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To: Distribution List
From: Governor of American Samoa
Subject: Long Journey Home: American Samoa Repatriation Donation Drive

The American Samoa Government with the support of the private sector, faith-based organizations, non-profit, and NGO's will be organizing a donation drive for hundreds of residents that have been stranded across the United States for nearly a year. The first of multiple repatriation flights is expected to arrive on Monday, February 1st. Upon arrival, our residents will have endured 26 days of strict quarantine.

Lieutenant Governor Talauega and I appeal to your spirit of compassion, unity, and hope to welcome our people home. The donation drive efforts aim to assemble care packages that will provide comfort and relief during the final quarantine phase of the repatriation efforts. Personal hygiene products such as shampoo, conditioner, soap/body wash, toothpaste, toothbrush, feminine products, etc., are among the items needed for the care packages; therefore, we seek your support in realizing our welcoming efforts.

The following lists the drop-off locations and times for all donations:

Location	Time
• Plans & Operations Office (3 rd Floor EOB)	Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
• Department of Youth and Women's Affairs Gyms	Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
• Blue Sky Communications – Fagatogo Kiosk	Mon – Fri 8:30 am – 5:30 pm
• Blue Sky Communications – Laufou Shopping Center	Mon – Sat 8:30 am – 2:00 pm
• Sadies by the Sea	Mon – Sun 7:00 am – 8:00 pm
• Tool Shop – Tafuna	Mon – Fri 7:30 am – 4:30 pm

Please note that the deadline for donations is **Saturday, January 30, 2021.**

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This is our opportunity to come together as a community to assure our stranded residents that they have not been forgotten. Should you have any questions please contact Tiana Trepanier at tiana.trepanier@go.as.gov and/or Antonina Toilolo at antonina.toilolo@go.as.gov.

Our prayer is that this donation project is executed in the spirit of the Fa'aSamoa, "*Ia tupu mea aveá.*"



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cc: The Honorable Talauega E. V. Ale, Lt. Governor
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