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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
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 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. New Business
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III. New Business (cont.)

- B. Update: Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program – Six-Month Update
Administration will provide a six-month update on the Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program.
- C. Update: Kanaaho Program – Final Update
Administration will provide a final update on the Kanaaho Program.

IV. Adjournment

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- (2) **live, oral testimony online or at the physical meeting location** during the remote meeting.

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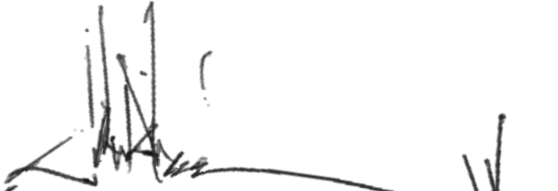
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'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market

Application - 'Ho'ākoako Lāhui Sponsorship Program

Acton Digital Academy/Acton Digital Inc.

Mr. Youssef Dakroub
1110 University Avenue
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Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Kaulike Academy

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Wendy Awai-Dakroub

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

Kaulike Academy's mission is to expand digital equity, economic opportunity, and lifelong learning for Hawai'i's youth and families. We provide culturally grounded technology education, digital literacy pathways, and workforce readiness programs that empower students to become confident learners, community contributors, and future leaders. Through hands-on learning, mentorship, and service to kūpuna and local communities, we help bridge digital divides and strengthen the well-being and self-sufficiency of Hawai'i's people.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

Governing Board

Wendy Awai-Dakroub – Board Chair

Youssef Dakroub – Treasurer

Sasha Kamahale – Secretary

Arsena Kailihiwa – Director

Coen Cadhina – Youth Advocate

Leah Dakroub - Youth Advocate

Executive Team

Youssef Dakroub – Executive Director
Program Manager - Laurie Akana
Mentor - Wendy Awai-Dakroub

Name of event to be sponsored*

‘Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market

Start date of event to be sponsored*

05/30/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

05/30/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

5:00pm - 9:00pm

Address of event/activity:*

560 N. Nimitz Hwy

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

O'ahu

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

‘Ōpio Mākeke is designed as a quarterly youth pop-up market and cultural gathering that advances economic opportunity, cultural perpetuation, and community connection for Native Hawaiian youth, families, and kūpuna. The event held at Nā Lama Kukui represents the first installment of a planned night market series intended to activate the surrounding Iwilei community, create sustained opportunities for youth entrepreneurship, and reestablish Nā Lama Kukui as a site of gathering, learning, and intergenerational

exchange. This initiative reflects a long-term vision to cultivate a recognized cultural marketplace rooted in Native Hawaiian values and aligned with OHA’s Mana i Maui Ola Strategic Plan.

As an entry-level platform, ‘Ōpio Mākeke provides young and emerging entrepreneurs—particularly Native Hawaiian youth—with a safe, supported pathway to begin or strengthen their small business journey. Youth vendors gain hands-on experience in product development, pricing, marketing, customer engagement, networking, and financial literacy. For many participants, this market serves as their first opportunity to publicly test and refine their business ideas. The event structure is intentionally designed to lower barriers to entry for Native Hawaiian youth, providing access to mentorship, supportive community spaces, and real-world entrepreneurial skill building that contributes to long-term economic self-sufficiency. By fostering these early opportunities, ‘Ōpio Mākeke supports OHA’s strategic direction of Economic Stability and cultivates pathways for youth to participate in Hawai‘i’s economy in culturally rooted and sustainable ways.

The location at Nā Lama Kukui is especially significant. Historically, the Iwilei region functioned as a place of exchange, abundance, and activity. Research from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs notes that Iwilei once contained fishponds, reefs, lo‘i kalo systems, and extensive food resources that nourished surrounding communities. The area served as an important coastal zone connected to the ahupua‘a of Kapālama, Kalihi, Nu‘uanu, and Honolulu, reflecting systems of knowledge, stewardship, and interdependence that supported generations of Native Hawaiian families. By reactivating this space for community benefit, ‘Ōpio Mākeke honors the cultural and historical significance of Nā Lama Kukui and supports the revitalization of a storied wahi pana that continues to carry meaning for Hawaiians today. The event transforms the area into a gathering place where community members can reconnect with one another, share knowledge, and strengthen bonds in ways that reflect the values embedded in its history.

This night market series also promotes intergenerational learning, an essential component of Native Hawaiian wellbeing. Each event brings together kūpuna, ‘ōpio, parents, and community members in a setting that encourages story sharing, cultural activities, and mutual support. Kūpuna are recognized as vital knowledge holders whose lived experiences provide guidance and grounding for younger generations. Youth are able to learn from kūpuna through cultural practices, talk story spaces, and shared participation in market activities. This reciprocal exchange aligns with the strategic foundation of ‘Ohana within Mana i Maui Ola, which centers the role of family and multi-generational relationships in strengthening the lāhui. By creating an event where kūpuna and ‘ōpio are equally honored and engaged, ‘Ōpio Mākeke contributes to the strengthening of Hawaiian families and the transmission of cultural knowledge.

Cultural perpetuation (mo‘omeheu) is woven throughout the structure and intention of the event. Youth vendors are encouraged to develop products that reflect cultural identity, Hawaiian values, place-based inspiration, or traditional practices. Cultural practitioners, kupuna artists, and partnering organizations—including musicians from the Hawaiian Music Perpetuation Society—participate not as entertainers, but as cultural carriers who help root the experience in mele, storytelling, and the cultural expressions that have historically united communities. This integration of cultural elements supports OHA’s goal of revitalizing Hawaiian culture in community settings and provides a culturally safe space where participants and attendees can celebrate identity, heritage, and shared belonging.

In addition to cultural and educational aims, ‘Ōpio Mākeke provides a meaningful community-building function for the surrounding neighborhoods of Iwilei, Kapālama, and downtown Honolulu. The area surrounding Nā Lama Kukui is a mixed-use region with limited opportunities for families, youth, and kūpuna to gather in culturally grounded, accessible environments. By hosting a recurring community event, the series aims to uplift local residents, strengthen neighborhood connections, and contribute to a sense of safety, belonging, and pride in place. As participation grows over time, this initiative has the potential to establish Nā Lama Kukui as a central hub for culture, entrepreneurship, and community exchange—reinvigorating the spirit of this wahi pana and supporting OHA’s overarching mission to improve the wellbeing of Native Hawaiians.

Ultimately, the purpose of the ‘Ōpio Mākeke Night Market Series is to create a sustainable, culturally grounded platform that:

- Supports Native Hawaiian youth entrepreneurship and entry-level business pathways
- Fosters intergenerational learning and strengthens 'ohana relationships
- Revitalizes cultural practices and expressions in an accessible community space
- Activates Nā Lama Kukui as a gathering place consistent with its cultural and historical significance
- Builds community connection and serves residents in and around Iwilei
- Aligns with OHA's strategic directions of economic stability, cultural perpetuation, community wellbeing, and 'ohana resilience

The first event in this series will set the foundation for a long-term cultural marketplace that uplifts the lāhui through opportunity, connection, and shared purpose. Through intentional design and partnership, 'Ōpio Mākeke seeks to contribute to a future where Native Hawaiian youth thrive, kūpuna are honored, and communities are strengthened by the cultural values that have sustained Hawaiians for generations.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

'Ōpio Makeke will be held on Sat, May 30th, 2026 from 5:00pm - 9:00pm at Nā Lama Kukui. The mākeke portion will consist of 30 Native Hawaiian youth vendors who will set up space inside Nā Lama Kūkui on the first floor center corridor. Vendors will offer a variety of products from jewelry, accessories, fashion, baked goods, and snacks.

There will be 4 bands that will be hired to play one 30 minute set each. Well known Hawaiian artists will grace the stage to entertain. Master of ceremonies will make all event introductions and announcements. Tech Savvy Teens will also be available to provide FREE tech services for kūpuna.

List of potential musicians:

Melveen Leed, Sistah Robi Kahakalau,

All musicians will be asked to arrive no less than 30 minutes prior to their start time and check in with the event coordinator. Each musician will have no more than 5 minutes of sound check with the sound technician.

Master of Ceremonies: TBA

Mākeke Vendors:

Aloha Lei Stand, Big Boy Snacks, Chillex Pops, Cozy Cookie, Datz Fiyah, Heavenly Aloha Creations, Hale Charms, Hokuz Forever Roses, Holoholo Gold, Kamakana Creations, Krispy King 808, Ku'lei Jewelry, Little Loops Crochet Co, Mahea Leah, Medkitted, Subdog Designs, Sunrise Jewels, Sweetheart Farm, Treats by Mae, Wild & Rooted, Zasfits, and more.

Agenda is as follows:

Event Set-up: 10:00am- 4:45pm

All vendors and sound technician will arrive, check in with event coordinator and set up their retail space

Event Start time: 5:00pm

All vendors and first two musicians are ready to start the event

Vendor Sales: 5:00pm - 9:00pm
All booths are ready to make sales

Musical entertainment on the main stage: 5:00pm - 9:00pm
The first two musician will be asked to arrive at 4:30pm
The second two musicians will be asked to arrive at 6:30pm

Tech services: 5:00pm 9:00pm
Tech services will be asked to arrive no later than 11:30am to set up

Event Break-down 9:00pm - 10:00pm
All vendors stop selling and break down their retail spaces
If vendors sell out they are allowed to break down and leave the event no sooner than 8:30pm

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

400

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

300

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Economic Stability

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical,spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

The event aligns with Strategy 8: Cultivate economic development in and for Hawaiian communities because it directly invests in the growth, visibility, and long-term success of youth-led businesses across Hawai'i. By providing a professional marketplace environment where young entrepreneurs can showcase and sell their products, the event creates real pathways for income generation, financial learning, and business advancement. It encourages youth to step into roles as producers, innovators, and contributors to Hawai'i's economic landscape, strengthening their confidence while expanding their practical experience.

The event also stimulates community-based economic activity by inviting families, organizations, and local supporters to intentionally circulate their dollars within Hawai'i. This keeps economic value rooted in the community and reinforces a culture of choosing local first. By elevating youth businesses alongside established community partners, the event fosters intergenerational collaboration, mentorship, and shared economic growth.

Ultimately, the event contributes to a resilient economic ecosystem where young people are empowered to build sustainable ventures, Hawaiian communities benefit from locally generated wealth, and the broader economic foundation of Hawai'i is strengthened through innovation, entrepreneurship, and community-driven opportunity.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

‘Ōpio Mākeke strongly aligns with the strategic direction of economic stability by equipping youth with the foundational skills, experiences, and confidence needed to participate meaningfully in Hawai'i's local economy. Through hands-on entrepreneurship, youth gain early exposure to financial literacy, product development, customer service, and revenue generation. These experiences prepare them to navigate future economic opportunities with greater independence and awareness, building long-term self-sufficiency that contributes to the economic resilience of Hawai'i's communities.

The event also supports economic stability by strengthening the role of 'ohana in youth entrepreneurship. Families work alongside their keiki in preparing products, designing displays, managing inventory, and engaging with customers. This shared effort encourages conversations around money management, goal setting, and responsibility within the household. When families actively support youth entrepreneurs, they reinforce financial habits and leadership skills that can lead to greater economic stability across generations.

In addition, the 'Ōpio Mākeke connects participating youth to Hawai'i's broader small business ecosystem. By engaging with community partners, small business owners, cultural practitioners, and local organizations, youth gain access to mentorship and networks that expand their economic opportunities. This interaction helps them understand how local businesses operate and where they can contribute in the future, further strengthening the economic foundation of Hawai'i's communities.

The mākeke also promotes cultural-based economic development by encouraging youth to incorporate Hawaiian values, cultural knowledge, and connections to 'āina into their products and business practices. This strengthens economic stability not only through commerce, but through the preservation and transmission of cultural knowledge that is inseparable from Hawai'i's long-term resilience.

Overall, the 'Ōpio Mākeke advances economic stability by developing youth entrepreneurs, strengthening family engagement, and deepening community support systems. Through this event, the next generation gains the tools, relationships, and cultural grounding needed to contribute to a sustainable and thriving local economy.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: **The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.**

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

'Ohana - Family,

The proposed 'Ōpio Mākeke Summer kickoff, directly aligns with the Hawaiian value of 'ohana, which emphasizes the importance of strong, healthy family relationships as the foundation for thriving communities. Although the event centers on youth vendors, it strengthens 'ohana in meaningful and measurable ways.

1. Family Support as the Foundation of Youth Success

Each youth vendor is supported by parents, siblings, and kūpuna who guide them through product development, cultural knowledge, and preparation for the mākeke. This collaboration empowers youth while reinforcing family bonds.

2. Strengthening 'Ohana Through Shared Responsibility

Families work together—planning, crafting, setting up their booths, and supporting their keiki throughout the event. This builds pilina, responsibility, communication, and shared pride within the 'ohana.

3. Reinforcing Cultural Identity Within Families

Many youth products are connected to mo'omeheu, 'āina, or family traditions. By uplifting these creations, the event supports the transmission of cultural knowledge that begins in the 'ohana.

4. Empowering Youth Strengthens the Whole Family

When youth gain entrepreneurial skills, financial literacy, and confidence, they uplift their 'ohana. A strong keiki contributes to a stronger family unit and, in turn, to a stronger community.

5. Creating a Safe Space for 'Ohana to Celebrate Their Youth

The mākeke offers a positive, welcoming environment where families can come together to celebrate, encourage, and take pride in the accomplishments of their keiki strengthening the relationships at the heart of the 'ohana.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds *shall not* be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing "entertainment or perquisites" as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

'Ōpio Mākeke Budget

'Ōpio Mākeke Personnel | \$3,000.00

Event Coordinator | \$1,750.00

Oversees event planning, marketing, vendor coordination, and onsite management. Serves as the primary point of contact, manages partnerships, talent recruitment, vendor onboarding, event timeline, budget oversight, and procurement.

Assistant Event Coordinator | \$1,250.00

Supports the Event Coordinator with planning, communication, setup, coordination, and breakdown. Serves as the vendor and talent point of contact and relays event details via email and phone.

Mākeke Vendor Stipends | \$4,500.00

Each vendor receives a \$150 stipend to support product materials, booth décor, and marketing needs. (30 vendors total)

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Contracted Talent | \$7,500.00

Musician Fees | \$4,000.00

Four bands performing 30-minute sets each at \$1000 per band.

Sound Technician & Equipment | \$3,000.00

Includes one sound technician and equipment rental for four hours.

Master of Ceremonies | \$500.00
Provides emcee services, talent introductions, and event announcements.

TOTAL COST - \$15,000.00

Line-Item Budget Upload

'Ōpio Mākeke Budget (Nā Lama Kukui).pdf

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

'Ōpio Makeke event will be able to provide OHA engagement, partnership and public relations opportunities in the following ways:

- Include the OHA logo and url link on printed event marketing materials and on social media posts that advertise the event and be listed as an event partner
- Include the OHA logo on event signage day of event in the following areas: 1) welcome table, 2) main stage, and 3) the Coop work space on 2 floor.
- Include the OHA logo and url link as an event partner in emails that go out to community partners, potential vendors, and musical talent.
- Provide an OHA information table at the 'Ōpio Makeke event for an OHA representative to distribute information
- Provide reserved seats to listen to music at the event.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your organizations social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Submitted On: 1 December
2025

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

www.opiomakeke.com

Instagram: @opiomakeke

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

‘Ōpio Makeke Flyer.pdf

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai‘i. The applicant shall upload the organization’s IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

FinalLetter_88-2326505_ACTONDIGITALINC_07292022_00[20104].pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai‘i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai‘i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai‘i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

certificate.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (**must be valid within the calendar year**).

w9_ADA_2025_2026.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

[Unanswered]

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."
- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

*

I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Wendy Awai-Dakroub

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- 'Ōpio Mākeke Budget (Nā Lama Kukui).pdf
- 'Ōpio Makeke Flyer.pdf
- FinalLetter_88-2326505_ACTONDIGITALINC_07292022_00[20104].pdf
- certificate.pdf
- w9_ADA_2025_2026.pdf

Event Budget - 'Ōpio Mākeke | May 30, 2026

Line Item	Cost	justification
Event coordinator	\$1,750.00	Oversees event planning, marketing, vendor coordination, and onsite management. Serves as the primary point of contact, manages partnerships, talent recruitment, vendor onboarding, event timeline, budget oversight, and procurement.
Youth coordinator	\$1,250.00	Supports the Event Coordinator with planning, communication, setup, coordination, and breakdown. Serves as the vendor and talent point of contact and relays event details via email and phone.
'Ōpio Vendor stipends	\$4,500.00	Each vendor receives a \$150 stipend to support product materials, booth décor, and marketing needs. (30 vendors total)
musician fees & sound equipment	\$4,000.00	Four bands performing 30-minute sets. Includes one sound technician and equipment rental for four

Event Budget - 'Ōpio Mākeke | May 30, 2026

		hours.
master of ceremonies	\$500.00	Provides emcee services, talent introductions, and event announcements.
marketing and signage	\$3,000.00	Marketing and signage ensure clear communication and strong visibility for the event. They help attract attendees, guide participants, and reinforce the event's purpose in a cohesive, culturally aligned way.
TOTAL COST	\$15,00.00	

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MAY
5PM - 9PM



POWERED BY KUKUI RISE

'Ōpio

MĀKEKE

- 'ŌPIO VENDORS
- CULTURAL WORKSHOPS
- FOOD & DRINKS
- TECH SAVVY TEENS
- KUPUNA ENTERTAINMENT
- SPECIAL GUESTS
- GAMES & GIVEAWAYS



NĀ LAMA KUKUI CENTER, 560 N. NIMITZ HWY | 5:00PM - 9:00PM
FREE TO ENTER | FUN FOR THE ENTIRE 'OHANA



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

ACTON DIGITAL INC
C/O ACTON DIGITAL ACADEMY
1950 YOUNG STREET 340
HONOLULU, HI 96826

Date:
02/28/2023
Employer ID number:
88-2326505
Person to contact:
Name: Michael J Costello Jr
ID number: 17521
Telephone: (877) 829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(ii)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
May 5, 2022
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053613009532

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: ACTON DIGITAL INC.

DBA/Trade Name: Acton Digital Academy

Issue Date: 10/24/2025

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX6505

UI#: No record

DCCA FILE#: 321907

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	<p>1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)</p> <p>Acton Digital Inc.</p>	
	<p>2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.</p> <p>Kaulike Academy</p>	
	<p>3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership)</p> <p>Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) 501(c)3</p>	<p>4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):</p> <p>Exempt payee code (if any) _____</p> <p>Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____</p> <p><i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)</i></p>
	<p>3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
	<p>5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.</p> <p>2855 E. Manoa Road, 105-157</p>	<p>Requester's name and address (optional)</p>
	<p>6 City, state, and ZIP code</p> <p>Honolulu, Hawaii 96822</p>	
	<p>7 List account number(s) here (optional)</p>	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

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Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	<p>Signature of U.S. person </p>	<p>Date 6/27/2025</p>
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market

Acton Digital Academy/Acton Digital Inc.

Mr. Youssef Dakroub
1110 University Avenue
100
Honolulu, HI 96826



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1110 University Avenue
100
Honolulu, HI 96826



Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 95% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	90.00%
Evaluator:	100.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event clearly provides meaningful and tangible benefits to Native Hawaiian youth and families by creating accessible entrepreneurship opportunities and encouraging 'ohana participation. The purpose and activities are well described and directly respond to community needs.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The projected attendance of 400 for a single-evening community event is substantial and achievable. This level of participation provides a meaningful opportunity for OHA visibility and engagement within the community.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The projected 300 Native Hawaiian attendees represent strong beneficiary participation and meaningful potential for positive community impact. The estimate appears reasonable and well aligned with the event's purpose.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application clearly connects the event to Strategy 8 by creating accessible entrepreneurship opportunities for Native Hawaiian youth and encouraging local economic participation. The alignment is direct, relevant, and well supported.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application clearly demonstrates meaningful community impact through youth entrepreneurship opportunities, 'ohana engagement, and local economic participation. The connection to identified Strategic Outcomes is evident and well explained, reflecting substantial potential for positive impact within the community.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application clearly demonstrates alignment with the Strategic Foundations of 'Ohana and Mo'omeheu by emphasizing intergenerational engagement and culturally grounded community gathering. The connection is evident, relevant, and well described.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 9

Evaluator: 10

Comments

Evaluator: The application requests \$15,000; however, \$4,500 of the request is allocated to entertainment-related expenses, which are not allowable under HRS §10-17(b)(3). While the line-item budget is detailed, the full amount requested is not appropriate as submitted. Funding, if awarded, would be limited to eligible expenses only.

Evaluator: I really appreciate the vendor stipends to really give vendors an opportunity to be financially supported in participating in this specific event.

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 8

Evaluator: 10

Comments

Evaluator: The application provides clear and meaningful opportunities for OHA visibility, including logo placement, digital promotion, on-site signage, and an information table. These elements offer solid community engagement and public presence within the event setting.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 10,500

Evaluator: 10500.00

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: The recommended award of \$10,500 reflects funding of eligible expenses only. The reduction from the original \$15,000 request is due to the removal of entertainment-related costs that are not allowable under HRS §10-17(b)(3).

Evaluator: Disallowed costs as follows: allotment for musician fees and Master of Ceremonies totalling \$4500. Recommended sponsorship \$10,500.

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/17/2026

Evaluator: 02/17/2026



John D. Waihe'e IV - Chairperson
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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ölelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoako Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. **Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence**
 9. Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival
 10. North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration
 11. Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence

Application - 'Ho'ākoako Lāhui Sponsorship Program

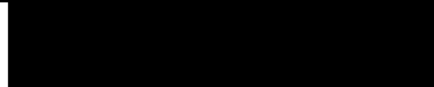
Recycle Hawaii

Ms. Kristine Kubat
P.O. Box 4445
Hilo, HI 96720



Ms. Kristine Kubat

P.O. Box 4445
Hilo, HI 96720



Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Recycle Hawaii

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Kristine Kubat

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

Recycle Hawai'i is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting resource awareness, sustainable materials management, and waste reduction throughout Hawai'i County and beyond. Our mission is to educate, inspire, and empower youth leaders, individuals, communities, and local governments to reduce waste, conserve natural resources, and live sustainably in balance with the 'āina (land).

