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**Lack of Funding for Public School (1/3) Outline**

Topic: Lack of Funding for Public School (Employee salary)

Introduction: Lack of Funding for Public Schools

My Community issue question: What are the factors that caused a lack of funding to affect public schools employee salary?

Introduction:

Catchy General Thesis: The drastic cuts of employee salary

1. Why is this topic important/interesting?
   * This topic is important because there are many people who are employed under the public school system in the CNMI. Many teachers and staff have experienced a large deduction in their salary. The decrease in salary not only affects the employees, but their family as well.
2. Background
   * Natural disaster (Typhoon), government austerity, and the pandemic are the causes of the lack of funding for public schools.
3. Purpose of essay
   * Bring awareness to how the several factors caused a lack of funding to pay for employees original salary.

Detailed Thesis:

This academic essay explores how Typhoon Yutu, government austerity, and the pandemic caused issues in paying employee salary by discussing the information found in news articles collected and the interviews once available.

Body Paragraph 1: Typhoon Yutu

* In 2018, Typhoon Yutu made landfall on Saipan causing damage to the island and the economy. It caused a pause in the tourism industry which the government relies on to receive revenue. As a result, this was the beginning down fall of funds for the government.

Body Paragraph 2: Government Austerity

* The government was facing financial issues in 2019, and made drastic cuts to the education budget which affected employees.

Body Paragraph 3: Pandemic

* While austerity has been ongoing, the Coronavirus pandemic took a toll on the island's economy, making matters worse. Both of these factors together, caused PSS to once again deduct from salaries and also forced teachers to be furloughed because there wasn’t enough money.

Conclusion

* Conclude with a recap on all the three points mentioned (Typhoon Yutu, austerity, and pandemic).