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BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE GUAM PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION
RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION AND APPROVAL
OF UPDATED PDSC ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

RESOLUTION NO. PDSC 02-24

WHEREAS, Chapter 11, Title 12 Guam Code Annotated established the Public Defender Service Corporation “to provide legal aid and assistance to those persons in Guam who are unable to afford counsel”; and

WHEREAS, while Chapter 11, Title 12 Guam Code Annotated provides the discretionary powers for judges to determine whether a defendant is indigent, and whether his case is to be referred to the PDSC, the corporation is also permitted to assist the judges of the courts of Guam in ruling on cases of indigency and in establishing criteria for determining when the services of the Corporation are appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Sixth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution guarantees every criminal defendant the right to be represented by an attorney it was not until the Supreme Court case of *Gideon v. Wainwright* in 1963 that criminal defendants unable to afford a lawyer were granted the right to free legal representation; and

WHEREAS, the PDSC relies on the Federal Poverty Guidelines used by various public assistance programs in determining a client's eligibility for its services; and periodic adjustments of these guidelines have been necessary in order to accommodate changes in Guam's economic climate (i.e., minimum wage adjustments, cost-of-living increases, etc.); and

WHEREAS, starting October 1, 2023, SNAP benefits in Guam will increase by 3.6 percent are a result of cost-of living adjustments, or COLA made by the U.S. Department of Agriculture; and

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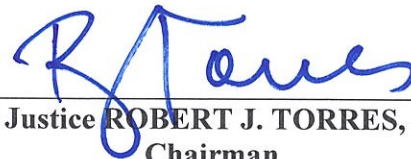
(i.e., minimum wage adjustments, cost-of-living increases, etc.);
and

WHEREAS, the PDSC submits to the Board of Trustees the attached Eligibility Guidelines (Attachment "A") for consideration and approval;

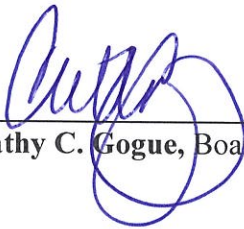
NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees of the Public Defender Service Corporation, in its meeting of October 3, 2023, hereby approves the Corporation's updated Eligibility Guidelines as reflected on "Attachment A", which is made a part of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED these Eligibility Guidelines shall become effective immediately and will replace all other PDSC Income Guidelines.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED THIS 24th day of October, 2023 at a duly noticed meeting of the Public Defender Service Corporation.



Chief Justice **ROBERT J. TORRES, JR.**
Chairman



Cathy C. Gogue, Board Secretary

**PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION
ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES**

Source: 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines: Hawaii

(Updated by PDSC: October 2023)

Persons in Family/Household	100%	200%	
	Annual	Annual	Hourly
1	\$16,770	\$33,540	\$16.13
2	\$22,680	\$45,360	\$21.81
3	\$28,590	\$57,180	\$27.49
4	\$34,500	\$69,000	\$33.17
5	\$40,410	\$80,820	\$38.86
6	\$46,320	\$92,640	\$44.54
7	\$52,230	\$104,460	\$50.22
8	\$58,140	\$116,280	\$55.90
		For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$11,820 for each additional person.	Annual Wage/2,080 Hours

2023 Poverty Guidelines: Hawaii

Per Year

Household /Family Size	25%	50%	75%	100%	125%	130%	133%	135%	138%	150%	175%	180%	185%	200%
1	\$4,193	\$8,385	\$12,578	\$16,770	\$20,963	\$21,801	\$22,304	\$22,640	\$23,143	\$25,155	\$29,348	\$30,186	\$31,025	\$33,540
2	\$5,670	\$11,340	\$17,010	\$22,680	\$28,350	\$29,484	\$30,164	\$30,618	\$31,298	\$34,020	\$39,690	\$40,824	\$41,958	\$45,360
3	\$7,148	\$14,295	\$21,443	\$28,590	\$35,738	\$37,167	\$38,025	\$38,597	\$39,454	\$42,885	\$50,033	\$51,462	\$52,892	\$57,180
4	\$8,625	\$17,250	\$25,875	\$34,500	\$43,125	\$44,850	\$45,885	\$46,575	\$47,610	\$51,750	\$60,375	\$62,100	\$63,825	\$69,000
5	\$10,103	\$20,205	\$30,308	\$40,410	\$50,513	\$52,533	\$53,745	\$54,554	\$55,766	\$60,615	\$70,718	\$72,738	\$74,759	\$80,820
6	\$11,580	\$23,160	\$34,740	\$46,320	\$57,900	\$60,216	\$61,606	\$62,532	\$63,922	\$69,480	\$81,060	\$83,376	\$85,692	\$92,640
7	\$13,058	\$26,115	\$39,173	\$52,230	\$65,288	\$67,899	\$69,466	\$70,511	\$72,077	\$78,345	\$91,403	\$94,014	\$96,626	\$104,460
8	\$14,535	\$29,070	\$43,605	\$58,140	\$72,675	\$75,582	\$77,326	\$78,489	\$80,233	\$87,210	\$101,745	\$104,652	\$107,559	\$116,280
9	\$16,013	\$32,025	\$48,038	\$64,050	\$80,063	\$83,265	\$85,187	\$86,468	\$88,389	\$96,075	\$112,088	\$115,290	\$118,493	\$128,100
10	\$17,490	\$34,980	\$52,470	\$69,960	\$87,450	\$90,948	\$93,047	\$94,446	\$96,545	\$104,940	\$122,430	\$125,928	\$129,426	\$139,920
11	\$18,968	\$37,935	\$56,903	\$75,870	\$94,838	\$98,631	\$100,907	\$102,425	\$104,701	\$113,805	\$132,773	\$136,566	\$140,360	\$151,740
12	\$20,445	\$40,890	\$61,335	\$81,780	\$102,225	\$106,314	\$108,767	\$110,403	\$112,856	\$122,670	\$143,115	\$147,204	\$151,293	\$163,560
13	\$21,923	\$43,845	\$65,768	\$87,690	\$109,613	\$113,997	\$116,628	\$118,382	\$121,012	\$131,535	\$153,458	\$157,842	\$162,227	\$175,380
14	\$23,400	\$46,800	\$70,200	\$93,600	\$117,000	\$121,680	\$124,488	\$126,360	\$129,168	\$140,400	\$163,800	\$168,480	\$173,160	\$187,200