Through community outreach, youth education, and collaborative initiatives, we work to shift mindsets and behaviors toward a circular economy—one that values reuse, repair, composting, and recycling as essential pathways to a cleaner, healthier, and more resilient Hawai'i.

Currently, Recycle Hawai'i administers an EPA Recycling Education and Outreach (REO) Grant in partnership with Ka'ū High & Pāhala Elementary School and the Ka'ū Global Learning Lab. Entitled the Hawai'i Youth Clean Stream & Waste-to-Wealth Initiative, this program empowers Ka'ū youth to design and implement Zero Waste programs at their school and in their community. Students have successfully launched a Cafeteria Waste Diversion Program that has already diverted over 20,000 pounds of food waste from the landfill, alongside multiple initiatives in partnership with Hawai'i Energy and other local organizations to reduce waste and promote Zero Waste behavioral change campaigns.

Professional youth development is at the heart of this effort—building leadership, teamwork, and environmental stewardship skills among Hawai'i's next generation. The proposed Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence on Kaua'i seeks to continue and expand this work by bringing together youth leaders from across the islands to plan, collaborate, and strengthen their impact on Hawai'i's path toward a Zero Waste future.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

Recycle Hawai'i's Board of Directors:

Board President: Topher Dean

Board Vice President: Sam De La Paz

Board Treasurer: Ronald Robinson

Board Secretary: Terri Markovich

Board Member: Tanya Yamanaka Aynessazian

Board Member: Amanda Rose

Recycle Hawai'i's Executive Leadership Team:

Executive Director: Kristine Kubat

Operations Director: Justin Canelas

EPA REO Program Director: Alesha "Ulu" Makuakane

Name of event to be sponsored*

Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/01/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/05/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

June 1st & 5th would be considered a travel day. Programming for each days of the event 6/2 - 6/4 would start with Breakfast at 8 am and then run all day with group activities, seminars, and Zero Waste projects ending with Dinner at 7 pm

Address of event/activity:*

4275 Poha Road Anahola, Hawaii 96703

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

Kaua'i

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

The Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence is designed to support emerging youth leaders as they collaborate on the development and staging of a national Zero Waste Youth Convergence to be held on Oahu in the Spring of 2027.

In 2023, Recycle Hawai'i received a \$1.5M grant from the USEPA to fund a three-year, youth-driven, community based recycling education and outreach program. This program is unique in that it goes far beyond standard approaches by laying the foundation for less wasteful, more resourceful practices through the incorporation of traditional Hawaiian values. One of the deliverables for the grant was the development and staging of a statewide zero waste youth convergence recently held in Na'alehu this past October. Another deliverable for the grant is the development and staging of a national youth convergence in 2027, which will be held on Oahu. During the closing plenary of the Ka'ū event, those in attendance decided to form a statewide Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Alliance, a development which left our organization feeling it would be inappropriate for Recycle Hawai'i program participants to serve as the sole hosts for the 2027 event. Our desire to ensure that the event serve as an authentic representation of the culture and be inclusive of youth from across the state led to this grant proposal concept, which was developed in collaboration with Hanai Kaiulu and is submitted on behalf of youth from the Hawaiian Academy of Arts and Sciences, Maui Huliau Foundation, R.I.S.E E Ala E Kohala, and the Moloka'i Educational Center who attended the Ka'ū Zero Waste convergence. Our inability to include Kaua'i youth in the Ka'ū event led to the decision to hold the proposed event there.

This request for funding covers the cost of bringing student participants, adult organizers and chaperones to Kaua'i and accommodating them during the three-day immersive experience. It is supplemented with funds awarded to Recycle Hawai'i by the EPA.

The event's purpose is to build and deepen relationships between young change-makers who are implementing waste reduction and sustainability projects in their schools and communities. It is designed to provide them with the support they need to successfully plan for the 2027 convergence and subsequently host the attendees who will be traveling to Hawaii using funds already secured through the EPA award. A desire to expand the 2027 event into an international convergence by inviting Pacific Island youth will also be explored. Realizing this goal will require additional planning and fundraising, which will be addressed during the Kaua'i planning exercise. Similarly, organizers and youth are inspired by the decision to hold the 2028 WIPCE in Waikoloa and hoping to explore the potential for staging that event as Zero Waste under the management of their newly formed youth alliance. Achieving this bold vision requires tram building and planning.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

The Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence will be a multi-day leadership and educational gathering that draws young change-makers implementing waste reduction and sustainability projects in their schools and communities from across Hawai'i to plan for a National Zero Waste Youth Convergence to be held in 2027. It builds upon the successful 2024 convergence held on Hawai'i Island, which featured over a dozen presenters, cultural tours, and youth-led Zero Waste planning sessions. The Kaua'i Convergence expands this impact by deepening cultural, environmental, and inter-island connections. It also provides an opportunity for youth attending the convergence to make a public presentation to the Homestead Community where the event will be held.

Agenda and Activities:

The convergence is organized as a series of work sessions and social experiences, with the work conducted primarily during daylight hours under the guidance of experienced planners. Work sessions are interspersed with site visits and cultural offerings that blend traditional Hawaiian knowledge with contemporary sustainability practices, while evenings provide opportunities to deepen relationships and share talents.

Planned sessions include:

DAY ONE

This day is reserved for travel and acclimation.

DAY TWO

Opening pule and cultural protocols led by local kūpuna and educators.

Zero Waste Activity Updates from alliance members, including youth from Ka'ū, Puna, Moloka'i, Maui, and Oahu: During this session, youth give updates on their projects ranging from cafeteria food recovery to cardboard reclamation to community composting. This component is used to bring Kaua'i students who were unable to attend the Ka'u event into the newly formed network.

Event Visioning Exercise: Youth share their vision for the 2027 event, including critical decisions such as site selection, number of attendees, and cultural themes.

Site Visits to Kaina Makua at Aloha 'Āina Poi Co., the Kaua'i Salt Ponds, and Compost Kaua'i, integrating Native Hawaiian cultural knowledge with waste diversion practices.

DAY THREE

Cultural and Environmental Fieldwork: Beach Cleanup conducted in collaboration with local stewards to teach marine debris data collection and coastal ecosystem protection.

DAY FOUR

Continued event planning, including budget development and assignment of tasks.

Preparation for public presentation, including lei making and food prep.

Public Zero Waste presentation to Homestead Community and invited guests. Meal is served. This mini-event is stage as Zero Waste.

DAY FIVE

Early morning plenary to formalize agreements on next steps.

Travel home.

The mentors who attended the Ka'ū convergence and will be on hand to provide planning support include: Ulu Makuakane, Program Director for Recycle Hawai'i's EPA REO grant, Kumu U'ilani Pieper educator and cofounder of Hānai Kaiaulu, an indigenous education and youth empowerment nonprofit, and Macie Tawata, Executive Director of Maui Huliau Foundation, a youth-led environmental storytelling group.

Presenters include Kaina Makua, Aloha 'Āina Poi Co., cultural sustainability and 'āina-based entrepreneurs, and Compost Kaua'i, a local composting solutions and community circular economy initiatives.

The attendee estimates listed below include 40 participants throughout the week with 35 of those Native Hawaiian. And an estimated additional 30 homesteaders and guests for the evening Zero Waste presentation, with 27 of them Native Hawaiian.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

ZWY Convergence_Flyer&Itinerary.pdf

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

70

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

62

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Educational Pathways

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

The event aligns with Strategy 2 because the Hawai‘i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence provides Native Hawaiian and local youth from across the pae ‘āina with experiential, culturally grounded learning opportunities that strengthen both environmental and cultural literacy. The program integrates ‘āina-based education and Native Hawaiian values of Aloha ‘Āina and Mālama ‘Āina through mentoring, site visits, and collaborative planning sessions centered on sustainability and resource stewardship.

Participants engage directly with cultural practitioners, environmental professionals, and community mentors—including Kaina Makua of Aloha ‘Āina Poi Co. and caretakers of the Kaua‘i Salt Ponds—to explore how traditional Hawaiian knowledge systems can inform modern Zero Waste solutions. In doing so, the convergence bridges Western science and Indigenous wisdom, creating pathways for youth to apply cultural principles to real-world environmental challenges.

By empowering students to take leadership roles in community sustainability, this event nurtures confidence, critical thinking, and civic engagement—skills essential to their educational success and lifelong contribution to the lāhui. The care they taking in planning the national event ensures that the representation of the Hawaiian culture to the outside participants will be authentic and something they can take pride in.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.**

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

This event addresses Outcome 2.3 by providing Hawaiian and local youth from across the islands with hands-on learning experiences rooted in Native Hawaiian values of Aloha ‘Āina and Mālama ‘Āina. Through site visits to culturally significant locations such as the Kaua‘i Salt Ponds, collaborations with Aloha ‘Āina Poi Co., and participation in a local beach cleanup, students learn directly from practitioners and cultural leaders about the interconnectedness of ‘āina, community, and kuleana.

The Hawai‘i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence equips youth with leadership skills, environmental awareness, and collaborative problem-solving abilities—empowering them to design and implement sustainability projects that benefit their home communities. By integrating traditional knowledge with modern sustainability strategies, the convergence nurtures the next generation of Native Hawaiian leaders who will carry forward the values of stewardship, responsibility, and aloha for the ‘āina. It empowers them to take ownership of the experiences visitors have, ensuring that they are authentic representations of Hawaiian culture.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

‘Ohana – Family. ‘Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the ‘ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo‘omeheu and ‘āina begin with connections within families.

Mo‘omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things

that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

The Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence aligns strongly with the foundations of Mo'omeheu and 'Āina, as it is rooted in the values, practices, and worldview of Native Hawaiian culture and its relationship with the natural environment.

The event embodies Mo'omeheu by integrating cultural protocol, traditional learning practices, and community knowledge into every aspect of the convergence. Each day begins with pule, oli, and hula, reinforcing connection to ancestry and place. Youth participants engage directly with cultural practitioners such as Kaina Makua of Aloha 'Āina Poi Co. and caretakers of the Kaua'i Salt Ponds, learning through hands-on activities how cultural traditions and ecological stewardship are intertwined. By grounding modern sustainability in Hawaiian cultural context, the event perpetuates mo'omeheu as a living, evolving expression of identity and resilience.

The convergence also aligns with the foundation of 'Āina by centering 'āina-based education and stewardship as both the method and purpose of learning. Through the beach cleanup, participants build a deeper pilina (relationship) with the land and ocean while actively contributing to their restoration. Youth gain a firsthand understanding that environmental health and community well-being are inseparable.

Together, these foundations empower youth to carry forward ancestral knowledge in addressing modern challenges, ensuring that their leadership in the Zero Waste movement is guided by a profound sense of kuleana (responsibility) to both 'āina and mo'omeheu.

The evening presentation is a way for the youth to share their learnings and talents with the host community and to honor them with entertainment and a meal.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds ***shall not*** be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing “entertainment or perquisites” as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

Recycle Hawai'i's EPA Recycling Education & Outreach grant program will be covering a portion of the expenses for this event, however in order for us to include additional Native Hawaiian groups across the islands, we need OHA's support. The funds we will be requesting from OHA to ensure participation from other Native Hawaiian groups from each island includes:

Airfare: \$6,500 - The airfare budgets \$250 per round trip ticket for Native Hawaiian students and chaperones from Maui, Oahu, Hawai'i, and Molokai to Kaua'i to participate in the event and back to their home islands. This OHA sponsorship grant will cover the airfare for Native Hawaiian students and chaperones outside of Recycle Hawai'i's youth and program staff.

Lodging: \$4,500 - This will cover a portion of the cost of the Kumu Camp Anahola Beach Retreat rental on Kaua'i which is part of the Hawaiian Homestead Association. We are excited for this event to be supporting a Native Hawaiian group in an impactful way.

Ground Transportation: \$1,000 - This will cover part of the van rentals in Kaua'i to move the students and chaperones to and from the airport and to their activities and cultural site visits.

Food and Beverage: \$3,000 - This covers part of the cost to feed all of the students and chaperones for the week as well as provides funds to offer food to the Hawaiian Homestead community for our Zero Waste youth presentations that will happen on the final evening of this event.

Line-Item Budget Upload

Kauai ZWY Convergence Budget - Sheet1.pdf

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

The OHA logo will be included in all communications and social media postings associated with the event.

OHA's support for the planning convergence will qualify it as a sponsor for the 2027 National Zero Waste Youth Convergence, with OHA's logo included on all event promotional materials.

OHA is invited to send participants to the planning event.

OHA is invited to send a representative to speak at the National Zero Waste Youth Convergence.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your **organizations** social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

Instagram: @recyclehawaii & @malamaainacompostables

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RecycleHawaii/> & <https://www.facebook.com/p/Malama-Aina-Compostables-61571989656462/>

Website: <https://www.recyclehawaii.org/>

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

Kauai Convergence-3.png

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i.

The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

1993 IRS letter.pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

certificateofvendorcompliance(CVC)_RH.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (must be valid within the calendar year).

fw9-2_RHSigned.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."
- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."

- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes§ 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results inthe manner contemplated."

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I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Kristine Kubat

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

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HAWAI'I ZERO WASTE

YOUTH CONVERGENCE

10/8/25 - 10/11/25

NĀ`ĀLEHU, KA`Ū



An event connecting youth from across the pae`aina to help build solutions and create a movement toward a zero waste future.



MEALS

Below shows locations for meals throughout the 4 day convergence.

	Wednesday 10/8	Thursday 10/9	Friday 10/10	Saturday 10/11
Breakfast	Na`alehu Community Center	Na`alehu Community Center	Wai`ohinu Park	Hawai`i Island Resort
Lunch	Na`alehu Community Center	Na`alehu Community Center	Packed Lunches	Hawai`i Island Resort
Dinner	Na`alehu Community Center	Na`alehu Community Center	TBA	Hawai`i Island Resort: Aha `aina

Restaurants & Businesses in Na`alehu town

Wong Yuen Store Convenience store & hot foods	95-6045 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu, HI 96772
Wikiwiki Mart - `Ohana Foods Gas station, ATM, convenience store & hot foods	95-5591 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu HI 96772
Punalu`u Bake Shop Coffee, hot foods, pastries & gift shop	95-5642 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu, HI 96772
Honua's Coffee House Coffee, teas, hot foods, pastries & gift shop	95-5587 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu, HI 96772
Kalae Coffee Coffee, teas, hot foods, pastries & gift shop	95-1165 Ka'alaiki Rd, Naalehu, HI 96772
Hana Hou Restaurant Dine in & take out restaurant	95-1148 Naalehu Spur Rd, Naalehu, HI 96772
Taco Tita's Outdoor seating & take out restaurant	95-1148 Naalehu Spur Rd, Naalehu, HI 96772
Na`alehu OKK Market (Wednesday & Friday) Food trucks, vendors, fresh produce & local honey	95-5572 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu, HI 96772

Wednesday 10/8/25

*Each speaker will have 45-50 minutes to present.

*Projector, laptop, screen and sound system will be provided

Time	Activity	Location / Notes
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Na`alehu Community Center
8:30 a.m.	Event Registration - Jennifer Makuakane <i>Please pick up your welcome makana and reusable name tag at the entrance of the Community Center. You will also be given your group assignment for the afternoon tours.</i>	Na`alehu Community Center
9:00 a.m.	Opening pule, oli & hula	
9:10 a.m.	Welcome - EPA REO student	
9:15 a.m.	Rural Roots Louisiana - Lael Kylin	
10:00 a.m.	Laura Acasio - COH office of Sustainability, Climate Equity and Resilience Administrator	
10:45 a.m.	10 minute Break	
11:00 a.m.	Material science with Kristine Kubat - <i>Recycle Hawai`i Executive Director</i>	
12:15 p.m.	Lunch - Catered by Hana Hou Restaurant	
1:00 p.m.	Van Shuttle to depart Na`alehu Community Center to afternoon tour locations	<i>*For those with a private car or rental car please drive to sites</i>
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Malama Pono Punalu`u - Group 1	Punalu`u Black Sand Beach
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Vibrant Hawai`i Hub & Thrift Store - Group 2	Na`alehu Honwanji
2:30 p.m.	Shuttle departs site and Groups switch locations	<i>*For those with a private car or rental car please drive to sites</i>
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Malama Pono Punalu`u - Group 2	Punalu`u Black Sand Beach
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Vibrant Hawai`i Hub & Thrift Store - Group 1	Na`alehu Honwanji
4:30 p.m.	Afternoon tours complete.	
6:30 p.m.	Dinner <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Na`alehu Community Center

Thursday 10/9/25

*Each speaker will have 45-50 minutes to present.

*Projector, laptop, screen and sound system will be provided

Time	Activity	Location / Notes
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Na`alehu Community Center
8:30 a.m.	Event Registration - Jennifer Makuakane <i>Please pick up your welcome makana and reusable name tag at the entrance of the Community Center. You will also be given your group assignment for the afternoon tours.</i>	Na`alehu Community Center
9:00 a.m.	Welcome - EPA REO student	
9:15 a.m.	Hanai Kaiaulu - Kumu U`ilani Pieper & `Opio	
10:15 a.m.	Zero Waste Hawai`i Island - Jeniffer Navarra & Ku`ulei Kanahale	
11:15 a.m.	10 min Break	
11:30 a.m.	Maui Huliau Foundation - Macie Tawata & `Opio	
12:15 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	Van Shuttle to depart Na`alehu Community Center to Wai`ohinu Transfer Station	<i>*For those with a private car or rental car please drive to sites</i>
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Wai`ohinu Transfer Station with Alex White - Group 1	Wai`ohinu Transfer Station
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Zero Waste Curious with Zero Waste USA - Group 2 Dennis Uyat & Bonnie Betts	Honua's Coffee Shop <i>*Walking Distance</i>
2:30 p.m.	<i>Shuttle departs transfer station site and groups switch locations</i>	
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Wai`ohinu Transfer Station with Alex White - Group 1	Wai`ohinu Transfer Station
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Zero Waste Curious with Zero Waste USA - Group 2 Dennis Uyat & Bonnie Betts	Honua's Coffee Shop <i>*Walking Distance</i>
4:30 p.m.	Afternoon tours complete.	
6:30 p.m.	Dinner and Line Dance night activity <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Na`alehu Community Center

Friday 10/10/25

Time	Activity	Location/Notes
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Wai`ohinu Park Pavilion
9:00 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Ka Lae Cultural tour & Beach Clean Up with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nohea Ka`awa The Nature Conservancy ● Stacey Breining Hawai`i Wildlife Fund ● Kara Murphy Hawai`i Wildlife Fund ● Alice Hawai`i Wildlife Fund <p><i>*Sign and turn in waiver forms</i></p>	Wai`ohinu Park Groups will participate in an opening circle and then caravan to Ka lae (south point) A packed lunch will be provided
5:00 p.m.	Whole Group Art Project	Location TBD
6:30 p.m.	Dinner <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i> <i>Catered by Chill Billy Grill</i>	Location TBD

Saturday 10/11/25

*Each speaker will have 45-50 minutes to present.

*Projector, laptop, screen and sound system will be provided

Time	Activity	Location/Notes
8:00 a.m.	Breakfast <i>*meal for off island & visiting groups</i>	Hawai`i Island Resort
9:00 a.m.	EPA REO program & Travis Taylor - Program data manager & Waste diversion coordinator	Hawai`i Island Resort
9:45 a.m.	Britt Gondolfi: Bioneers Rights to Nature	Hawai`i Island Resort
10:45 a.m.	Whole Group Plenary - Kristine Kubat	Hawai`i Island Resort
12:30 p.m.	Lunch	Hawai`i Island Resort
1:30 p.m.	Social Media Power Hour	Hawai`i Island Resort
3:00 p.m.	Rest & Relax	
6:00 p.m.	Closing Aha`aina (Gathering & Dinner) Enjoy `ono food & live music by the Backyard Braddahs	Hawai`i Island Resort

Kauai Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence Budget

Line Item	REO Program Contribution	OHA Contribution	Total Cost
Airfare (35 flights @ \$250)	\$2,250.00	\$6,500.00	\$8,750.00
Overnight Accommodations (6/1-6/5): Kumu Camp	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00
Food	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00
Ground Transportation	\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,500.00
Printed Materials, Signage, Supplies	\$500.00		\$500.00

HAWAI`I ZERO WASTE


YOUTH CONVERGENCE

KAUA`I, HI / JUNE 2025



Recycle Hawai'i

Email: admin@recyclehawaii.org
www.recyclehawaii.org

 @recyclehawaii

A 4 day event connecting Hawai'i youth to help build solutions and create a movement toward a zero waste future.

This event will support the planning and execution of the 2027 National Zero Waste Convergence in Hawai'i.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: 7 6 1993

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Accounting Period Ending:
June 30
Foundation Status Classification:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Advance Ruling Period Begins:
February 24, 1992
Advance Ruling Period Ends:
June 30, 1996
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

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If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social securities taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

Contributions to you are deductible by donors beginning February 24, 1992.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally \$25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

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Contact Person:
TYRONE THOMAS
Contact Telephone Number:
(213) 894-2289

Accounting Period Ending:
June 30
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170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Advance Ruling Period Begins:
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If you are required to file a return you must file it by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. We charge a penalty of \$10 a day when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty we charge cannot exceed \$5,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. We may also charge this penalty if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Evidence you submitted with your application shows that you may engage in lobbying activities. Section 501(c)(3) of the Code specifically prohibits lobbying as a substantial part of your activities. If you do not wish to be subject to the test of substantiality under section 501(c)(3), you may elect to be covered under the provisions of section 501(h) of the Code by filing Form 5768, Election/Revocation of Election by an Eligible Section 501(c)(3) Organization to Make Expenditures to Influence Legislation. Section 501(h) establishes ceiling amounts for lobbying expenditures.

