



OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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Welina kākou!

On behalf of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, it is my pleasure to present the 2006 edition of the *Native Hawaiian Data Book*, a comprehensive statistical profile of the current status of the Native Hawaiian community.

This publication provides statistical data on Native Hawaiian communities throughout the state, offering a numerical representation of the social and economic status of the Native Hawaiian population. Statistics ranging from education levels to income profiles provide a clearer picture of the current status of the Native Hawaiian community.

In addition, this data book is essential in furthering OHA's mission of strengthening and maintaining the Hawaiian people and their culture as powerful and vital components in society. These numbers represent a fixed point of reference which we can use to measure our successes as well as chart our path for the future.

This 2006 edition also includes resource lists for education, health, human services, and economic development, GIS maps to illustrate the demographic distribution of the Native Hawaiian population in the state of Hawai'i, and an exciting new website version at www.oha.org.

It is our sincere hope that this book will continue to be an important resource for everyone, and in particular, the Hawaiian people.

'O wau iho nō me ka ha'aha'a,

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