



STATE OF HAWAII
HAWAII STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
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Informational Briefing
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Overview

Mission Statement: The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) nurtures a lifelong love of reading and learning through its staff, collections, programs, services and physical and virtual spaces.

The main objective of HSPLS is to operate a library program that provides access for everyone to the collections, technology, staff expertise and programs that support opportunities for learning 21st Century skills and literacies, connecting people to the world of information and ideas, and creating spaces for community engagement.

We measure the effectiveness of our services and programs by gathering data that reflects services and programs provided and usage by our communities. We use the data to continuously improve and evolve with the needs of those we serve.

State-wide Conditions Affecting Operations:

The following issues have significantly impacted our operations this past year:

Workforce Levels

In order to ensure that our 51 public libraries are open, we need to have staff in both the branches and in operational support positions. Since March 2020, HSPLS has been challenged with a large number of unfilled positions due to retirements, pandemic moves, attrition, hiring freezes, suspension of hiring due to Reduction in Force, and frozen unfunded positions.

Over the last two years, our vacancy rate rose from a pre-pandemic average of 12% to 24%. Lack of staff directly impacts our ability to keep public libraries open across all islands. Specifically, our inability to hire staff has been caused by:

Budget Restrictions: Approximately eighty percent of our budget is for payroll and the remaining twenty percent is for current expenses (i.e. utilities, maintenance, supplies, purchasing materials) to operate 51 libraries, two administrative office spaces and one delivery logistics operational space.

At the start of each fiscal year, budget restrictions of 5-10% are imposed; additionally, funding is released by B&F, one quarter at a time. In order to meet the budget restriction, we must either take it from our payroll or current expenses – in other words, not hire new staff or not pay for ongoing operational costs, such as utilities.

For example, in FY2023, our total general fund budget appropriation is approximately \$42 million, with almost \$32 million allocated for payroll. After a budget restriction of \$3.7 million at the start of the fiscal year, our annual payroll allocation is approximately \$28 million. Since we receive funding by quarter, we received approximately \$7 million for the first quarter payroll; current staff payroll utilizes approximately \$6 million, leaving us \$1 million to pay new employees. Filling recent vacancies requires approximately \$3.5 million; filling our unfunded 64 vacancies requires an additional \$3.8 million.

Due to the lengthy time it takes to hire new employees, having to wait for the release of the restricted funds later in the year means that we need to start the hiring process *before* we know whether we have funding to pay the new employee. This situation creates an inaccurate impression that we don't need the vacant positions and/or that we're not working hard enough to fill vacant positions. The wait for funding and processing time to hire new staff is demoralizing to current staff.

Unfunded Positions: In FY2021, funding for 69 positions was removed. Of these positions, 5 were eliminated, so there are 64 positions that remain unfunded. These unfunded positions increase our vacancies making it difficult to keep our libraries fully opened and provide equitable services statewide.

Process for Hiring: While we make a concerted effort to fill positions, the current State process can take several months to complete the entire process. Often, by the time we receive a list of potential candidates, they already have jobs and do not respond. Also, there is not a timely process for dealing with recruiting processes that end with candidates who do not accept the job. We have to start from the very beginning, which can mean positions can be vacant for more than 1 year.

Pay, Cost of Living, and Locations: We experience the same challenges as the Department of Education with hiring teachers and staff. The pay and cost of living make it difficult for potential candidates to accept the position, or we hire new employees who end up leaving within the first year due to the cost of living and affordable housing. On top of the cost of living and housing, we also have locations that serve

remote communities. Our most rural communities, like Hana, have proven to be a challenge to find a qualified candidate.

While we continue to look for creative alternatives to keep our public libraries open to the community, staffing is key to our ability to meet our mission to serve the people of Hawaii.

Federal Funds

HSPLS receives approximately \$1.3 million through its only source of federal funds, the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The Grants to States program is a portion of the LSTA funding that is distributed to all states based on a population formula; it requires a Maintenance of Effort (MOE) agreement and matching general funds from the State.

HSPLS relies on general funds to meet these requirements, and any reduction in our budget directly reduces the amount of federal funds Hawaii receives. LSTA funds directly support our technology, connectivity, integrated library system, online database subscriptions for the public, and training for staff. All of these services are vital to maintaining library operations and providing access to resources for Hawaii's communities.

