

Applicant: Pa`upena Community Development, Inc.

State of Hawaii

GIA Application

Fiscal Year 2020

For

PA`UPENA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INC.

**A 501 c (3) Non-Profit Organization focused on Hawaiian Beneficiaries Education / Training and Building
Affordable Homes for Generations to come.**

Submitted by:

Pa`upena Community Development, Inc

96 Ahulua St., Kula, Maui, Hawaii 96790

January 16, 2019

Application Submittal Checklist

The following items are required for submittal of the grant application. Please verify and check off that the items have been included in the application packet.

- 1) Certificate of Good Standing (If the Applicant is an Organization)
- 2) Declaration Statement
- 3) Verify that grant shall be used for a public purpose
- 4) Background and Summary
- 5) Service Summary and Outcomes
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Kekoa Enomoto Chairwoman

PRINT NAME AND TITLE

1/16/2019

DATE



**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

Vendor Name: PA'UPENA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, INC.

Issue Date: 01/04/2019

Status: Compliant

Hawaii Tax#:
New Hawaii Tax#: GE093008486401
FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX1775
UI#: No record
DCCA FILE#: 272665

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on Issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation Internal Revenue Service (Compliant for Gov. Contract)	Compliant 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	The entity is compliant with DLIR requirement
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

**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISÉD STATUTES**

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant certifies the following:


- 1) The applicant meets and will comply with all of the following standards for the award of grants pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded;
 - b) Complies with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
 - c) Agrees not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
 - d) Allows the state agency to which funds for the grant were appropriated for expenditure, legislative committees and their staff, and the auditor full access to their records, reports, files, and other related documents and information for purposes of monitoring, measuring the effectiveness, and ensuring the proper expenditure of the grant.
- 2) If the applicant is an organization, the applicant meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
 - b) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant is awarded shall be conducted or provided.
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
 - b) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for grants used for the acquisition of land, when the organization discontinues the activities or services on the land acquired for which the grant was awarded and disposes of the land in fee simple or by lease, the organization shall negotiate with the expending agency for a lump sum or installment repayment to the State of the amount of the grant used for the acquisition of the land.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

Pa`upena Community Development Inc.

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)



(Signature)

1/16/2019

(Date)

Kekoa Enomoto

Madame Chairwoman

(Typed Name)

(Title)

Application for Grants

If any item is not applicable to the request, the applicant should enter "not applicable".

I. Certification – Please attach immediately after cover page

1. Certificate of Good Standing (If the Applicant is an Organization)

See attached

2. Declaration Statement

See attached

3. Public Purpose

See attached

II. Background and Summary

1. The applicant, Pa`upena Community Development Corporation (CDC), is an Upcountry Maui-based homestead organization under the auspices of the 1921 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act (HHCA) federal trust. Incorporated Nov. 29, 2016, in Hawai`i, Pa`upena CDC is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit, whose mission is to provide resources and training to empower fellow Hawaiian Homes trust beneficiaries to build homes and self-sufficient communities. Its vision is to fulfill 10-term congressional delegate Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana`ole's century-old dream for native Hawaiians to reconnect with Waiohuli ahupua`a (land division) in thriving agricultural and pastoral communities, and to share this paradigm throughout the pae `āina (archipelago).

2. The proposed Project HO`ALA (To awaken, rise up) is an awareness campaign to communicate with, engage, educate and train beneficiaries of the 1921 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act federal trust, to know their entitlements; to advocate to get onto their `aina, and to prepare themselves to farm successfully.

HO`ALA is an acronym for: Hawaiians Organize for Agriculture, Lokahi (teamwork) and Assignments (kuleana; 25 core-group participants form teams of six to 10, to cultivate 5 acres per hui). Project goals and objectives are 1) to organize and engage 25 HHCA beneficiaries; 2) to train them to farm by planting 15 acres in kalo (taro), `ulu (breadfruit), `awa (kava), soursop and/or other native and tropical crops and trees, and 3) to hold farming- and ranching-related events, as follows: 10 mini-lectures, five workshops and one puwala, or conference.

3. The public purpose is to help achieve Gov. David Ige's Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative goal of doubling the food supply in Hawai'i by 2020. The needs to be served are to empower those Native Hawaiians who've been waiting decades for Hawaiian homestead awards, and to increase food self-sufficiency and security because we live in an island state that relies on 85 to 90 percent imports as its primary food source, per state Department of Agriculture figures.

