# **2019 PRIMO**

WEAVING A PATH TO "PRECOVERY" IN AMERICAN SAMOA Faufauina o se alafua e toe fausia ai Amerika Samoa

SEPTEMBER 23 TO 26, 2019 AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



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#### Theme Description

"Precovery" is the process of preparing for recovery in order to speed the return to normality through short-term recovery and ensure that long-term recovery results in reduced risk, enhanced economic opportunity, and improved personal and ecological health. The purpose of the meeting will be to work through a collaborative process to identify pathways to continue our collective preparedness for future recovery efforts in American Samoa.

"Fafauina" is to build and nurture to maturity. The word "ala" is a path, a way, or means to achieve an objective. "Fua" is to measure, to aim or assess. These words together, "alafua," are defined as a framework or strategies to achieve objectives. "Fafauina o se alafua" reflects the extensive collaboration and coordination to ensure coherence among different governance structures (village councils, territorial government, and federal government), aims, objectives, sectors, plans, strategies, and tasks.

The theme depicts a collective deliberation and effort to chart a course for the recovery of American Samoa from devastating disasters. It takes the work of many hands and minds to guide and act practically and meaningfully to restore and revitalize our communities.

#### **Planning Committee**

American Samoa Community College

American Samoa Department of Homeland Security

Pacific Risk Management 'Ohana

University of Hawai'i

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region IX

National Disaster Preparedness Training Center

NOAA National Weather Service WSFO Pago Pago

**NOAA Office for Coastal Management** 

#### **About PRiMO**

The Pacific Islands face many natural and man-made challenges. Only by bringing people and organizations together, and channeling their efforts toward common goals, can communities become more resilient. PRiMO, the Pacific Risk Management 'Ohana, is the platform for this effort.

More than 100 organizations participate in this ongoing effort. Membership is purposely varied and includes emergency response organizations, nonprofits, government agencies, universities, local planning institutions, and the medical and private sectors. The knowledge provided by this varied membership and the ability to approach issues from many different angles are what make PRiMO so powerful.

PRiMO members participate in "hui," "vaega", or working groups. These working groups represent the heart of the PRiMO effort, where the various organizations come together to develop and implement action plans that improve resilience in the Pacific region. Hui members are experts in their field, and together the members bridge the information gaps between science and service providers, decision makers, and other stakeholders.

PRiMO began in 2003 as an effort to explore opportunities to enhance communication and collaboration among the "`ohana," "aiga", or family, of local, national, and regional organizations involved in risk management. PRiMO has since transformed into a true collaborative effort governed by a coordinating council of navigators. These key representatives from the region provide leadership, resources, and policy guidance to PRiMO as well as seek institutional support for PRiMO from within their respective organizations.

#### **PRiMO Navigator Council**

Adam Stein, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, PRiMO Executive Director Jean Tanimoto, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, PRiMO Acting Chair Kristina Kekuewa, NOAA Office for Coastal Management Colby Stanton, FEMA, PRiMO Vice-Chair Jeff Payne, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, PRiMO Secretary Michael Bruno, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Chris Chiesa, Pacific Disaster Center Karl Kim, National Disaster Preparedness Training Center John Marra, NOAA National Climatic Data Center Jim Newberry, Island Insurance Raymond Tanabe, NOAA National Weather Service Bill Thomas, NOAA Office for Coastal Management Sally Ziolkowski, FEMA Flood Insurance Mitigation Division

#### **PRiMO Senior Advisers**

Cheryl Anderson, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Eddie Bernard, Retired from NOAA Stanley Boc, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Victoria Keener, East-West Center, Pacific Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments

#### PRIMO Senior Advisers (continued)

John McCarroll, Environmental Protection Agency
Penehuro (Pene) Lefale, Joint Centre for Disaster Research, Massey University
Eileen Shea, Partnership for Pacific Resilience
Michael Shulters, Retired from U.S. Geological Survey
Ed Young, Retired from NOAA National Weather Service

#### About the PRiMO Hui

The PRiMO Hui are working groups that represent the heart of the PRiMO effort, where the various organizations come together to develop and implement action plans that improve resilience in the Pacific region. Hui members are experts in their field, and together the members bridge the information gaps between science and service providers, decision makers, and other stakeholders.

