



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SAME scholarship applications are available
- SAME Guam Post shirts are for sale

## SAVE THE DATE

- 18-24 FEB  
Engineers Week
- 22 FEB  
Joint meeting GSPE/AIA/GCA/SAME
- 07-08 MAR  
Guam Industry Forum at Dusit Thani
- 09 MAR  
Charlie Corn Golf Tournament  
(SAME scholarship fundraiser)

The Society of American Military Engineers Guam Post in December donated a wheelchair, two walkers, two canes and office supplies to the Guam Veterans Affairs Office in Asan. Prior to the donation, the GVAO had only one wheelchair to accommodate amputee veterans who arrive for services which was donated by the Guam Post in 2016.

The SAME Guam Post has 300 military and civilian members covering the Pacific region, with the mission to support veterans, and engineering and architecture students who intend to bring their professions to Guam to serve the community.

*The equipment was purchased from **MEDQUEST Medical Supply**.  
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## GUAM VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE (GVAO)

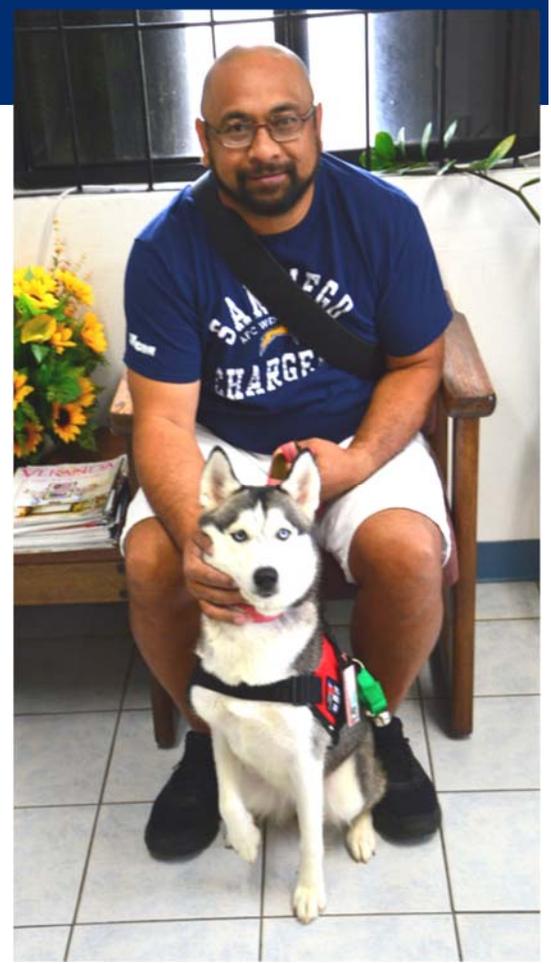
The GVAO administers three major programs:

- Coordination of Veterans' Affairs programs in the Territory
- Informational & Advisory Services to all veterans, active duty personnel and their dependents
- Assistance in presenting claims against the United States on their entitlements under federal laws.

All veterans with income of less than \$30,000 are eligible for health services under VA care. Their aim is to increase veterans' access to benefits and end veterans' homelessness. Home and/or hospital visits are made to those veterans or family members who are incapacitated and are unable to come in to the office for assistance.

The office has addressed disabling health care issues and as a result, the VA has now extended health care using the southern and northern clinics to assist with the back-log of the Community Based Out-patient Clinic in Agana Heights. The office's goal and objectives will focus in improving their ability to partner and work with those who provide benefits, services and resources to veterans through improved collaboration, business practice and outreach programs.

The agency also coordinates all burials for veterans with the notification of the respective branch of service for military honors on all veterans.



*Jay Quinata, an Army veteran with combat experience in Iraq with his service dog, "Nova"*



*Pictured, from left:*

*LT Timothy Dahms, SAME Guam Post Vice President; Wayne Cornell, SAME Guam Post Director; John M. Robertson, SAME Guam Post President; Joe San Agustin, GVAO Administrator; Marjorie Mesa-Hunter, GVAO Veteran Service Representative; Bob Shambach, SAME Guam Post Director; Genevey Kloulubak, GVAO Administrative Assistant; and Evelyn Bonner, Planning Technician at GVAO*