4. The target population is more than 5,200 HHCA beneficiaries on waitlists for Maui agricultural and pastoral homestead awards — numbering 4,663 on the DHHL ag waitlist and 615 on the pastoral waitlist, as of December 2018. These 5,278 waitlisters have 50 percent Hawaiian-blood quantum, and some of their dates of homestead application go back more than five decades, to April 1967, according to the 57-page 12/31/2014 DHHL Applicant Summary.

5. The Upcountry Maui geographic coverage embraces 1) the three native Hawaiian homesteads of Keokea farm lots, and Waiohuli Phase 1 and 2 residential subdivisions, and 2) especially a 4,128-acre Waiohuli-Keokea homelands parcel. The latter offers the potential to provide 1,200 half- to 1-acre sustainable-agriculture homestead parcels.

III. Service Summary and Outcomes

1. Organize, engage and train 25 HHCA beneficiaries to farm, with a Native Hawaiian culturally appropriate approach emphasizing cultural aspects of farming, e.g., planting according to moon phases; `olelo Hawai'i, or Hawaiian-language farming terminology, and ag-related oli, or chant, and protocol.

- Communicate via letter, email, social media and/or website to identify project participants and establish a database; implemented by the project manager and the operations specialist, in Month 1.
- Survey via letter, email, website and/or person-to-person to assess farming and ranching experience and needs; by project manager, Month 1.
- Meet monthly to organize, inform, educate and motivate; by project manager, months 2 to 12.

2. Plant 15 acres in kalo, `ulu, `awa, soursop and/or other native and tropical crops and trees.

- Five multi-day workshops; led by the ag instructor.
- Prepare soil, months 2 to 6.
- Install fencing, months 3 to 5.

- Install irrigation system, Month 6.
 - Plant trees and shrubs, Month 7.
 - Fertilize and maintain trees and shrubs, months 8 to 12.
3. Hold Project HO`ALA farming- and ranching-related events, as follows:
- 10 mini-lectures; organized by the operations manager, months 2 to 6.
- August 10 — "Hoaloha Farms consortium and kalo operation" by presenter Bobby Pahia.
- August 31 — "Ka Wai A Ola — Water aspects of farming" by consultant Jonathan Scheuer, Ph.D.
- September 14 — "Pu`u Kukui seed bank" by A&B conservation manager Pomaika`i Crozier.
- September 28 — "`Aina Greens backyard herb agribusiness" by proprietor Irene Plunkett.
- October 12 — "Farming on Molokai Nui A Hina" by state Rep. Lynn DeCoite.
- October 26 — "Hawaiian Moon Calendar, Makahiki and Agriculture" by cultural practitioner Kekoa Enomoto.
- November 9 — "Ag-related oli (chant) and protocol" by kumu hula Kapono`ai Molitau.
- November 30 — "Hawai`i Farmers Union United's Maui programs" by Vincent Mina.
- December 14 — "Lo`iloa (many taro patches) at `Iao Valley" by Maui police officer Kawewehi Pundyke.
- December 28 — "Native Hawaiian land stewardship at Kapoho, Waihe`e" by Kapono`ai Molitau.
- One puwalu; organized and presented by the Executive Director and Operations Manager, Month 9.

4. Project HO`ALA's quality assurance and evaluation plans to monitor, evaluate and improve results include 1) post-lecture, post-puwalu and quarterly on-1-to-10-scale written surveys also seeking recommendations for improvements; 2) post-workshop participants' verbal comments also seeking recommendations for improvements, with a secretary/recorder noting all input; 3) a wall chart with goals, objectives and recommended improvements to be adopted, with target dates and dates of completion, and 4) an attendance wall chart with gold stars awarded for perfect attendance.

5. Measures of effectiveness for expending agency DHHL to assess the project's achievement and accomplishment are: 1) quarterly written progress reports to the Hawaiian Homes commission and to DHHL regarding Pa`upena CDC meeting its quantitative project goals and objectives, with participants presenting testimony on their project experience and gains, and 2) semiannual and project-ending PowerPoint presentations on if and how Pa`upena CDC met quantitative project goals and objectives, with participants' commentary and a summary of post-event written surveys.