Due to an increase to the Grants to States program of \$180 million, the allotment for Hawaii will increase to \$1,550,003. Unfortunately, because we did not receive back all of our budget restrictions in FY2021 we will not be able to meet our MOE and need to request a waiver to receive the full funding allocation. We are working with IMLS to successfully navigate this process.

Non-General Funds

HSPLS reports to the Legislature may be viewed at:

<https://www.librarieshawaii.org/about-us/reports/>

Budget Requests

The process we use to develop and prioritize our budget requests is based on a review of our prior budget and actual expenditures for the previous years. We take the data and review it against the priorities we have for People, Place, Collections and Services/Programs. Areas of greatest need and potential impact on our ability to provide public library services to our communities are carefully balanced. Lastly, we consider how the budget request corresponds with our long-term priorities to meet the future needs of our communities.

General Funds (see attachment A):

1. \$3,218,236 for Staffing

This funding is needed to restore the crucial 64 positions that have not been funded since FY21 and directly affects our ability to provide services and keeping libraries open. Ensuring equitable access to all communities is extremely difficult without enough staffing.

2. \$148,248 for 2 Librarian VI positions

We reorganized this past fiscal year in order to better manage resources on our neighbor islands and provide additional support for our neighbor island branch managers. We need two additional Librarian VI positions to oversee the Hawaii Island and Maui branches; these staff will work on their respective islands.

3. \$48,228 for 1 Janitor II for Hawaii Island

Funding will allow us to convert a temporary janitor position into a full-time floating janitor for Hawaii Island. A floating janitor ensures that we can maintain a clean and safe environment for our staff and the public at our Hawaii Island public libraries when a library does not have a permanent janitor or the janitor is unavailable for an extended period of time. Previously, when libraries were without a janitor, library staff performed janitorial work.

4. \$55,800 for 1 Delivery Driver for Hawaii Island

In order to effectively manage the delivery of materials on Hawaii Island, we need more than one permanent driver. This position would add a driver that would primarily serve West Hawaii.

5. \$550,000 for Security Guard Services

Additional funds are needed to meet the expected increase in the cost of security guard services, which has doubled in the past year. This funding will ensure that we can afford to have qualified guards available.

6. \$100,000 for Digital Literacy

Funding will allow for continued development and management of digital literacy programs statewide.

Capital Improvement Projects (see Attachment B):

In order to ensure we are taking care of our building assets and community spaces, we are requesting the following in Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funding:

CIP PROJECTS	FY24 BUDGET REQUEST	FY25 BUDGET REQUEST
Health and Safety	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Keaau-Mt. View Public Library	\$10,000,000	

1. \$10,000,000 for FY 2024 Health & Safety Lump-Sum Funding

The requested amount will address our backlog of Health and Safety projects and energy efficiency projects. The requested funding will ensure that projects that are already in progress will be able to proceed forward without delay due to lack of funding, as well as allow us to initiate new projects without delay. Our libraries are important community spaces that not only serve as vital places for reading, learning, using technology, and gathering, but often times are the only cool space for people to go to escape the increasing heat from climate change. Sixty percent (60%) of our 52 buildings were built before the 1970s and haven't had significant

improvements made since originally constructed. Continued investment is required to ensure that our libraries are healthy, safe, energy efficient, and comfortable community spaces. A snapshot of the facilities projects that are currently in progress are shown in Attachment B.

As our community and economy shifts out of the pandemic, public libraries are more important than ever as we build our future in Hawaii. An investment in our public libraries is a direct investment in our communities and the resources to help make them successful.

2. \$10,000,000 for Keaau-Mt. View Public Library

We are requesting an additional \$10 million to supplement an earlier FY2022 appropriation of \$10 million for Planning, Design and Construction to build a new public library. The new library will replace and consolidate two existing Public and School Libraries on the campuses of the Keaau Middle School and the Mt. View Elementary School.

For several years, relocating the public library from the Keaau and Mt. View school campuses has been a priority for both schools and communities. Public access to these public libraries has been restricted due to safety and security concerns arising from having the public intermingling on the school campus while school is in session.

