

# \$14.1M in unemployment aid could be out as early as Friday

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Another \$14.1 million in federal unemployment benefits has been released this week, and should be able to reach pandemic-displaced workers by Friday or Monday.

This brings to \$560 million the total federal unemployment assistance that the Guam Department of Labor said it has distributed since June.

GDOL on Tuesday said the \$14.1 million is for the following:

- \$7.6 million in Pandemic Unem-

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- \$6.5 million in Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation

- \$58,500 in Lost Wages Assistance

Another \$1.2 million will go toward withholding taxes.

The department plans to continue batching unemployment claims biweekly. This means the next batching will be on March 2, and actual payments a few days later.

More than 30,000 private-sector workers displaced by the COVID-19 pandemic received PUA, FPUC and LWA in 2020.

The number of recipients dramatically declined when those on reduced work hours stopped getting benefits that, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, they shouldn't have received in 2020.

A misinterpretation on the part of Guam and other states and territories led to the improper payments, but USDOL has not required repayment.

As of this week, Adelup said Gov. Lou Leon Guerrero has not received a response from USDOL on the governor's request to allow those working on reduced hours to be eligible for PUA and

other federal unemployment programs.

## More funds from USDOL

The U.S. Department of Labor loaded another \$181 million into the payment management system to enable GDOL to continue batching and paying unemployment claims.

It includes \$97 million in PUA and \$84 million in FPUC.

"We were able to get these funds into our system in just over a week, which is unprecedented," Guam Labor Director David Dell'Isola said in a statement. "I have to give credit to my hardworking staff, including my administrative services officer for having the request ready to go."

The funds are in addition to the \$511 million-plus from USDOL and \$45 million-plus from the Federal Emergency Management Agency that Guam received in 2020 for unemployment relief.

## Good To Go, Guam Girl Scouts partner for cookie-delivery campaign

Whether it's thin mints or shortbread cookies from Guam Girl Scouts Inc. that bring you joy, you can now have your favorite boxes of goodness delivered to your doorstep.

Good To Go has partnered with Guam Girl Scouts Inc. to offer Guamanians safe and easy options to receive the annual treats.

Kevin Hashimoto, Good To Go chief

executive officer, met with Guam Girl Scouts Executive Director Karina Quito to discuss a new approach to cookie season in light of the current pandemic as well as the community's growing desire for convenience.

With this new partnership, Good To Go and the Guam Girl Scouts are launching their Girl Scout cookies take-out and delivery campaign.

The campaign offers a safe and affordable way for Scouts to sell their cookies and for residents to enjoy their favorite cookies.

"With social distancing and frequent

sanitizing being the new norm, safety is their No. 1 priority at the Guam Girl Scouts," according to a press release. "Together with Good To Go, they aim to provide a safe cookie delivery service to the island community as well as giving those the option to pick up their cookies at the Girl Scouts headquarters located in Tamuning."

(Daily Post Staff)

## Cookies to go

Residents interested in supporting the Guam Girl Scouts can place cookie orders for delivery or pick up today and have them delivered by Feb. 25 using one of the three Good To Go booking portals: online at [www.goodtogo-deliver.com](http://www.goodtogo-deliver.com); using the Good To Go Mobile App; or by calling (671) 300-7890.

## GUAM HAWGS MOTORCYCLE CLUB

FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
January 01 - December 31, 2020

	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
Children's Fund			
Opening Balance Jan. 1, 2020:			\$ 59,960.27
Revenue:			
Donations	\$ 854.13		
Candy Run	\$ 1,590.00		
Christmas in July	\$ 50.98		
Revenue Sub-Total	\$ 2,495.11		
Expenditures:			
Operating Expenses	(\$ 23.00)		
Child Med Donations	(\$ 15,000.00)		
Event Expenses	(\$ 5,351.00)		
Expenditure Sub-total	(\$ 20,374)		
Bank Pacific Closing Balance December 31, 2020			\$ 42,081.38
General Fund			
Opening Balance Jan. 1, 2020:			\$ 3,995.84
Revenue:			
Membership Dues	\$ 1,838.09		
Merchandise Sales	\$ 1,367.87		
Donation	\$ 843.07		
Revenue Sub-Total	\$ 4,049.03		
Expenditures:			
Operating Expenses	(\$ 957.41)		
Event Expenses	(\$ 152.72)		
Expenditure Sub-Total	(\$ 1,110.13)		
Bank Pacific Closing Balance December 31, 2020			\$ 6,934.74
Special Fund			
Opening Balance Jan. 1, 2020:			\$ 1,347.15
Revenue:			
Interest	\$ 19.80		
Wounded Warrior	\$ 15,393.22		
Revenue Sub-Total	\$ 15,413.02		
Expenditures:			
Operating Expenses	(\$ 183.40)		
Wounded Warrior Expenses	(\$ 13,152.65)		
Expenditure Sub-Total	(\$ 13,336.05)		
Bank Pacific Closing Balance December 31, 2020			\$ 2,076.97

This statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is supported by the records of the organization.

Prepared by: Timothy Stepp, 2020 Treasurer