





KAULUNANI URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM

REQUESTS FOR GRANT PROPOSALS May 17, 2021 - July 12, 2021

The Kaulunani Advisory Council invites grant proposals that focus on key elements of Kaulunani's mission:

1) Health and Well-being and 2) Equity and Access.

KAULUNANI MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Kaulunani is to support all of Hawai'i's communities to cultivate well-being 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.

By health and well-being we refer to the physical, social, cultural, emotional, and psychological well-being that are promoted through exposure to and engagement with trees and forests in places where we live, work, learn, and play. Proposals may focus on any dimension of health and well-being as promoted through trees, tree canopy, and forests. Proposals may also address these issues through outreach, education, and technical tools that promote health through trees/forests for underserved communities. See Forest Action Plan below for examples.

By equity and access we acknowledge the uneven distribution of healthy and well-maintained urban tree canopy, forests, and fruit bearing trees across our communities statewide. Knowing that trees are vital to the health, well-being and wealth of our communities, it is imperative to work towards reversing inequities through increasing the presence of and access to trees, canopy, and forests in our urban and community spaces. Equity and access can also be addressed through outreach, education, and technical tools for underserved communities.

These interrelated issues are also highlighted as priorities in <u>Hawai'i's Forest Action</u> <u>Plan, Urban & Community Forestry Section</u>.

Each Priority Area describes current conditions, gaps and issues of concern, and examples of strategies that may address these concerns.

Partnerships and creativity are encouraged!

Please note: Organizations are not limited to the "Health & Well-being" Priority Area, There are a number of strategies in each of the Priority Areas that address the Council's current focus on Health & Well-being and Equity & Access.

Kaulunani hosted an interactive information webinar on May 31st Email info@kaulunani.org for recording

Summer 2021 Kaulunani Community Grants

Who can apply: Non-profit organizations, private organizations, schools, churches, community groups, state and county agencies. All awardees must be in compliance with State Government requirements and provide Hawai'i Compliance Express certification.

From where: All islands of Hawai'i are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility: Projects must be accessible to the public (i.e. trees cannot be planted on inaccessible private land; programs and events must be open to all)

Deadline: July 12th, 2021 | 11:59PM (HST)

Awards announced: The week following the August 12, 2021 Council Meeting

Where to Apply: Apply online

General Kaulunani Community Cost Share Grant Guidelines: <u>Kaulunani Grant Program Guidelines</u> (PDF)

Grant Awards: \$500-\$7,500 (Total funding available is \$43,000)

Visit <u>www.Kaulunani.org</u> for further details on the Kaulunani Grant Program and to see examples of previously funded projects.

Please note: Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program funds must be matched equally (dollar for dollar) with non-federal funds. These non-federal funds cannot be used as a match for any other Federal cost-share project. The match may include in-kind contributions, volunteer assistance, and private and public (non-Federal) monetary contributions. All matching funds must be specifically related to the proposed project. Further, this is a reimbursement grant, funds are paid upon completion of project milestones and proof of expenditure.

Suggested Resources:

Vibrant Cities Lab

<u>Equity — Resilience Office - City and County of Honolulu Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency</u>

Healthy Trees Healthy Lives

Oahu Heat Vulnerability Map Series

American Forests

CDC Places (Health Indicator Data)

EPA EJScreen

http://kahea.org/issues/environmental-justice - Hawaiian Environmental Justice Org

https://www.rootcauseremedies.com/ - Environmental Justice Hawai'i Podcast

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