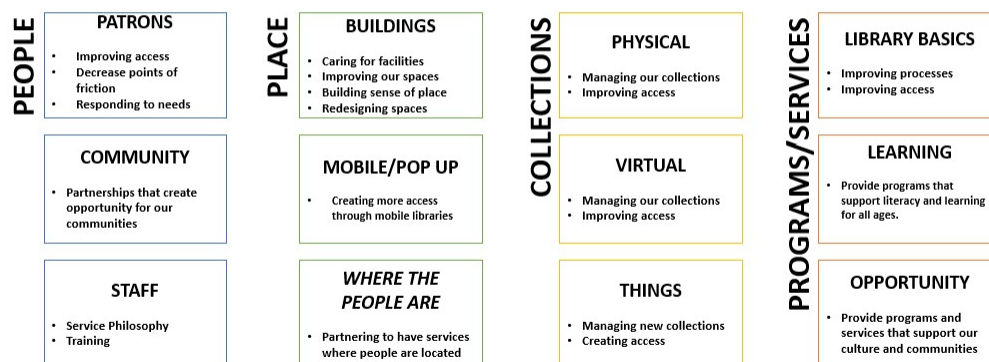
The initial appropriation was estimated based on an earlier planning study conducted several years ago. The amount of additional funding is based on estimates from completed planning and site selection studies for the new library, and considers recent escalations in the cost of materials and transportation. Additionally, the increase in cost recognizes that the new library will serve two growing communities, including providing much needed community meeting space for the area.

ATTACHMENT A

BIENNIAL BUDGET REQUEST FY23-FY25

The Hawaii State Public Library System's Biennial Budget request for FY23-FY25 is based on our Strategic Framework and Areas of Focus. It is also based on the critical needs for our People, Place, and Services/Programs.

HAWAII STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM FRAMEWORK – AREAS OF FOCUS



PEOPLE

Our public libraries are vital community spaces. In a recent public library survey of our communities, we learned that our communities value our staff. Staff are not just there to keep the doors open, but there to help people navigate information, learning and technology. Every community deserves to have the same level of access to library services, and in order to do that, we need staffing at all 51 public library branches. In many rural communities, especially on the neighbor islands, public libraries are the only community resource available. Staff in our support offices help branches effectively operate. The investment in staffing ensures there is access to vital community resources throughout Hawaii.

1. **\$3,218,236 for Staffing**

It has been a challenge to keep our libraries open and operational with a vacant positions, due to retirements, internal movements and natural attrition. Sixty-four of the 149 current vacancies have been unfunded since FY21. This funding is needed to restore the crucial 69 positions that have not been funded since FY21 and directly affect our ability to provide services and keep library doors open.

As we are doing more to support our communities and offering more services, we must fully fund for our staff positions to ensure we can deliver services our communities need. The lack of staffing has put a great burden on our smaller libraries, particularly on the neighbor islands. As a result, lack of staffing has limited the availability of public

services in many of our rural communities; on Hawaii Island, 5 of 12 libraries were closed an additional 12 days due to the lack of staffing.

2. \$148,248 for 2 Librarian VI Positions

We reorganized this past fiscal year in order to better manage resources on our neighbor islands and provide additional support for our neighbor island branch managers. In the past, we had 2-3 people managing 49 of our 51 public library branches; this is not sustainable.

These administrative positions provide daily support to branch managers with personnel matters, including scheduling to ensure we can keep our libraries open; supporting and assisting with statewide initiatives and programs; and managing library patron issues. To be more responsive to all staff and library patrons, we have established island managers who will be located on the island they serve. They will be able to provide direct support to their island libraries, and if necessary, can temporarily staff a library that may otherwise close due to lack of staffing. A high-level administrator on each island will not only provide each island with someone that can be responsive to issues that are occurring on their island, but also provides a promotional opportunity for motivated staff. We have converted two existing positions, but need funding to support the increased salary cost.

3. \$48,228 for 1 Janitor II for Hawaii Island

A floating janitor ensures that we can maintain a clean and safe environment for our staff and the public at our 12 Hawaii Island public libraries when a library does not have a permanent janitor or the janitor is unavailable for an extended period of time. Previously, when libraries were without a janitor, library staff would be forced to perform basic janitorial work but the facility would not receive the standard cleaning services. Based on past experience, Hawaii Island requires a full-time floating janitor to maintain the health and cleanliness of our spaces for the public.