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

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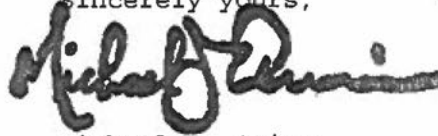
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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "M".

Michael J. Quinn
District Director

Enclosure(s) :
Form 872-C



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: RECYCLE HAWAII

DBA/Trade Name: RECYCLE HAWAII

Issue Date: 12/02/2025

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#: 40442530-01

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX3381

UI#: No record

DCCA FILE#: 86873

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.) Recycle Hawaii	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.	
	3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) _____ 501(c)(3)	
	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)</i>	
	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions. PO BOX 4445	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code Hilo, HI 96720	
7 List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

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or									
Employer identification number									
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Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person	<i>Kristine Kubat</i>	Date	12/01/25

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(l)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under "*By signing the filled-out form*" above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

• **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

• **Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

• **Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Disregarded entity.** In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3a

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation.
• Individual or • Sole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
• LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a corporation	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership, C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
• Partnership	Partnership.
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5—A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8—A real estate investment trust.
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11—A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
• Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
• Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
• Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
• Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5. ²
• Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).
- B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.

G—A real estate investment trust.

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).

J—A bank as defined in section 581.

K—A broker.

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).

M—A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABL accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))**	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

* **Note:** The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.

** For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence

Recycle Hawaii

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Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 93% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	96.00%
Evaluator:	90.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event builds the capacity for mālama and aloha 'āina through the development of youth leaders who are actively engaged in sustainability projects. It includes rural and homestead communities, and connects to larger potential expansion that platform Native Hawaiian issues outside Hawai'i.

Evaluator: 'Aloha 'Aina is good for all of Hawai'i

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 4

Comments

Evaluator: Attendee reach is small, with an estimated 70 participants. However, their engagement will be deep and meaningful and connected to other efforts with wider reach.

Evaluator: Not as many people, but meaningful

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: 62 of 70 Native Hawaiian participants

Evaluator: Almost 90% Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event will have longterm impact in education, with youth gaining important and relevant skills to advocate for 'āina and plugging in to continued opportunities to grow and develop.

Evaluator: Educational Pathways

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 4

Comments

Evaluator: The event grows youth leaders and changemakers who are enacting solutions to community issues in their scope of influence. This will support their future potential through educational opportunities that incorporate cultural knowledge as academic. It also seeks to bring the learning to a community that could not access it prior.

Evaluator: Strategy Outcome 2.3 listed, however I think Strategy Outcome 1.3 is a closer alignment.

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event centers 'āina and mo'omeheu in highly impactful and meaningful ways for participants. These connections do not end at the conclusion of the event. Rather, the event provides the foundation in land and culture that catalyze future change.

Evaluator: Aligns with Culture and Land

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 9

Comments

Evaluator: The budget directly benefits the needs of students while also uplifting a Hawaiian Homestead community on Kaua'i.

Evaluator: Travel and Accommodations

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: Multiple opportunities for OHA recognition on varied platforms with cross-post potential

Evaluator: Public Recognition opportunity present, reach limited due to size of attendees

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 15000

Evaluator: 15,000.00

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: 48 of 50 rubric score; event shows high degree of alignment and impact; the funds go toward direct services to kids and are also supplemented through other funds; the work builds capacity and youth leadership through education.

Evaluator: A meaningful experience for all

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

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Evaluator:



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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ölelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoako Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence
 9. **Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival**
 10. North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration
 11. Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Kona Kai Festival

Application - 'Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Sponsorship Program

Symbrosia Foundation

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Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Symbrosia Foundation

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Samantha Makaanhele Miles

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

The mission of the Symbrosia Foundation is to support Hawai'i's transition from an extractive, tourism-dependent economy toward a regenerative, food-secure, and place-based future. We work to empower communities to lead this shift by advancing environmental stewardship, strengthening local food systems, and uplifting culturally grounded solutions that protect Hawai'i's natural resources and enhance community well-being.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

Alexia Akbay: Interim Executive Director
Mari Netsu: Controller
Makaanhele Miles: Secretary

Name of event to be sponsored*

Kona Kai Festival

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/05/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/06/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

06/05/26: 9:00am - 2:00pm 06/06/26: 11:00 am - 6:30pm

Address of event/activity:*

73-907 Makako Bay Dr Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

Hawai'i Island

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

The Kona Kai Festival is a community-led celebration dedicated to honoring Hawai'i's relationship with the ocean and inspiring the next generation of ocean stewards. Through interactive panels, educational exhibits, and cultural demonstrations, the event highlights how traditional Hawaiian knowledge and modern science can work together to restore coastal ecosystems and strengthen Hawai'i's blue economy. A dedicated Friday Career Pathways Day expands the festival's impact by connecting students with ocean-focused careers, training programs, and hands-on opportunities through local employers, cultural practitioners, and community organizations. Together, these activities uplift 'ike ku'una Hawaiian knowledge systems, strengthen intergenerational learning, and foster economic opportunities that honor our collective kuleana to 'āina, that which feeds us and provides life.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

Submitted On: 1 December
2025

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

The Kona Kai Festival will be a two-day, community-led celebration of Hawai'i's connection to the ocean, honoring ancestral knowledge, scientific innovation, and local stewardship that sustain our island communities.

Friday's Career Pathways Day will serve as a dedicated learning and exploration experience for students, designed to uplift Native Hawaiian youth and inspire the next generation of ocean caretakers.

9:00am - 11:00am: Students will rotate through career fair stations hosted by community organizations, conservation groups, cultural practitioners, and local employers working across Hawai'i's blue economy. These stations will introduce youth to pathways in restoration aquaculture, fisheries, marine monitoring, cultural resource management, filmmaking, science communication, and 'āina-based entrepreneurship.

11:15 - 12:45pm: Lunch featuring locally sourced ingredients will highlight the importance of food sovereignty and sustainable ocean practices. As part of lunch, the Ta'ape Project will lead a special presentation on how eating invasive species can support ecosystem health while providing nutritious food for our communities. This engaging session will encourage kids to think critically about stewardship, food systems, and creative approaches to caring for Hawai'i's native species.

12:50 - 2:00pm: Following lunch, students will enjoy additional feature presentations, including Hui Kāhuwai and 'Ewalu Industries, who will share youth-driven perspectives on ocean leadership and cultural revitalization. The afternoon will close with a special screening of The 'Uluwehi Project, followed by a discussion with Lanihuli Kanahale and members of the Limu Hui, including Uncle Wally Ito and Miwa Tamanaha. Together, they will offer students an intimate look at how limu stewardship, cultural practice, and hula intersect to sustain Hawai'i's coastal ecosystems and the well-being of our communities.

The main event on Saturday, open to the public, will begin with an opening ceremony and pule to ground attendees in aloha 'āina and connect them to the surrounding coastal landscape. This grounding will set the intention for a day centered on honoring traditional wisdom and our collective kuleana to care for the kai. Opening remarks will then introduce the festival's focus on ocean stewardship and the essential role of Hawai'i's blue economy in shaping the islands' future.

Morning Panels (11:15 AM – 12:15 PM)

The first session, "Mo'olelo for the Next Generation," will feature kūpuna and cultural practitioners sharing stories, teachings, and foundational 'ike about caring for land and sea. Esteemed panelists such as Aunty Cindi Punihaole, Uncle Wally Ito, Aunty Hannah Kihalani Springer, Uncle Damien Kenison, and Uncle Chuck Leslie will guide discussions on the transmission of traditional ocean knowledge and personal kuleana in resource management.

Lunch & Chef Demonstrations (12:15 – 1:15 PM)

Attendees will enjoy Hawaiian music and culinary demonstrations by local chefs highlighting ingredients from NELHA and the Kona coastline. These demonstrations will emphasize the nutritional benefits of traditional foods, support local farmers and fishers, and showcase how Hawai'i's ocean resources contribute to a sustainable blue economy.

Afternoon Panels (1:30 – 4:30 PM)

"Kūleana in Action" spotlights practitioners at the forefront of ocean and coastal conservation, including Lanihuli Kanahale (The Uluwehi Project), Kaikea Nakachi (Non-invasive Manō Monitoring), Ulu Ching (Conservation e, Makanahale Miles (Limu Restoration), and Ka'imi Kaupiko (Miloli'i + KUA Advisor).

“Saving Our Ko‘a” will focus on coral restoration efforts and the integration of traditional and modern reef management, featuring Cliff Kaponu (The MEGA Lab), Greg Asner (Ako‘ako‘a), Akoni Pelacat-Nelson (OHA), Julia Rose (The Nature Conservancy), and Chris Teague (DAR).

“Waterwomen & Watermen” will close the panel series, celebrating the stories of those whose deep relationships with the ocean reflect the heart of Hawaiian identity, including Bruce Ayau, Shane Dorian, U‘i Malakaua, Pualani Lincoln Maielua, Leimana Spencer, and Bonga Perkins.

Educational Booths and Hands-On Activities (All Day)

Throughout the festival, participants can visit educational and cultural booths hosted by local organizations such as Papahānaumokuākea Marine Debris Project, The MEGA Lab, The Nature Conservancy, NOAA, Hawai‘i Sea Grant, Kua‘āina Ulu ‘Auamo, and others. Interactive activities, such as net making, limu identification, limu pressing and painting, fishing pole building, keiki scavenger hunts, and limu touch tanks, will provide engaging, intergenerational learning experiences.

Closing Program (4:30 – 6:30 PM)

The festival concludes with live music, closing remarks, and a community mahalo to celebrate the collective efforts of those working to protect Hawai‘i’s ocean ecosystems. A small 21+ beer garden will open in the evening, featuring local beverages and an opportunity for informal networking among ocean professionals and community members.

Together, these services and activities create a holistic event that uplifts Hawaiian ocean knowledge, strengthens community connection to place, and promotes pathways for a regenerative, ocean-based economy in Hawai‘i.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

TentativeKonaKaiAgenda_shrt.pdf

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

1000

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

500

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Health Outcomes

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

Strategy 4: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen the health of the 'āina and mo'omeheu.

The event aligns with Strategy 4 because it directly supports Native Hawaiian relationships to 'āina and kai through culturally grounded ocean education, limu knowledge, and stewardship practices led by kūpuna, cultural practitioners, and community experts. By offering hands-on activities, such as limu identification, restoration workshops, ocean-safety education, and cultural demonstrations, the event strengthens 'Ōiwi identity and perpetuates Hawaiian culture and practices tied to marine environments (Outcome 4.1). The event also increases community stewardship of natural and cultural resources by engaging participants in restoration opportunities and teaching ways to care for nearshore ecosystems (Outcome 4.2). Furthermore, the focus on limu restoration and traditional food systems supports the revitalization of Native Hawaiian cultural landscapes, food practices, and coastal abundance (Outcome 4.3), contributing to 'āina momona and long-term community well-being.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.**

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

Outcome 4.1 — Preservation and perpetuation of Hawaiian language, culture, traditions, identity, and sense of lāhui.

The event aligns with Outcome 4.1 because it centers Hawaiian cultural knowledge, limu traditions, and kūpuna-led storytelling as core components of the program. Through panel discussions, cultural demonstrations, and education grounded in mo'olelo and 'ike kupuna, participants strengthen their connection to Hawaiian identity, language, and traditional practices tied to the ocean and shoreline ecosystems. The impact is a stronger sense of cultural grounding and pride, increased intergenerational knowledge transfer, and revitalization of limu-related practices that contribute to a collective sense of lāhui.

Outcome 4.2 — Increased community stewardship of Hawai'i's natural and cultural resources that foster connection to 'āina, 'ohana, and communities.

The event aligns with Outcome 4.2 because it promotes hands-on stewardship of nearshore ecosystems through limu education, restoration demonstrations, and opportunities to learn directly from practitioners who care for coastal areas across Hawai'i. Activities such as limu ID, limu pressing, and restoration workshops foster deeper pilina between participants and their local environments. The impact is an increase

in community capacity for resource management, greater participation in volunteer and restoration projects, and stronger stewardship ethics rooted in Native Hawaiian values.

Outcome 4.3 — Increased restoration of Native Hawaiian cultural sites, landscapes, kulāiwi, and traditional food systems.

The event aligns with Outcome 4.3 because it highlights limu restoration efforts, traditional ocean food systems, and the cultural significance of limu kohu and other native species. By providing seedstock information, hatchery education, and restoration training, the event empowers communities to take an active role in revitalizing limu populations and shoreline abundance. The impact is expanded limu restoration capacity across islands, revitalization of coastal ecosystems tied to Hawaiian food traditions, and stronger community involvement in restoring culturally significant sites and species.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: **The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.**

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

The event advances OHA's strategic foundations of 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina through programming that reinforces family well-being, cultural practice, and community-based resource stewardship. The event uplifts 'ohana by providing intergenerational experiences, keiki, parents, and kūpuna learning together through limu activities, storytelling, hands-on demonstrations, and opportunities for families to reconnect to each other through shared engagement with the ocean. It strengthens mo'omeheu by centering Native Hawaiian cultural knowledge, practices, and values in every aspect of the program, from kupuna-led panels and mo'olelo to traditional food demonstrations, Hawaiian music, and limu education that highlights the cultural role of kai and coastal resources. The event reinforces Native Hawaiian worldview by affirming cultural identity, honoring ancestral practices, and grounding learning in traditional relationships between people and place. Finally, the event deeply supports 'āina by promoting stewardship of land and nearshore ecosystems, teaching participants how to care for limu and coastal resources, and encouraging community-driven restoration practices. Through hands-on ocean education and limu-focused learning, participants strengthen their personal and collective pilina to 'āina and kai, recognizing these places not only as resources, but as family and as living embodiments of ancestral connection. Together, the event nurtures healthy 'ohana, revitalizes culture, and fosters active responsibility for the 'āina that sustains Hawai'i.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$10,867.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds *shall not* be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing “entertainment or perquisites” as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

1. Educational & Cultural Activity Materials — \$1,995

Supplies for hands-on cultural and educational activities, including limu identification materials, limu pressing supplies, keiki science kits, net-making materials, restoration tools, protective equipment, tarps, buckets, and printed educational resources. These materials directly support culturally grounded, ‘āina-based learning opportunities for Native Hawaiian participants.

2. Off-Island Native Hawaiian Organization Program Support — \$1,970

Support for Native Hawaiian community organizations traveling inter-island—such as the Limu Hui, Hosea Lovell Foundation, the Ta‘ape Project, and Mālama Maunaloa—to deliver cultural education, limu workshops, and restoration demonstrations. Funds may be used for organizational travel, lodging, and transportation of educational materials needed for their programming. No funds will support individuals, entertainment, or food.

3. Career Pathways & Workforce Development Materials — \$2,466

Printing, signage, resource guides, and student-facing materials for Friday’s Career Pathways Day. These materials support Native Hawaiian students exploring ocean stewardship, conservation, marine science, cultural resource management, and ‘āina-based career pathways.

4. Event Infrastructure & Equipment — \$2,486

Essential equipment for hosting educational booths and cultural activity stations, including tables, chairs, shade umbrellas, water refill stations, storage bins, safety cones, volunteer supplies, and equipment carts. These items ensure that community partners have the necessary infrastructure to deliver high-quality cultural and educational programming.

5. Event Operations & Safety Logistics — \$1,450

Portable restrooms, handwashing stations, waste management, safety equipment, traffic/parking coordination, first-aid supplies, and other operational necessities to ensure a safe, accessible, and compliant event for all attendees.

6. Outreach & Communications — \$500

Design and production of outreach materials, digital communications, and cultural signage, with targeted engagement toward Native Hawaiian-focused schools, immersion programs, charter schools, and rural communities to maximize Native Hawaiian participation.

No OHA funds will be used for food, entertainment, or individual stipends. All practitioners, performers, and individuals will be supported using non-OHA funding sources. All OHA-funded expenses directly support cultural education, community participation, youth career development, and safe implementation of the event.

Line Item Budget Uploaded Below.

Line-Item Budget Upload

Kona Kai Fest Budget - Sheet1.pdf

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

The Kona Kai Festival provides multiple high-visibility opportunities for OHA recognition throughout the event. We welcome and encourage OHA's presence as a core community partner, and will ensure OHA is acknowledged across all outreach, educational, and on-site materials. Specific opportunities include:

Public Recognition & Branding

OHA logo featured on all event flyers, digital promotions, and printed outreach materials circulated to community partners, schools, and the general public.

OHA logo displayed on event signage, including welcome banners, program boards, and directional signs throughout the venue.

Inclusion of the OHA logo in the official event program, including printed and digital schedules.

Acknowledgment of OHA sponsorship in radio, social media, and community announcements promoting the event.

Engagement & Outreach Opportunities

A designated table for OHA to distribute materials, engage with attendees, and share information about OHA programs, grants, and services. This table will be in a high-traffic area near educational booths and community organizations.

Option to provide OHA brochures or materials for inclusion at our keiki and family activity stations.

Space for OHA promotional items (e.g., stickers, pamphlets, informational cards) in attendee welcome areas.

Speaking & Representation

Speaking opportunity for an OHA representative during the opening ceremony or during transitions between panel sessions. This provides a prominent platform to address attendees and share OHA's mission and work.

Formal invitation for OHA representatives to attend as guests, with reserved seating at the main stage and panel areas.

Community Partnership Visibility

Recognition of OHA as a key supporter during all opening and closing remarks.

Opportunity for OHA to participate in a panel or discussion, if desired, especially on topics related to community well-being, cultural preservation, or stewardship of 'āina and kai.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your **organizations** social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

Instagram: @konakaifestival @naloealimu @symbrosia.co

Facebook: @Symbrosia @Naloealimu

Website: <https://www.symbrosia.org/> , <https://symbrosia.co/>

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

DraftKonaKaiFestivalFlyer.pdf

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i.

The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

Symbrosia Foundation 501(c)(3).pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

Symbrosia Foundation IRS Tax Clearance Waiver.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (must be valid within the calendar year).

Symbrosia Foundation W-9.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

Some of the event posters and materials included in this application were originally created for a 2024 Kona Kai Festival that was planned but ultimately not held. Because the event never took place, these assets represent preliminary design work rather than documentation of a past event. Should our application be approved, we will update and reprint all materials to reflect the 2025 event and ensure accuracy. I am submitting the existing drafts now for reference only.

We recognize that OHA does not accept the DCCA Certificate of Good Standing in place of the Certificate of Vendor Compliance. We are currently in the process of resolving the outstanding IRS component needed to generate the Vendor Compliance certificate. The Department of Taxation has advised us to provide the attached IRS Tax Clearance Waiver Letter, which may be used in lieu of the IRS non-compliant status while we work toward full compliance. We understand that the Certificate of Vendor Compliance is required, and we will submit the finalized certificate within the 72-hour window or as soon as it becomes available. Mahalo nui for understanding.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."
- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

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I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Samantha Makaanahale Miles

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

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OCTOBER 27TH AGENDA

11AM-5:30PM

KONA
KAI FEST
2024

11AM PULE

To Be Announced

EMCEE: HOWSDISGUY

11:15-12:15PM

MO'OLELO FOR THE NEXT GEN PANEL

Moderator: Kolby Moser

Panelists: Uncle Wally, Aunty Cindi Punihaoale, Uncle Chuck Leslie, Uncle Damien Kenison, Aunty Hannah Kihalani Springer

12:15-1:15PM BAND PERFORMANCE & BREAK

1:30-2:15PM KULEANA IN ACTION PANEL

Moderator: Makaanahale Emmsley

Panelists: Lanihuli Kanahale, Kaikea Nakachi, Ka'imi Kaupiko, Nalani Kaneakua, Ulu Ching

2:30-3:15PM SAVING OUR KO'A PANEL

Moderator: Brianne Lauro

Panelists: Cliff Kaponu, Greg Asner, Akoni Pelacat-Nelson, Julia Rose, Christ Teague

3:15-3:45PM BREAK

**3:45-4:30PM WATERWOMEN & WATERMEN
PANEL**

Moderator: Kalei Pasciuta

Panelists: Bruce Ayau, Shane Dorian, U'i Malakaua, Pualani Lincoln Maielua, Leimana Spencer, Bonga Perkins

4:30-5:30PM CHEF DEMONSTRATION

6:30PM THE LIMU LOUNGE

21+ Ticketed event - THE ULUWEHI PROJECT Film at Ola Brew

TALK STORY TIME WITH PANELISTS

MO'OLELO FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Our kūpuna, provide a foundation of knowledge, 'ike, passed down to protect our land and sea, ensuring resources for future generations. It's our responsibility to share this wisdom, combining traditional stewardship with modern conservation. Their insights into sustainable practices and ocean understanding guide us in blending tradition with science to meet ecological challenges.

PANELISTS

Aunty Cindi Punihaole

Uncle Wally Ito

Aunty Hannah Kihalani Springer

Uncle Damien Kenison

Uncle Chuck Leslie

KULEANA IN ACTION

This panel unites specialists deeply devoted to conserving oceans and coastlines, who exemplify 'auamo kuleana by their responsible stewardship in research, conservation, and sustainability. The aim is to boost awareness, promote sustainable resource and heritage management, and motivate joint efforts.

PANELISTS

Lanihuli Kanahale - The Uluwehi Project

Kaikea Nakachi - Non-invasive Manō Monitoring

Ulu Ching - Conservation International Hawai'i

Nalani Kaneakua - Limu Restoration

Ka'imi Kaupiko - Miloli'i + KUA advisor

TALK STORY TIME WITH PANELISTS

SAVING OUR KO'A

This panel celebrates progress in Hawai'i's coral restoration, inspired by the wisdom of kūpuna and the saying "He pūko'a kani 'āina" - a reef grows into an island. We honor the dedication to transforming fragile reefs into thriving ecosystems, symbolizing resilience and unity. Our discussions cover restoration science and community solidarity, laying a foundation for future marine and human ecosystems.

