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## MEMORANDUM

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From: District Staff Officer, Culinary Assistance (DSO-CA)

To: District Commodore

Subj: CULINARY ARTS TEAM – STATUS REPORT, FEBRUARY-MARCH 2024

### 1. Accomplishments – February-March 2024

- a. AUX-CA Basic Training – CA candidates continue to work through their PQS requirements.
- b. Marketing brand: We developed an alpha online presence for a culinary arts service and are continuing development and testing.
- c. Fleet support: Met with CSA Alameda and Sector San Francisco to facilitate local galley support needs. Arranged at-sea CA support for CGC Hawksbill in April 2024. The CA Team prepared to support joint CG and Auxiliary activity at Station Rio Vista.

### 2. Challenges

- a. Candidate qualification: We have 12 AUX-CA candidates working on their respective PQS requirements. Several candidates reside far from USCG galley facilities, and we are exploring options to assist them in getting their required galley time.
- b. Communications (general): We are reviewing RFF processes and communications with CAs to ensure timely responses to RFF requests.
- c. Human resources (general) : We are seeking additional candidates and opportunities to offer AUX-CA Basic Training, as we need to double the number of qualified CAs. We were recently unable to fill a request for the CGC Sockeye due to the non-availability of our limited number of underway-qualified CA1s.

### 3. Upcoming events

- a. MSEP Event – 15JUN24 | Station Rio Vista
- b. Mini DTRAIN – 22JUN24 | Base Alameda
- c. PCA Fair – 21SEP24 | Base Alameda

### 4. Goals

- a. Marketing and brand – Develop marketing and brand products to meet the advertising needs of the fleet.

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- b. Accension and retention—Develop achievable and sustainable incentives and quality-of-work-life programs to encourage the accession and retention of CAs.
  - c. Fleet relationships – Develop effective and sustainable relations to meet local command CA needs.
5. **DSO-CA Contact Information** - Don't hesitate to contact DSO-CA directly at [jmzimmerle.uscgauz@gmail.com](mailto:jmzimmerle.uscgauz@gmail.com) or (801) 369-6169 (voice/text) with any questions, concerns, or requests.

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