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Collaborative Efforts Between Lemanu-Talauega Administration and CCCAS Kanana Fou for Improved Access Routes

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Honorable Lemanu Palepoi Sialega Mauga delivering the special remarks at the CCCAS Kanana Fou road dedication ceremony

On Tuesday, March 21, 2023, the CCCAS Kanana Fou, *Ua Taunu'u* held its dedication ceremony to commemorate the completion of several projects on the compound, to include the Kanana Fou High School Access Road.

With the collaborative efforts of both the congregation and the Lemanu-Talauuga Administration, the access road will allow for improved accessibility for emergency evacuations routes for both Kanana Fou High School and Kanana Fou Elementary. This route also opens into emergency evacuation routes for Tafuna High School, Tafuna Elementary, and South Pacific Academy. It was shared at the dedication ceremony that the increase of natural disasters in the South Pacific region has prompted the church and government to act swiftly on the matter.

“We commend the collaborative efforts of both the church and government in ensuring the safety of our people, especially our youth,” remarked Honorable Lemanu P.S. Mauga. He continued, “The effects of climate change are seen daily, and the dangers of it are inevitable. The work done here will greatly help and assist our people to seek refuge at a better response time. Honorable Lt. Governor Talauuga Ale and I would also like to commend the Congregation leaders for not only making the holy grounds a refuge for so many of our people, but also for allowing government functions to take place on the compound. You have been so gracious in opening your homes to our government and the people of the Territory.”

Contracted to McConnell Dowell, the Kanana Fou High School Access Road was funded under the Kanana Fou High School ARPA Funding under the Department of Education, totalling to **\$712,722.57**. The total cost of the entirety of the project (road, fence, directional signs, and renovations) with the collaboration of the church, is **\$1,108,602.57**.

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