PANELISTS

Cliff Kaponu - The MEGA Lab

Greg Asner - Āko'ako'a

Akoni Pelacat-Nelson - Office of Hawaiian Affairs

Julia Rose - The Nature Conservancy

Christ Teague - DAR

WATERWOMEN & WATERMEN

We spotlight stories that capture our shared commitment to the oceans, driven by people whose profound love for and inspiring connections to the water not only strengthen their bond to the ocean but also deepen their ties to Hawaiian culture. The waterwomen and watermen embody the spirit of the ocean and Hawaiian culture, a legacy that is passionately passed down through generations.

PANELISTS

Bruce Ayau

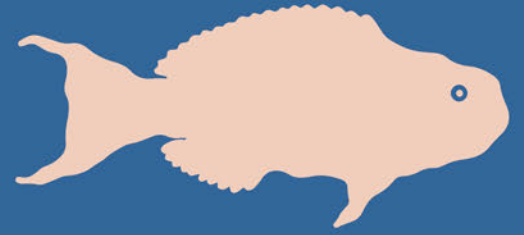
Pualani Lincoln Maielua

U'i Malakaua

Bonga Perkins

Shane Dorian

EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS AND ACTIVITIES



EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS

Papahānaumokuākea Marine Debris Project

The MEGALab

WHEA

The Nature Conservancy

Hui Ho'oleimaluō

Ala Kahakai

Nā Kālai Wa'a

Hawai'i Keiki Museum

UH Hilo Aquaculture

Ke Kai Ola

Kalanihale

NOAA

Hawai'i Sea Grant



ACTIVITIES

Net Making

Limu ID

Limu Touch Tank

Limu Pressing/Painting

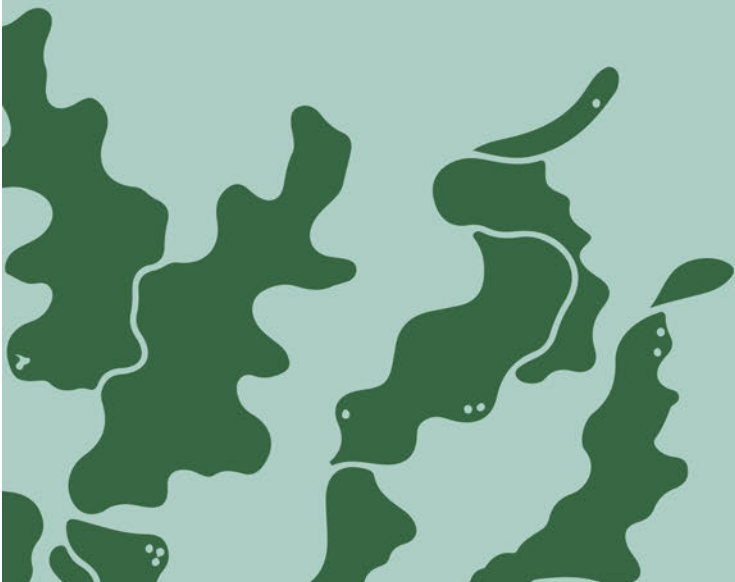
How to throw net

Basic Fishing Pole Building

Chef Demonstration

Local Shopping Vendors

Keiki Scavenger Hunt



Educational & Cultural Activity Materials				
Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Limu identification cards (laminated)	75	\$3.00	\$225	
Limu pressing supplies (paper, boards, blotting materials)	40 kits	\$7.00	\$280	
Keiki science kits (magnifiers, pipettes, cups, worksheets)	100 kits	\$4.00	\$400	
Net-making materials (cordage, weights)	20 sets	\$10.00	\$200	
Restoration tools (gloves, clippers, scrub brushes)	40	\$5.00	\$200	
Protective equipment (gloves, eyewear)	50	\$3.00	\$150	
Tarps and buckets for workshops	10 tarps / 20 buckets	\$12–\$15	\$240	
Printed educational materials	250 copies	\$1.20	\$300	
Total:			\$1,995	
Off-Island Native Hawaiian Organization Program Support				
Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Inter-island airfare for organizational representatives (2 orgs x	4 flights	\$180	\$720	
Lodging for organization reps (shared rooms, 1 night)	2 rooms	\$200	\$400	
Rental vehicle (shared among orgs)	1	\$150	\$150	
Shipping/transport of educational materials	4 orgs	\$100	\$400	
Organizational program delivery support	4 orgs	\$75	\$300	
Total:			\$1,970	
Career Pathways & Workforce Development Materials				
Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
able rentals	20	\$12	\$240	
Chair rentals	40	\$2.50	\$100	
Shade umbrellas / small pop-ups	10	\$60	\$600	
Water refill stations (large jugs, stands)	6	\$35	\$210	
Storage bins for supplies	12	\$18	\$216	
Safety cones for event boundaries	20	\$15	\$300	

Volunteer supply kits (gloves, radios, clipboards)	10 kits	\$35	\$350	
Equipment carts/dollies	2	\$125	\$250	
Misc. hardware (zip ties, rope, weights)	—	—	\$200	
Total:			\$2,466	
Event Infrastructure & Equipment				
Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Table rentals	20	\$13	\$260	
Chair rentals	40	\$3	\$100	
Shade umbrellas / small pop-ups	10	\$60	\$600	
Water refill stations (large jugs, stands)	6	\$35	\$210	
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Total:			\$2,486	
Event Operations & Safety Logistics				
Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Portable restroom rental	2 units	\$200	\$400	
Handwashing stations	2 units	\$150	\$300	
Waste management (bins, hauling)	—	—	\$300	
First-aid supplies & replenishment	—	—	\$150	
Traffic / parking cones & signage	—	—	\$150	
Safety vests for volunteers	15	\$10	\$150	
Total:			\$1,450	
Outreach & Communications				

Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Flyer design & printing	200	\$0.75	\$150	
Digital ads (targeted outreach)	—	—	\$150	
Cultural signage & banners	5	\$30	\$150	
School outreach (mailing, packets)	—	—	\$50	
Total:			\$500	
Total Event Cost:			\$10,867	



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Person to contact:
Name: Oleg Berenson
ID number: 17242
Telephone: (877) 829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
January 18, 2024
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053480002624

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
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December 1, 2025

**Agreement with THE SYMBROSIA FOUNDATION for
HRS § 103-53 Waiver of the Internal Revenue Service Tax Clearance Requirement**

Below this line for State of Hawaii Department of Taxation Use Only

Select One:


By authority of HRS § 103-53, I approve the waiver of the Internal Revenue Service tax clearance requirements as a condition of the above Agreement and final payment.

The waiver of the Internal Revenue Service tax clearance requirement is disapproved.
Reason: _____

Select One:

The vendor named in the above Agreement is deemed to be compliant with its Hawaii tax requirements for purposes of the above Agreement and final payment.

The vendor named in the above Agreement is **not** deemed to be compliant with its Hawaii tax requirements. Reason: _____



Nicki Ann Thompson, Taxation Services Administrator
State of Hawaii Department of Taxation

Date: 12/1/25

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above. The Symbrosia Foundation	
	3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) <u>Non-profit corporation exempt under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3)</u>	
	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions <input type="checkbox"/>	
	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)</i>	
5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions. 73-4460 Queen Ka'ahumanu Hwy Suite 111		
6 City, state, and ZIP code Kailua Kona, HI 96740		
7 List account number(s) here (optional)		
Requester's name and address (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Social security number								
			-			-		
or								
Employer identification number								
9	9	-	1	3	2	3	6	3

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person 	Date
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(l)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under "*By signing the filled-out form*" above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

• **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

• **Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or “doing business as” (DBA) name on line 2.

• **Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity.** Enter the entity’s name as shown on the entity’s tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Disregarded entity.** In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner’s name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner’s name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity’s name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3a

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation.
• Individual or • Sole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
• LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a corporation	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership, C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
• Partnership	Partnership.
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys’ fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5—A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8—A real estate investment trust.
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11—A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
• Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
• Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
• Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
• Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5. ²
• Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).
- B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.

- G—A real estate investment trust.
- H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).
- J—A bank as defined in section 581.
- K—A broker.
- L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).
- M—A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))**	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

* **Note:** The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.

** For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

Kona Kai Festival

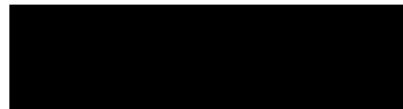
Symbrosia Foundation

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Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 93% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	90.00%
Evaluator:	96.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application clearly demonstrates meaningful benefits to the Native Hawaiian community through culturally grounded ocean education, limu stewardship, and intergenerational learning led by kūpuna, cultural practitioners, and Native Hawaiian organizations. The programming addresses community needs related to 'āina and kai stewardship and provides tangible educational and cultural benefits, though long-term outcomes are primarily event-based rather than sustained programming.

Evaluator: Effort to advance environmental stewardship and sustainability

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The proposed attendance of 1,000 participants is ambitious but achievable given the two-day format, public access, and breadth of programming. The detailed agenda, partnerships, and logistics demonstrate a strong opportunity for OHA to reach a substantial portion of the community.

Evaluator: Open to all

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 4

Comments

Evaluator: The estimated Native Hawaiian attendance of 500 participants is realistic and reflects a significant opportunity to positively impact Native Hawaiian families, youth, and practitioners through culturally relevant education, stewardship activities, and workforce exposure.

Evaluator: Half attendees expected to be Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application demonstrates outstanding alignment with Strategy 4: Advance policies, programs, and practices that strengthen the health of 'āina and mo'omeheu. The event is intentionally designed around Native Hawaiian ocean knowledge, limu restoration, and stewardship practices, with strong cultural and educational relevance.

Evaluator: Health, Strategy 4

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event clearly and compellingly aligns with Strategic Outcomes 4.1, 4.2, and 4.3, with detailed explanations linking programming to cultural perpetuation, community stewardship, and restoration of traditional food systems. The pathway from activities to outcomes is well articulated and credible.

Evaluator: Connects with all three Strategy Outcomes under Strategy 4

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application demonstrates strong and well-supported alignment with the 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina strategic foundations. Programming is culturally centered, intergenerational, and grounded in Native Hawaiian relationships to land and sea, clearly reflecting OHA's foundational values.

Evaluator: Alignment with Land and Culture as well as Family

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 9

Evaluator: 9

Comments

Evaluator: The requested amount of \$10,867 is appropriate for the scale and scope of the event. The line-item budget is detailed, compliant with HRS §10-17, and clearly restricted to allowable expenses that directly support cultural education, youth workforce development, and safe event operations.

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 9

Evaluator: 10

Comments

Evaluator: The application outlines strong and highly visible opportunities for OHA public recognition, including branding on outreach materials, signage, media promotion, speaking opportunities, and on-site engagement through an informational booth. These opportunities provide meaningful reach and positive community presence for OHA.

Evaluator: Great opportunity for Public Recognition

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 10,867

Evaluator: 10,867.00

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: The Kona Kai Festival demonstrates exceptional alignment with OHA's Mana i Maui Ola strategic priorities through culturally grounded ocean education, 'āina and kai stewardship, and meaningful Native Hawaiian participation. The request is well-scoped, compliant, and supported by a detailed budget. Funding is

recommended at the full requested amount, contingent upon receipt of a valid Certificate of Vendor Compliance prior to disbursement.

Evaluator: Recommend full funding

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/05/2026

Evaluator: 02/11/2026



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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ōlelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoako Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence
 9. Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival
 10. **North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration**
 11. Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration

Application - 'Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Sponsorship Program

North Kohala Community Resource Center

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Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

North Kohala Community Resource Center

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Annalene Williams

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

To Empower a Thriving North Kohala.

The North Kohala Community Resource Center (NKCRC) is a 23-year-old 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that serves as a fiscal sponsor for roughly 70 charitable community projects across North Kohala. We are the essential infrastructure that allows volunteer-led initiatives to thrive, with a proven history of fostering successful endeavors that have later spun off into independent nonprofit organizations.

The Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration has been a sponsored project of NKCRC since 2002.

The Kamehameha Day Celebration is a statewide cultural event that preserves the unique history of our Hawaiian Islands. In North Kohala, nestled on the northern tip of Hawai'i Island, King Kamehameha's legacy remains intertwined with this small town's history as many place names tell the story of his historic journey to Pololū Valley following his birth. North Kohala holds special historical significance as the site where a community came together to protect a prophesied ruler from those who sought to eliminate him. This spirit of unity and community continues to be reflected in the annual celebration of this revered king at the original Kamehameha Statue in Kapa'au, which was gifted to the town after being lost at sea.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

NKCRC Governing Board of Directors:

Name: Nathan Trump, President

Date term started: January 2021

Name: Jay Vega, Vice President

Date term started: January 2024

Name: Shani Carvalho, Secretary

Date term started: August 2024

Name: Todd Apo, Treasurer

Date term started: September 2024

KAMEHEMEHA DAY EXECUTIVE TEAM:

Chairperson

Desiree Lokelani Hooton

Co-Chair/Treasurer

Ekela Kahuanui

Statue Coordinator

Hokani Maria & Desiree Lokelani Hooton

Lei Draping-

Nani Lehano-Tolentino & Keke Kaniho

Pa'u Units-

Ha'aheo Neves

Roving Marshals-

Amoo Ching-Kainoa

Floats -

Lachelle Crabbe & Phylis Badayos

Ho'olaule'a -

Kahealani Taomia (Food & Craft Booths)

Ekela Kahuanui/Randee Golden (Hana no'eau)

Miulan (Entertainment)

Security & MC Coordinator -

Miulan Pa'alua

Media -

Leoni Lancaster

Name of event to be sponsored*

Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/11/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/11/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

5am - 7pm

Address of event/activity:*

Kohala Kamehameha Statue: 54-3897 Akoni Pule Highway, Kapa'au, HI 96755 & Kamehameha Park:
54382 Kamehameha Park Rd, Kapaau, HI 96755

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

Hawai'i Island

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

King Kamehameha Day is a state holiday held on June 11th. Every year on this day, the North Kohala community comes together to commemorate King Kamehameha's life by hosting a parade through town and Ho'olau'le'a in honor of our most famous "son of Kohala." As the community that had raised this great king, residents feel a profound honor and privilege in this long-standing tradition of celebrating his life. Since 1901, community members have adorned leis around the original King Kamehameha statue. Many native Hawaiians consider the statue a receptacle of mana, or supernatural or divine power.

The purpose of the Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration is to honor the memory and legacy of King Kamehameha I. It serves as a tribute to the King and a vibrant display of the resilience and continuity of Hawaiian culture.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

The early morning protocol at the statue of Kamehameha in Kapa'au begins with hula and oli. This progresses to the draping of leis, which have been donated by numerous organizations and clubs all over the island. The majority of the residents who participate in the early morning protocol are of Native Hawaiian descent.

The floral parade begins in Honomaka'u and stretches over two miles to end at the statue of Kamehameha, where each unit offers a ho'okupu to our King. The parade includes a Grand Marshall, Aloha Ambassador, Descendants of Kamehameha, Pā'ū Princesses representing each of the eight Hawaiian Islands, floats, and other mobile units. This part of the event allows community members and local businesses to participate and pay respect to the King. During the floral parade, we also celebrate our Paniolo roots as Pā'ū Princesses lead the parade on horseback.

The day concludes with a ho'olau'le'a at Kamehameha Park, featuring live entertainment, hands-on educational exhibits, and food booths. Throughout the event, attendees enjoy culturally diverse menus from food vendors and interact with expert artisans offering educational opportunities and displays. Driven by a deep sense of kuleana (responsibility), Hawaiian practitioners engage a broader audience of locals and visitors. Attendees have the opportunity to connect with Hawaiian voyagers, kumu of la'au lapa'au, and practitioners of hula, mele, crafts, and aloha 'āina. Kohala's ho'olau'le'a consistently offers a native educational experience, creating a culturally rich and unforgettable event. Additionally, the event supports the community by providing economic benefits to local vendors and other charitable organizations.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

KKCD 2025.png

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

5000

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

2500

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Health Outcomes

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

The Kohala Kamehameha Day celebration is a living embodiment of Strategy 4 and its outcomes. It actively works to preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian culture, strengthen cultural identity, fosters a connection to the land and community, and implicitly supports the appreciation and potential restoration of culturally significant sites. The event is a powerful example of how cultural celebrations can contribute to the overall well-being and resilience of the Native Hawaiian community.

Alignment with Strategy 4: Strengthen the health of the 'āina and mo'omeheu:

The very essence of the Kamehameha Day celebration in North Kohala is rooted in strengthening the mo'omeheu (culture and tradition) by:

Preserving and sharing history: The event actively works to keep alive the "unique history of our Hawaiian Islands" and specifically the significant connection of King Kamehameha to North Kohala. This act of remembrance and storytelling is a vital aspect of cultural preservation.

Providing cultural connection: By offering Native Hawaiians a "meaningful connection to their culture and traditions," the celebration directly addresses the need to nurture their cultural identity.

Offering an immersive cultural experience: Inviting visitors to experience Hawai'i's "authentic host culture" fosters a deeper understanding and appreciation of the mo'omeheu, contributing to its broader recognition and value.

Preserving history and traditions: The celebration's focus on King Kamehameha's legacy and the historical significance of North Kohala directly contributes to the preservation of Hawaiian history and traditions. The mention of place names telling his story is a powerful example of how the landscape itself holds cultural memory.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

Alignment with and Addressing Strategy Outcome 4.1:

Preservation and Perpetuation: The event directly preserves and perpetuates the history and traditions associated with King Kamehameha, a foundational figure in Hawaiian history. The annual commemoration at the original statue in Kapa'au ensures these stories and their significance are kept alive and passed on to future generations.

Strengthening Identity and Sense of Lāhui: By providing a focal point for the community to come together and honor their heritage, the celebration strengthens Native Hawaiian identity and fosters a sense of lāhui (nationhood, community). The shared experience of remembering and celebrating a significant ancestor reinforces their collective identity and belonging.

Impact of Alignment with Strategy Outcome 4.1:

Cultural Continuity: The ongoing celebration helps ensure the continuity of Hawaiian cultural knowledge and traditions, preventing their erosion over time.

Enhanced Self-Esteem and Well-being: A strong cultural identity is a protective factor for well-being. By reinforcing this identity, the event contributes to the overall well-being of Native Hawaiians.

Stronger Community Bonds: The shared cultural experience strengthens bonds within the community, fostering a sense of unity and collective pride.

Alignment with and Addressing Strategy Outcome 4.2:

Fostering Connection to 'Āina: The celebration takes place in North Kohala, a region deeply connected to King Kamehameha's early life and journey. By holding the event in this historically significant 'āina (land), it reinforces the connection between the people and their place. The mention of place names telling Kamehameha's story further deepens this connection.

Promoting Community Stewardship: When a community actively engages with and celebrates the cultural significance of its land, it fosters a sense of responsibility and stewardship towards those resources. The annual gathering in Kapa'au can inspire a greater appreciation for the cultural landscape and a desire to protect it for future generations. The fact that the community rallied to protect the prophesized ruler in this area historically can translate to contemporary stewardship efforts.

Connecting 'Ohana and Communities to Resources: The event brings together 'ohana (families) and the wider community in a shared appreciation of their cultural heritage rooted in the 'āina. This collective experience strengthens their connection to both their cultural resources (history, traditions) and the natural environment that holds these stories.

Impact of Alignment with Strategy Outcome 4.2:

Increased Awareness of Cultural Resources: The celebration raises awareness about the historical and cultural significance of North Kohala and the Kamehameha Statue.

Greater Appreciation for the Environment: By linking cultural heritage to the land, the event can foster a greater appreciation for the natural environment and its role in shaping Hawaiian history and culture.

Potential for Conservation Efforts: An increased sense of connection and responsibility can lead to greater community involvement in the preservation and protection of cultural and natural resources in the area.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

The Kohala Kamehameha Day celebration is not just a historical commemoration; it is a vibrant expression of mo'omeheu that actively strengthens 'ohana bonds. It serves as a crucial vehicle for transmitting cultural knowledge, reinforcing shared identity, and fostering a deeper connection to both history and 'āina for families within the Native Hawaiian community.

Alignment with and Addressing 'Ohana (Family):

Community Empowerment through Family Engagement: The celebration serves as a significant event that brings families together within the North Kohala community and beyond. It provides a shared experience for keiki (children), adults, and kūpuna (elders) to connect and engage in a meaningful way. This collective participation strengthens family bonds and fosters positive engagement across generations.

Intergenerational Transmission of Mo'omeheu and Connection to 'Āina: The event offers a vital opportunity for the transmission of mo'omeheu (culture) and connection to 'āina (land) within families. Elders can share stories of King Kamehameha, the historical significance of the land, and the traditions associated with the celebration. This intergenerational sharing ensures that cultural knowledge and values are passed down, strengthening family identity and connection to their heritage. The very act of celebrating at a historically significant site like the original Kamehameha Statue in their kulāiwi (ancestral land) reinforces this connection to place for the entire 'ohana.

Shared Identity and Belonging: Participating in the Kamehameha Day celebration reinforces a shared sense of identity and belonging within the extended 'ohana of the Native Hawaiian community. It creates a space where families can come together to celebrate their history and culture, strengthening their collective identity and sense of lāhui. The spirit of unity and community that historically protected Kamehameha is echoed in the contemporary gathering of 'ohana.

Alignment with and Addressing Mo'omeheu (Culture):

Preservation and Expression of Cultural Elements: The celebration directly embodies and preserves key elements of mo'omeheu. By focusing on King Kamehameha, a pivotal figure in Hawaiian history, the event keeps alive important stories, values, and traditions associated with his reign and legacy. The act of honoring

a significant historical figure through a community-wide celebration is itself a vital cultural custom and tradition.

Reinforcing Native Hawaiian Worldview and Thinking: The celebration reinforces a Native Hawaiian worldview that values history, community, and connection to place. By remembering and honoring Kamehameha, the event implicitly highlights the importance of leadership, unity, and the deep ties between the Hawaiian people and their land. It provides a framework for interpreting the past and understanding the present through a cultural lens.

