







KAULUNANI Urban & Community Forestry Program Community Grants

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Quick Poll





Aloha!

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Agenda

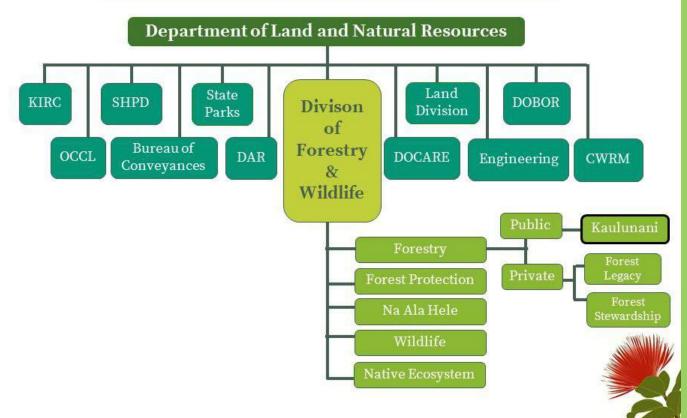
- 1. Kaulunani UCF Program
- 2. Arbor Day 2021 Call for Proposals
- 3. Resources for Applicants
- 4. Question and Answer time



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Kaulunani Urban & Community
Forestry Program



Board of Land and Natural Resources











Kaulunani UCF Program

- Federal & State Support
- Since 1992 has given over \$3.6M for hundreds of community cost-share grants - to people like you!
- Advisory Council





Mission

The mission of Kaulunani is to support all of Hawaii's communities to cultivate wellbeing and resilience through planting, caring for and growing relationships with the trees and forests that we live with and that are crucial to the ecosystems on which we rely. We do this for our keiki, our kūpuna, ourselves, our 'āina and everyone's future.



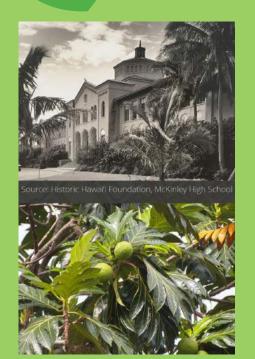
Program Goals

- Improve **understanding** of benefits of trees
- Increase tree canopy cover
- Increase benefits from trees
- Support tree planting projects
- Support Arbor Day activities
- Enhance industry technical skills and knowledge



Arbor Day Community Cost-Share Grant Program

Arbor Day Hawaii History









Arbor Day Hawaii 2020!





Photos by Brian Lieberman, Emily Perry, Evy Brown' Kaulunani











Purpose of the Grant Program

To encourage community involvement in creating and supporting long-term and sustained urban and community forestry programs across Hawai'i.

Kaulunani believes community-driven solutions are a vital part in addressing the Forest Action Plan (FAP) Objectives.

Forest Action Plan Objectives

Climate Change Education & Outreach

Health & Wellbeing

Green Infrastructure

Wildland Urban Interface

Invasive Species

Emergency Mgmt Urban Tree Care



Arbor Day 2021

- ★ Trees Promote Community Health & Well-being
- ★ Let's Celebrate & Spread the Word!
- ★ Be Adaptive & Innovative
- ★ Reach New Audiences
- ★ Projects that Track & Report Outcomes Stand Out!

How might your project amplify this link between trees and health and spread the word?

How will you celebrate trees with your community?



Available Funding

\$28,000 in total, available for Arbor Day 2021 projects

Award amounts are between \$500 and \$5000 (and anything in between, it does not have to be either \$500 or \$5000)



- New Online application process! Go to Kaulunani.org
- You can download a example application to see the requirements in advance
- Ability to start, save, return later
- Upload all required documentation & submit online!



- Every grant dollar must be matched
 - Eg. Grant request: \$2,000 = Match: \$2,000 (at least)
- Volunteer hourly rate = \$26.87 (2020)
 - -professional market rate
 - -equipment used rental rate
- Cash donations/other grants
- Material donation fair market rate



Who Can Apply?

- Organization: Non-federal entities operating within the State of Hawai'i. Nonprofit status not required.
- Current active Kaulunani grantees are not eligible to apply
- Location: Actively seeking to support projects across all Islands



Not Eligible for Funding

- Property acquisition and related costs
- Tree removal
- Projects on property inaccessible to public
- Equipment (computers, printers, typewriters, cameras, phones, fax machines, structures)
- Food and refreshments
- Salaries and wages (administrative funds, overhead, salaries or wages are typically not supported but can be used as match.)
 - *<u>contractual services</u> for work needed to implement the project <u>may be included</u>.

Thinking about a Tree Planting Project?



- Who to involve?
 - Landowner permission, maintenance plan
- Where to plant?
 - Site map, publicly accessible
- What to plant?
 - Species, Weed Risk Assessment
- How to plant?
 - Volunteers, community groups
- How much?
 - Nursery bid (one, in writing), supplies needed, cost of maintenance

Review all requirements for proposals on Kaulunani website



Suggestions for Projects to Stand Out





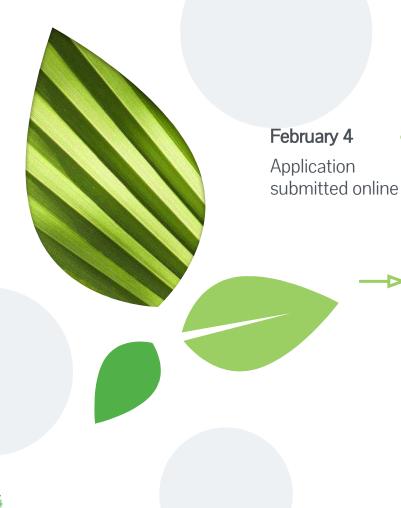








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What to Expect Grant Process Timeline

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Council votes on applications, submits recommendation to the State Forester

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February 22 - 26

Applicants notified

4 - 6 weeks

Grant paperwork emailed to applicant (including esign). DOFAW procurement process begins.



December 31, 2021

Project funds must be fully expended. All payments are made as reimbursements.



- Guiding Document: Forest Action Plan
- Funded Projects Spotlights
- StoryMap
- ArborDayHawaii.org
- Grant Information
 - Guidelines
 - Sample applications
 - Application Evaluation Form
 - Resources for current grantees





Further questions and assistance:

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Mahalo!



Thank you for supporting our community forests



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