

OHA Board approves \$1.2 million in funding for community groups

Trustees award more than \$700,000 in grants and another \$500,000 in board initiatives



John Lind, one of the founders of grant recipient Kīpahulu 'Ohana, at the Kapahu Living Farm. - Photo: Sterling Kini Wong

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On Dec. 8, the OHA Board of Trustees approved \$704,050 in grants to 12 community organizations, ranging from a traditional agriculture project

to a cancer care program. In addition, the board approved separate initiatives of \$109,000 to the Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association and \$400,000 to the Wolf Trap Foundation for Performing Arts, a national park for performing arts

in Virginia where Hawaiian artists often appear.

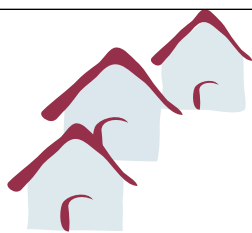
The latest awards brought the total funding awarded to community groups in 2005 through the agency's Grants Program to more than \$8 million.

Initiatives funded by the OHA Grants Program must benefit Native Hawaiians and must align with the goals and objectives of OHA's strategic plan. For information on OHA's Grants Program, call 594-1888. To the right are the organizations/programs that were awarded funding in December. This is the second round of grant proposals submitted in April 2005. A third and final round of grants from those submissions is slated for board review early in the new year. 



Grant recipients

- **Akakū: Maui Community Television**
\$75,500, for Akakū's Moloka'i Civic Engagement Initiative.
- **Hawai'i Family Services**
\$49,999, for a tūtū support project that aims to improve the well-being while improving the power and effectiveness of Hawaiian grandparents as care givers of their grandchildren.
- **Kīpahulu 'Ohana Inc.**
\$96,575, for Kapahu Living Farm traditional agriculture restoration and education in Kīpahulu, Maui.
- **Ma Ka Hāna Ka 'ike**
\$35,000, for the Hāna School Building Program.
- **Nā Huapala O Hawai'i**
\$30,815, for the Hālau Ka Lei Mamo after-school Hawaiian culture program in collaboration with Kohala High, Middle and Elementary Schools.
- **'Ohana Makamae Inc.**
\$35,100, for a substance abuse counseling and intensive outpatient treatment project.
- **Pacific American Foundation**
\$49,908 for the 'Imi Na'auao mentorship and leadership training at Hawaiian fishponds for youth grades 6-12.
- **Papa Ola Lōkahi**
\$79,300, for the Ho'okele Ola Navigator Program to develop curriculum and training for outreach workers to assist Native Hawaiians through cancer screening and treatment.
- **Papa Ola Lōkahi**
\$42,822, for the Mālama Kou Kino Cancer Care Program, which accesses social support networks for Native Hawaiian cancer patients and provides resources for patients to stay connected or to reconnect with family.
- **Reverend Joel Hulu Māhoe Resource Center**
\$85,616, for a project to educate Native Hawaiians to access and retrieve land and genealogical information.
- **University of Hawai'i, Office of Research Services**
\$49,615, for Project Ka Hale Pono youth and family programming at Anahola, Kaua'i.
- **Wai'anae Community Re-Development Corporation**
\$73,800, for the MAO Youth Leadership Training.



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