4. \$55,800 for 1 Delivery Driver for Hawaii Island

There are 12 public libraries on Hawaii Island. We are also in the planning stages to build a new public library in the rapidly growing Waikoloa community. The value of being a statewide system is that our entire collection is available to everyone in our community, regardless of where you live, but it also makes it difficult for us to effectively serve our Big Island community without a second permanent driver.

Previously, we had a temporary driver supplementing the one permanent Hawaii Island driver. Our experience has shown that an additional driver can provide for a more efficient operation on Hawaii Island and ensure that the public continues to have access to the entire library collection.

PLACE

Our public library spaces are considered valued spaces for our communities. We must continue to care for and provide safe spaces for our communities.

5. \$550,000 for Security Guard Services

We continue to see an increase in hostility in our public libraries, and staff have reported an increase in threatening confrontations with people. In the past, many of these threats had been from people who have mental health issues, but increasingly, threats are being made by people who are disgruntled and choose to project their anger at the government in a public space. There has also been an increase in individuals looking for family members during a domestic dispute. In June 2022, we implemented a new system to track incidents. Of the 345 incident reports filed since then (covering approximately 4 months), 121 are related to disruptive behavior. Disruptive behavior includes hostile or aggressive language and actions toward staff and/or the public.

We have had conversations with the Department of Accounting and General Services this year regarding the creation of a list of approved security contractors. The conversation has been alarming - due to the current labor shortage, the only way for HSPLS to have consistent security guard service at our libraries is to significantly increase the amount we can pay our security guards.

Our existing security services contract pays approximately \$15 per hour, but the new estimated hourly rate for security services will likely jump up to the \$25-30 per hour range. To provide a similar number of security guard hours at our public libraries statewide in the next contract, we estimate that we will need a total of \$2,673,840 for FY24, with an increase of \$550,000 in our base budget for security guard services.

SERVICES/ PROGRAMS

Public libraries have been involved in helping our communities become digitally literate since internet access became available in the 1990s. We have been a hub for free access to computers, devices, internet and training. Act 232, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, recognized this role by *establishing a digital literacy program to be overseen by the Board of Education and implemented by the State Librarian to promote digital literacy through programmatic activities, including making digital technology accessible to individuals with disabilities.*

The public library has a vital role in supporting the development of skills needed to use a computer and the internet in daily life, employment, health and education. It is important that all of our communities have access to technology equipment, as well as opportunities to build digital skills, so that they can navigate today's world. Familiarity with digital resources are needed to communicate with family and friends, find information, interact with doctors, take classes, find jobs, be successful at work, and more.

A statewide program requires management and coordination of partnerships, statewide classes, digital literacy resources (i.e. NorthStar and SkillFinder), as well as ensuring that there is ongoing training for staff.

6. \$100,000 for Digital Literacy

Act 232, SLH 2022 only provided one year of funding for the coordination of a statewide digital literacy program. To ensure the community has continued access to digital literacy programs and technology statewide, a regular source of funding is needed. The funding will be used to support additional program development and continued management of digital literacy programs



Hawaii State Public Library System

Facilities Needs Report

Fiscal Year 2022-2023





Stacey A. Aldrich
State Librarian

The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) is made up of 51 unique library locations on six islands and two administrative offices on Oahu. Our public libraries are valued community spaces that provide opportunities for everyone who walks through the physical doors to connect, read, learn, and gather with their neighbors. Based on responses to a recent HSPLS public library survey, we know that our public libraries are important technology access and social hubs. Patrons ages <18-29 are more likely than other age groups to use the library spaces for connecting to the internet, wifi access, and reading, working or studying in a quiet space. Older patrons ages

50+ are more likely to use the library for reading magazines or newspapers and attending community meetings.