#### The PRiMO Hui are

- i. Communications Hui works to improve the communications infrastructure that supports the two-way delivery of resilience-based information; identifies additional communication opportunities and Identify and leverage available resources.
- ii. Health Security Hui priorities are to build a Pacific-wide network of health security partners, develop a reciprocal network of health security education providers, provide linkage between health service preparedness partners and PRiMO members, enhance awareness of the spread of existing and new microbes that threaten the Pacific, and work with partners to advance the global health security agenda.
- iii. Indigenous Knowledge and Environment Hui works to ensure that traditional knowledge and practices, as well as traditional peoples, are considered, addressed, and brought into the work of each of the other hui; demonstrates PRiMO's commitment to incorporating all available knowledge, ways of knowing, and the inclusiveness of indigenous cultures. iv. Information Access and Geospatial Technology Hui enhances PRiMO activities by leveraging investments in data and infrastructure; increases the accessibility and usability of data sets that are of benefit to risk management; identifies gaps and existing data needs (as well as overlaps); supports regional data management clearinghouses and information networks; conducts data management workshops.
- v. Risk Assessment and Planning Hui provides accessible information resources to support risk assessment and planning efforts; integrates climate risks into current and future planning efforts; provides a venue for Pacific inhabitants to share information on how communities are confronting climate change and what has and hasn't worked.
- vi. Training and Education Hui Identifies training resources including personnel, distance learning capabilities, and tools; promotes appropriate trainings by using local examples and appropriate learning styles and levels by working with the Indigenous Knowledge and the Environment Hui and the other working groups; encourages collaborative training efforts within agencies and across organizations through sharing of regional training opportunities. vii. Resilient Communities Hui is PRiMO's newest Hui, focused on working across local, state, and regional planning bodies to help communities take action today to strengthen their ability to withstand the impacts of disasters.

### Hui Steerspersons

#### **Communications**

Jimmy Lagunero, University of Hawai'i H. Gingerlei Porter, University of Hawai'i

#### **Indigenous Knowledge and the Environment**

Jean Tanimoto, NOAA's Office for Coastal Management Ramsay Taum, Life Enhancement Institute of the Pacific

#### **Information Access and Geospatial Technology**

Eric Yamashita, National Disaster Preparedness Training Center

#### **Risk Assessment and Planning**

Kitty Courtney, TetraTech

#### **Training and Education**

Russell Uyeno, National Disaster Preparedness Training Center

#### Location

#### **American Samoa Community College**

The meeting will be held in the Main Hall, labeled as "MULTI" room, or Multipurpose Room on the lower campus.

All breakout sessions will be held in adjacent rooms, labeled Rooms 1-4.

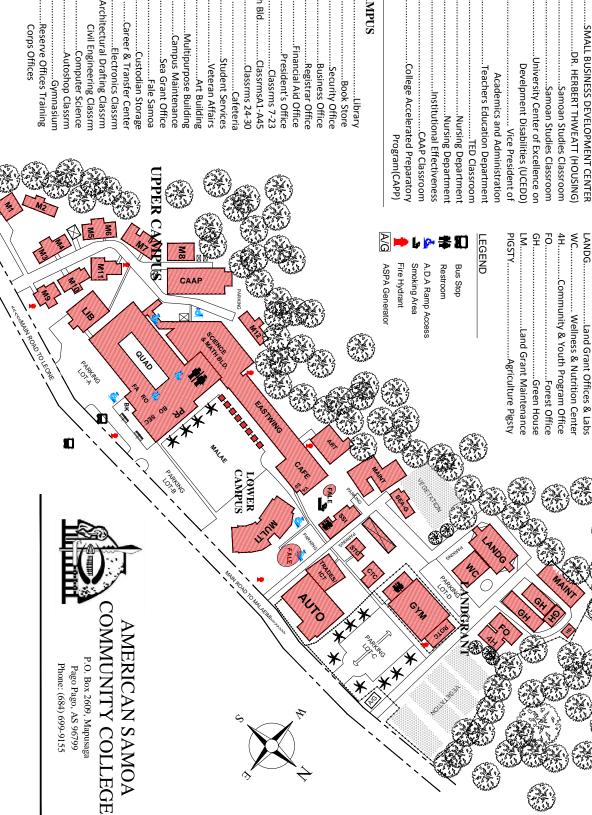
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CAAPCollege Accelerated Preparatory
M12CAAP Classroom
M11Institutional Effectiveness
M10Nursing Department
M9Nursing Department
M8TED Classroom
M7Teachers Education Department
Academics and Administration
M6 Vice President of
Develpment Disabilities (UCEDD)
M5University Center of Excellence on
M4Samoan Studies Classroom
M3Samoan Studies Classroom
M2HERBERT THWEATT (HOUSING)
M1SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER
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# Agenda

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23							
Pre-Meeting Trainings							
	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3				
8:00 a.m. to Noon	Training: Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers	Media Training for Students	Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings				
Lunch							
1:00 to 5:00 p.m.	Training: Disaster Resilience for Small Business and Organizations	Media Training for Students	Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents				

ime	Event
8:00 to 9:00 a.m.	PRiMO Cultural Opening 'Ava Ceremony (Suigaula o le Atuvasa)
	*Pick up is at 7:00am at Tradewinds Hotel
8:00 to 9:30 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Opening Prayer and Morning Devotion
10:00 to 10:30 a.m.	Welcoming Session
	Statement from American Samoa Governor's Office
	Statement from PRiMO
10:30 to 11:30 a.m.	Opening Plenary
	Pre-Disaster Recovery and Recovery Experience after Tropical Cyclone Gita
	Moderator: Colby Stanton (FEMA) Speakers: Chuck Heltsley (FEMA), Hon. Lt. Governor Lemanu (AS Governor's Authorized Representative (GAR))
11:30 to 11:45 a.m.	Group Photo
	Morning Tea

