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Governor Lemanu Celebrates Groundbreaking Ceremony at Leone and Tafuna High Schools

[PICTORIAL] On September 7, 2023, Governor Lemanu was honored to attend groundbreaking ceremonies at two prominent high schools in our community, Leone High School and Tafuna High School. These groundbreaking events mark significant milestones in the improvement of educational facilities for the youth of the territory.



At Leone High School, the groundbreaking ceremony took place at the site of the forthcoming Administration Office Building. A total of 18 contractors vied for the opportunity to contribute to this project, with the prestigious contract being awarded to Nana's Inc, under the capable leadership of Fiapa'ipal Fruean. The project, valued at \$1,440,555.00, encompasses two interconnected buildings. The first building, a two-story structure measuring 120 feet by 71 feet, will house essential administrative functions, including administrative offices, VP offices, a reception area, a conference room, and the principal's office on the first floor. The second floor will be dedicated to a state-of-the-art computer lab, media room.



Additionally, a separate one-story building measuring 120 feet by 43 feet will accommodate four counselors' offices and bathroom facilities.

Meanwhile, at Tafuna High School, Governor Lemanu laid the symbolic foundation for the Tafuna High School JROTC Building.. The project attracted interest from 22 contractors, with TMP Masonry Construction, led by Tevita Paea, securing the prestigious contract worth \$1,546,200.00. The JROTC building, measuring 162 feet by 35 feet, will be a two-story structure. The first floor will feature an open room with removable partitions, providing space for three JROTC classrooms, a laundry room, storage facilities, and separate bathrooms for boys and girls. The second floor is designated for computer labs, complete with storage rooms and additional bathroom facilities for students.



Governor Lemanu expressed his enthusiasm for these groundbreaking events, emphasizing their significance in advancing education in our region. These new facilities are poised to provide enhanced learning environments and opportunities for students at Leone High School and Tafuna High School.

Both of these remarkable projects will be expertly managed by PIOA Consultants, with Will Spitzenberg leading the way.

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