Shaping Interactions and Connection to 'Āina: The celebration influences how individuals within the Native Hawaiian community interact with one another through shared cultural experience. It also deepens their connection to 'āina by highlighting the historical significance of North Kohala and the Kamehameha Statue. The land becomes a tangible link to their history and cultural identity, fostering a greater appreciation and respect for it.

Cultural Identity and Well-being: Cultural identity is crucial for the well-being of Native Hawaiians. The Kamehameha Day celebration actively strengthens this identity by providing a meaningful connection to their history, traditions, and community. This act of cultural affirmation contributes to individual and collective well-being.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds ***shall not*** be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing "entertainment or perquisites" as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

Program

Road Closure – Permit application for road closure. (\$100 other funds)

Roving Marshalls – 10 marshalls on horseback to maintain parade safety. (\$1000 OHA).

Police Road Assistance – Policemen to maintain the road closure at various intersections. (Four police at \$225, OHA each officer).

Kokua Crew – Local motorcycle club hired to provide security and parking assistance during all three components of the event. (\$1100 OHA, to the club)

Pā'ū Supplies – Pā'ū fabric, shirts and seamstress necessary to outfit princess and pages. (\$1200)

Sound System - Ho'olaule'a & 4 roadside MC stations (\$2000 OHA, \$1000 other cash, \$4000 in-kind)

Entertainment – Eight entertainers for four hours (\$2200 OHA, \$1000 other cash, \$3000 in-kind)

Horses – Horse rental for marshalls and pā'ū units (\$8000 in-kind)

Park Fees – Park rental and permits (\$200 OHA)

Committee Shirts – Committee volunteers uniform for the day (\$400 OHA, \$300 other cash)

Tent, tables, chairs – Gather space for attendees to sit, eat and watch entertainment (\$1500 OHA, \$1000 other cash)

ATV – for parade po’o and others to maintain crowd and safety for horse riders (\$600 in-kind)

Marketing

Website update – pay web designer to update site (\$350 other cash)

Marketing – advertisement of event in Hawai'i Island newspapers (\$500 OHA, \$1000 other cash)

Road Closure ads – written notice required for road closure (\$800 OHA)

Banners – Roadside banners advertising the event (\$450 other cash)

Flyers – Flyers to post throughout the island (\$300 other cash)

Road closure PSA– Required broadcast on Island radio stations regarding road closure (\$700 OHA)

Marketing PSA – advertisement of event on Island radio stations (\$700 OHA)

Photographer – capture event (\$1600 other cash)

Administration

Insurance – Certificate of Insurance for event (\$600 OHA)

Fiscal sponsorship fee – 8% fee (\$1200 OHA)

OHA REQUEST - \$15,000

OTHER CASH - \$7,100

IN-KIND - \$15,600

TOTAL EXPENSE --- \$37,700

Line-Item Budget Upload

OHA BUDGET 2026.xlsx

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

The OHA logo will be prominently featured on flyers and advertisements. OHA can be mentioned as a sponsor of road closure PSAs on radio stations. A representative of OHA can speak at the event if they wish, or they can participate. An OHA logo banner can be displayed at the Statue and Ho'olau'le'a. OHA could also have an informational booth at the Ho'olau'le'a.

We will reach Hawai'i Island residents through Radio PSAs that inform them of the road closure for the parade and lei draping. The PSAs will play on radio stations Island-wide. The road closure PSA will play for 30 seconds, 2 times per day, for four consecutive days leading up to the event. The PSA, which serves as an invitation and shares details of the day, will be played for two weeks leading up to the event. Additionally, advertisements will be placed in the Island's newspapers to share information about the event and invite residents to join Kohala in the festivities to celebrate the King.

Posters about the event will be placed around the island on various bulletin boards, at shops and galleries, with partnering organizations with a similar mission, and in high-traffic areas.

The North Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration website will be updated and serve as a landing pad for residents and visitors alike to learn about the day's events. Social media will also be used to reach North Kohala, Hawai'i Island, and neighbor island residents.

The Facebook posts will speak to Hawai'i's history and culture and share the story of who Kamehameha was as a person and as a leader. The posts will be designed to engage people, provide a deeper understanding, and give a sense of what to look forward to on the day of the event. The Facebook posts will share information that is authentic to the culture and also captivating to a visitor audience, specifically those from other islands who may feel connected to the story and history of Kamehameha but want to dive deeper into that understanding. Folks from Kohala know this day is special, and many individuals and families serve as integral parts of the event or come out to support and enjoy the activities and festivities. Island residents from other districts are encouraged to attend this special event, which falls on the King's designated birthday and highlights the original King Kamehameha statue. Hawai'i residents from other islands, especially those with roots in Kohala, know the powerful impact this event has on the community and are invited to share their excitement and enthusiasm.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your organizations social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

website: <http://www.kamehamehadaycelebration.org>

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/KohalaKamehamehaDay/>

instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/kohalakamehamehadaycelebration/>

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

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IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i. The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

NKCRC_IRS Letter of Determination.pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. *See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.*

CVC11262025.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (**must be valid within the calendar year**).

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If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

An Event Representative of Native Hawaiian Decent will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting. Which will most likely be the Chairperson for the Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration: Desiree Lokelani Hooton, or the Co-Chair/Treasurer: Ekela Kahuanui

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."
- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

*

I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Annalene Williams

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- KKCD 2025.png
- OHA BUDGET 2026.xlsx
- Screenshot 2025-12-01 at 10.57.46 AM.png
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- CVC11262025.pdf
- 120225.jpeg

NORTH KOHALA ANNUAL KING KAMEHAMEHA DAY CELEBRATION

FOR MORE INFORMATION
SCAN HERE



Sponsored By:



Entertainment

Hālau

Kawehi'eimamoikawēkiu'okohala

Nā Kupuna 'o Kohala

w/ Kuma'ema'e

Lorna Lim

Chadd Paishon

Bulla Kanekoa

Hokani Maria

NORTH KOHALA KING KAMEHAMEHA DAY HO'OLAULE'A

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 11, 2025

Kamehameha Park Rd. Kapaau, HI 96755

E LEI DRAPING CEREMONY 8:00AM-9:00AM

PARADE & AKONI PULE ROAD CLOSURE 9:00AM-11:30AM

HO'OLAULE'A: 11:30A-4:00PM

Food & Drinks

BKH Creations
Bliss Blends
Sweet & Dirty Creations
Kitchen 77
My Little Lemon
Takoyatea
Tavares Tasty Treats
Poke Nachos
& MORE

Arts & Crafts

808 Hui Clothing
D's Kreationz
HI Bebz
Designs by KaBreezy
Designs by Berniemae
A'ala Pomaika'i
Lilikoi Lux
Kealawai
Mahealani's Crafts

Educational

Laupa'I Ke Ola
Protect Pololu
Kahua Pa'a Mua
Pūko'a Kani 'Āina
Hawaii Wildlife Center
KananiLehua Production
The Royal Order of
Kamehameha
Hawaii Pacific
Parks Association

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Event Sponsorship Program

PROGRAM TITLE: Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration

APPLICANT: North Kohala Community Resource Center

ITEMIZED BUDGET FORM

EXPENSES	OHA	OTHER CASH	IN-KIND
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Administration).

PROGRAM

Road Closure		\$ 100.00	
Roving Marshalls	\$ 1,000.00		
Police Road Assistance	\$ 900.00		
Kokua Crew (security)	\$ 1,100.00		
Pā'ū Supplies	\$ 1,200.00		
Sound System (Ho'olaule'a & Road side MC)	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$4,000.00
Entertainment	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$3,000.00
Horses			\$8,000.00
Park Fees	\$ 200.00		
Committee shirts	\$ 400.00	\$ 300.00	
Tent, tables, chairs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	
4 ATV			\$600.00

Marketing

Website update		\$ 350.00	
Marketing	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00	
Road Closure ads	\$ 800.00		
Banners		\$ 450.00	
Flyers		\$ 300.00	
PSA for road closure	\$ 700.00		
PSA outreach	\$ 700.00		
Photographaer		\$ 1,600.00	

Administration

Insurance	\$ 600.00		
Fiscal sponsorship fee	\$ 1,200.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$15,600.00

INCOME	HTA CASH Request	OTHER CASH	IN-KIND
HTA Request	\$ 15,000.00		
Organizations's Contribution		\$ 7,100.00	\$15,600.00
Other Sponsors/Sources: <i>(specify sources for both other cash and in-kind support in the lines below)</i>			
Other sources - cash on hand, fundraising & grant writing			
In-kind donations are from business owners & community members			
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$15,600.00

TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET

\$ 100.00
\$ 1,000.00
\$ 900.00
\$ 1,100.00
\$ 1,200.00
\$ 7,000.00
\$ 6,200.00
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Did you attend this year's Kamehameha Day Celebration? We need your help to make next year even better - take our survey!

[TAKE THE SURVEY - MAHALO NUI LOA!](#)

Honoring Kamehameha Pai'ea

Every June 11th, no matter what day of the week it falls on, Kohala celebrates and honor our King. People from around Hawai'i state gather at the northern tip of the big island of Hawai'i to honor Kamehameha Pai'ea, the chief who united the Hawaiian islands in 1795.

Internal Revenue Service

Date: November 5, 2007

NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY RESOURCE
CENTER
% NONE
PO BOX **519**
HAWI HI 96719-0002

Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Person to Contact:
Yvette Davis 17-57076
Customer Service Representative
Toll Free Telephone Number:
877-829-5500
Federal Identification Number:
02-0553251

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of November 5, 2007, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

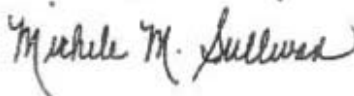
In March 2002 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Michele M. Sullivan, Oper. Mgr.



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER *

DBA/Trade Name: NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER *

Issue Date: 11/26/2025

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#: 20003426-01
New Hawaii Tax#: GE-0692707328-01
FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX3251
UI#: XXXXXX7200
DCCA FILE#: 124778

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration

North Kohala Community Resource Center

Mr. Leelen Park
PO Box 519
55-3393 Akoni Pule Hwy.
Hawi, HI 96719-0519



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Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 92% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	90.00%
Evaluator:	94.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application outlines a culturally foundational event that provides exceptional and wide-ranging benefits to the Native Hawaiian community. The celebration preserves and perpetuates Hawaiian history, 'ike, and protocol through lei draping, hula, 'oli, ho'okupu, and procession at the original King Kamehameha statue in Kapa'au, a site of profound cultural and historical significance. The event demonstrates sustained, long-term cultural relevance and deep community impact.

Evaluator: Celebration of our Alii in his home town

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The proposed attendance of approximately 5,000 individuals is achievable and supported by the event's long-standing history, statewide recognition, and community participation. The scale of the parade and ho'olaule'a provides an exceptional opportunity for OHA to reach a broad segment of the community.

Evaluator: Big reach

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The estimated Native Hawaiian attendance of approximately 2,500 participants reflects exceptional reach and impact. Native Hawaiian leadership, protocol, and participation are central to the event, resulting in significant cultural, social, and community benefit.

Evaluator: Half expected to be Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA / MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event demonstrates strong alignment with Strategy 4: Advance policies, programs, and practices that strengthen the health of 'āina and mo'omeheu by preserving Hawaiian history, cultural protocol, and place-based identity. While the alignment is clear and meaningful, outcomes are primarily cultural and commemorative rather than programmatic or policy-driven.

Evaluator: Culture and Tradition

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application clearly aligns with Strategic Outcomes 4.1 and 4.2, demonstrating exceptional cultural perpetuation, reinforcement of lāhui identity, and stewardship of culturally significant 'āina. The event provides a compelling and well-supported pathway to meaningful and widespread community impact.

Evaluator: 4.1 - Preservation and Perpetuation and 4.2 - Fostering Connection to 'Aina

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The application demonstrates outstanding alignment with the 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina strategic foundations. The event is inherently intergenerational, culturally centered, and grounded in ancestral place, reinforcing Native Hawaiian worldview, identity, and connection to land and history.

Evaluator: 'Ohana and Culture

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 8

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: Entertainment costs are disallowed under Ho'ākoakoa and have been excluded from eligibility. The remaining eligible budget of \$12,800 is appropriate and reasonable for the scale and cultural significance of the event. Eligible expenses support cultural protocol, safety, infrastructure, outreach, and compliance, and are supplemented by substantial cash and in-kind contributions.

Evaluator: Budget lists some entertainment, they may need to adjust to reflect no entertainment or perquisites

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 8

Evaluator: 9

Comments

Evaluator: The application provides strong opportunities for OHA recognition through radio PSAs, print and digital media, event signage, website and social media promotion, and the option for OHA speaking and informational booth presence. These opportunities offer meaningful and island-wide visibility.

Evaluator: Public Recognition in all forms available

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 12,800

Evaluator: 15,000

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: The Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration provides exceptional benefit to the Native Hawaiian community through preservation of cultural practice, protocol, and place-based history at a site of profound

significance. After excluding entertainment costs as ineligible under Ho'ākoakoa, the remaining eligible budget supports essential cultural, safety, infrastructure, and outreach needs. The event demonstrates strong alignment with OHA's Mana i Maui Ola strategic priorities and merits funding at 100% of eligible costs.

Evaluator: Just need to double check budget breakdown

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Evaluator: [REDACTED]

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/05/2026

Evaluator: 02/12/2026



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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ölelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoako Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence
 9. Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival
 10. North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration
 11. **Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering**
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering

Application - 'Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Sponsorship Program

Papa Ola Lokahi

Marisa Wilson
677 Ala Moana Blvd. Ste 720
Honolulu, HI 96813



Marisa Wilson



Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Papa Ola Lokahi

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Napua Casson-Fisher, Director of Community Initiatives

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

To improve the health status and wellbeing of Native Hawaiians and others by advocating for, initiating and maintaining culturally appropriate strategic actions aimed at improving the physical, mental and spiritual health of Native Hawaiians and their 'ohana (families) and empowering them to determine their own destinies.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

Kilipaki Vaughan (President)
Brooke Holderbaum (Vice-President)
Loretta Hussey (Secretary)
Chessa Harris (Treasurer)
Kū'ikeokalani Kamakea-`Ōhelo (Director)
Deborah Kim Morikawa (Director)
Paige Ann Kapi'olani Barber (Director)
Noelani Hoopai (Director)
Cora Schnackenberg (Director)
Farrah Burke (Director)

Name of event to be sponsored*

Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/19/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/20/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

9am-4pm each day

Address of event/activity:*

TBD Maui, Hawaii

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

Maui

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

Pūpū ‘Umeke Kā’eo ‘Ekolu – Traditional Hawaiian Healers Gathering is a two-day convening of Native Hawaiian cultural practitioners and traditional healers from across the pae ‘āina, designed to protect, perpetuate, and strengthen traditional healing practices rooted in ‘ike kupuna, ‘āina, and pilina. Organized by Papa Ola Lōkahi in partnership with the Traditional Hawaiian Healing Kūpuna Councils and community health organizations, the gathering provides a safe and intentional space to share knowledge, reaffirm cultural identity, and build inter-island relationships that support holistic health and community resilience. By centering Hawaiian values and lived practice, this gathering contributes to the broader movement to uplift the spiritual, physical, mental, and emotional well-being of our lāhui, now and for future generations.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

Agenda (draft/past flyer)

Friday, June 19 – TBD Maui (Day 1)

Arrival & check-in with refreshments and welcome mele

Opening Protocol & Pule (Kamaki Kanahale), Oli (Sean, Kaliko), Welina from Papa Ola Lōkahi

Reflections on the 2025 gathering and current landscape of Hawaiian healing

Lunch and group photo

Updates from Kūpuna Councils and partner organizations

Breakout Session I (Full Group): Kua Ola Discussion (tentative topic: "How can traditional healers all around the pae aina o Hawaii assist the Maui community in their healing & support their current needs?)

Closing Pule and hotel check-in for neighbor island guests

Saturday, June 20 – TBD Maui (Day 2)

Check-in, pule, and youth-led ‘āina kakahiaka

Breakout Session II (Small Groups): Discussion by themes such as succession planning, cultural protection, access to healing, and systems integration

Group share-back

‘Āina awakea with cultural food storytelling

Closing reflection: "What's next?" group discussion and commitments

Final pule, mele lāhui, and closing group photo

Event flyer (draft/past flyer)

List of speakers and their area of expertise: Some speakers and participants will include:

Dr. Sheri Daniels, kupuna council members and practitioners such as Sean Chun, Loea Lynette Paglinawan, Malina Kaulukukui, Leinaala Bright, Keoki Baclayon, Puni Jackson etc. Dr Malia Purdy, SERG partners etc.

Summaries of seminars. Workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Save the Date Flyer.docx

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

120

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

100

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Health Outcomes

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

The Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu – Traditional Hawaiian Healers Gathering directly supports Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs, and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, by fostering a space where traditional Hawaiian healing practices, such as lā'au lapa'au, lomilomi, and ho'oponopono, can be shared, protected, and perpetuated. The gathering increases access to culturally based healing methods (3.1) by connecting practitioners and health allies from across the pae 'āina and supporting their role in communities, schools, and 'ohana settings. It strengthens coordination within the Native Hawaiian health ecosystem (3.2) by bringing together key stakeholders like the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems and kūpuna councils, contributing to the vision of a unified and culturally grounded health system. The gathering also uplifts traditional practices like ho'oponopono that can be applied to restorative and preventative approaches in justice-impacted communities (3.3), supporting broader efforts to reduce incarceration rates. Finally, through protocol and cultural teachings, the event reinforces values and practices related to honoring and caring for iwi kūpuna (3.4), helping communities uphold their kuleana to protect ancestral remains and sacred sites.

The Traditional Hawaiian Healers Gathering advances Strategy 4: Empower our communities to nurture and sustain a strong lāhui by creating space for cultural practice, knowledge sharing, and community connection rooted in Native Hawaiian values. It helps preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian culture, language, identity, and healing traditions (4.1) through intergenerational engagement, cultural protocol, and 'ike kupuna. The event fosters community stewardship of natural and cultural resources (4.2) by emphasizing the deep ties between healing practices and 'āina, encouraging participants to engage with land and environment through a cultural lens. Additionally, the gathering supports the restoration of cultural sites, traditional landscapes, and food systems (4.3) by promoting knowledge of native plants, traditional diets, and healing practices that inherently connect people to place and support broader cultural revitalization efforts.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

Strategic Outcomes & Event Alignment – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu Gathering

3.1 – Increases access to culturally based healing practices (e.g., lā'au lapa'au, lomilomi, ho'oponopono) by convening practitioners and sharing knowledge across communities, 'ohana, and health systems.

Impact: More culturally relevant healing options available statewide.

3.2 – Strengthens coordination between Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems, FQHCs, and kūpuna councils toward a culturally grounded, primary Native Hawaiian Health System.

Impact: Improved collaboration and culturally safe care delivery.

3.3 – Uplifts practices like ho'oponopono that support conflict resolution and healing, offering alternatives to punitive systems.

Impact: Supports reduction in incarceration through restorative practices.

3.4 – Reinforces cultural protocols and kuleana to care for iwi kūpuna through shared values and 'ike.

Impact: Empowers communities to protect ancestral remains and sacred sites.

4.1 – Preserves and perpetuates Hawaiian identity, traditions, and 'ike kupuna through ceremony, language, and practice.

Impact: Strengthened lāhui and intergenerational cultural transmission.

4.2 – Promotes stewardship of 'āina through the practice of land-based healing and recognition of 'āina as a source of health.

Impact: Deepened connection to and protection of natural resources.

4.3 – Elevates knowledge of native plants, traditional diets, and place-based healing connected to restored cultural landscapes.

Impact: Supports the revitalization of food systems and healing environments.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: **The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.**

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

Foundations: 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, 'Āina

'Ohana – The gathering fosters strong intergenerational pilina by bringing together opio, mākua, and kūpuna to share and perpetuate traditional healing practices. It supports the well-being of 'ohana through cultural methods of care rooted in aloha and kuleana, strengthening family systems and, in turn, community resilience.

Mo'omeheu – This event is centered entirely in mo'omeheu. It honors and activates cultural knowledge, protocol, and practice through lā'au lapa'au, lomilomi, ho'oponopono, and 'ike kupuna. Participants engage in cultural transmission, affirming Hawaiian worldviews and values, and ensuring the survival of ancestral knowledge systems.

'Āina – Traditional healing is inseparable from 'āina. The gathering elevates the importance of relationships to place, plants, and natural resources in physical, emotional, and spiritual healing. By reinforcing this deep connection, the event supports aloha 'āina and inspires continued stewardship of land and water.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds *shall not* be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing "entertainment or perquisites" as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

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Ala Moana Hotel rooms to provide overnight shelter for neighbor island guests and O'ahu attendees traveling from rural areas. This ensures equitable access for participants regardless of location.

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Roundtrip inter-island flights for neighbor island practitioners and kūpuna to attend the gathering in person.

Day 1 Lunch – \$2,500

Catered meal aligned with 'ai pono principles to nourish attendees and support health-conscious, culturally relevant food practices.

Snacks & Refreshments – \$1,000

Light morning and afternoon refreshments for both days to support participant well-being and sustain energy throughout the gathering.

Protocol Items & Supplies – \$1,000

Materials for protocol including lei, pa'akai, lā'au lapa'au, and other cultural items essential for opening, closing, and ceremonial components of the event.

Line-Item Budget Upload

OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Budget.pdf

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

While we are not offering formal speaking opportunities or tabling at this year's event, we deeply value OHA's support and are committed to meaningful recognition throughout the gathering. We are pleased to offer the following opportunities for OHA visibility and engagement:

OHA logo placement on event signage, the official event flyer, and printed event agenda.

OHA logo inclusion on any digital promotional materials related to the event.

Distribution of OHA-approved materials relevant to the purpose of the gathering (e.g., printed flyers, brochures, or resources shared with attendees via welcome packets or an information table).

Acknowledgement of OHA's sponsorship and support during opening and closing remarks.

