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**I-RECYCLE PROGRAM AWARDS OVER \$21,800
 TO PARTICIPATING LOCAL SCHOOLS**

(January 31, 2011) Hagatna, GU – The Guam Business Partners for Recycling, under the project *i-recycle*, will disburse **\$21,846** to participating schools for their aluminum can recycling efforts, representing the largest amount being awarded back to the schools since the program started in 2007.

To date, the program has generated over **\$84,602.89** to benefit the schools in the program, the equivalent of **5,525,375** recycled aluminum cans.

The *i-recycle* program creates a standard system of recycling aluminum cans throughout the island on a consistent basis. There are a total of forty satellite bins that are placed at public and private schools. Proceeds from the aluminum cans go back to the school where the cans are collected.

The disbursements to the schools were determined by the volume of cans each school had collected. This round, George Washington High School is the top recipient, receiving a check for \$1657.70. Top-earning schools are:

George Washington High School	\$1657.70
St. Francis	\$1598.30
McCool Elementary and Middle School	\$1279.30
Agana Heights Elementary	\$1185.80
Merizo Elementary	\$ 880.00
Finegayan Elementary	\$ 833.80
University of Guam	\$ 792.00
Bishop Baumgartner	\$ 720.00
Guam Community College	\$ 688.60
JQ San Miguel Elementary	\$ 682.00

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Peggy Denney, Program Administrator, will be presenting checks to all participating schools beginning February 1.

Denney reiterates, "Participating in this program is easy, and simply requires the ongoing effort from the schools' communities. The faster the bins are filled, the faster the schools will receive their earned money for collecting aluminum cans for recycling."

Denney continues, "We congratulate all the schools for their hard work to generate money for their respective schools and especially for their demonstrated care for our island and community by promoting recycling."

Guam Business Partners for Recycling began the program to educate and promote recycling on an island-wide level. The GBPR's plan utilizes private and public schools as sites for the aluminum can bins, giving access for the entire community to recycle all over the island.

To learn more about the i-recycle program and how you can become involved, contact Peggy Denney, Program Administrator at (671) 483-9145 or visit www.irecycleguam.org.

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