

**THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
APPLICATION FOR GRANTS
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

Type of Grant Request:

Operating Capital

Legal Name of Requesting Organization or Individual: Db/a:

Aloha Ilio Rescue

Amount of State Funds Requested: \$ 170,000

Brief Description of Request (Please attach word document to back of page if extra space is needed):

In response to the overpopulation of dogs on the Island of Hawai'i, Aloha Ilio Rescue is requesting funds for: 1) Assistance with transport of animals to mainland partners to increase the number of adoptions of stray and owner-surrendered animals. 2) An education specialist to engage our community to convey the need to spay/neuter and humanely care for pets. 3) Provide pet food to families and individuals who would otherwise need to surrender or even abandon their animals. This interaction also provides engagement opportunities with a hard-to-reach sector.

Amount of Other Funds Available:

State: \$ _____

Federal: \$ _____

County: \$ 22,500

Private/Other: \$ 260,000

Total amount of State Grants Received in the Past 5 Fiscal Years:

\$ _____

Unrestricted Assets:

\$ 380,117

New Service (Presently Does Not Exist): Existing Service (Presently in Operation):

Type of Business Entity:

- 501(C)(3) Non Profit Corporation
 Other Non Profit
 Other

Mailing Address:

PO Box 492364

City:

State:

Zip:

Kea'au

HI

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Federal Tax ID#:

State Tax ID#



Daylynn Kyles, President

1/19/2024

Authorized Signature

Name and Title

Date Signed

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
- 6) Budget
 - a) Budget request by source of funds ([Link](#))
 - b) Personnel salaries and wages ([Link](#))
 - c) Equipment and motor vehicles ([Link](#))
 - d) Capital project details ([Link](#))
 - e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid ([Link](#))
- 7) Experience and Capability
- 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing



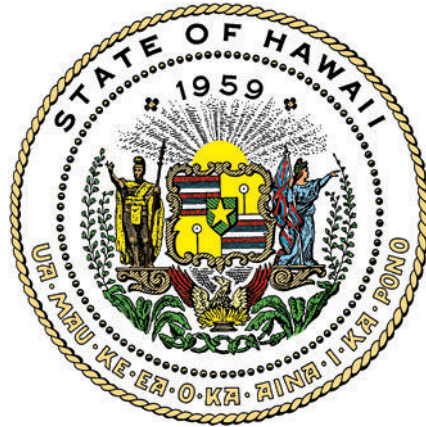
DAYLYNN KYLES, PRESIDENT

01/19/2024

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME AND TITLE

DATE



Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, the undersigned Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs of the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that

ALOHA ILIO RESCUE

was incorporated under the laws of Hawaii on 06/01/2016 ; that it is an existing nonprofit corporation; and that, as far as the records of this Department reveal, has complied with all of the provisions of the Hawaii Nonprofit Corporations Act, regulating domestic nonprofit corporations.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, at Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dated: January 17, 2024

Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAI'I REVISED 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, Hawai'i 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, Hawai'i 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; and
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i 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.
- 4) The use of grant-in-aid funding complies with all provisions of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii (for example, pursuant to Article X, section 1, of the Constitution, the State cannot provide "... public funds ... for the support or benefit of any sectarian or nonsectarian private educational institution...").

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i 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.

Aloha 'Ilio Rescue

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)



(Signature)

1/19/2024

(Date)

Daylynn Kyles

(Typed Name)

President

(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)

Please see Attachment 1

2. Declaration Statement

Please see Attachment 2.

3. Public Purpose

Aloha 'Īlio Rescue is a non-profit agency that provides a much needed and community-supported public service by spaying/neutering and rehoming stray, abandoned and owner-surrendered dogs, providing medical and other support to help struggling pet owners keep their pets and educating the public about the responsibilities of pet ownership.

II. Background and Summary

This section shall clearly and concisely summarize and highlight the contents of the request in such a way as to provide the State Legislature with a broad understanding of the request. Please include the following:

1. A brief description of the applicant's background;

Aloha 'Īlio Rescue (AIR) was founded in 2010 in response to the overpopulation of dogs in east Hawai'i and quickly became a trusted and valued resource for the Island of Hawai'i. The rescue has grown from rehoming less than 200 dogs/year to more than 600 dogs in 2023. This work is accomplished with a small team of dedicated staff, fosters and volunteers, with a small facility on one acre of land in the lower Puna district on the east side of Hawai'i Island.

Aloha 'Īlio takes in stray and abandoned dogs, as well as those whose owners can no longer provide for them because of financial or health hardships or death. Many of the dogs are brought directly to us, but some are transferred to us from Hawai'i County

Animal Control (without compensation), as part of our partnership with them to alleviate the overwhelming burden on their limited facilities in East Hawai'i.

All of the dogs that come through AIR are spayed or neutered, treated for parasites, provided with medical and behavioral care and kept up to date on vaccines until they go to their new homes. Applicants for adopting our dogs are interviewed make sure they understand the commitment involved in dog ownership and to gain insight into their situation and lifestyle in order to match them with the dog best suited to their household.

