



# 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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## Mata Valley footbridge in Progress

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Mata Valley footbridge in the lower Kola ridge of Central Honiara is progressing well. This week there was concrete pouring on the basement. Next week the workers will work on aligning the beam on to the basement.

## Barana public space improvement



Work on the Barana public space improvement on their water catchment is progressing well. This week workers put up the structure for the shed.

## Kobito footbridge



The Kobito 2 retaining wall & footbridge wing wall is progressing well. Pouring of concrete is plan for next week. Currently workers are working on aliening the form works.

## Noro market jetty



Work on the Noro market jetty is progressing well despite the continuous bad weather. By next week there will be a big difference on the current stage.

## Gizo market jetty



Construction of the first Gizo market jetty is progressing with workers doing the pile drive. By next week they will work on jetty structure.

## Significant story - Janet Hilson



Janet is a 34-year-old mother of 4 children who lives in Fasitoto community, Auki, Malaita Province. She attended ISDT under Batch 7 in 2019 and in 2020 was engaged in short term work that built the footpath at the Town End school, Auki. Before ISDT, Janet and her husband were both unemployed and their only source of income was from selling of buns and life was very tough economically.

She was desperate for an opportunity to help ease the hardship of trying to survive in an urban setting without a job. In January 2021, Janet saw an advertisement for cleaners for the Auki Town Council, Malaita Province and with the help of the Auki team in job coaching, she placed an application and was shortlisted for an interview. Janet said the mock interview session done in the 'Seeking Employment' session of the ISDT and interview coaching received had greatly helped her to confidently answer the questions asked during the interview. Janet got the job she applied for and she is very thankful to the CAUSE Project.

## Agape road



Work on the concrete road at Agape of West Honiara has started. A visit to the site this afternoon witnessed workers working on the already slab section. By next week they will move further down and hopefully by the end of the month it should be in the completion stage.

## News/ Announcements.

1. The roll out of the AstraZeneca vaccine second dose for those who received their first dose in March, April and May at the Central Field Hospital in Honiara has commenced yesterday.
2. Ten Solomon Islanders, who travelled to Australia last month received training on Work, Health, and Safety (WHS) measures for the Australian construction industry as part of a partnership between the Australia Pacific Training Coalition (APTC) and the Labour Mobility Unit supported by the Pacific Labour Facility (PLF) in the Solomon Islands.
3. The Australian High Commissioner Dr Lachlan Strahan alongside the Permanent Secretary MEHRD, Dr Franco Rodie and the New Zealand High Commissioner, Georgina Roberts recently attended a roundtable with representatives from Save the Children Solomon Islands, World Vision Solomon Islands and Coalition for Education Solomon Islands - COESI.
4. 11th June Friday next week will be marked as Queen's birthday and will be observed as Public Holiday in Solomon Islands.