Household /Family Size	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%	800%	1000%
1	\$37,733	\$41,925	\$46,118	\$50,310	\$54,503	\$58,695	\$62,888	\$67,080	\$83,850	\$100,620	\$117,390	\$134,160	\$167,700
2	\$51,030	\$56,700	\$62,370	\$68,040	\$73,710	\$79,380	\$85,050	\$90,720	\$113,400	\$136,080	\$158,760	\$181,440	\$226,800
3	\$64,328	\$71,475	\$78,623	\$85,770	\$92,918	\$100,065	\$107,213	\$114,360	\$142,950	\$171,540	\$200,130	\$228,720	\$285,900
4	\$77,625	\$86,250	\$94,875	\$103,500	\$112,125	\$120,750	\$129,375	\$138,000	\$172,500	\$207,000	\$241,500	\$276,000	\$345,000
5	\$90,923	\$101,025	\$111,128	\$121,230	\$131,333	\$141,435	\$151,538	\$161,640	\$202,050	\$242,460	\$282,870	\$323,280	\$404,100
6	\$104,220	\$115,800	\$127,380	\$138,960	\$150,540	\$162,120	\$173,700	\$185,280	\$231,600	\$277,920	\$324,240	\$370,560	\$463,200
7	\$117,518	\$130,575	\$143,633	\$156,690	\$169,748	\$182,805	\$195,863	\$208,920	\$261,150	\$313,380	\$365,610	\$417,840	\$522,300
8	\$130,815	\$145,350	\$159,885	\$174,420	\$188,955	\$203,490	\$218,025	\$232,560	\$290,700	\$348,840	\$406,980	\$465,120	\$581,400
9	\$144,113	\$160,125	\$176,138	\$192,150	\$208,163	\$224,175	\$240,188	\$256,200	\$320,250	\$384,300	\$448,350	\$512,400	\$640,500
10	\$157,410	\$174,900	\$192,390	\$209,880	\$227,370	\$244,860	\$262,350	\$279,840	\$349,800	\$419,760	\$489,720	\$559,680	\$699,600
11	\$170,708	\$189,675	\$208,643	\$227,610	\$246,578	\$265,545	\$284,513	\$303,480	\$379,350	\$455,220	\$531,090	\$606,960	\$758,700
12	\$184,005	\$204,450	\$224,895	\$245,340	\$265,785	\$286,230	\$306,675	\$327,120	\$408,900	\$490,680	\$572,460	\$654,240	\$817,800
13	\$197,303	\$219,225	\$241,148	\$263,070	\$284,993	\$306,915	\$328,838	\$350,760	\$438,450	\$526,140	\$613,830	\$701,520	\$876,900
14	\$210,600	\$234,000	\$257,400	\$280,800	\$304,200	\$327,600	\$351,000	\$374,400	\$468,000	\$561,600	\$655,200	\$748,800	\$936,000