IV. Financial

Budget

1. The applicant shall submit a budget utilizing the enclosed budget forms as applicable, to detail the cost of the request.
 - a. Budget request by source of funds (See attached)
 - b. Personnel salaries and wages (See attached)
 - c. Equipment and motor vehicles (See attached)
 - d. Capital project details (Non-applicable)
 - e. Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid (See attached)

2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2020.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
49,399	49,399	49,399	49,398	49,398

3. Listing of other funding sources for fiscal year 2019-20 may include the Administration for Native Americans, USDA and/or OHA grants.
4. Pa`upena CDC's 12/31/18 balance of unrestricted current assets is \$208,972.

V. Experience and Capability

1. Pa`upena CDC's list of projects in the last three years demonstrates its skills, abilities, knowledge and experience related to the proposed project, as follows:

10/1/16 through 5/1/17 — Pa`upena CDC served as the Project Advisory Committee implementing a \$100,000 USDA Socially Disadvantaged and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers grant project on behalf of grantee Hi`ilei Aloha CDFI (Community Development Financial Institution).

11/12/16 — With \$500 in OHA I Mana Ka Lāhui funding, Pa`upena hosted a Makahiki and holiday wreath-making workshop using native plant materials.

7/8/16 through 4/29/18 — Co-sponsored a 20-part mini-lecture and workshop series on ag- and ranching-related topics.

9/2/17 — Sponsored the daylong Ka Hua Mahi`ai (The Fruitful Farmer) puwala with presenters from A&B; Lapa`au Farm of Olinda; Maui County Farm Bureau; Maui Nui Botanical Gardens, and Sakugawa Ranch.

11/3/18 – Organized and sponsored the daylong Maui Homestead Summit on ag- and ranching-related topics, whose presenters included two Maui legislators as panelists; Waimea homestead association's president speaking on the WOW! greenhouse tomato initiative, and the Hoaloha Farms proprietor on kalo cultivation with a huli (taro shoots) giveaway and sampling of various kalo varieties.

For fiscal year 2020 — DHHL awarded Pa`upena CDC a \$46,831 grant for a water-catchment and water-intake-monitoring program on six Upcountry homesteads.

2. The adequacy of the project facility lies in the size and scope of the acreage and equipment available. Pa`upena CDC's proposed project facility is a 4,128-acre homelands parcel at Waiohuli-Keokea in Upcountry Maui. The layout offers an upper 123-acre parcel along Kula Highway, and a lower 4,005-acre parcel state-designated "General Agriculture." Available equipment and resources include three pieces of farm-related heavy-equipment machinery: a backhoe, dozer and excavator; and long-term use of two innovative \$26,000 machines key to livestock operations — an atmospheric-condensation machine capable of producing 400 gallons of water daily, and a fodder-producing machine that can provide 114 pounds of fresh livestock feed daily.

The plan to acquire the facility is to participate in a DHHL Planning Office "beneficiary consultation," or hearing, on Pa`upena CDC's Dec. 24, 2016, land-use request for 4,128 Waiohuli-Keokea acres to run cattle and to train waitlist beneficiaries in farming and ranching techniques and practices.

VI. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

1. Project HO`ALA's proposed staffing pattern; proposed service capacity (full-, three-quarter- or half-time service) for project success; personnel qualifications and experience, and annual salary ranges for the three highest-paid employees are, as follows:

- Full-time executive director and project manager is an entrepreneur; farmer; educator; IRS licensed Enrolled Agent, and senior tax analyst; salary of \$65,000.
- Half-time operations manager holds a Ph.D. in education and a law degree; is outgoing executive director of a Native Hawaiian CDFI and founded the fledgling World Indigenous Nations University Hawai`i Pasifika, an isle-based native college; salary \$32,500.
- Three-quarter-time ag instructor is a chef/farmer, who has grown and marketed a myriad crops, including dryland kalo, kalamungay, neem, heirloom tomatoes, and `ulu; salary range \$8,000 to \$15,000.
- Part-time curriculum specialist holds a USC educational doctorate, and is a veteran educator, curriculum coordinator at a Native Hawaiian high school and longtime volleyball coach.

Pa`upena CDC staff's ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction is reflected in its Executive Director, an entrepreneur managing an innovative, successful Maui Goat Yoga business and used to providing administrative and accounting direction.