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Time	Event						
11:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Organization of the 2019 PRiMO						
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.	Plenary Panel						
	A Conversation with Village Mayors on Disaster Risk Reduction						
	Moderator: Samana S	Moderator: Samana Semo Ve'ave'a					
	Speakers: Mr. Fitiuli Faleupolu (Pago Pago), Mr. Faima Ameto (Fagasa), Mr. Ropati Opa (Leone), Mr. Taifane Ene (Poloa), Mr. Uiese Fa'amolemole (Failolo & Agugulu)						
1:00 to 2:15 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch					
	Cultural Performance by American Samoa Community College Students						
	Lunchtime Keynote Speaker						
1:30 to 2:15 p.m.							
1.30 to 2.13 p.iii.	Keynote Address						
	Indigenous Planning and Island Resilience						
	Dr. Konia Freitas, University of Hawai'i, Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge						
2:15 to 2:30 p.m.	Presentation on the C	Presentation on the Objectives of the Breakout Sessions					
2:30 to 3:30 p.m.	Main Hall	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4		
	Breakout Session: Infrastructure	Breakout Session: Health and Social Services	Breakout Session: Housing	Breakout Session: Natural and Resources	Breakout Session: Economic Recovery		
3:30 to 3:50 p.m.	Afternoon Tea						
3:50 to 4:50 p.m.	Main Hall	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4		
·	Breakout Session:	Breakout Session: Health and Social	Breakout Session: Housing	Breakout Session: Natural and Cultural	Breakout Session: Economic Recovery		
	Infrastructure	Services		Resources			
5:00 to 5:30 p.m.		1	s, Day 1 Closing	Kesources			
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5:00 to 5:30 p.m. 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.	Re-group and Discuss	Services sion on Breakout Session	s, Day 1 Closing	Resources			

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8:00 to 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast					
8:30 to 9:00 a.m.	Morning Devotion					
9:00 to 10:15 a.m.	Opening, Re-cap of First Day  Keynote Address  Honorable Togiola T.A. Tulafono					
10:15 to 10:45 a.m.	Morning Tea					
10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Main Hall	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room TBD
	Breakout Session: Infrastructure	Breakout Session: Health and Social Services	Breakout Session: Housing	Breakout Session: Natural and Cultural Resources	Breakout Session: Economic Recovery	Special Session: Unexploded Ordinances, Drug Trafficking
12:00 to 1:30 p.m.	Lunch Cultural Performance by American Samoa Community College Students					
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.	Lunchtime Presentation  Local and Federal Joint Presentation on Tsunamis  National Weather Service, American Samoa Department of Homeland Security					
1:30 to 2:30 p.m.	Synthesizing and Cross-Function Discussions					
2:30 to 4:00 p.m.	Closing Plenary Panel  Women Leaders in Resilience Speakers: Hon. Andra Samoa (Fono Representative), Hon. Aumua Amata Radewagen (American Samoa Delegate to US Congress) Tafaimamao Tua-Tupuola (University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities), Marian McGuire (Former EPA Legal Counsel), Tagaloa Cooper-Halo (Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme), Elinor Lutu-McMoore (NOAA/National Weather Service WSO Pago Pago) and Salu Tuigamala (Office of Disaster Assistance and Petroleum Management)					
4:00 to 4:30 p.m.	Next PRiMO Meeting					
	Closing of PRiMO and Closing Remarks					



E faailoa atu lo matou talisapaia o le lagolago maualuga a Afioga i le Kovana Lolo Matalasi Moliga, Afioga i le Lt. Kovana Lemanu Peleti Mauga ma le Autaupulega faapea le mamalu lautele. Ua outou sii lenei faamoemoe i se tulaga mamalu.

Faamalo le silasila mamao mo le atiinae manuia o Amerika Samoa! O la matou tatalo ia tumau le naunautai e fausia ni alafua mautu mo le auiluma o le Malo o Amerika Samoa ma le faatumauina o le siosiomaga i ona tulaga manuia.

Faafetai tele!

We express our heartfelt appreciation for the high recognition given to us through the support from Honorable Governor Lolo Matalasi Moliga, the Lt. Governor Lemanu Peleti Mauga, Cabinet Members and Administration, and the Territory of American Samoa.

May American Samoa continue to weave pathways to build and maintain the richness of her culture and communities, and especially her people.

Thank you!



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