

PAWS for CHANGE



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76 Makes Substantial Donation to GAIN

Proceeds collected at Circle K stations through "Paws for Change" boxes

Hagatna, Guam. February 9, 2012 – With the downturn in our island's economy, many not-for-profit organizations are feeling the pinch. Guam Animals In Need (GAIN), an NPO dedicated to the prevention of cruelty to animals, is one such group that has seen funding reduce over the last few years.

Enter South Pacific Petroleum Corporation and a program called "Paws for Change." SPPC has set up collection boxes at its 76/Circle K stores, giving all the proceeds to GAIN for its operations. On February 1, former Treasurer and GAIN Volunteer, Tina Grant, accepted those proceeds in a check from Mark Sablan, SPPC's Vice-President of Business Development in the amount of \$3,533.93. Grant said that without SPPC's assistance, it would be difficult for GAIN to carry out its mission.

"We're so appreciative of 76's generosity. Although we have volunteers from the community, GAIN also has many operational costs and a donation like this goes a long way," Grant stated.

According to Sablan, the check reflected "Paws for Change" donations made from October to December and is just the beginning. "Whether we're helping to feed residents who are in need or protect our pet population against cruel treatment, SPPC is always ready and happy to help."

Sablan said that much of the credit must go to island residents who gave from their heart. "It takes an effort from all of us in our community to make a difference and this money came from donations from regular people who also felt the need to help this worthy cause."

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