

## 2020 Cooperative Extension & Outreach Annual Report

Community Development

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## **Investments in Community Capacity Building - Humåtak Planning Process**

ong-term community development outcomes take time and may not be typical immediate results desired by preservation practitioners and community stakeholders. In 2012, the Guam Preservation Trust reached out to Cooperative Extension & Outreach requesting technical assistance to help in their strategic planning processes. Through initial education and continued dialogue, Peter Barcinas worked extensively with GPT to understand community engagement. Over the years, GPT continued to incorporate the principles of Appreciative Inquiry in their preservation planning and community needs assessments work. GPT's placemaking work represents community development artifacts of evidence-based findings and acknowledgments of cumulative strategic planning, that resulted in increased community resident's participation in shaping a village plan. GPT presentation of the Humåtak Revitalization Plan presentation to residents of Humåtak was the cumulative outcome of community change actions. The unveiling of the village plan captures the ideas gleaned from resident feedback and the effectiveness of quality communication strategies, narrative descriptions, and conceptual renderings developed by the collaborative workgroup. CE&O Community Development leadership in capacity-building work continues to advance the ideas of sound planning processes through an engaged citizenry and community collaborations.



L to R: Peter Barcinas, UOG CE&O, Joe Quinata, Chief Program Officer, Guam Preservation Trust and Francis Sinon, AIA Associate Member.



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