2023 Poverty Guidelines: Hawaii

Per Month

Household /Family Size	25%	50%	75%	100%	125%	130%	133%	135%	138%	150%	175%	180%	185%	200%
1	\$349	\$699	\$1,048	\$1,398	\$1,747	\$1,817	\$1,859	\$1,887	\$1,929	\$2,096	\$2,446	\$2,516	\$2,585	\$2,795
2	\$473	\$945	\$1,418	\$1,890	\$2,363	\$2,457	\$2,514	\$2,552	\$2,608	\$2,835	\$3,308	\$3,402	\$3,497	\$3,780
3	\$596	\$1,191	\$1,787	\$2,383	\$2,978	\$3,097	\$3,169	\$3,216	\$3,288	\$3,574	\$4,169	\$4,289	\$4,408	\$4,765
4	\$719	\$1,438	\$2,156	\$2,875	\$3,594	\$3,738	\$3,824	\$3,881	\$3,968	\$4,313	\$5,031	\$5,175	\$5,319	\$5,750
5	\$842	\$1,684	\$2,526	\$3,368	\$4,209	\$4,378	\$4,479	\$4,546	\$4,647	\$5,051	\$5,893	\$6,062	\$6,230	\$6,735
6	\$965	\$1,930	\$2,895	\$3,860	\$4,825	\$5,018	\$5,134	\$5,211	\$5,327	\$5,790	\$6,755	\$6,948	\$7,141	\$7,720
7	\$1,088	\$2,176	\$3,264	\$4,353	\$5,441	\$5,658	\$5,789	\$5,876	\$6,006	\$6,529	\$7,617	\$7,835	\$8,052	\$8,705
8	\$1,211	\$2,423	\$3,634	\$4,845	\$6,056	\$6,299	\$6,444	\$6,541	\$6,686	\$7,268	\$8,479	\$8,721	\$8,963	\$9,690
9	\$1,334	\$2,669	\$4,003	\$5,338	\$6,672	\$6,939	\$7,099	\$7,206	\$7,366	\$8,006	\$9,341	\$9,608	\$9,874	\$10,675
10	\$1,458	\$2,915	\$4,373	\$5,830	\$7,288	\$7,579	\$7,754	\$7,871	\$8,045	\$8,745	\$10,203	\$10,494	\$10,786	\$11,660
11	\$1,581	\$3,161	\$4,742	\$6,323	\$7,903	\$8,219	\$8,409	\$8,535	\$8,725	\$9,484	\$11,064	\$11,381	\$11,697	\$12,645
12	\$1,704	\$3,408	\$5,111	\$6,815	\$8,519	\$8,860	\$9,064	\$9,200	\$9,405	\$10,223	\$11,926	\$12,267	\$12,608	\$13,630
13	\$1,827	\$3,654	\$5,481	\$7,308	\$9,134	\$9,500	\$9,719	\$9,865	\$10,084	\$10,961	\$12,788	\$13,154	\$13,519	\$14,615
14	\$1,950	\$3,900	\$5,850	\$7,800	\$9,750	\$10,140	\$10,374	\$10,530	\$10,764	\$11,700	\$13,650	\$14,040	\$14,430	\$15,600

Household /Family Size	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%	800%	1000%
1	\$3,144	\$3,494	\$3,843	\$4,193	\$4,542	\$4,891	\$5,241	\$5,590	\$6,988	\$8,385	\$9,783	\$11,180	\$13,975
2	\$4,253	\$4,725	\$5,198	\$5,670	\$6,143	\$6,615	\$7,088	\$7,560	\$9,450	\$11,340	\$13,230	\$15,120	\$18,900
3	\$5,361	\$5,956	\$6,552	\$7,148	\$7,743	\$8,339	\$8,934	\$9,530	\$11,913	\$14,295	\$16,678	\$19,060	\$23,825
4	\$6,469	\$7,188	\$7,906	\$8,625	\$9,344	\$10,063	\$10,781	\$11,500	\$14,375	\$17,250	\$20,125	\$23,000	\$28,750
5	\$7,577	\$8,419	\$9,261	\$10,103	\$10,944	\$11,786	\$12,628	\$13,470	\$16,838	\$20,205	\$23,573	\$26,940	\$33,675
6	\$8,685	\$9,650	\$10,615	\$11,580	\$12,545	\$13,510	\$14,475	\$15,440	\$19,300	\$23,160	\$27,020	\$30,880	\$38,600
7	\$9,793	\$10,881	\$11,969	\$13,058	\$14,146	\$15,234	\$16,322	\$17,410	\$21,763	\$26,115	\$30,468	\$34,820	\$43,525
8	\$10,901	\$12,113	\$13,324	\$14,535	\$15,746	\$16,958	\$18,169	\$19,380	\$24,225	\$29,070	\$33,915	\$38,760	\$48,450
9	\$12,009	\$13,344	\$14,678	\$16,013	\$17,347	\$18,681	\$20,016	\$21,350	\$26,688	\$32,025	\$37,363	\$42,700	\$53,375
10	\$13,118	\$14,575	\$16,033	\$17,490	\$18,948	\$20,405	\$21,863	\$23,320	\$29,150	\$34,980	\$40,810	\$46,640	\$58,300
11	\$14,226	\$15,806	\$17,387	\$18,968	\$20,548	\$22,129	\$23,709	\$25,290	\$31,613	\$37,935	\$44,258	\$50,580	\$63,225
12	\$15,334	\$17,038	\$18,741	\$20,445	\$22,149	\$23,853	\$25,556	\$27,260	\$34,075	\$40,890	\$47,705	\$54,520	\$68,150
13	\$16,442	\$18,269	\$20,096	\$21,923	\$23,749	\$25,576	\$27,403	\$29,230	\$36,538	\$43,845	\$51,153	\$58,460	\$73,075
14	\$17,550	\$19,500	\$21,450	\$23,400	\$25,350	\$27,300	\$29,250	\$31,200	\$39,000	\$46,800	\$54,600	\$62,400	\$78,000