

## **Correctional Service of Solomon Islands**

## Month of January 2022 Media Report

### BAKERS DONATE CAKES TO INMATES



#### SICA and SIFGA members

Demonstrating humanitarianism, cake bakers in Honiara donated 11 beautifully crafted and baked cakes to the inmates at Rove Central Correctional Centre (RCCC).

A statement from the country's Correctional Service (CSSI) yesterday said

"RCCC inmates on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2021, celebrated the Christmas day with 11 cakes donated by SICA and SIFGA representatives; Francis Sivita, Sharita Sivita, Charles Ha'amori, Lily Ha'amori, Neverlyn Rave, June Fakarii Keni, Virah Gorosi, Phillip Lui and Kathy Sevese Havea.

The bakers made a 30 minutes visitation and were given the opportunity to share the festive season message to the inmates. They encouraged the inmates to think about their own lives and to make right decisions in New Year 2022 when some will be released from Correctional Centre.

On behalf of the CSSI Executive the Acting Commandant RCCC Chief Supt. Bernice Wasia thanked the SICA and SIFGA members and the bakers for donating the Christmas cakes for the inmates free of charge.

# CSSI RECEIVE ITEMS WORTH SDB\$84,903.60



COVID-19 Equipment received from the National Medical Store

The Correctional Service of Solomon Islands (CSSI) received COVID-19 items worth SDB\$84,903.60 from the National Medical Store at Kukum Highway, Ranadi, East of Honiara.

The items were as follows; 80 Box Face Mask, Surgical Disposable, 40 Box Gloves, Examination Latex, Powder Free, Non-Sterile LGE Box, 50 Box Face Mask, Surgical N95 Respirator, 40 Box Gown, Isolation, Non-Sterile, Disposable, Level - 1, 200 Face Shield, Plastic Reusable, 100 Eye Googles, Safety, Plastic, Reusable, 200 Gown Overall (Coverall) Medium Level -3 and 40 Chlorhexidine 0.5% in Spirit 70% BOT/1L

Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi took the opportunity to thank the donor partners for their great and timely support during this pandemic. This is to uphold and maintain security, law and order to enhance good governance and safety of inmates, officers and communities.

## MANELUSI RE-ENFORCE DISCIPLINE STANDARD

The country's Correctional Service Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi made a re-enforcement for officers to keep on improving discipline and quality standard at the work place.

He made these statements during the first Commissioner's parade for this year, held at the CSSI Head quarter, Rove.

The Commissioner alerted all officers to face this year's challenges such as, our country's economy struggles and more especially the recent outbreak of community transmission of COVID-19 claimed to be from Pelau, Ontong Java.

He reminded officers who have started receiving half of their pay, to take their second vaccination before the end of this month.

Along with that, he further urged officers to advice their family members to get vaccinated so that together, we shall protect our nation Solomon Islands.

Our Commissioner acknowledged the Directors, Commandants, Ranks and Files for their continuous support throughout the years.

## RCCC PUBLIC VISITATION SUSPENDED

As of the beginning of this year, our country now has recorded a total of 289 COVID-19 cases and the community transmission at Malaita Outer Islands.

Since then, the office of the Commissioner and Executive humbly announced and informed the general public, inmates' families and relatives, that as of 19<sup>th</sup> January, all general public visitations and other program activities at RCCC are suspended until further notice.

Commissioner Manelusi regrated to inform relatives of inmates that RCCC is highly restricted and out of bound. This covers visits and phone call visits after the community transmission at Malaita Outer Islands was officially announced by Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare..

Manelusi urged families and relatives of inmates to work together with officers at RCCC to maintain good governance and the safety for our inmates.

Commissioner Manelusi assured family members and relatives of all inmates that their beloved father, sons, brothers and sisters inmates at RCCC are safe and secured as there is still no COVID -19 cases in the Correctional Centre

"Let's seek the mind of God and connect ourselves to God and he will protect us and your loved ones at RCCC during this challenging times of COVID-19 pandemic"

The Commissioner concluded with this word of encouragement from Romans 5:2-5. "Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us"

May God bless CSSI and May God bless Solomon Islands from shore to shore.

## **CSSI COMMISSIONER APPLAUDS UNDP**



## 10 piece of Thermometer donated by UNDP

CSSI Executive and Management continue to provide safety and security to maintain good governance for the inmates and officers to fight against COVID-19.

Correctional Service of Solomon Islands (CSSI) Commissioner Gabriel Manelusi acknowledged and praised the UNDP Acting Country Manager Grace Kiernan for the generous and continuous support during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Commissioner Manelusi received 10 thermometers from UNDP on 24<sup>th</sup> of January and highlighted that their support during this challenging time will certainly boost the CSSI team to ensure the safety of inmates and officers are maintained.