We will also bring the idea of speaking and tabling opportunities to our decision-making kūpuna and practitioner group for possible inclusion in future gatherings.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your **organizations** social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

Instagram: @papaolalokahi

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PapaOlaLokahi>

X: @papaolalokahi

Website: www.papaolalokahi.org

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Save the Date Flyer.docx

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i. The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

IRS Letter of Determination.pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. *See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.*

POL COVC 11.24.25.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (**must be valid within the calendar year**).

W9 POL 11.24.25.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to apply and for your continued support of our lāhui. We recognize and uplift the role OHA plays in protecting and advancing Native Hawaiian health and cultural practice. While this year's gathering has limited capacity, we are committed to exploring ways to deepen OHA's involvement in future events, including potential speaking roles or tabling if approved by our kūpuna councils. Please let us know if there are any materials, resources, or updates you'd like us to share with attendees. We welcome any mana'o or guidance you may have.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
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- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

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I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Sheri Daniels

Date of Submission*

11/24/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Save the Date Flyer.docx
- OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Budget.pdf
- OHA HO'ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI Event Save the Date Flyer.docx
- IRS Letter of Determination.pdf
- POL COVC 11.24.25.pdf
- W9 POL 11.24.25.pdf



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PŪPŪ 'UMEKE KĀ'EO 'EKOLU

TRADITIONAL HAWAIIAN HEALERS GATHERING



JUNE | 19 & 20 | 2026

TBD MAUI, HAWAII

BY INVITATION ONLY
REGISTRATION DETAILS TO FOLLOW

HO‘ĀKOAKOA LĀHUI EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: MAR 06 1996

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Employer Identification Number:
99-0273765
Case Number:
956045009
Contact Person:
TYRONE THOMAS
Contact Telephone Number:
(213) 894-2289
Our Letter Dated:
January 1992
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).


Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,


Richard R. Orosco
District Director

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: PAPA OLA LOKAHI*

DBA/Trade Name: PAPA OLA LOKAHI*

Issue Date: 11/24/2025

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#: 20417510-01

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX3765

UI#: XXXXXX2458

DCCA FILE#: 75033

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	<p>1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. Papa Ola Lokahi</p> <p>2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above</p> <p>3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ _____</p> <p>Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ Nonprofit 501c3 Corporation</p>	<p>4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):</p> <p>Exempt payee code (if any) _____</p> <p>Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____</p> <p><small>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</small></p>
	<p>5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. 677 Ala Moana Blvd., Suite 720</p> <p>6 City, state, and ZIP code Honolulu, HI 96813</p> <p>7 List account number(s) here (optional)</p>	<p>Requester's name and address (optional)</p>

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									
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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶ <u>11/24/25</u>
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.

Re: Sponsorship Application: Information Needed

From Napua Casson <ncasson@papaolalokahi.org>

Date Tue 2/17/2026 5:12 PM

To OHA Sponsorships <sponsorships@oha.org>

Cc OHA Sponsorships <sponsorships@oha.org>; Marisa Wilson <MWilson@papaolalokahi.org>; sdaniels@papaolalokahi.org <sdaniels@papaolalokahi.org>; Ke'ōpūlaulani Reelitz <kreelitz@papaolalokahi.org>

Aloha,

Sorry about that discrepancy.

We will be having our third gathering on Maui,
June 19 - UH Maui
June 20 - Hui No Ke Ola Pono

The non Maui residents will be staying at the Hampton Inn in Kahului.

My number 8087534662 if you'd like to connect directly.

Mahalo,
Napua

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: OHA Sponsorships <sponsorships@oha.org>

Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 4:00:22 PM

To: Napua Casson <ncasson@polhi.org>

Cc: OHA Sponsorships <sponsorships@oha.org>

Subject: Sponsorship Application: Information Needed

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CAUTION: This email originated from outside the organization. **DO NOT CLICK ON LINKS OR OPEN ATTACHMENTS** unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Aloha e Nāpua,

Mahalo for submitting a sponsorship application for your Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering event.

While reviewing your application, we noticed that Maui was selected as the event location; however, the budget breakdown references the Ala Moana Hotel. Could you please confirm which island the event will be held on and whether the venue address has been finalized?

We appreciate your clarification and look forward to your response.

Mahalo nui,



Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Event Sponsorship Program

Office of Hawaiian Affairs

560 N. Nimitz Hwy, Suite 200

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817



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Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering

Papa Ola Lokahi

Marisa Wilson
677 Ala Moana Blvd. Ste 720
Honolulu, HI 96813



Marisa Wilson



Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 94% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	96.00%
Evaluator:	92.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event gathers Native Hawaiian practitioners and healers to uplift themselves and the practices they perpetuate. It is grounded in our ways of knowing and being to sustain these lifeways.

Evaluator: Great for Traditional Hawaiian Healers who will work with greater community

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 4

Comments

Evaluator: 120 participants is reasonable and feasible for the event type

Evaluator: Intimate count

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: 100 of 120 Native Hawaiian participants

Evaluator: majority Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event is in direct alignment with Strategies 3 and 4, making strong impacts on the capacity for our healing practices to continue and uplifting the teachers and learners of such knowledge.

Evaluator: alignment to Health

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event build capacity for participants to further serve their communities and the lāhui. The impact will occur within the event and beyond, as it will allow participants to grow their knowledge and networking which should serve to strengthen their practices going forward.

Evaluator: alignment to multiple strategic outcomes

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: The event combines strategic foundations through engaging and culturally-rooted experiences. 'Ohana, mo'omeheu, and 'āina are embedded throughout the event as core to the entire experience.

Evaluator: alignment to all 3 foundations

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 9

Evaluator: 9

Comments

Evaluator: Budget is reasonable and detailed.

Evaluator: Budget could be more detailed

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: Multiple opportunities for OHA recognition across varied platforms with wide reach

Evaluator: Some opportunity for recognition

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 15000

Evaluator: 15,000.00

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: 48 of 50 rubric score; Deep and impactful agenda that builds capacity for practitioners and healers to learn, heal, grow, and continue service to community and perpetuation of crucial cultural practices

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: 

Evaluator: 

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/11/2026

Evaluator: 02/12/2026



John D. Waihe'e IV - Chairperson
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Phone: (808) 594-1888
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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200
Honolulu, HI 96817

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ölelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence
 9. Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival
 10. North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration
 11. Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a

Application - 'Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Sponsorship Program

Festivals of Aloha

Mrs. Lynn Donovan
P.O. Box 12304
Lahaina, HI 96761



Mr. Daryl Fujiwara

648 Wharf Street
Lahaina, HI 96761



Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Festivals of Aloha

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Daryl Fujiwara

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

The mission of Festivals of Aloha, Inc. on Maui is to honor and preserve Hawai'i's diverse cultures and heritage, with a special focus on Native Hawaiian traditions, through community events, music, hula, arts, and cultural practices.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

Jaydon Isobe - Secretary
Dawn Fujiwara - Treasurer
Toddy Lilikoi - Boardmember

Name of event to be sponsored*

Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/20/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/20/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

9am - Ho'olaule'a, 9:45am - Pā'ū Parade

Address of event/activity:*

275 W Kaahumanu Ave, Kahului, HI 96732

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

Maui

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

Celebrate King Kamehameha I and his illustrious 'ohana who once made Lahaina their home and the capital of Hawai'i through a pā'ū parade and ho'olaule'a filled with local eats, free keiki activities and exhibits, Hawaiian music and hula. Since the Lahaina fires, we have returned this commemoration to Central Maui after the Lahaina fires closed Front St.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or

- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

9:45am - The day begins with the beauty of our people and culture, with parade filled with community, horses and riders adorned with lei to the rich traditions on display, the art of pā'ū. After the parade, attendees can enjoy:

- Hawaiian hands-on learning through free keiki activities - coloring sheets with native flora and fauna; lei making, coconut frond weaving; palaie; kapala; konane. Live entertainment featuring Hawaiian music and hula from 9am - 5pm, entertainment on the hour with story time and parade and pā'ū awards towards the end.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

NKCPPH25-Flyer.jpg

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

1500

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

1000

ALIGNMENT TO MANA / MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Health Outcomes

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

Strategy 4: Preserve and perpetuate Hawaiian language, culture, traditions, identity, and sense of lāhui.

We believe that strengthening health outcomes begins with ensuring our culture is present in our physical spaces. By holding space to share our language, culture, and traditions, we help foster identity and a deepened sense of lāhui by honoring our ali'i.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-maui-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

The Nā Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade and Ho'olaule'a plays a vital role in supporting Health Outcomes 4.1, which emphasizes the preservation and perpetuation of Hawaiian language, culture, traditions, identity, and sense of lāhui.

Alignment with Health Outcomes 4.1:

Strengthening Cultural Identity – By honoring King Kamehameha and showcasing traditional Hawaiian attire, mele, hula, and oli, the event fosters pride in Hawaiian heritage, reinforcing a strong sense of identity and well-being. Cultural identity has been linked to better mental and emotional health outcomes for Native Hawaiians.

Revitalization of Hawaiian Language – The use of 'ōlelo Hawai'i in chants, announcements, and presentations throughout the parade and ho'olaule'a strengthens language preservation efforts. Increased exposure to Hawaiian language in public spaces normalizes its use, encouraging broader community engagement and learning.

Perpetuating Traditions and Practices – The parade's pā'ū riding, equestrian skills, ceremonial protocols, and artistic expressions ensure the continued practice of time-honored Hawaiian traditions, reinforcing cultural resilience and pride.

Community and Lāhui Well-being – The event brings together people from across the islands, fostering a sense of lāhui—a collective Hawaiian identity that strengthens community bonds. Gathering in celebration and cultural practice nurtures emotional, social, and spiritual well-being among participants and attendees.

Holistic Health through Cultural Connection – Engagement in cultural activities improves mental health, lowers stress, and promotes overall well-being. The parade and ho'olaule'a provide a meaningful space for people to connect with their roots, reinforcing cultural wellness as a key aspect of health outcomes.

Through its celebration of Hawaiian history, traditions, and language, the Nā Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade and Ho'olaule'a directly contribute to preserving and perpetuating Hawaiian identity, which is essential for the health and well-being of the lāhui.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

Foundation: 'Ohana – Family

Alignment:

The Nā Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade and Ho'olaule'a strengthens 'ohana by creating an intergenerational space where keiki, mākuā, and kūpuna participate together. The parade honors ali'i and their genealogies, reminding families of the importance of lineage, connection, and shared responsibility. By bringing 'ohana together in celebration—through riding units, cultural presentations, mele, and community activities—the event nurtures healthy family bonds and positive engagement. This collective participation reinforces that strong families are the foundation of a thriving lāhui.

Foundation: Mo'omeheu – Culture

Alignment:

The parade and ho'olaule'a serve as living expressions of Native Hawaiian mo'omeheu. Through pā'ū riding traditions, mele, hula, protocol, language, and artistry, the event showcases the cultural practices that define Native Hawaiian identity. Participants and spectators alike engage directly with stories, values, and customs that shape worldview and community behavior. By uplifting cultural knowledge—visually, orally, and experientially—the event strengthens cultural continuity and ensures that mo'omeheu remains visible, practiced, and honored in contemporary Hawai'i. It affirms culture as the lens through which we understand our relationships to one another and to 'āina.

Foundation: 'Āina – Land & Water

Alignment:

The Pā'ū Parade and Ho'olaule'a honor the deep relationship between kānaka and 'āina. Traditional pā'ū riding is rooted in a historical lifestyle shaped by the land, horses, and the natural environment of each moku. The use of lei, lā'au, and natural materials connects participants directly to the plants, resources, and landscapes of Hawai'i. By acknowledging ancestors whose iwi lie within the land and celebrating the places that sustain us, the event reinforces aloha 'āina and the understanding that 'āina is central to community well-being. The parade route itself becomes a ceremonial pathway that honors both ancestors and the lands on which we gather.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds *shall not* be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing “entertainment or perquisites” as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

Traffic Control & Police Permit – Road closure of Ka'ahumanu Avenue for the parade: \$10,500.00
Exhibitor & Ho'olaule'a Support – Stipends for materials and partner organizations: \$3,000.00
Grant management - \$1500.00

Line-Item Budget Upload

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

Parade Entry – Opportunity to participate in the parade and invite an official from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to ride as a representative.

Parade & Pā'ū Awards – Sponsor may present awards on stage and give a short speech.

Ho'olaule'a Presence – Option to host an informational table to share organizational materials.

Media Recognition – Inclusion in radio promotions and social media mentions.

Live Announcements – Acknowledgment at all parade commentary stations and during the ho'olaule'a.

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your **organizations** social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

facebook.com/nkcpph

instagram.com/kamehamehadaymaui

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

nkcpph26-fly1.jpg

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i. The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

IRS Determination Letter 947 (1).pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

Certificate of Vendor Compliance 9.8.25.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (must be valid within the calendar year).

FOA - W9 10.20.25.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."
- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

*

I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Daryl Fujiwara

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- NKCPH25-Flyer.jpg
- nkcph26-fly1.jpg
- IRS Determination Letter 947 (1).pdf
- Certificate of Vendor Compliance 9.8.25.pdf
- FOA - W9 10.20.25.pdf



**SATURDAY
JUNE 21, 2025**

**PĀ'Ū PARADE
9:45AM START
ALONG
KA'AHUMANU AVE.**

Parade Commentary at these locations: Mahalani St., Papa Ave., Wakea Ave., and Queen Ka'ahumanu Center **Road Closure Notice Ka'ahumanu Ave. 9:30AM - 11:30AM Lunalilo Ave. to Kahului Beach Road

**HO'OLAULE'A
9AM-5PM AT
QUEEN
KA'AHUMANU
CENTER**

Exhibits, Free Keiki Activities, Hawaiian Music & Hula By Kaniale Masoe, Mark Yamanaka, Hālau Kekuaokala'au'ala'iliahi & Hālau Ke'ala Kahinano O Puna

*Nā Kamehameha
Commemorative*

PĀ'Ū PARADE & HO'OLAULE'A

"E Ho'omau" - Celebrating Mary Kawena Puku'i





Na Kamehameha
Commemorative
 PĀ'Ū PARADE & HO'OLAULE'A

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****Road Closure Notice**

Ka'ahumanu Ave. 9AM - 11:30AM
 Lunalilo Ave. to Kahului Beach Road

SATURDAY
JUNE 20, 2026

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QUEEN KA'AHUMANU
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Exhibits, Free Keiki Activities,
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

FESTIVALS OF ALOHA INC
125 PONIU CIRCLE
WAILUKU, HI 96793

Date:
08/05/2024
Employer ID number:
99-3547352
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
June 30
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
June 12, 2024
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053608005434

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
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CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: FESTIVALS OF ALOHA, INC.

Issue Date: 09/08/2025

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX7352

UI#: XXXXXX8094

DCCA FILE#: 335561

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.) <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">FESTIVALS OF ALOHA INC</div>	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.	
	3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)</i>
	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions <input type="checkbox"/>	
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions. PO BOX 12304	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code LAHAINA, HI 96761	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									
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Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person	<i>Jasmine Ryan</i>	Date	OCTOBER 20, 2025
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(l)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under "*By signing the filled-out form*" above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

• **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

• **Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or “doing business as” (DBA) name on line 2.

• **Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity.** Enter the entity’s name as shown on the entity’s tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Disregarded entity.** In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner’s name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner’s name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity’s name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3a

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation.
• Individual or • Sole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
• LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a corporation	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership, C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
• Partnership	Partnership.
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys’ fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5—A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8—A real estate investment trust.
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11—A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
• Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
• Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
• Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
• Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5. ²
• Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

- A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).
- B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).
- E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.

G—A real estate investment trust.

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).

J—A bank as defined in section 581.

K—A broker.

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).

M—A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))**	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

* **Note:** The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.

** For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

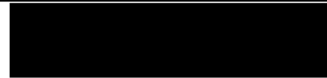
Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a

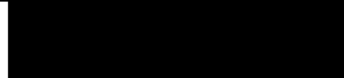
Festivals of Aloha

Mrs. Lynn Donovan
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Lahaina, HI 96761



Mr. Daryl Fujiwara

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Lahaina, HI 96761



Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 91% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	90.00%
Evaluator:	92.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Honoring our Alii

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Maui Island

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Majority Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA / MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Helath of Culture & Tradition

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: 4.1 alignment

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: aligns with all 3 foundations

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 8

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: Excluded funding for Exhibitor & Ho'olaule'a Support – Stipends for materials and partner organizations (\$3,000.00) and Grant management (\$1500.00).

Evaluator: A more detailed line item budget would be appreciated

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: opportunity for public recognition

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 10,500

Evaluator: 15,000.00

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: Excluded funding for Exhibitor & Ho'olaule'a Support – Stipends for materials and partner organizations (\$3,000.00) and Grant management (\$1500.00).

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: 

Evaluator: 

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/17/2026

Evaluator: 02/12/2026



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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE (BF)

DATE: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
TIME: 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the conclusion of the OHA Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment (BAE) Meeting
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology
Viewable at www.oha.org/livestream OR
Listen by phone: (213) 338-8477, Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

This meeting can be viewed via livestream on OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone using the call-in information above. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on 'Ölelo Community Media <https://olelo.org/>. A physical meeting location, open to members of the public who would like to provide oral testimony or view the meeting, will be available at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 4, 2026
 - B. February 18, 2026
- III. **New Business**
 - A. **Action Item BF #26-04: Approval of OHA funding for Ho'ākoako Lāhui event sponsorship awards for the following organizations and events for Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026, Quarter 4 (Batch 2):**
 1. Kāhuli Leo Le'a – May Day 2026
 2. Conservation Council for Hawai'i – Manu o Kū Festival
 3. Pakini Loan Fund – Wai'anae Moku Made
 4. Ka Po'e Lawai'a – Manini & Me Holoholo Festival
 5. He Ho'omaka Hou Ana O Puna – Ho'ike o nā Wāhine – Hāumana Kūkākūkā Program Completion and Kīhei Tying Ceremony
 6. Ho'okāko'o Corporation – Waimea Middle Public Conversion Charter School's May Day Program – SY 2025-26 – Sense of Place, Sense of Belonging
 7. Acton Digital Inc (Kaulike Academy) – 'Ōpio Mākeke: Summer Kickoff Night Market
 8. Recycle Hawaii – Hawai'i Zero Waste Youth Planning Convergence
 9. Symbrosia Foundation – Kona Kai Festival
 10. North Kohala Community Resource Center – Kohala Kamehameha Day Celebration
 11. Papa Ola Lokahi – Pūpū 'Umeke Kā'eo 'Ekolu: 3rd Annual Traditional Healers Gathering
 12. Festivals of Aloha – Na Kamehameha Commemorative Pā'ū Parade & Ho'olaule'a
 13. **Leeward Kai Canoe Club LLC – Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival**

Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

*Application - 'Ho'ākoakoa Lāhui Sponsorship
Program*

Leeward Kai Canoe Club

Mr. Alfred Van Gieson
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Waianae, HI 96792



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Application Form

APPLICANT & EVENT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant Organization*

Leeward Kai Canoe Club

Name of event representative*

Event representative must be someone who is authorized to communicate with OHA staff and submit any required documents or information on behalf of the awarded organization.

Alfred Van Gieson

Event Representative email*

[REDACTED]

Event Representative phone number*

[REDACTED]

Describe the mission of the organization.*

Mission Statement:

Leeward Kai Canoe Club is dedicated to perpetuating and cultivating cultural, educational, and physical excellence by providing an environment that encourages personal growth through the art of Hawaiian Canoe paddling.

Description:

Leeward Kai Canoe Club exists to honor and preserve the living tradition of Hawaiian canoe paddling, a practice that embodies the values of aloha, respect, and unity. Our mission is not only to teach the technical skills of paddling, but to cultivate a holistic environment where cultural heritage, education, and physical well-being are interwoven. We believe that canoe paddling is more than a sport — it is a cultural art form that connects us to our ancestors, the ocean, and each other.

Through our programs, we encourage members of all ages to embrace discipline, teamwork, and perseverance. We foster educational opportunities that deepen understanding of Hawaiian history and traditions, while also promoting physical excellence through training and competition. By blending cultural knowledge with athletic development, we create pathways for personal growth that extend beyond the canoe, shaping individuals who carry these values into their families, schools, and communities.

Our mission is rooted in stewardship — of the ocean, of cultural practices, and of the relationships we build. We strive to inspire future generations to continue this legacy, ensuring that Hawaiian canoe paddling remains a vibrant and meaningful part of our collective identity. In doing so, Leeward Kai Canoe Club serves

as a place where cultural pride, physical strength, and community spirit come together, perpetuating the art of paddling as both a discipline and a way of life.

Organization's Governing Board and/or Executive Team*

List the organization's governing board members' names and titles and the executive team members' names and titles. Please DO NOT include emails and phone numbers.

- Rena Rzonca — President
- Lawena Painter — Vice President / Treasurer
- Kepa Resentes — Treasurer
- Kehaulani Kaalouahi — Secretary
- Alfred Van Gieson — Director
- Don Lui-Kwan — Director

Name of event to be sponsored*

Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Start date of event to be sponsored*

06/20/2026

End date of event to be sponsored

For one day events, leave blank. For multi-day events, duration should be no longer than 30 days.

06/21/2026

Time of event to be sponsored:*

Please provide start and end time for one day events. For multiple day events, please specify the hours for each day.

Saturday – Cultural Day: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Sunday – Regatta Day: 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Address of event/activity:*

89-269 Farrington Hwy, Waianae, HI 96792

Identify island(s) where event will be held:*

O'ahu

EVENT SCOPE

Purpose Statement*

Please provide a short statement that describes the proposed event and its purpose.

Leeward Kai Canoe Club proudly presents Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival, a transformative two-day celebration of Hawaiian culture, community, and wellbeing. The purpose of this event is to perpetuate Native Hawaiian traditions, strengthen family bonds, and honor the deep connection between our people, the land, and the ocean. On Saturday, Lauhoe gathers cultural practitioners to share knowledge of canoe heritage, hula, navigation, and Hawaiian arts, ensuring the transmission of ancestral wisdom to future generations. On Sunday, the Father's Day Regatta unites keiki, kūpuna, and families in spirited competition, promoting physical health, teamwork, and the values of aloha and perseverance. Together, the festival provides exceptional benefits to the Native Hawaiian community by advancing maui ola (wellbeing) through cultural education and physical activity, and strengthening mana (community strength) through unity, intergenerational participation, and collective pride. By assembling the lāhui in one place, the event embodies the meaning of lauhoē—to paddle together in unison—and creates sustainable, long-term impacts in cultural perpetuation, community empowerment, and environmental stewardship.