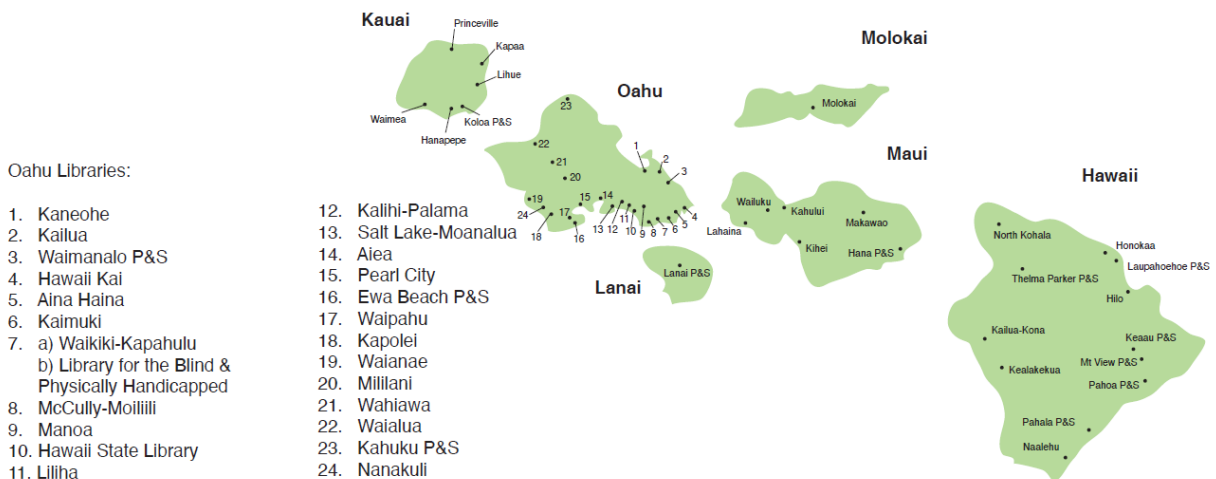
Our responsibility is to ensure that our library spaces remain accessible, safe and comfortable for everyone. With sixty percent of HSPLS branches built before 1970 and over forty-six percent of them being 50+ years old, we need your support to help us continuously improve our spaces to support the evolving services and needs of our communities.

This report is designed to provide a snapshot of the facilities projects that are currently in progress and the critical building infrastructure needs for long-term planning. We would like to thank the Board of Education, Governor, and State Legislature for the continued support and funding commitments to refresh, restore and improve our library spaces for our communities.

If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mallory Fujitani, Special Assistant to the State Librarian at (808) 586-3704.

Mahalo for supporting your public libraries!

Stacey A. Aldrich
State Librarian



Aiea Public Library

99-374 Pohai Place, Aiea, HI 96701



Date opened: July 19, 2014
Building: 17,200 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: Glenn Miura of CDS International

Priorities

- Security improvements
- PV maintenance

Aina Haina Public Library

5246 Kalanianaʻole Hwy, Honolulu, HI 96821



Date Opened: July 19, 2014
Building: 11,068 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: Edward Aotani

Priorities

- Exterior lighting improvements

Ewa Beach Public and School Library

91-950 North Road, Ewa Beach, HI 96706



Date Opened: August 28, 1971
Building: 23,150 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 7
Architect: Robert M. Matsushita and Associates, Inc.

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements
- Exterior painting
- Parking lot improvements
- Irrigation and landscaping
- Interior painting and flooring
- Electrical improvements

Hawaii Kai Public Library

249 Lunalilo Home Road, Honolulu, HI 96825



Date Opened: December 1, 1973
Building: 19,607 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 8
Architect: Harold T. Kurisu

Priorities

- Replace sewer line
- Parking lot improvements
- Reroofing
- Public restroom improvements
- Elevator improvements

Hawaii State Public Library

478 S King St, Honolulu, HI 96813



Date Opened: February 1, 1913

Building: 105,000 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 49

Priorities

- Reroofing (in progress)
- Building envelope study and masterplan (in progress)
- Electrical and plumbing improvements
- Drainage improvements
- Exterior security improvements
- Exterior painting
- Interior painting
- Fire alarm upgrade
- Lobby improvements

Kahuku Public and School Library

56-490 Kamehameha Hwy, Kahuku, HI 96731



Date Opened: November 25, 1968
Building: 8,100 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 6
Architect: Dennis Toyomura

Priorities

- Electrical improvements
- Interior painting, flooring
- Window tinting

Kailua Public Library

239 Kuulei Road, Kailua, HI 96734



Date Opened: December 28, 1960
Building: 11,500 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 11.5
Architect: Lemmon, Freeth, Maines and Jones

Priorities

- Security improvements (in progress)

Kaimuki Public Library

1041 Koko Head Ave, Honolulu, HI 96816



Date Opened: June 17, 1965
Building: 19,500 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 16
Architect: Shoso Kagawa