The Operations Manager not only has written and evaluated national grants, but also implemented and supervised grant projects. All four Pa`upena staff members are educators and trainers.

1. Organization Chart

See attached

2. Compensation

See attached

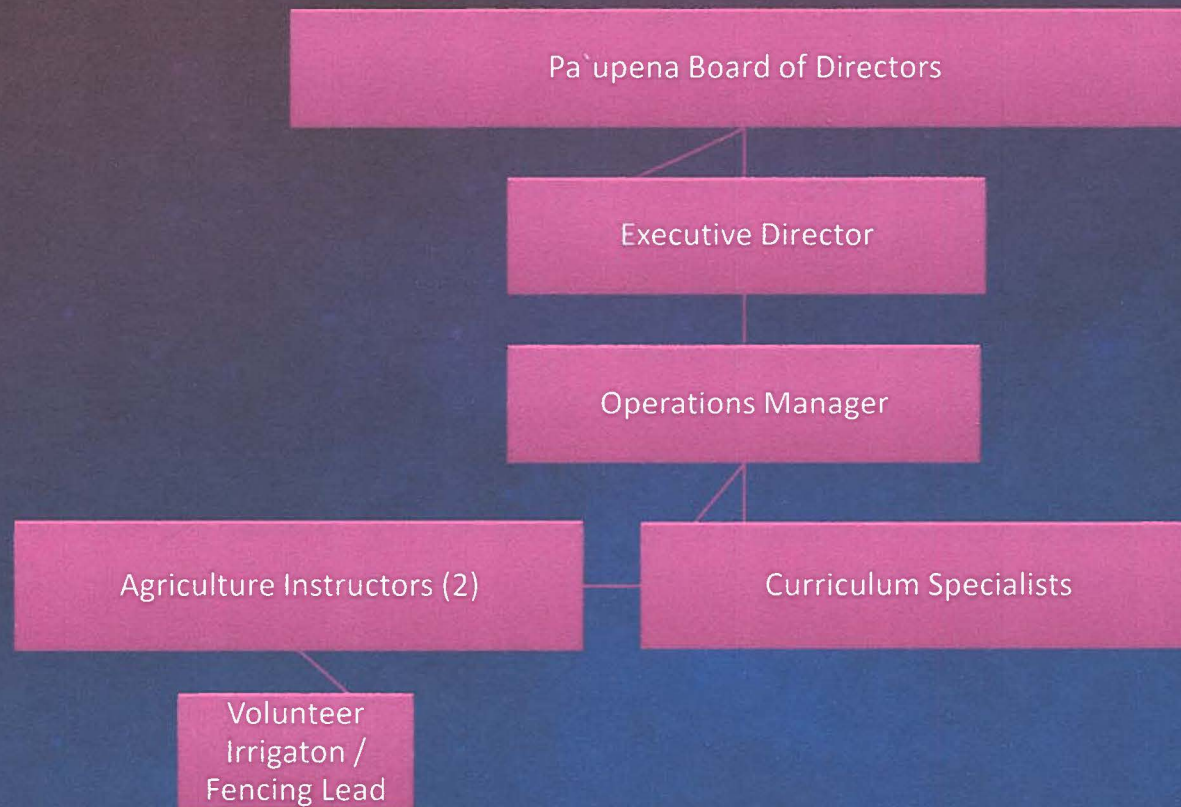
VII. Other

1. Litigation

The applicant does not have any pending litigation to which they are a party, nor any outstanding judgment.

PA`UPENA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, INC.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



2. Licensure or Accreditation

Not applicable.

3. Private Educational Institutions

Not applicable.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

Pa`upena's sustainability plans after fiscal year 2019-20, whether the CDC receives 2019-20 GIA or does not receive GIA funding thereafter, may include:

1. To seek grant funding via the Administration for Native Americans, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and/or USDA.
2. To pursue New Market Tax Credits.
3. To collaborate with community entities, such as:

Enterprise Honolulu-O`ahu Economic Development Board

Hawai`i Farmers Union United, Mauna Kahalawai Chapter

Homestead Housing Authority

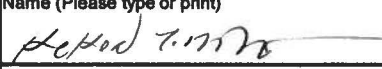
Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate

The Hawai`i Community Foundation

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Applicant: Pa`upena Community Development, Inc.