Describe the event services and activities from start to finish.*

The description should depict what the event would encompass. Demonstrate the substance of the event. Include information from the following:

- Agenda (draft/past flyer)
- Event flyer (draft/past flyer);
- List of speakers and their area of expertise;
- List of exhibitors and their offerings; and/or
- Summaries of seminars, workshops, or other opportunities provided at the event.

Event Overview

Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival is a two-day celebration hosted by Leeward Kai Canoe Club that blends cultural enrichment with spirited competition. The festival is free and open to the public, offering workshops, performances, races, and community engagement opportunities that perpetuate Hawaiian traditions and strengthen family bonds.

Saturday – Cultural Day (9:00 AM – 4:00 PM)

Dedicated to cultural enrichment and learning, Saturday features interactive workshops, demonstrations, and performances led by respected Native Hawaiian practitioners.

- Opening Ceremony (9:00 AM – 9:15 AM)
- Cultural Blessing: Hawaiian 'oli and pule invoking protection, safety, and success.
- Welcome Remarks: Introduction to the weekend's events, highlighting the significance of canoe racing and cultural traditions.
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- Workshop 1 (9:15 AM – 10:45 AM)
- Koa Canoe History: Caretakers share mo'olelo of their wa'a, its builders, and demonstrate lashing and rigging techniques.
- Workshop 2 (11:00 AM – 12:30 PM)
- Koa Canoe Legacy: Continuation with another canoe club, emphasizing craftsmanship and cultural stewardship.
- Community Lunch (12:30 PM – 1:30 PM)
- Local food vendors provide traditional Hawaiian dishes, fostering community gathering and social connection.

- Workshop 3 (1:30 PM – 3:00 PM)
- Traditional Outrigger Canoe Building: Demonstration of ancient craftsmanship, techniques, and cultural significance.

- Closing Performance (3:15 PM – 4:00 PM)
- Live Hawaiian music and hula, showcasing local talent and celebrating the aloha spirit.

Speakers/Practitioners (Saturday)

- OHA representatives (opportunity for keynote remarks).
- Canoe caretakers and builders (expertise in koa canoe history and rigging).
- Cultural practitioners (expertise in hula, oli, pule, and Hawaiian navigation).
- Local artisans (expertise in Hawaiian crafts and cultural demonstrations).

Exhibitors (Saturday)

- Local food vendors offering Hawaiian cuisine.
- Artisans showcasing crafts, cultural tools, and educational materials.

Sunday – Regatta Day (7:00 AM – 5:00 PM)

Sunday is the main event, featuring the Father's Day Regatta with over 45 races across divisions from keiki to kūpuna.

- Opening Ceremony (7:00 AM – 7:30 AM)
- Cultural Blessing: Hawaiian oli and pule to give thanks and ensure safety.
- Welcome Remarks: Acknowledgment of sponsors, volunteers, and the community.
- Regatta Racing (8:00 AM – 4:00 PM)
- Sprint races across all divisions, showcasing endurance, teamwork, and skill.
- Community and vendor area with Hawaiian food, crafts, and merchandise.
- Spectator engagement with live commentary, cheering sections, and cultural entertainment.
- Awards Ceremony (4:00 PM – 4:30 PM)
- Medals and trophies for winners, plus special awards such as Spirit of Aloha for sportsmanship.
- Closing Ceremony (4:30 PM – 5:00 PM)
- Final oli/pule to thank the land, ocean, and ancestors.
- Community aloha gathering to reflect, share stories, and celebrate unity.

Speakers/Practitioners (Sunday)

- Race officials and community leaders (expertise in canoe racing and cultural stewardship).
- OHA representatives (opportunity for keynote remarks and awards presentation).

Exhibitors (Sunday)

- Local vendors offering Hawaiian food and crafts.
- Community organizations providing information tables and cultural engagement activities.

Additional Supporting Document (Optional)

Total estimated number of individuals to attend the event:*

7500

Estimated number of Native Hawaiians to attend the event:*

6750

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA

Indicate the event's alignment to one of OHA's strategic directions below.*

Identify the Strategic Outcome your event best aligns with and provide your reasoning. Link to Strategic Plan: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Educational Pathways

Identify the strategy the event aligns to and describe how it aligns to it.*

Note: The strategy should fall under the strategic direction identified in the previous question.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Strategy must be clearly identified.**

Strategy 3: Advance policies, programs and practices that strengthen Hawaiian well-being, including physical, spiritual, mental and emotional health. The event aligns with Strategy 3 because...

The event aligns with Strategy 1 because the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival, hosted by Leeward Kai Canoe Club, is more than a sporting competition — it is a living classroom rooted in Hawaiian traditions. The kukui tree, symbol of enlightenment, represents the light of knowledge passed from kūpuna to keiki. Our festival embodies this torch of learning by creating structured opportunities for cultural education within the context of a community celebration.

Through canoe racing, cultural workshops, and intergenerational participation, the event provides educational resources that strengthen identity, perpetuate mo'omeheu, and prepare Native Hawaiians for lifelong learning. Keiki receive handouts and participate in cultural demonstrations, youth paddlers gain leadership and teamwork skills, and kūpuna serve as teachers and mentors. By weaving cultural practice into every aspect of the regatta, the event ensures that Hawaiian knowledge is not only preserved but actively taught, practiced, and celebrated.

Leeward Kai Canoe Club's commitment to perpetuating Hawaiian traditions through paddling and cultural education makes this festival a direct expression of OHA's Educational Pathways strategy. It strengthens community-based learning systems, integrates culture into education, and ensures that Hawaiian identity remains at the center of lifelong learning for our lāhui.

Identify the strategic outcome(s) the event aligns to it and describe how it aligns to it.*

Addresses the outcome and the impact the event will have. Note: The outcome should fall under the strategic direction and strategy identified in the previous responses.

Link to Mana i Maui Ola for more information: <https://www.oha.org/about/mana-to-mauli-ola/>

Please use the format in the example below: **The Outcome(s) must be clearly identified.**

Strategy Outcome 3.4: Communities are empowered to take care of iwi kupuna. This event addresses the outcome by...

Strategy Outcome 1.1: Increase number or percent of Native Hawaiian students who enter educational systems ready to learn.

This event addresses the outcome by preparing keiki with cultural knowledge and identity before they enter formal education. At the Lauhoe Father's Day Regatta Festival, Leeward Kai Canoe Club provides keiki with educational handouts, mo'olelo shared by canoe caretakers, and hula/oli workshops. These experiences give children a foundation of Hawaiian values and traditions, ensuring they are ready to learn with confidence, cultural grounding, and pride in their identity. The regatta also models learning through practice — keiki don't just hear about Hawaiian traditions, they paddle, chant, and participate. This experiential learning builds confidence, discipline, and curiosity, which are critical traits for entering school ready to learn. By situating education in a cultural context, the event bridges home, community, and school, ensuring keiki arrive in classrooms with both academic readiness and cultural resilience.

Strategy Outcome 1.2: Increase number or percent of Native Hawaiian students graduating high school who are college, career, and community ready.

This event addresses the outcome by building discipline, teamwork, and leadership among youth paddlers and volunteers. Through racing, organizing, and serving the community, young participants gain practical skills that translate into academic success, career pathways, and civic engagement. The regatta models how cultural education strengthens readiness for college, career, and community life by embedding Hawaiian values into athletic and organizational experiences. The event also provides real-world leadership opportunities — youth help coordinate races, manage logistics, and support cultural programming. These responsibilities mirror the demands of college and career environments, teaching accountability, time management, and problem-solving. By grounding these skills in Hawaiian values like kuleana and laulima, the event ensures graduates are not only career-ready but community-ready, prepared to serve and uplift their lāhui.

Strategy Outcome 1.3: Increase number of Native Hawaiians engaged in traditional learning systems (e.g., hale, hālau, mua, hale pe'a) that re-establish/maintain strong cultural foundations and identity.

This event addresses the outcome by functioning as a traditional learning system in itself. The Lauhoe Festival re-establishes hale wa'a as spaces of teaching, hālau hula perpetuate oli and dance, and cultural workshops re-engage participants in ancestral knowledge systems. By involving keiki, kūpuna, and 'ohana in these practices, the event maintains strong cultural foundations and reinforces Hawaiian identity. The regatta also revives the communal learning model — knowledge is not delivered in isolation but shared across generations. Kūpuna teach mo'olelo, practitioners demonstrate canoe building, and keiki absorb lessons through participation. This mirrors the traditional hale and hālau systems where identity was formed through collective practice. By embedding these systems into a modern festival, Leeward Kai Canoe Club ensures that Hawaiian identity is not only preserved but actively lived, strengthening cultural foundations for generations to come.

Describe how the event aligns to and addresses one or more of OHA's strategic foundation(s):*

'Ohana – Family. 'Ohana is instrumental to community empowerment. When families are strong and healthy, and when there is positive engagement within the 'ohana, from keiki to kūpuna, communities thrive. Connections to mo'omeheu and 'āina begin with connections within families.

Mo'omeheu – Culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are as a people. It includes all those things that distinguish the community: language, stories, customs, music, art, food, protocols, religions, values, traditions, and celebrations. Expressions of culture are both internal and external. Culture shapes Native Hawaiian worldview and thinking. It informs the ways in which individuals interact with one another and with 'āina. It influences the way Native Hawaiians interpret events and approach problem-solving.

'Āina – Land & Water. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, the land was life. Imbued with mana, 'āina provides everything

the community needs to survive. On an intimate level, Native Hawaiians are connected to the land by the generations of kūpuna who lived on the land and whose iwi rest here. Thus, the emotional ties to family, and the aloha for them, extends to the land that feeds us.

Use the following format: The Foundation(s) must be clearly identified.

First, list the name of the foundation(s). Second, demonstrate how the proposed event aligns with the selection.

Foundation: 'Ohana – Family

The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival directly aligns with the 'Ohana foundation because it is designed as a celebration of family across generations. Hosted by Leeward Kai Canoe Club, the event honors fathers, kūpuna, and keiki by creating a space where families paddle together, learn together, and thrive together. Canoe racing is inherently intergenerational — fathers and mothers race alongside their children, kūpuna cheer from the shoreline, and keiki learn discipline and teamwork by watching and participating. This positive engagement strengthens bonds within families and empowers the broader community.

The regatta also provides opportunities for families to connect through cultural education. Keiki receive handouts and participate in workshops, while kūpuna serve as teachers and mentors, sharing mo'olelo and traditions. These connections ensure that cultural knowledge is passed down within the 'ohana, reinforcing identity and pride. By centering the event on Father's Day, the festival elevates the role of 'ohana in community empowerment, reminding participants that strong families are the foundation of a thriving lāhui.

Through shared meals, collective celebration, and cultural practice, the event strengthens the social fabric of the community. Families leave the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival not only entertained but enriched, carrying with them lessons of kuleana, laulima, and aloha. In this way, the festival embodies OHA's vision that when families are strong and healthy, communities thrive.

Foundation: Mo'omeheu – Culture

The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival aligns with the Mo'omeheu foundation because it is a living expression of Hawaiian culture. Culture is the essence of who Native Hawaiians are, and this event ensures that language, traditions, and practices are not only preserved but actively perpetuated.

Cultural workshops led by canoe builders, kumu hula, and moderators provide direct education in Hawaiian traditions. Participants learn about wa'a caretaking, hula protocols, oli, and mo'olelo, connecting them to ancestral knowledge systems. These practices are not performed as entertainment but as cultural perpetuation — expressions of identity that strengthen the worldview of Native Hawaiians.

The regatta also integrates cultural protocols into its ceremonies. Opening and closing blessings honor kūpuna and 'āina, reinforcing spirituality and respect. Hula and oli performances perpetuate Hawaiian language and artistic expression, while awards and recognition ceremonies instill pride in cultural achievement. By embedding culture into every aspect of the event, the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival ensures that mo'omeheu remains central to community life.

For Leeward Kai Canoe Club, the regatta is not just a competition but a cultural classroom. It demonstrates how culture informs problem-solving, relationships, and stewardship of 'āina. By engaging keiki, youth, and families in cultural practice, the event strengthens identity and perpetuates traditions that distinguish the Hawaiian community. In this way, the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival embodies OHA's vision that culture shapes worldview, informs interaction, and sustains the lāhui.

Foundation: 'Āina – Land & Water

The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival aligns with the 'Āina foundation because canoe racing is inseparable from the ocean and land. To Native Hawaiian kūpuna, 'āina was life, imbued with mana and providing everything needed to survive. The regatta honors this truth by treating the ocean not as a backdrop but as a living relative.

Canoe racing teaches respect for kai and reinforces stewardship of natural resources. Escort boats, safety teams, and waste management practices demonstrate mālama 'āina, ensuring that the event protects the environment while celebrating it. By hosting the regatta at traditional canoe racing sites, the festival restores cultural landscapes as spaces of pride and learning.

The event also connects participants emotionally to ‘āina. Families gather on the shoreline, kūpuna share mo‘olelo of the land, and keiki learn that their identity is tied to the ocean and land that feed them. Vendors highlight local food systems, connecting economic activity to stewardship of ‘āina. In this way, the regatta strengthens the emotional ties between ‘ohana and ‘āina, reinforcing the understanding that caring for land and water is inseparable from caring for family.

By embedding stewardship into the event, Leeward Kai Canoe Club ensures that participants leave with a renewed sense of kuleana to ‘āina. The Lauhoe: Father’s Day Regatta Festival perpetuates the belief that ‘āina provides life, mana, and identity, and that the aloha for family extends to the land that sustains us. In this way, the festival embodies OHA’s vision that ‘āina is central to wellbeing and survival.

BUDGET

Provide the total amount of money being requested from OHA for the event.*

Maximum amount is **\$15,000**. No minimum amount. Requests for exceptions to the maximum budget request may require justification in the comments/questions section of the application.

\$15,000.00

Indicate each expense for which OHA funds will be used as a line item.*

Provide a brief description for each item. The items should sum to the total amount requested. For sponsorship packages, please list the sponsorship benefits.

OHA funds ***shall not*** be used for entertainment or perquisites (perks) per HRS 10-17(b)(3) however, HRS 10-17(b) does not expressly prohibit grantees from having or providing “entertainment or perquisites” as some aspect of their event. This includes live music, band, performance groups, musicians, DJ, Emcee, etc.

Budget Justification Summary – OHA Sponsorship (\$15,000)

Site Permits – \$500

- City & County permits for Kalanianaʻole Beach.
- OHA recognized as enabling partner at the heartbeat of the Nanakuli Ahupua‘a.

Site Preparation & Infrastructure – \$5,100

- Tents, chairs, stage, lighting, security, waste disposal, sponsorship signage.
- OHA logo featured on tents, banners, and stage signage.

Media Coverage – \$700

- Photography/videography across both days.
- OHA representatives featured in official photos and post-event media.

HPD Officers – \$1,000

- Two officers for two days to ensure safety.
- OHA recognized as a partner in safeguarding ‘ohana.

Signage & Cones Rental – \$1,150

- Traffic diversion signs, barricades, security lighting.
- OHA logo displayed on safety signage.

Race Supplies – \$1,900

- Medals and division awards branded with OHA logo.
- OHA representatives present awards and participate in photo opportunities.

Participant Materials – \$1,000

- Flyers, posters, keiki/community handouts branded with OHA logo.
- OHA’s mission highlighted in all distributed materials.

Native Hawaiian Canoe Builders Honorarium – \$2,100

- Three practitioners teaching wa'a building.
 - OHA recognized as sponsor of cultural perpetuation.
- Kumu Hula – \$1,000
- Protocol leadership and cultural instruction for keiki.
 - OHA acknowledged during ceremonies as sponsor enabling cultural protocol.

Moderator – \$550

- Facilitates canoe building panel discussions.
- OHA recognized as enabler of cultural dialogue.

Sponsorship Benefits

- Logo Placement: On signage, awards, flyers, posters, and educational handouts.
- Media Visibility: Print, radio, social media, and official event documentation.
- Speaking Opportunities: Saturday keynote, Sunday opening/closing remarks, award presentations with photo ops.
- Community Engagement: Booths on both days with interactive activities.
- VIP Recognition: Reserved table and beach viewing area for OHA representatives.
- Cultural Alignment: Sponsorship of canoe builders, kumu hula, and workshops tied to 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina.

OHA's \$15,000 sponsorship is strategically allocated to maximize visibility, engagement, and cultural alignment. By funding infrastructure, cultural programming, awards, and branded materials, OHA's support will be celebrated as a cornerstone of the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival.

This investment ensures that OHA's presence is not only visible through signage, media, and branded materials, but also deeply felt through cultural protocols, educational workshops, and direct engagement with keiki, kūpuna, and 'ohana. From keynote speaking opportunities and award presentations to informational booths and VIP recognition, OHA will be honored as a distinguished guest and central partner in the festival's success.

Importantly, the festival is held at Kalaniana'ole Beach — the heartbeat of the Nanakuli Ahupua'a. This site is more than a shoreline; it is a Native Hawaiian homestead community surrounded by DHHL leaseholders who carry forward the legacy of our kūpuna. By hosting the regatta here, Leeward Kai Canoe Club ensures that the event is not only a celebration of Hawaiian culture and 'ohana, but also a reaffirmation of identity, place, and community resilience within a living Native Hawaiian homestead.

In this way, OHA's sponsorship will resonate far beyond the event itself. It will be seen and felt as a direct investment in the perpetuation of Hawaiian culture, the empowerment of homestead families, and the stewardship of 'āina that sustains our people. The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival will stand as a living example of OHA's mission in action — strengthening 'ohana, perpetuating mo'omeheu, and honoring 'āina — while ensuring that OHA is celebrated as a vital partner in uplifting the lāhui.

Line-Item Budget Upload

Lauhoe - Father's Day Regatta Festival 2026 Budget Sheet - OHA.xlsx - Budget Form.pdf

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Opportunities for OHA recognition:*

List and clearly describe the community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities the event offers for OHA which may include, but are not limited to:

- Advertisements in event programs/television/radio/print ads
- OHA logo on event goods or items
- OHA logo on event signage
- OHA logo on event flyers
- Speaking opportunities for OHA representative
- Providing a table or method for distributing OHA program information at the event

Please outline specifically if your event is offering any formal tables for OHA representatives to attend as guests

The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival, hosted by Leeward Kai Canoe Club, offers the Office of Hawaiian Affairs a wide range of community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities. As a sponsor, OHA will be formally recognized and celebrated as a key partner in advancing Hawaiian culture, 'ohana empowerment, and stewardship of 'āina.

1. Logo Placement on Event Materials

- Event Signage: OHA's logo will be prominently displayed on banners, event flags, and key signage throughout the festival grounds, ensuring maximum visibility to attendees.
- Event Programs & Flyers: OHA will be featured in printed programs and flyers distributed to attendees, highlighting OHA's commitment to community empowerment and cultural perpetuation.
- Race Gear & Awards: OHA's logo will be included on select merchandise, medals, and awards, ensuring recognition during high-profile moments of competition and celebration.

2. Advertising in Media

- Print & Radio Advertising: OHA will be featured in local newspaper ads, podcasts, and community bulletins promoting the event, raising awareness among a broad local audience.
- Social Media Promotion: OHA's logo and messaging will be prominently displayed across social media platforms, including pre-event posts, live coverage during the regatta, and post-event highlights.
- Digital Outreach: OHA's sponsorship will be acknowledged on the event website and digital newsletters distributed to canoe racing associations and community partners.

3. Speaking Opportunities

- Saturday Keynote Address: OHA representatives will be formally invited to deliver keynote remarks during the opening ceremony of the Lauhoe cultural festival day, following the oli and pule. This honors cultural protocol while giving OHA a prominent platform to address the community.
- Sunday Race Opening Remarks: OHA representatives can deliver remarks at the start of the regatta races, thanking participants, acknowledging the cultural significance of the event, and highlighting OHA's efforts in advancing Native Hawaiian health and heritage.
- Sunday Race Closing Remarks & Awards Presentation: At the conclusion of the regatta races, OHA representatives will deliver closing remarks that include presenting awards to the top-performing clubs. This moment will also feature a formal photo opportunity for the OHA representative with award recipients, ensuring lasting visibility and recognition of OHA's sponsorship and support.

4. Booth or Table for Information Distribution

- Saturday Informational Booth: OHA will be provided with a dedicated booth space during the cultural festival day to distribute program information, engage with attendees, and showcase initiatives.
- Sunday Informational Booth: OHA's booth will again be featured prominently within the vendor and entertainment area, ensuring high visibility and continuous engagement with the community throughout the regatta.

- **Interactive Engagement:** OHA may also host hands-on cultural activities or demonstrations related to its programs, creating an immersive experience that highlights OHA's role in promoting Hawaiian heritage and wellness.

5. Exclusive Community Engagement Opportunities

- **Team Participation:** OHA can form a team of up to five representatives to compete in the regatta race on Sunday morning, actively engaging with participants, paddlers, and spectators.

- **Cultural Workshop Sponsorship:** OHA representatives can participate in or sponsor specific cultural workshops, such as hula or canoe building, where they can engage with attendees, share OHA's mission, and encourage participation in Hawaiian traditions.

6. VIP Engagement Plan

- **Saturday VIP Role:** OHA representatives will be honored as keynote speakers during the opening ceremony, following oli and pule. A formal booth will also be provided for community engagement throughout the day.

- **Sunday VIP Table:** Adjacent to OHA's booth, a formal VIP table will be reserved for OHA representatives, serving as a hub for dignified interaction with community leaders, cultural practitioners, and families.