Priorities

- Security improvements
- Parking lot improvements
- Irrigation and landscaping improvements

Kalihi-Palama Public Library

1325 Kalihi St, Honolulu, HI 96819



Date Opened: September 9, 1949
Building: 17,200 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: Vladimir Ossipoff

Priorities

- Reroofing
- Exterior painting
- Parking lot improvements
- Security improvements

Kaneohe Public Library

45-829 Kamehameha Hwy, Kaneohe, HI 96744



Date Opened: January 5, 1963

Building: 20,508 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 14.5

Priorities

- Reroofing (in progress)
- Replace air conditioning system (in progress)
- Upgrade ceiling and lighting (in progress)
- Public bathroom improvements (in progress)
- Staff area improvements (in progress)
- Improvements to programming space (in progress)
- Interior painting and flooring (in progress)

Kapolei Public Library

1020 Manawai St, Kapolei, HI 96707



Date Opened: August 21, 2004
Building: 17,200 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 24

Priorities

- Pest control (in progress)
- Electrical improvements

Library for the Blind and Print Disabled

402 Kapahulu Ave, Honolulu, HI 96815



Date Opened: 1961
Building: 11,788 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 10
Architect: George W. McLaughlin

Priorities

- Reroofing
- Parking lot improvements (recently completed)

Liliha Public Library

1515 Liliha St, Honolulu, HI 96817



Date Opened: December 12, 1966
Building: 13,900 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 10
Architect: Steven Oyakawa

Priorities

- Security improvements (in progress)

Manoa Public Library

2716 Woodlawn Dr, Honolulu, HI 96822



Date Opened: June 9, 2012
Building: 17,614 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 10
Architect: Gary Kawakami of Architecture Plus, Inc.

Priorities

- Irrigation improvements

McCully-Moiliili Public Library

2211 S King St, Honolulu, HI 96826



Date Opened: November 22, 1969
Building: 16,532 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 13.5
Architect: Robert Matsushita

Priorities

- Exterior painting (in progress)
- Security improvements (in progress)
- Parking lot improvements (in progress)
- Irrigation and landscaping (in progress)
- Recarpet children's storytelling area (recently completed)
- Interior painting and lighting improvements (recently completed)
- Reseal and retint windows for energy efficiency (recently completed)
- Updated circulation desk area (recently completed)
- Updated signage throughout library (recently completed)

Mililani Public Library

95-450 Makaimoimo St, Mililani, HI 96789



Date Opened: October 27, 1984
Building: 14,900 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 14

Priorities

- Air conditioning (in progress)
- Electrical improvements

Nanakuli Public Library

89-070 Farrington Highway, Waianae, HI 96792



Date Opened: April 14, 2018
Building: 18,000 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 16.5
Architect: Glenn Miura of CDS International

Priorities

- Shade structure near meeting room (in progress)

Pearl City Public Library

1138 Waimano Home Road, Pearl City, HI 96782



Date Opened: November 15, 1969
Building: 14,000 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 16.5

Priorities

- Planning and design for Community Library Learning Center (in progress)
- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Structural improvements (in progress)
- Parking lot expansion and improvements (in progress)
- Public restroom improvements (in progress)
- Staff work area improvements (in progress)
- Electrical improvements (in progress)

Salt Lake Public Library

3225 Salt Lake Blvd, Honolulu, HI 96818



Date Opened: August 29, 1992

Building: 17,800 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 11.5

Priorities

- Planning and design for backup generator (in progress)
- Window tinting

Wahiawa Public Library

820 California Ave, Wahiawa, HI 96786



Date Opened: July 15, 1965
Building: 8,750 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 6
Architect: Arthur Kohara

Priorities

- Planning and design for new Wahiawa Public Library (in progress)

Waialua Public Library

67-068 Kealohanui St, Waialua, HI 96791



Date Opened: September 1927
Building: 3,512 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4.5

Priorities

- Pest Control (in progress)
- Electrical improvements

Waianae Public Library

85-625 Farrington Hwy, Wai'anae, HI 96792



Date Opened: December 20, 1966
Building: 10,246 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 7

Priorities

- Security improvements (in progress)
- Exterior painting
- Parking lot improvements
- Irrigation and landscaping improvements

