

## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **GUAM BRANCH OFFICE**

# SBA Guam Branch Office Seeks Nominations for the National Small Business Week 2023

**Hagatna, GU** – Do you or someone you know have what it takes to become America's "Small Business Person of the Year" for 2023? If so, the <u>U.S. Small Business Administration</u> (SBA) wants to hear from you.

The SBA is proud to announce that its Guam Branch Office is ready to accept nominations for the 2023 National and Branch Small Business Week Awards, including the annual Small Business Person of the Year Award.

Visit the SBA's dedicated website at <a href="www.sba.gov/nsbw">www.sba.gov/nsbw</a> to download forms, criteria, and guidelines for submitting a nomination. The Guam Branch Office Nomination Guidelines and branch awards categories can be found on the website above.

The SBA Awards given in celebration of National and Branch Small Business Week include the following awards:

### **Guam Branch Office Small Business Week Categories:**

- Small Business Person of the Year (National Award)
- Women in Business Small Business Champion of the Year (Local Award)
- Home-Based Business Champion of the Year (Local Award)
- Minority Small Business Champion of the Year (Local Award)
- Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year (Local Award)

"This year, we will be recognizing and honoring Guam and CNMI's entrepreneurs and champions who have played a major role in the recovery and development of their business economies", said Kenneth Lujan, SBA Branch Manager.

The Guam Branch Office must receive all nominations by *electronic submission* **ONLY** to the Branch's BOX account no later **3:00 p.m. Eastern Time on December 8, 2022**.

To obtain additional information or receive a copy of the National/Guam Branch Nomination Guidelines, please contact Kenneth Lujan at Kenneth.lujan@sba.gov.

The Guam Branch Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration serves the territories of Guam and American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

#### **About the U.S. Small Business Administration**

The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow, expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.sba.gov">www.sba.gov</a>.