- **Sunday VIP Beach Area:** A designated VIP viewing area will be created on the beach, next to the Leeward Kai Canoe Club tent. This space will allow OHA representatives to enjoy the races in comfort while being recognized as honored guests.

7. Recognition at Awards Ceremonies

- **Awards Sponsorship:** OHA will serve as the official awards sponsor for all top three finishers in each race, with medals awarded to winners featuring OHA branding. Additionally, OHA can sponsor overall awards for each club division, acknowledging top-performing clubs. This ensures prominent visibility during award ceremonies and reinforces OHA's commitment to recognizing excellence in Hawaiian culture, physical achievement, and community spirit.

Conclusion

Through logo placement, media advertising, speaking opportunities, informational booths, team participation, cultural workshop sponsorship, VIP engagement, and awards recognition, the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival offers OHA unparalleled opportunities for visibility, engagement, and cultural alignment.

By supporting this event with a \$15,000 sponsorship, OHA will not only gain brand recognition but also demonstrate leadership in advancing its strategic foundations of 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina. This partnership ensures OHA is celebrated as a key supporter of cultural perpetuation, family empowerment, and stewardship of land and ocean, while directly engaging with thousands of participants and spectators in a meaningful, lasting way.

Importantly, the festival is held at Kalaniana'ole Beach — the heartbeat of the Nanakuli Ahupua'a. This site is more than a shoreline; it is a Native Hawaiian homestead community surrounded by DHHL leaseholders who carry forward the legacy of our kūpuna. By hosting the regatta here, Leeward Kai Canoe Club ensures that the event is not only a celebration of culture and 'ohana, but also a reaffirmation of identity and place within a living Native Hawaiian community.

In this way, OHA's sponsorship will resonate far beyond the event itself. It will be seen and felt as a direct investment in the perpetuation of Hawaiian culture, the empowerment of homestead families, and the stewardship of 'āina that sustains our people

Social Media/Marketing Platforms:*

Please provide your **organizations** social media usernames/handles, as well as any other platforms the event will be broadcasted on.

Please use the following format:

Instagram: @example

Facebook: link

X: @example

Website:

Other:

Instagram: @leewardkaicc

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LeewardKaiCC/>

Website: leewardkaicanooclub.org

band (internal): @Leeward Kai CC

youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/@leewardkaicanooclub5758>

REQUIREMENTS

Event Information (flyers, posters, website details, etc.) DO NOT submit flyers for previous events.*

lauhoe flyer (2).pdf

IRS Letter of Determination-document upload*

The applicant must have IRS tax-exempt nonprofit status and be registered to do business in the State of Hawai'i. The applicant shall upload the organization's IRS Letter of Determination verifying tax-exempt nonprofit status. See Attachment A. Sample - IRS Letter of Determination.

IRSLetter_93-4868902_LEEWARDKAICANOCLUB.pdf

Certificate of Vendor Compliance (CVC)-document upload*

The applicant shall upload the Certificate of Vendor Compliance issued by the State of Hawai'i (**must be valid within the calendar year**). To obtain this document, applicants must register with Hawai'i Compliance Express online at <http://vendors.ehawaii.gov>. Applicants must be registered and compliant with Hawai'i Compliance Express (HCE). We do not accept your DCCA. See Attachment B. Sample - HCE Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

Certificate of Vendor Compliance.pdf

Download and complete the W9 form found here and upload below.

Checks will not be processed and mailed (to the address on the W-9) until all reporting/required documents are submitted.

Completed W-9*

Please upload the completed W-9 (**must be valid within the calendar year**).

W-9 LEEWARD KAI CANOE CLUB.pdf

If the application is recommended for approval to the Board of Trustees, the event representative will be asked to attend the OHA Budget and Finance Committee meeting to respond to any questions. Attendance may be in-person or virtual.**

I understand the attendance requirement if recommended for approval.

OPTIONAL: Please add any additional comments or questions below. Mahalo for your application!

We would like to emphasize that Chairman Kai Kahele was able to attend last year's Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival, where he witnessed firsthand the cultural, educational, and community impact of the event. His presence and welcoming speech during the opening ceremony underscored the significance of the festival as a living expression of Hawaiian culture and 'ohana. His testimony affirms the value and authenticity of the event as a platform for cultural perpetuation and community empowerment.

Additionally, Leeward Kai Canoe Club has grown into one of the larger clubs within the association and the state, with 99% Native Hawaiian participation and membership. This growth reflects the strength of our homestead community and the deep commitment of our members to perpetuating Hawaiian traditions through canoe paddling, cultural education, and family engagement. The Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival is not only a celebration, but also a testament to the resilience and leadership of Native Hawaiian families in Nanakuli.

By supporting this event, OHA is investing in a proven, community-driven initiative that uplifts Native Hawaiian homestead families, perpetuates culture, and strengthens the foundations of 'Ohana, Mo'omeheu, and 'Āina.

We sincerely thank the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for considering this application and look forward to welcoming OHA representatives once again as honored guests at the Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival, where their presence will be celebrated alongside our homestead families and community — building recognition that endures and contributes to a lasting legacy of partnership.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Please read the following statements thoroughly:

By submitting this sponsorship application and selecting the following options, your agency and its affiliates, officers, employees and/or agents agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with this sponsorship application and participation in the associated event/activities. *

- "I have applied for or received all applicable licenses and permits, when such is required to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded."
- "I agree to comply with all applicable federal, state and county laws."
- "I shall not use these funds for the purposes of entertainment or perquisites (perks)."

- "I agree that all activities and improvements undertaken with funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances, including applicable building codes and agency rules; "
- "The applicant will indemnify and hold harmless the office, the State of Hawai'i, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds provided hereunder, and procure sufficient insurance to provide this indemnification if requested to do so."
- "I agree to make available to the office all records the applicant may have relating to the operation of the applicant's activity, business, or enterprise, to allow the office to monitor the applicant's compliance with the purpose of this chapter; "
- "I agree OHA can have access to records pertaining to this grant."
- "I understand that this grant award shall be monitored by the OHA to ensure compliance with Hawaii Revised Statutes § 10-17 and the purposes and intent of the Grant;"
- "I agree to complete evaluation(s) follow-up by OHA to determine whether the event attained the intended results in the manner contemplated."

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I agree to the above statements.

Authorized Signatory*

By typing/signing your name below, you certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. You also acknowledge that typing your name acts as your electronic signature, which holds the same legal weight and validity as a handwritten signature, and you consent to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this agreement.

Alfred Van Gieson

Date of Submission*

12/01/2025

Mahalo for your submission, you will receive an email confirmation that your application has been received once you submit. We will be in contact with you regarding award and non-award via email.

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- Lauhoe - Father's Day Regatta Festival 2026 Budget Sheet - OHA.xlsx - Budget Form.pdf
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- W-9 LEEWARD KAI CANOE CLUB.pdf

PROJECT TITLE: Lauhoë: Father's Day Regatta Festival
APPLICANT: Leeward Kai Canoe Club, LLC

ITEMIZED BUDGET FORM

EXPENSES	OHA Sponsorship Request	OTHER CASH SECURED	IN-KIND	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	Explanation for OHA Sponsorship Request
Please list specific project expenses and group expense items by category as appropriate (i.e. Program, Marketing, Administration).					
Program					
Cultural Program Coordinator (project-contract)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00	
Event Operations Support (event-based stipend)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	
	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
Event	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	
Site permits	\$ 500.00			\$ 500.00	City & County permit filing and fees for campsites and beach park
Site prep (pre and post event)	\$ 5,100.00		\$ 1,800.00	\$ 6,900.00	Tent + chair rental - \$3500 Stage - \$300 (including lighting) Overnight Security - \$400 (\$200 x 2 nights) Waste Disposal - \$400 Sponsorship signs - \$500
Media coverage	\$ 700.00	\$ 1,800.00		\$ 2,500.00	Photography and videography x 2 days
Lane Set Up			\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	
Safety Team				\$ -	
HPD	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	HPD - 2 officers x 2 days
Parking/Traffic Control			\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	
Sign/Cones Rental	\$ 1,150.00			\$ 1,150.00	Electronic traffic diversion signs x 2 Overnight security light x 2 Cones and barricades for public safety and traffic flow
Safety Escort Boats			\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	
Supplies				\$ -	
Equipment Rental		\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,850.00	
General Office Supplies		\$ 350.00		\$ 350.00	
Copying and Printing		\$ 115.00		\$ 115.00	
Race Supplies	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 6,900.00	Award medals - \$1400 Division Awards - \$500 *All awards, handouts, and educational material will be branded with OHA logo.
Participant Material	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	Flyers/Event Posters - \$450 Keiki and community educational handout - \$550 *All event signage and material will be branded with OHA logo
				\$ -	
Consulting/Event				\$ -	
Native Hawaiian Canoe Builders	\$ 2,100.00			\$ 2,100.00	Honorarium - 3 speakers @ \$700 each
Kumu Hula - Cultural Instruction & Protocol Leadership	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	Kumu Hula will teach keiki protocol for opening ceremony and speaking on the Ahupua'a o Nānākūli with strong emphasis on mo'olelo tying in cultural significance of 'āina and wa'a.
Moderator	\$ 550.00			\$ 550.00	Moderator for canoe building panel
				\$ -	
				\$ -	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,315.00	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 40,215.00	

INCOME	OHA Sponsorship Request	OTHER CASH SECURED	IN-KIND SECURED	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET
OHA	\$ 15,000.00			\$ 15,000.00
Organizations's Contribution				\$ -
Other Sponsors/Sources:				
Fundraising		\$ 4,315.00		\$ 4,315.00
OHCRA			\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00
Hui Huliau		\$ 5,000.00		\$ 5,000.00
Iron Workers Union		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
Waianae Comprehensive Health Center		\$ 1,000.00		
Supplies : IN-KIND **			\$ 1,000.00	
Services: IN-KIND **			\$ 9,100.00	\$ 9,100.00
				\$ -
				\$ -
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,315.00	\$ 13,900.00	\$ 40,215.00

* Some expenses are jointly funded through OHA and community partners; this reflects cost-sharing and collective stewardship.

** In-Kind contributions include volunteer labor, cultural instruction, safety operations, logistics support, administrative services, and educational supplies. Services total \$9,100 and supplies total \$1,000. These estimates reflect conservative market-rate valuations for labor and materials essential for project delivery.



LEEWARD KAI CANOE
CLUB PRESENTS:

LAUHOE: FATHER'S DAY REGATTA FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 20, 2026
9am - 5pm

Come and listen to our panel of kālai wa'a share their knowledge and stories. Learn about the history of koa canoe building, how it's evolved, and the future of this craft.

Sunday, June 21, 2026
7am - 4pm

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Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
509(a)(2)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
December 1, 2023
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
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Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: **LEEWARD KAI CANOE CLUB LLC**

Issue Date: **11/29/2025**

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX8902

UI#: No record

DCCA FILE#: 341399

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Compliant
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(l)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under "*By signing the filled-out form*" above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

- **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

- **Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or “doing business as” (DBA) name on line 2.

- **Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity.** Enter the entity’s name as shown on the entity’s tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

- **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

- **Disregarded entity.** In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner’s name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner’s name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity’s name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3a

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation.
• Individual or • Sole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
• LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a corporation	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership, C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
• Partnership	Partnership.
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys’ fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5—A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8—A real estate investment trust.
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11—A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
• Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
• Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
• Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
• Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5. ²
• Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.

G—A real estate investment trust.

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).

J—A bank as defined in section 581.

K—A broker.

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).

M—A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))**	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

* **Note:** The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.

** For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

Lauhoe: Father's Day Regatta Festival

Leeward Kai Canoe Club

Mr. Alfred Van Gieson
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Evaluation Summary

Overall Score: 94% - 2/2 Evaluations Complete

Evaluator:	92.00%
Evaluator:	96.00%

EVENT SCOPE

Benefits to Native Hawaiian Community*

The application outlines event services or activities that provide significant benefits to the Native Hawaiian community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Culture & Tradition

Attendee Reach & Feasibility*

The application indicates a proposed number of total attendees which is achievable and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Big reach

Native Hawaiian Attendance & Impact*

The application indicates a proposed number of Native Hawaiian attendees which is achievable and reflects a significant positive impact on the betterment of conditions of Native Hawaiians.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 5

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Over majority Native Hawaiian

ALIGNMENT TO MANA I MAULI OLA STRATEGIC PLAN

Alignment with Selected Strategy*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will directly and meaningfully address the selected Strategy.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: Educational

Community Impact & Strategic Outcome Alignment*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will have significant community impact in alignment with one or more Strategic Outcome.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: alignment with 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3

Alignment with Strategic Foundation*

The application clearly demonstrates how the event will align with one or more Strategic Foundation.

Max Score: 5

Evaluator: 4

Evaluator: 5

Comments

Evaluator: *[Unanswered]*

Evaluator: alignment with all 3 foundations

Budget*

The amount requested is appropriate and a reasonable line-item budget is included.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 8

Comments

Evaluator: [Unanswered]

Evaluator: Participant Materials - \$1,000 - some may be considered as perquisites

Opportunity for OHA Public Recognition*

The application describes community engagement, partnership, and public relations opportunities for OHA that are appropriate and reflects an opportunity for significant OHA reach into the community.

Max Score: 10

Evaluator: 10

Evaluator: 10

Comments

Evaluator: [Unanswered]

Evaluator: Many opportunities for public recognition

Recommend Sponsorship*

Evaluator: Yes

Evaluator: Yes

Recommended Amount*

Evaluator: 15000

Evaluator: 15,000

Brief Explanation for Recommendation

Evaluator: [Unanswered]

Evaluator: *Just need to adjust budget to not include perquisites

EVALUATOR SIGNATORY

Name of Sponsorship Evaluator*

By typing your first name and last name you certify that you are the individual certifying the document and you verify that the information in this form is true and accurate.

Evaluator: 

Evaluator: 

Date of Evaluation*

Evaluator: 02/17/2026

Evaluator: 02/12/2026

III. New Business (cont.)

- B. Update: Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program – Six-Month Update
Administration will provide a six-month update on the Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program.
- C. Update: Kanaaho Program – Final Update
Administration will provide a final update on the Kanaaho Program.

IV. Adjournment

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Keola Fong at 808-626-5484 or by email at keolaf@oha.org as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

Public Testimony will be called for each agenda item and must be limited to matters listed on the meeting agenda. Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 92, Public Agency Meetings and Records, prohibits Board members from discussing or taking action on matters not listed on the meeting agenda.

The board packet will be available for the public to inspect at OHA's main office located at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817 no later than three full business days before the meeting.

The board packet will also be made available on OHA's website <https://www.oha.org/bf> as soon as practicable thereafter. In the event that the livestream public broadcast is interrupted and cannot be restored, the meeting may continue as audio-only through the phone number and Webinar ID provided at the beginning of this agenda.

Meeting recordings will be made available on OHA's website <https://www.oha.org/about/leadership/board-of-trustees/> as soon as practicable after the meeting.

Testimony can be provided to the Board of Trustees either as:

- (1) **written testimony**; or
- (2) **live, oral testimony online or at the physical meeting location** during the remote meeting.

(1) Persons wishing to provide **written testimony** on items listed on the agenda should submit testimony via **email** to botmeetings@oha.org or via **postal mail** to Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Attn: Board of Trustees Meeting Testimony, 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817. Testimony is requested to be received at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled meeting to allow board members with sufficient time to review the testimony before the meeting. Please note that all written testimony will be posted on OHA's meeting website. Please omit or redact any personal information (e.g., name, email address, phone number, home address, or materials) that you do not want to be disclosed publicly online

(2) Persons wishing to provide **oral testimony online** during the remote meeting, please use the link below:

Webinar ID: 823 9412 3302

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82394123302>

*(*if you are unable to link directly, copy and paste in search)*

To provide **oral testimony online**, you will need:

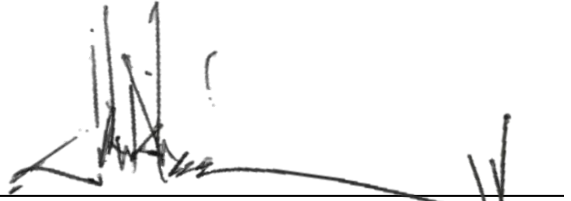
- (1) a computer or mobile device to connect to the virtual meeting;
- (2) internet access; and
- (3) a microphone to provide oral testimony.

Persons wishing to provide **oral testimony at the physical meeting location** can sign up the day-of the meeting at the physical meeting location.

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ACCESS TO HOME OWNERSHIP

AHO HOMEOWNERSHIP PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD

REPORTING PERIOD: FEBRUARY 20, 2025 TO FEBRUARY 20, 2026

YEAR ONE IMPACT: 31 Native Hawaiian families became homeowners in AHO's first year.

BOARD INSIGHT: AHO is now an active homeownership tool helping beneficiaries purchase homes across multiple islands.

\$2.9M

in AHO Funds Committed

\$20,227,838

Total Home Value Financed

7 to 1

For every \$1 of AHO funds, ~\$7 in private lending.

\$96,212

Average AHO Support per ohana.

\$652.5K

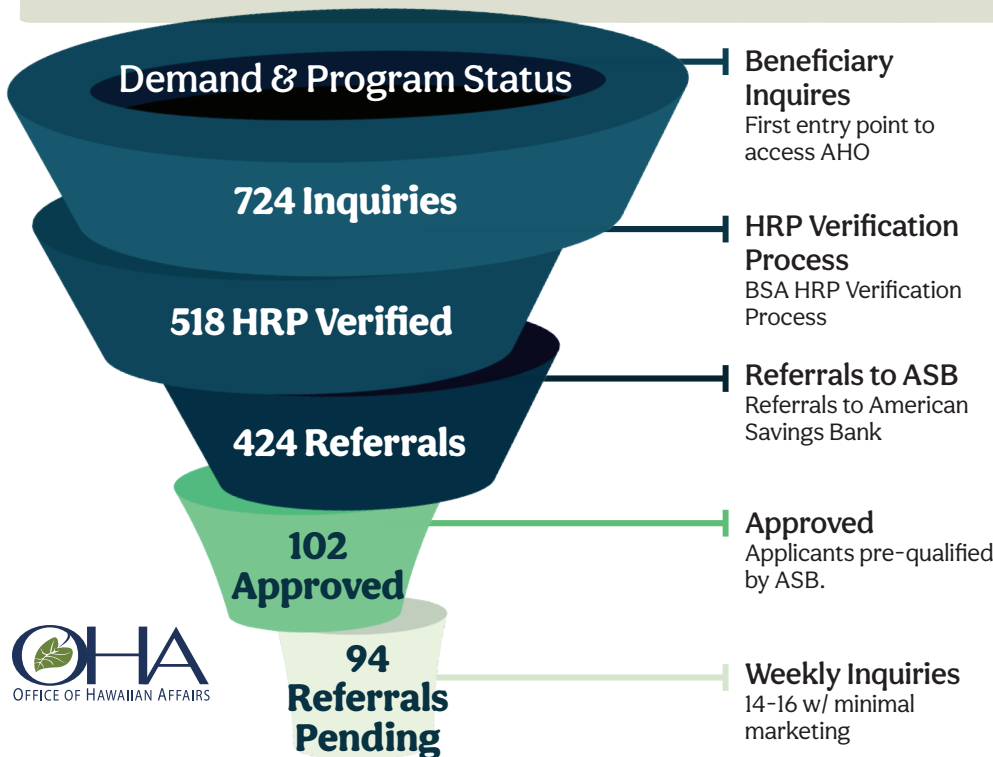
Average Home Purchase Price



BOARD INSIGHT

Interest in homeownership support remains strong.

FY26 AHO funds are fully committed. Continued demand may require additional capital or program adjustments.



AHO IS:

- Turning OHA funds into real homes for Native Hawaiian families
- Helping families build generational wealth through home equity
- Unlocking bank financing to make homeownership possible
- Strengthening financial stability for households
- Reducing monthly housing costs by removing PMI
- Helping beneficiaries stay in Hawai'i

In its first year, AHO shows strong demand and responsible use of funds.

Continued demand may require future funding or program adjustments.

COST SAVINGS FOR FAMILIES

Because AHO removes the need for Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI):

\$32,000

Estimated PMI Savings Per Household*

\$1 Million

Estimated Total PMI Savings to Date*

*Estimate based on standard PMI costs over the life of a typical mortgage. Actual savings vary.

This reduces monthly payments and improves long-term housing stability.



Housing secured by Island:

HAWAI'I ISLAND	8
O'AHU	16
MAUI	4
MOLOKA'I	1
KAUA'I	1

ASB Partnership: Structural Expansion and Future Capacity Planning

American Savings Bank continues to work closely with OHA to strengthen and expand AHO's reach.

Current Structure

\$1.00 deposit supports \$1.00 in backing.

Under Review

Potential **2-to-1 structure**.

If approved, the same FY25 and FY26 deposits **could support nearly twice as many Native Hawaiian households** – approximately 62 families – with an additional 32 families projected in FY27.

This collaboration reflects ASB's continued commitment to expanding homeownership access for Native Hawaiian families.

Forward Planning & Visibility

Even with a 2-to-1 structure, projected demand may exceed available capacity in future fiscal years.

\$300K

FY26 Estimated Shortfall

\$1.1M

FY27 Estimated Shortfall

III. New Business (cont.)

B. Update: Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program – Six-Month Update
Administration will provide a six-month update on the Access to Home Ownership (AHO) Program.

C. Update: Kanaaho Program – Final Update

Administration will provide a final update on the Kanaaho Program.

No materials were received for this folder/packet. Materials may be provided at the committee table.

IV. Adjournment

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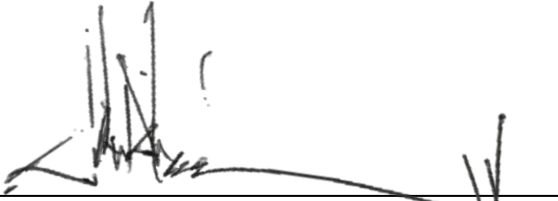
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