BUDGET CATEGORIES	Total State Funds Requested (a)	Total Federal Funds Requested (b)	Total County Funds Requested (c)	Total Private/Other Funds Requested (d)
A. PERSONNEL COST				
1. Salaries	97,500			
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits	11,640			
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	109,140			
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island	3115			
2. Insurance	1500			
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space	8400			
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies	600			
7. Telecommunication	3000			
8. Utilities	2160			
9 Security	420			
10 Website	1740			
11 Collateral Preparation	4000			
12 Collateral Printing	2400			
13 Program Events	34,920			
14 Miscellaneous Expenses	1200			
15 Training - Contractor Services	15,000			
16 Training - Curriculum Contractor	10,000			
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	88,455			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	N/A			
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES	N/A			
E. CAPITAL	N/A			
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	197,595			
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	197,595	Andrew Hatchie Jr. EA		310.966.0266
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested		Name (Please type or print)		Phone
(c) Total County Funds Requested				1/15/2019
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		Signature of Authorized Official		Date
TOTAL BUDGET	197,595	Kekoa Enomoto		
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Pa`upena Community Development, Inc.

Contracts Total: -

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S. / State / Haw / Hon / Kau / Mau)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	Water Catchment Systems (6) & Water intake monitoring program	Jul 2018 - Dec 2020	DHHL	State	\$46,831
2	Makahiki Wreath Making Workshop with Native Plants	Nov 2016 - Nov 2016	OHA	State	\$500
3	`Awa (Kava) Workshop	Jun 2015 - Jun 2015	OHA	State	\$700
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BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Applicant: Pa`upena Community Development, Inc.

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
Executive Director	1	65,000	100%	\$ 65,000.00
Operations Manager / Attorney on Staff	1	32,500	100%	\$ 35,500.00
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TOTAL:	2	97,500	100%	97,500.00

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Applicant: Pa`upena Community Development, Inc. Period: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A			\$ -	
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TOTAL:				

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A			\$ -	
			\$ -	
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			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:				

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

Hoaloha Farms
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January 16, 2019

House Committee on Finance
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State Capitol, rooms 306 and 208, respectively
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Attention: GIA

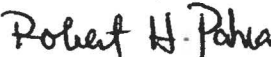
Aloha mai kakou,

On behalf of Hoaloha Farms, I write this letter of support and commitment for Project HO'ALA that is worthy of a legislative Grant In Aid for the Maui-based nonprofit Pa'upena Community Development Corporation. Pa'upena CDC is an Upcountry beneficiary organization under the auspices of the 1921 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act (HHCA) federal trust. The mission of the IRS 501(c)(3) is to provide resources and training to empower Hawaiian Homes trust beneficiaries to build homes and self-sufficient communities.

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Here on Maui, I am proprietor of Hoaloha Farms, a consortium of 14 farmers on 309 acres in Waikapu, and also serve as president of the Hawai'i Farmers Union United, Mauna Kahalawai (West Maui Mountains) Chapter. Hoaloha Farms commits to recruit Project HO'ALA participants. More importantly, I commit to teach about kalo, or taro, and to mentor project participants in planting and maintaining lo'i kalo, or taro patches.

Mahalo for your consideration to provide GIA funding to Project HO'ALA that seeks 1) to promote and manifest isle agriculture in a culturally appropriate way, and 2) to mobilize and train native Hawaiians who've been waiting decades for Maui agricultural homestead awards.

Aloha no,

Robert H. Pahia, proprietor

January 16, 2019

House Committee on Finance
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State Capitol, rooms 306 and 208, respectively
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Attention: GIA

Dear Madame or Sir,

I am writing to express support with no reservations for grant funding for Project HO'ALA. I have had the honor to know Pa'upena President, Norman Abihai, for my entire life. I have always known him to be one to malama `aina and to care for friends, `ohana and the community. I have recently been able to provide direct support to the organization as I have seen the organization grow and the lives positively impacted multiplied.

Having grown up on Maui, I know it is so very important to continue to teach and implement Native Hawaiian cultural practices. I love that the language is being revived and people do not feel shame to take part in cultural practices. This is in part due to the work of Pa'upena. Pa'upena has been intentional about building community and inviting the community to be a part of their work. It is work like this organization is doing that drew me back to Hawai'i to go to law school and return home to Maui to work.

