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**GDOL Recruiting More Workers for GUAM STRONG Initiative**  
*30 Positions to be Filled Through NDWG Program*

The GUAM STRONG Initiative, a project to help repair households impacted by Typhoon Mawar, is now recruiting workers through the National Dislocated Worker Grant (NDWG) Program.

The initiative, Getting Urgent Assistance Mobilized to Support Typhoon Repairs ON Guam (GUAM STRONG), was first launched in August 2023 through coordinated efforts between Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, the Mayors' Council, and FEMA to provide minimal essential repairs to make homes safe, sanitary and functional. Participants were pre-selected through a review process based on a pre-identified need. The process prioritized the elderly, veterans, and those with access and functional needs. Repairs on homes were approved until November 2023 and performed by skilled volunteers from non-profit organizations.

GUAM STRONG has now expanded to begin recruiting workers through the NDWG Program so work can continue through February 25, 2024. The Guam Department of Labor, in partnership with FEMA, is hiring 30 individuals to assist team leads to continue repairs on homes damaged by Typhoon Mawar. NDWG participants must meet certain criteria to qualify.

The priority for eligibility will be given to:

- 1) **Individuals temporarily or permanently laid off as a consequence of the disaster declaration** (Typhoon Mawar)
- 2) **Dislocated Worker/Displaced Homemaker**  
Dislocated Worker is an individual who has been terminated or laid off or has received a notice of termination or layoff from employment.  
Displaced homemaker is an individual who has worked in the home for a number of years and suddenly finds that they are the primary source of household income.
- 3) **Long-term Unemployed**  
Unemployed at the time of eligibility determination; and  
Has been unemployed for 12 or more non-consecutive weeks over the last 26 weeks; and  
Has made an effort to find a job; or  
Is an incarcerated individual within 6 months of release  
OR  
Is underemployed at the time of eligibility determination; and  
Has been unemployed for 12 or more non-consecutive weeks of the last 26 weeks; and  
Has made an effort to find a job with self-sustaining wages/hours.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply at the American Job Center (AJC) located at the GCIC Building, 414 W Soledad Ave, 3rd Floor, Hagåtña, from Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact the AJC at (671) 475-7000/1.

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