Island Community Report: Hawai'i

Executive Summary



Current Native Hawaiian Conditions on Hawaiʻi Island



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Health Outcomes Data

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Quality Housing Data

- By the most recent data available from 2015, 58% of Native Hawaiian occupied housing units in Hawai'i County were owner-occupied (8,245 of 14,095 households), compared to 66% of all housing units in Hawai'i County (43,213 of 65,048 households) and 56% of Native Hawaiian housing units statewide (38,538 of 69,217 households).
- The Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) has 2,530 lessees on Hawai'i Island (1,270 in West Hawai'i and 1,260 in East Hawai'i), 25% of the 9,957 leases statewide.
- DHHL lands on Hawai'i Island comprise a total of 117,551 acres, 57% of the total 203,981 acre DHHL land holdings.
- As of 6/30/2021, the DHHL Hawai'i Island Waitlist is 15,287; Residential (5,945), Agricultural (7,335), and Pastoral lots (2,007).



Economic Stability Data

- 16% of Native Hawaiians in Hawai'i County have at least one year of college but no degree, 8% have an associate degree, 9% have a bachelor's degree, and 4% have a graduate or professional degree.
- As of 2015, Native Hawaiian Median Household Income in Hawai'i County was \$51,675, compared to \$52,108 for all county residents. (99%).
- The COVID-19 pandemic had significant negative effects on Native Hawaiian household finances. Many Native Hawaiian survey respondents on Hawai'i reported being worse off during than before the pandemic, including an increase from 3% to 15% of Native Hawaiian respondents who were not making ends meet.

Current Issues on Hawai'i Island

<u>Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area – Miloli'i:</u> On June 9, 2022, the State Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) adopted Hawai'i Administrative Rules (HAR) to designate the area from Kīpahoehoe to Kaunā as the Miloli'i Community Based Subsistence Fishing Area (CBSFA). On August 3, 2022 Governor Ige signed administrative rules to make the coastline bordering this remote village the second CBFSA in the State. (See Full Report, page 17)

<u>Pololū Valley:</u> The Kohala Hawaiian Civic Club informed OHA of an application that was submitted for a 13-lot subdivision, parking lot, and comfort station along the ridge at Pololū Valley, and refuted DLNR's assertion of community consultation. (See Full Report, page 18)

Act 255 (2022) Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority: As of July 2022, Act 255 provides a new governing authority to oversee Mauna Kea management – the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority. This group will be able to decide lease terms and priorities. The Governor has already initiated recruitment for this Authority, which was effective July 1, 2022. A transition period of five (5) years is allotted to jointly manage Maunakea with UH. (See Full Report, page 19)

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Current Grantees Serving Hawai'i Island

Bishop Museum (\$49,999) • La'i'ōpua 2020: The Wa'a Project (\$141,000) • La'i'ōpua 2020: Kona Mele (\$10,000) • Big Island Substance Abuse Council: Therapeutic Living Re-entry Program & BISAC COVID Response Plan (\$150,000) • Big Island Substance Abuse Council: BISAC COVID Response Plan (\$150,000) • Ka La'i a 'Ehu (\$2,520) • Pa'a Pono Miloli'i (\$74,000) • 'O Maku'u ke Kahua Community Center (\$75,000) • Hui Malama Ola Na 'Oiwi (\$307,7822) • Pohaha I ka Lani: Liko No Ka Lama (\$149,949) • Pōhāhā I Ka Lani: Ka Lau O Ke Kāhuli (\$149,854) • Five Mountains Hawai'i dba Kipuka o ke Ola: Kauka No'ono'o (\$118,454) • Five Mountains Hawai'i dba Kupuka o ke Ola: Ulu Laukahi Project (105,000) • The Kohala Center (\$150,000) • Ho'okāko'o Corporation (\$60,000) • Hamakua Youth Foundation (\$50,000) • Kupu (\$140,088) Statewide: Moanalua Culture Project (\$100,000) • Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning Ohana: Charter School (\$3,205,279) • Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning Ohana: KANU, FY20-21 (\$294,721) • Kanu o ka 'Aina Learning Ohana: KANU, FY22-23 • Educational Services Hawaii Foundation (\$180,000) • Ho'okāko'o Corporation (\$220,000) • The Hawaiian Church of Hawai'i Nei • Papa Ola Lokahi (\$20,000) • Purple Mai'a Foundation (\$498,660) • Alu Like, Inc (\$830,000) • Hawaii Community Lending (\$1,044,253) • University of Hawaii at Manoa – Native Hawaiian Science & Engineering Mentorship Program (\$1,100,000)

Current Hawai'i Lending

• 77 active Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund/Consumer Micro Loan Program loans; \$1,328,214 total dollars lent