

Weekly Wrap-Up Newsletter

The weekly wrap- up newsletter is a platform to link and update staff and project stakeholders on the happenings in all Project Implementation Units (PIUs) and Project Management Unit (PMU) on the progress of projects CAUSE implemented in various communities of Honiara, Guadalcanal (areas outside of town boundary), Auki, Gizo, Noro and Munda.

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NPF youSave reach out to ISDT Graduates



NPF youSave program yesterday did a presentation to former ISDT graduates. In his presentation yesterday Mr. Bird said NPF youSave is a little bit different The new scheme has been designed for the self-employed. It is different to the traditional NPF accounts where employers make contributions. NPF youSave is a NEW option. You can join if you don't already have an NPF account or you don't have savings made for you to NPF by an employer. You, as the contributor, make deposits when you choose. You decide when and how much to save. The awareness is part of assisting former ISDT graduates with information that can help them make inform choices in life.

Malaita Province applaud CAUSE Project



Malaita Province applauded CAUSE Project for the projects implemented in Auki, some of them have completed, others are ongoing and some are in the pipeline. Provincial Secretary for Malaita Province Mr. Fredrick Faabasua said CAUSE Project is one of the few donor funded initiatives that has successfully met its objectives on the ground.

In Auki, the beneficiaries are far wider and bigger than those that we first anticipated. For example, the 200 meters footpath built from the Provincial Assembly Chamber to the Main Provincial Office has catered for more than a thousand population that continue to commute to work, market, school and sporting activities everyday.

PS Faabasua said these include mostly school children, women, youth, provincial government employees and provincial leaders and even Solomon Islands Government officials that travel from Honiara to meet with us in Auki. This is just an example of how beneficial the CAUSE project has been which not only benefited the vulnerable groups but one that has improved the lives of the urban population. Also, the building of basic infrastructure for vulnerable groups and communities, creation of short-term employments, and skill trainings has been really appreciated by the Malaita Provincial Government.

Titinge 1 footpath progress



The Titinge 1 footpath in Guadalcanal is progressing well at the moment. Currently the local workers especially women are working to ensure their footpath is completed in time for them to use especially during this rainy seasons when road becomes muddy and slippery.

Antiock footbridge near completion



Communities living inland of Varacreek known as Antiock will soon be able to walk on a comfortable flatform when their foot bridge is completed. Currently local workers together with CAUSE supervisors are working hard to complete the footbridge in time ahead of the wet season which is next month. Many woman who used to cross the stream every day to do their daily jobs talked high of the help CAUSE did for the community especially for this footbridge which will definitely provide them with easy access to basic services in Honiara city.



The Banana valley satellite market in Gizo is in the final stage of roofing installation. In the coming weeks local workers will work on the slabbing and stool arrangement.

Honiara ISDT batch 40 training



Honiara PMU is currently having its batch 40 training. The training is for communities of Varacreek, Vura and Riffle range.

Health Tips

5 Ways to Maintain a Healthier Lifestyle

- Include fruits and vegetables in your diet.
- Drink water.
- Manage your mental health.
- Destress.
- Exercise.

News / Announcements

- 1. The government is working hard to bring in essential workers for the Tina Hydro Project and the Airport Project. Secretary to Prime Minister (SPM) Dr Jimmie Rodgers says the cabinet lifted the suspension order for the Auckland flight purposely to progress these important national development projects.
- 2. Mr Alan McNeil was sworn in as Solomon Islands' Commissioner of Lands on Thursday 22nd October 2020.
- 3. Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare has confirmed that four returning nationals that arrived via New Zealand have tested positive for COVID-19. The four new positive cases are soccer players based in the UK.
- 4. The first group of quarantined students from the Philippines will be release this week if their final tests are negative.
- 5. Solomon Islanders studying in Taiwan who have missed the recent flight from Auckland will await the next repatriation flight from Auckland government will announce later.

Banana valley satellite market