

GSAT Quarterly Report: January 1 to March 31, 2012

I. Update on Main Activities

A. AT Financial Loan Program

1. Guam Options for Alternative Loans for Assistive Technology (GOAL-AT)
 - a. *financial loan at 2.125% interest to help consumers pay for assistive technology*
 - b. 4 loan applications approved for hearing aids, \$8,935.
 - c. 1 application referred to DVR's IL Program
2. Get Guam Teleworking Loan Program (GGT)
 - a. *financial loan at 2.125% interest to help consumers purchase equipment to become self-employed*
 - b. 0 loan applications received

B. Device Reutilization

1. *Recycling/ refurbishment/ repair/ exchange/ open ended loan activities*
2. 3 open-ended loans given with a cost savings of \$341 to consumers

C. Device 30 Day Library

1. A person may borrow an AT device for a 30 day period to assist in decision making, to serve as a loaner while waiting for device repair or funding , or to provide an accommodation on a short-term basis or for other purposes
2. 17 short-term device loans given

D. Device Demonstrations

1. Compare the features and benefits of a particular AT device or category of devices for an individual or small group of individuals to enable an individual to make an informed choice
2. 5 device demonstrations conducted for 8 participants

E. Information & Assistance

1. Response to requests for information and/or puts individuals in contact with other agencies that can provide them with needed information; individual assistance on AT/disability-related topics
2. GSAT responded to 51 requests for information and/or assistance

F. Technical Assistance

1. direct problem-solving service to assist programs and agencies in improving their services, management, policies, and/or outcomes
2. 3 hours for DOE student in transition

G. Public Awareness

1. activities designed to provide information about AT to large numbers of people.
2. 5 activities with a total of 25,230 participants; appearance on radio and GSAT fair were bigger events, class presentations and brochure dissemination were smaller events

H. Training

1. Instructional events designed to increase participants' knowledge, skills, and competencies regarding AT.
2. 4 activities held with a total of 219 participants
 - a. Annual AT conference: 184
 - b. "AT for Infants & Toddlers": 8
 - c. "AT Law": 11
 - d. "AT for Speech & Communication": 16