinene	3,388
Write-In	58

Legislative Submitted Referendum: Proposal 14A The Joaquin (KC) Concepcion II Compassion Cannabis Use Act of 2013	Votes
<b>YES</b>	<b>24,635</b>
NO	5,242

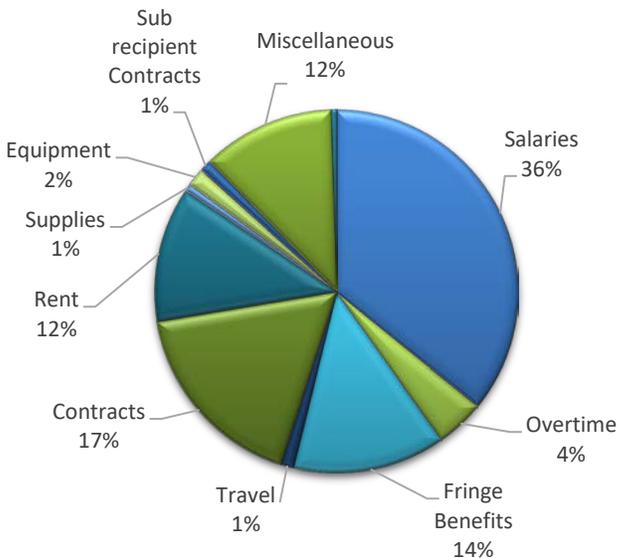
# Guam Election Commission Finances

## Fiscal Year 2015 Appropriations



Appropriations	2015	2014	%
Salaries	471,409	343,191	37.4%
Overtime	67,045	71,488	-6.2%
Fringe Benefits	183,523	129,859	41.3%
Travel	27,000	--	--
Contracts	237,867	145,767	63.2%
Rent	153,128	133,679	14.6%
Supplies	14,000	10,667	31.3%
Equipment	50,000	7,019	612.3%
Drug Testing	80	240	-66.7%
Sub recipient Contracts	12,800	15,709	-18.5%
Miscellaneous	158,000	120,689	30.9%
Telephone	8,000	6,187	29.3%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,382,852</b>	<b>987,497</b>	<b>40%</b>
HAVA funding*	*	100,000	--
P.L. 32-171*	44,667.34	266,550	-83.2%
Decolonization Registry**	26,092.27	110,467	-76.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,453,611</b>	<b>1,464,514</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>

## Fiscal Year 2015 Expenditures



## General Fund Expenditures

Expenditures	2015	2014	%
Salaries	457,076	343,190	33.2%
Overtime	55,513	71,487	-22.4%
Fringe Benefits	173,700	129,858	33.8%
Travel	14,582	--	--
Contracts	222,096	145,761	52.4%
Rent	153,128	133,679	14.6%
Supplies	8,933	10,591	-15.7%
Equipment	20,394	7,019	190.6%
Drug Testing	40	240	-83.3%
Sub recipient Contracts	12,800	15,709	-18.5%
Miscellaneous	151,063	120,689	25.2%
Telephone	6,303	6,187	1.9%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,275,627</b>	<b>984,397</b>	<b>29.6%</b>
P.L. 32-171	44,289	221,882	-80%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,319,916</b>	<b>1,209,279</b>	<b>9.2%</b>

## Significant Changes in FY 2015

- The significant increase of expenditures can be attributed to the increase in wages for precinct officials and increase in cost for equipment and supplies.
- The increase in appropriation can be attributed to preparation for the General election with new procedures mandated by Public Law 31-61 as well as the purchases of ballots stock and new tabulation equipment.
- Additional appropriations were requested subject to Public Law 32-134 to include the legislative submitted referendum for medicinal cannabis on the General Election ballot.

## Guam Decolonization Registry Expenditures

Expenditures	2015	2014	%
Salaries	--	51,985	--
Fringe Benefits	--	19,153	--
Contracts	925	9,222	-90%
Supplies	--	1,291	--
Equipment	--	2,722	--
Miscellaneous	4,590	--	--
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>5,514.75</b>	<b>84,374</b>	<b>-93.5%</b>



### Upcoming Elections

#### 2016 Elections

##### Primary Election

Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

##### Offices Up for Election

- ✓ Mayors (1 seat; 19 villages)
- ✓ Vice Mayors (1 seat; 7 villages)
- ✓ Non-Voting Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives (1 seat)
- ✓ *I Mina' Trentai Tres na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (15 seats)
- ✓ Public Auditor (1 seat)

##### General Election

Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

##### Offices Up for Election

- ✓ Mayors (1 seat; 19 villages)
- ✓ Vice Mayors (1 seat; 7 villages)
- ✓ Non-Voting Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives (1 seat)
- ✓ *I Mina' Trentai Tres na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (15 seats)
- ✓ Public Auditor (1 seat)
- ✓ Guam Education Board
- ✓ Consolidated Commission on Utilities
- ✓ U.S. Presidential Poll

### Looking Forward

In anticipation of future elections, the GEC continues to strive in:

- Preparing for the upcoming 2014 General Election ensuring that elections are conducted in a fair, efficient, and effective manner.
- Preparing use of new tabulation machines and new voting booths for all precincts.
- Continuing efforts to register Native Inhabitants for the Guam Decolonization Registry.

### Challenges

The GEC confronts issues and barriers with:

- Populating the Native Inhabitants of Guam Decolonization Registry
- Increasing the number of registered voters and voter participation.
- Preparing for the legislative submitted referendum for medicinal cannabis as issued by Public Law 32-134.
- Validating the voter registry.
- Hiring of 290 precinct officials; 21 poll maintenance workers; 8 telephone operators, 4 homebound officials; and 8 tabulators.
- Payment for outstanding prior year obligations



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