Waikiki-Kapahulu Public Library

400 Kapahulu Ave, Honolulu, HI 96815



Date Opened: July 11, 1952
Building: 10,963 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: Cyril Lemmon and Associates

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements
- Electrical improvements
- Parking lot improvements, including EV charging station (recently completed)

Waimanalo Public and School Library

41-1320 Kalanianaʻole Hwy, Waimanalo, HI 96795



Date Opened: February 25, 1978
Building: 8,601 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4.5
Architect: Ernest H. Hara and Associates

Priorities

- Electrical improvements
- Refresh exterior mural

Waipahu Public Library

94-275 Mokuola St, Waipahu, HI 96797



Date Opened: March 18, 1996
Building: 17,451 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: Mitsunaga and Associates

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements
- Reroofing
- Electrical improvements

Hilo Public Library

300 Waianuenue Ave, Hilo, HI 96720



Date Opened: January. 20, 1951
Building: 36,376 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 18

Priorities

- Building envelope study and masterplan (in progress)
- Electrical and plumbing improvements
- Structural improvements
- Drainage improvements
- Exterior security improvements
- Exterior painting
- Interior painting
- Fire alarm upgrade
- Lobby improvements
- Freight elevator improvements

Honokaa Public Library

45-3380 Mamane St, Bldg #3, Honokaa, HI 96727



Date Opened: June 5, 1937
Building: 3,040 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 2.5

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Exterior painting
- Public restroom improvements

Kailua-Kona Public Library

75-138 Hualalai Road, Kailua-Kona, HI 96740



Date Opened: February 29, 1992
Building: 10,500 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 9
Architect: George Iwasaki

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Security improvements

Keaau Public and School Library

16-571 Keaau Paho Road, Keaau, HI 96749



Date Opened: September 30, 1974
Building: 5,600 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 3.5
Architect: Matsunaga, Sako, and Associates/Architects, Inc.

Priorities

- Planning and design for new Keaau-Mt. View Public Library (in progress)

Kealakekua Public Library

81-6619 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kealakekua, HI 96750



Date Opened: October 14, 1950
Building: 3,229 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 3.5
Architect: Howard Redfearn

Priorities

- Electrical improvements

Laupahoehoe Public and School Library

35-2065 Old Mamalahoa Hwy, Laupahoehoe, HI 96764



Date Opened: December 10, 1973
Building: 8,000 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 2.5
Architect: Richard S. Matsunaga and Associates

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Electrical improvements
- Exterior concrete seal
- Parking lot improvements
- Interior painting and flooring improvements

Mountain View Public and Library

18-1235 Volcano Hwy, Mountain View, HI 96771



Date Opened: May 16, 1977
Building: 3,000 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 3

Priorities

- Planning and design for a new Keaau-Mt. View Public Library (in progress)

Naalehu Public Library

95-5669 Mamalahoa Hwy, Naalehu, HI 96772



Date Opened: November 15, 2021
Building: 1,676 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 2
Architect: J-Cubed LLC

North Kohala Public Library

54-3645 Akoni Pule Hwy, Kapaau, HI 96755



Date Opened: November 8, 2010
Building: 5,535 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4
Architect: CDS International

Priorities

- Reroofing (in progress)
- Exterior painting (in progress)
- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Fire alarm upgrade (in progress)
- Window seals (in progress)
- Building signage (in progress)

Pahala Public and School Library

96-3150 Pikake St, Pahala, HI 96777



Date Opened: March 2, 1963

Building: 4,000 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 3.5

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Ceiling and lighting improvements

Pahoa Public and School Library

15-3070 Pahoa-Kalapana Rd, Pahoa, HI 96778



Date Opened: September 3, 1967

Building: 5,750 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 4.5

Priorities

- Planning for a new Pahoa Public Library (in progress)

Thelma Parker Public and School Library

67-1209 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kamuela, HI 96743



Date Opened: October 1978
Building: 9,380 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 5.5
Architect: Team Pacific, Inc.

