

The Guam Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors

# CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT FY2020

(October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020)



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# INTRODUCTION

#### <u>About Us</u>

#### Hafa Adai!

The Guam Registration for Professional Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors (PEALS) was established in August 1960 to over see the licensing of Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors. The Guam PEALS Board carries out its mission through the regulation of these professions by:

- 1. Ensuring those entering the practice meet minimum standards of competency in education, experience and examination.
- 2. Requiring Licensing for any person or firms who practice or offer the practice of engineering, architecture, landscape architecture, land surveying and constructions management
- 3. Establishing standards of practice, enforcing the laws, codes and regulations governing the professional services.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to safeguard the life, health, property and public welfare through the regulations of the practice of Professional Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Surveying.

#### Current Board Members

Maria Elizabeth V. Cristi, PE – Engineer Member - Chairperson Masoud K. Teirmoury, PE – Engineer Member - Vice Chair Cedric Q.T. Cruz, RA – Architect Member - Sec./Treasurer Andrew T. Laguana, RA – Architect Member Paul L. Santos, PLS – Surveyor Member Vincent P. Arriola - DPW Director Cathyann C. Gogue, Public Member

Board Management | Staff

Catherine S. Gutierrez, Executive Board Administrator Nixon N. Isaac, Board Investigator Marie N. Villanueva, Administrative Assistant

#### **OPERATION STRUCTURE**

The Guam PEALS Board is composed of seven (7) members. Five (5) members shall be registered under the provision of 22 GCA Chapter 32. The Director of Public Works and One (1) Public Member. All members except the DPW Director are appointed by the Governor to serve a term for four (4) years. Of the five (5) registered members: two (2) shall be registered architects, two (2) shall be registered engineers and one (1) shall be a land surveyor.

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# WHAT WE DO

#### EXAMS

Architect Registration Exam (ARE) Fundamentals of Engineers (FE) Professional Engineer (PE) Civil (CE) Electrical (EE) Fire Protection (FPE) Mechanical (ME) Structural (SE) California Special Seismic Exam (CSSE) Fundamentals of Surveying Exam (FS)

#### **LICENSES**

Registered Architect (RA) Professional Engineer (PE) Civil Chemical Constructions Management Electrical Environmental Fire Protection

#### ADMINISTATION and SUPPORT

- Provide administrative support to registrants based on regulations governing the practice of Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors
- Review applications and determine eligibility based on education and experience
- > Administer examinations
- Clear building permits by verification of licensee on constructions documents
- Participate in annual meetings for National Council of Architectural Registration Board (NCARB) and National Council of Examination for Engineers and Surveyors (NCEES)

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

- > Conduct investigations into complaints of alleged violations.
- Issue citations and penalize individuals and firms engaged in unlawful practices
- > Enforce laws and standards of the practice of Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors
- Update rules and regulations per national standards and technological advances

### FY2020 REGISTRANTS BY THE NUMBERS

Landscape Architects	7
Professional Engineers	632
Registered Architects	90
Professional Land Surveyors	13

Civil (CE)	374
Chemical (ChemE)	
Construction Management (CM)	59
Electrical (EE)	105
Environmental (EnvE)	14
Fire Protection (FPE)	18
Mechanical (ME)	87
Structural (SE)	27
Architect Engineer (AE)	1
Control System Engineer (CsE)	1
Industrial Engineer (IndE)	1

# OUR FINANCES

The PEALS Board's revenues are derived from fees for applications, fines, permits clearances and registrations. These funds are utilized to administer and enforce the laws relating to professional engineers, architects and land surveyors.

	BUDGET	REVENUE	IE EXPENDITURES
FY2020	312,818	256,944	250,818
EXPENDITURES			
Salaries and Wages		196,010	Expenditures
Contractual Services		30,934	
Rent		18,060	
Supplies		2,810	
Telephone		2,154	
Miscellaneous		850	Salaries and Wages Contractual Services Rent
Total		250,818	Supplies Telephone Miscellaneous

# MOVING FORWARD/CHALLENGES

## Our Future Moving Forward

- > Amend PEALS law and update Rules and Regulations
- Increase Networking with professional groups of Engineers, Architects, Landscape Architects and Land Surveyors
- > Upgrade and promote Land Surveyors Practice
- > Maintain PEALS membership with NCEES and NCARB
- > Promote Public Awareness/Outreach Programs
- > Continuing Education for Registrants

### <u>Challenges</u>

Our main challenge is to increase the number of registered Professional Land Surveyors (PLS). With the demand in surveying and the age of the 17 registered surveyors, new registered surveyors is needed.

### Partnerships

- National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB)
- National Council of Examiners for Engineering & Surveying (NCEES)
- > University of Guam (UOG)
- Guam Community College (GCC)





#### Your Feedback is Important to us!

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any Questions, comments and or recommendations.

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