



PRESS RELEASE
Administrative Support for Private Sector Organizations

Cabinet has approved the allocation of the Private Sector Organization Grant for 2019 which is a Government initiative commenced in 1997 with only two (2) Private Sector Organizations (PSOs) and to date has increased to 12 PSOs. The eligible organizations are those with commercial affiliations and are registered with MCIL under the Incorporated Societies legislation.

A number of factors are also considered in determining the amount of grant to be awarded to each organization, such as registered membership, established office, submission of audited financial accounts, activities steered towards building the capacity of members and strategic plans as well as progress of development projects.

The main objective of the allocated funds is to assist with the administrative costs and social development of selected Private Sector Organizations. The funds were presented to twelve (12) Private Sector Organizations on Thursday 11th July 2019 at the Office of the Minister for Commerce Industry and Labour, Hon. Lautafi Fio Selafi Purcell.

The Honourable Minister acknowledged the private sector's continuing contribution to the economy of Samoa and the Government's ongoing commitment to strengthening and harnessing a closer partnership with the Private Sector.

The approved allocation is as follows:

Approved grant per private sector organization for 2019	
Private Sector Organization	Total grant for Year 2019
1) Women In Business Development Incorporated	\$40,000.00
2) Samoa Chamber of Commerce Inc	\$40,000.00
3) Samoa Association of Manufacturers and Exporters Incorporated	\$33,000.00
4) Samoa Hotels Association Inc	\$30,000.00
5) Business of Salafai Association Inc	\$17,000.00
6) Samoa Federated Farmers Incorporated	\$9,000.00
7) Savaii Samoa Tourism Association Inc.	\$9,000.00
8) Small Business Association of Samoa Arts & Handicrafts Incorporated	\$7,000.00
9) Samoa Banana Farmers Association Inc.	\$5,000.00
10) Samoa Farmers Association Inc.	\$4,000.00
11) Samoa Mamanu Designs & Manufacturers Association	\$4,000.00
12) Tautai Samoa Association Incorporated	\$2,000.00
TOTAL	\$200,000.00