Priorities

- Ventilation system improvements
- Termite treatment
- Electrical upgrade
- Recoat roof

Hanapepe Public Library

4490 Kona Road, Hanapepe, HI 96716



Date Opened: February 9, 1950
Building: 7,750 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4
Architect: Guy N. Rothwell and Edmund Abrams

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements
- Electrical improvements
- Staff area improvements

Kapaa Public Library

4-1464 Kuhio Hwy, Kapa'a, HI 96746



Date Opened: March 12, 1955
Building: 6,659 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 5

Priorities

- Planning for a new Kapaa Public Library (in progress)

Koloa Public and School Library

3451 Poipu Road, Koloa, HI 96756



Date Opened: June 16, 1976
Building: 10,400 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4.5
Architect: Wilson Okamoto and Associates

Priorities

- Exterior painting (in progress)

Lihue Public Library

4344 Hardy St, Lihue, HI 96766



Date Opened: August 23, 1969
Building: 22,300 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 10
Architect: Stephen Oyakawa

Priorities

- Parking lot gate (in progress)
- Wastewater improvements
- Electrical improvements

Princeville Public Library

4343 Emmalani Dr, Princeville, HI 96722



Date Opened: April 14, 1999

Building: 23,565 sq. ft.

Number of Staff: 5

Architect: Maurice Yamasato of Yamasato, Fujiwara, Aoki & Associates

Priorities

- Air conditioning improvements (in progress)
- Structural improvements (in progress)
- Interior painting and flooring improvements (in progress)
- Drainage improvements (in progress)
- Staff area improvements (in progress)
- Reroofing (in progress)
- Parking lot improvements (in progress)

Waimea Public Library

9750 Kaumualii Hwy, Waimea, HI 96796



Date Opened: August 1, 1950
Building: 3,724 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 2.5
Architect: Guy Rothwell

Priorities

- Meeting room improvements (in progress)
- Public restroom improvements (in progress)
- Electrical improvements
- Parking lot improvements (recently completed)
- Updated signage throughout library (recently completed)

Hana Public and School Library

4111 Hana Hwy, Hana HI 96713



Date Opened: January 14, 1984
Building: 7,568 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 2.5
Architect: Dennis T. Toyamura

Priorities

- Electrical improvements
- Air conditioning improvements

Kahului Public Library

90 School St, Kahului, HI 96732



Date Opened: Feb. 9, 1963
Building: 16,070 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 10
Architect: Noboru Kobayashi

Priorities

- Interior painting and flooring (in progress)
- Public restroom improvements (in progress)
- Staff area improvements (in progress)
- Circulation desk area improvements (in progress)
- Security improvements (in progress)
- Reroofing (in progress)
- PV system (in progress)
- Irrigation and landscaping improvements (in progress)
- Exterior painting (in progress)
- Parking lot improvements (in progress)

Kihei Public Library

35 Waimahaihai St, Kihei, HI 96753



Date Opened: April 24, 1996
Building: 18,700 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 7

Priorities

- Front entry door replacement (in progress)
- Security improvements
- Air conditioning improvements
- Irrigation and landscaping improvements

Lahaina Public Library

680 Wharf St, Lahaina, HI 96761



Date Opened: March 2, 1956
Building: 4,540 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 5

Priorities

- Reroofing
- Electrical improvements
- Security improvements
- Parking lot improvements
- Heat abatement measures
- Exterior improvements
- Staff area improvements

Makawao Public Library

1159 Makawao Ave, Makawao, HI 96768



Date Opened: February 22, 1969
Building: 5,632 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 5.5
Architect: Edwin Murayama

Priorities

- Planning and design expansion of the Makawao Public Library, including a new meeting room, air conditioning improvements and parking lot improvements (in progress)

Wailuku Public Library

251 S High St, Wailuku, HI 96793



Date Opened: August 6, 1929
Building: 10,075 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 8
Architect: C. W. Dickey

Priorities

- Building envelope study and masterplan (in progress)

Lanai Public and School Library

555 Fraser Ave, Lanai City, HI 96763



Date Opened: October 15, 1975
Building: 7,568 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4
Architect: Edwin T. Murayama

Priorities

- Reroofing (in progress)
- Drainage improvements (in progress)
- Exterior painting (in progress)
- Front entry improvements (in progress)

Molokai Public Library

15 Ala Malama Ave, Kaunakakai, HI 96748



Date Opened: May 21, 1937
Building: 3,627 sq. ft.
Number of Staff: 4
Architect: Harry K. Stewart

Priorities

- Expansion of the Molokai Public Library, including a new meeting room and other improvements (in progress)