Guma Serenidad is NOT a homeless shelter or shelter for individuals requiring nursing, medical, or hospice services.

#### **Housing/Shelter**

Alee Women's Shelter (671) 635-1444

Guma San Jose Homeless Shelter

(671) 637-1307

Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (671) 647-5440

Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (671) 477-9851

Office of Homelessness and Poverty Prevention (671) 475-2081 Salvation Army (671) 477-9872

WestCare Pacific Islands - Veterans (671) 472-0218

#### **Hospitals**

Guam Memorial Hospital (671) 647-2330 Guam Regional Medical City (671) 645-5500

#### **Guam Police Department**

Agat (671) 472-8915/6 Dededo (671) 632-9808 Sinajana (671) 475-8541 Tamuning/Tumon (671) 649-6330

IN EMERGENCIES, CALL 911!
If experiencing suicidal thoughts or emotional distress, call/text 988

24-Hour Crisis
Intervention Hotline:
Phone: (671) 632 - 8853
Fax: (671) 632-8877

Division of Senior Citizens
130 University Drive, Suite 8
University Castle Mall,
Mangilao Guam 96913

Email: APSGUAM@dphss.guam.gov

https://dphss.guam.gov

#### **DIVISION OF SENIOR CITIZENS**

Department of Public Health and Social Service

**GOVERNMENT OF GUAM** 

# Guma Serenidad

24-Hour Protective Services Shelter for Elderly and Adults with Disabilities





Guma Serenidad is a shelter established in 1991 to provide a safe haven for the elderly and individuals with a disability who are victims of abuse and are in **immediate or imminent danger**.

### **Types of Abuse**

**Abandonment** is the willful desertion by a caregiver.

**Emotional/Psychological Abuse** includes verbal insults, threats, humiliation, etc. which provokes emotional distress (fear, agitation, etc.)

**Financial/Property Exploitatio**n is the improper or illegal use of money/other resources for personal benefit (theft, misuse, fraudulent deprivation of money, etc.)

**Neglect** is the failure of a designated caregiver to provide for the health/well-being of a person.

**Physical Abuse** includes beating, choking, unreasonable confinement resulting in physical injury, etc.

**Self-Neglect** is the failure to care for themselves, which poses an imminent risk of serious physical harm or death.

**Sexual Abuse** includes any form of nonconsensual sexual contact, harassment, coercion, sexually explicit photographing, involuntary exposure to sexually explicit material or language, and as defined in the penal code of Guam.

## **Services Provided**

\*\*\*Victims' consent is needed before service is provided. If the client(s) are unable to provide consent, guardians' consent or a court order is needed.

• Temporary protective shelter for victims of adult/elder abuse in immediate or imminent danger



• A **24**/**7 Crisis Intervention Hotline** to receive and respond to referrals of abuse against an



elder or an adult with a disability on evenings, weekends, and holidays

- Case management
- Connection to services

To access services, call the Crisis Intervention Hotline at (671) 632-8853 from 4:30PM to 8AM.

The Crisis Intervention Hotline provides a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week telephone service to respond to crisis calls about allegations of abuse or neglect against the elderly or adult with a disability.

These calls are directed to an onduty Social Worker to investigate the allegations.

Upon determination that physical or sexual abuse or serious neglect has occurred and the individual is in imminent danger, they are referred to the shelter.

In other types of abuse, case management services are provided.