I am committed to continuing to give back to my community. I will continue to help Pa'upena by serving as a resource person, sharing my experience and expertise as a Licensed Attorney and Licensed Master Social Worker, and helping to recruit volunteers. I can also support Pa'upena and Project HO'ALA by facilitating trainings on community and government engagement. I have no doubt the funding provided will be stewarded well and the return on investment will be great. I politely request you consider supporting in full the grant request.

Aloha,



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January 16, 2019

House Committee on Finance
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State Capitol, rooms 306 and 208, respectively
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813
Attention: GIA

Aloha mai,

On behalf of Keana`aina Farm, I am providing this letter of support and commitment for Project HO`ALA that is worthy of a legislative Grant In Aid for the Maui-based nonprofit Pa`upena Community Development Corporation. Pa`upena CDC is an Upcountry homestead organization under the auspices of the 1921 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act (HHCA) federal trust. The mission of the IRS 501(c)(3) is to provide resources and training to empower Hawaiian Homes trust beneficiaries to build homes and self-sufficient communities.

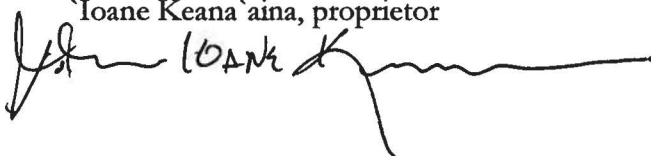
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I am proprietor of Keana`aina Farm, a two-acre sustainable-ag farm at Keokea Homestead Farm Lots. Here I have bananas, tomatoes and other crops growing in hand-built greenhouses. I commit to recruit Project HO`ALA participants and to kokua the initiative, particularly to help guide attendees on installing fences and an irrigation system.

Mahalo nui for your consideration to provide GIA funding to Project HO`ALA that aims 1) to promote and practice isle agriculture in a culturally appropriate way, and 2) to mobilize and train native Hawaiians as future homestead farmers and ranchers.

Me ka mahalo,

`Ioane Keana`aina, proprietor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ioane Keana`aina', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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January 16, 2019

House Committee on Finance
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State Capitol, rooms 306 and 208, respectively
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Attention: GIA

Aloha no,

On behalf of Erlingayle Farms, I am submitting this letter of support and commitment for Project HO'ALA that is worthy of a legislative Grant In Aid for the Maui-based nonprofit Pa'upena Community Development Corporation. Pa'upena CDC is an Upcountry beneficiary organization under the auspices of the 1921 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act (HHCA) federal trust. The mission of the IRS 501(c)(3) is to provide resources and training to empower Hawaiian Homes trust beneficiaries to build homes and self-sufficient communities.

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I am proprietor of Erlingayle Farm, a one-acre homestead farm at Waiohuli Phase 1 residential subdivision. Here I have a collection of 'awa raised-bed gardens with a drip-irrigation system. My homestead is filled with indigenous and endemic plantings of Manalauloa and Pi'ial'i varieties of kalo, plus asparagus; ice-cream and Cuban-red bananas; chico-fruit (sapodilla) tree; kabocha squash; lichee; liliko'i; 15 mango trees, and more. I commit to recruit Project HO'ALA participants and to kokua the initiative, particularly to teach attendees how to install fences and an irrigation system.

Mahalo for your consideration to provide GIA funding to Project HO'ALA that aims 1) to promote and manifest isle agriculture in a culturally appropriate way, and 2) to mobilize and train native Hawaiians as future homestead farmers and ranchers.

Sincerely,



Norman Abihai
Proprietor



January 16, 2019

House Committee on Finance / Senate Committee on Ways and Means

State Capitol, Rooms 306 and 208

Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Madame or Sir,

I, Wendy Terino Hatchie, of

Maui Goat Yoga Inc., as a valued community partner, hereby lend my support in reference to Pa'upena CDC and its Project HOALA and its benefits it may lend to farmers, ranchers and beneficiaries training program to cultivate the land. We as a community is far too dependent on imported goods from the mainland.

Diversified elements of adding jobs, business and potential mercantile, farm to table usage.

The self-contained, self-sufficient, self-sustainable, self-directed, eco-conscious community development will be a future model of simplified existence.

The passion and direction are evident and true.

Yours Truly,

Wendy Hatchie

Letter of support for Pa'upena Community Development Corporation

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Kekoa Enomoto; Madam Chairwoman of the Board; Norman Abihai; Presiding