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DOE SCHOOLS PARTNER WITH BANK OF GUAM FOR SAIPAN Students Donate Coins for Soudelor Relief

August 27, 2015 – Hagatna, Guam- To help those who gone through the devastating effects of Typhoon Soudelor in Saipan, Bank of Guam is encouraging all Guam schools to assist in providing aid through its ***Change for Change*** coin drive. All Department of Education schools are invited to participate by collecting their change and donating it to the Typhoon Soudelor Relief fund. The Bank of Guam has two branches in Saipan: Garapan and Chalan Piao.

Details of the campaign are as follows:

Dates: August 20, 2015 - September 20, 2015

Open to: All public and private schools on Guam

Drop-Off Branches: Hagatna and Harmon

Drop-Off Days: Donations should be dropped off at the 2 designated branches from Monday-Thursday. Donations should be clearly marked with school name, contact person and phone number.

At the end of the drive, the Bank will recognize all participating schools with the following:

- Certificate of appreciation to participating schools
- An announcement acknowledging the participating schools and reporting the total amount received from the coin drive.
- Include on the Bank's branch flat screens

“We continue to pray for the recovery of our neighbors in Saipan and are thankful to be able to work with the Bank of Guam on this coin drive,” said Guam Department of Education Superintendent Jon Fernandez. “I am confident that our employees and families will step forward, as they always do, to help in this effort.”

Lou A. Leon Guerrero, Bank of Guam President Board Chair added, “We are grateful for the opportunity to help Saipan, our island sister. We especially thank Superintendent Jon Fernandez for his willingness and cooperation. Together, we extend our Chamorro spirit of generosity and ayuda so that Saipan can renew.”

Interested schools should contact Maria Cooper-Nurse at (671) 472-5231.