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**Seek Immediate Shelter; Super Typhoon Mawar Update; USCG Update;
 Local Radio Stations Providing Updates**

The community is advised to **SEEK IMMEDIATE SHELTER**, if you have not done so already. Once sheltered, stay indoors until COR 4 is announced.

Local Radio Stations Providing Updates:

The Joint Information Center will continue to use all means of communication available throughout the duration of the storm. Tune to the following local radio stations for the latest updates:

- 95.5 FM KStereO
- 93.3 FM The Point
- 93.9 FM The Breeze

Super Typhoon Mawar continues its approach to Guam. As of 4:00 a.m., Super Typhoon Mawar was located 12.5 degrees north latitude and 145.6 degrees east longitude, about 85 miles southeast of Guam and 180 miles south of Saipan. It is moving west-northwest at 5 mph, with maximum sustained winds of 155 mph.

What to Expect:

Super Typhoon Mawar’s passage very near or directly over Guam is imminent. Mawar is expected to strengthen further to a Category 5 typhoon with maximum sustained winds of 160 mph, with gusts approaching 200 mph. This is expected to occur prior to making landfall.

The triple threat of torrential rains that may result in landslides and flash flooding, catastrophic wind, and life-threatening storm surge, are expected for Guam, with potentially catastrophic coastal flooding for southeastern and southern portions of Guam. Governor Lou Leon Guerrero issued Executive Order No. 2023-03 yesterday, relative to the mandatory evacuation of low-lying coastal areas of Guam.

Typhoon conditions, with winds of 74 mph or greater, are likely to begin during the next few hours and increase through the morning. Intense eyewall winds are expected around between noon and 5:00 p.m., where maximum sustained winds of 160 mph, with gusts between 195 and 200 mph are likely.

Emergency Shelter Update:

Residents whose homes are not safe against heavy winds or rains, or those that live in low-lying, flood-prone areas are advised to move to a designated emergency shelter immediately. Emergency Shelter Numbers as of 5 a.m. Wednesday:

AsTumbo Elementary School shelter is closed due to max capacity. Residents in the area are advised to seek shelter in an alternate location.

Emergency Shelter	Current Occupancy	Max Capacity	% Capacity
AsTumbo Elementary	179	200	62%
Machananao Elementary School	235	334	70%
Maria A. Ulloa Elementary School	119	349	33%
Upi Elementary School	44	506	9%

Wettengel Elementary School	33	378	8%
B.P. Carbullido Elementary	30	242	12%
George Washington High School	69	450	15%
Harry S. Truman Elementary	13	422	3%
Inalåhan Middle School	33	352	9%
Merizo Martyrs Memorial School	60	307	20%
Talo'fo'fo Elementary School	48	311	15%
Total	861	3,851	22%

United States Coast Guard Update:

Due to the strength of the Typhoon Mawar U.S. Coast Guard Forces Micronesia Sector Guam Joint Rescue Sub-Center watchstanders transferred the watch to U.S. Coast Guard District 14 for monitoring and response. FM/SG watchstanders are sheltering accordingly. Anyone with search and rescue needs in Guam and the CNMI should call 911, outside Guam and the CNMI and maritime traffic should use Channel 16 or call the District 14 Command Center (24x7): 1-800-331-6176

Visit the following links for the latest advisory information:

- NWS Website: <https://www.weather.gov/gum/>
- NWS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NWSGuam/>
- GHS/OCD Website: <https://ghs.guam.gov/>
- GHS/OCD Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GHSOCD/>
- JRM Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/jrmguam>

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) Suicide & Crisis Lifeline remains operational 24/7. The community may call or text the hotline at 988, or chat online at 988lifeline.org.

For more information, contact the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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