AiR maintains a database of all dogs and adoptive families, including medical procedures, medicines, vaccines and anti-parasitics, forms signed by owners surrendering animals and by adopters, as well as communications with adopters.

AIR also does community outreach and education regarding the spaying and neutering of pets, as well as how to humanely care for them. The rescue has garnered tremendous community trust in its 11 years of operation. It is largely supported by community donations and fundraising events and we have recently started to grow operating funds by opening an online retail store which has been met with enthusiastic support.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The overarching goal is to better serve our community by 1) enhancing our fostering program 2) providing robust adoption counseling and 3) transporting more adoptable animals to our mainland partner shelters who have high adoption rates. The objective of these programs is to increase the number of dogs placed with loving families, reducing the overpopulation issues facing the Island of Hawai'i.

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

East Hawai'i is currently the least served by county animal control, as they do not have adequate facilities in place on this side on the island to intake and care for animals. They have only recently taken back the reins on animal control, after a disastrous contract awarded in 2020 to a no-kill sanctuary that took in less than a quarter of the number of animals sheltered in previous years. It fell to Aloha 'Īlio to take in much of the surplus of those abandoned, lost, hungry, scared, often breeding and even biting dogs. We now partner with county animal control, transferring in as many of the excess dogs as we can possibly handle, but there are many more that could use our help.

4. Describe the target population to be served

AIR primarily serves East Hawai'i communities, especially in the Puna and South Hilo Districts. This area has some of the highest rates of people living below poverty level in the nation. The Puna district has also been, for many years, the fastest growing district in the county, in large part due to the availability of relatively inexpensive land. Many families struggle to make ends meet and can easily become overwhelmed by the cost of

caring for pets, especially with the cost of veterinary care. We provide assistance with medical care and pet food as much as our funding allows in order to try to keep families together and prevent abandonment. When people cannot keep their dog, AIR provides a safe place for these families to bring their pets, where they can be assured that the dog will be well cared for and rehomed in a timely and thoughtful manner with families that can better provide for them.

AIR also serves the needs of individuals and families needing the unique companionship and bonding experience of having a dog appropriate to their lifestyle and situation, while feeling good about helping a rescued animal instead of supporting dog breeders. More and more of these people are moving to the island, and our education programs are increasing the number of residents of this mindset. We do, however, in response to the overwhelming number of animals available for adoption, also ship dogs to adopters throughout the state and to facilities and adopters in the continental U.S., where there is less dog overpopulation pressure and more available adopters.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

We expect that the majority of our intakes for adoption and community medical services will continue to be primarily from East Hawai'i, especially the Puna and Hilo districts. We will, however, continue to serve the entire Island of Hawai'i, and our adoption services will continue to serve the island as well as the nation.

III. Service Summary and Outcomes

The Service Summary shall include a detailed discussion of the applicant's approach to the request. The applicant shall clearly and concisely specify the results, outcomes, and measures of effectiveness from this request. The applicant shall:

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks and responsibilities;

Transport to continental US and other islands: Because the number of dogs in East Hawai'i needing homes exceeds the number of adopters on the island, we accept adoption applications from other Hawaiian islands and also partner with several rescue organizations and shelters in Washington and Arizona, who have the resources and clientele to place dogs in stable, caring homes. The approximate average total cost to transport a dog to the mainland is \$400. The work involved in transporting includes selecting appropriate candidates, booking flights, obtaining medical certificates of good health, buying and preparing transport crates, and transporting the dogs to the airport; for mainland flights we need to take them across the island to Kona for direct flights. In addition to requesting funds to cover some of the expenses associated with transport to the continental US, we are also requesting funds to help buy a new small cargo van, as

ours was crushed by a falling tree on a state highway in the fall of 2023. Our insurance paid us only the value of the old vehicle, not the cost to replace it. The van is critical to the transport program and, indeed, all of our operations.

Canine kaukau: Distributing pet food to pet owners who are struggling to make ends meet helps to keep pets with their families instead of being surrendered or outright abandoned. We already distribute food once monthly at the Salvation Army store in downtown Hilo, where there is a large population of houseless people that have pets. Not only does this provide for the basic needs of these pets, but provides an opportunity for us to interface with this population to offer free spay/neuter and other medical services and anti-parasite treatments to try to keep the animal population in check and prevent the spread of diseases and parasites. The free dog food is also helpful to numerous senior citizens that are in tight financial straights. With funding for the program, we could expand our services to provide more distribution points and thus gain more opportunities to interface with people that are otherwise hard to reach to help them keep their pets, get them neutered and keep them healthy.

Education: There is a dire need in our community for education regarding the spaying and neutering of pets, as well as how to humanely care for them. We believe that if we can reach enough people, especially of the upcoming generation, we can change the mindset that has created our current morass of animal overpopulation, neglect and abuse. We do as many outreach activities as our small staff allows, including visits to grade-school classrooms and community association events, but we need a dedicated education specialist to reach enough people to really make a difference. This person would develop educational programs and materials appropriate for specific age groups, including materials that children would bring back to their families, and go to schools and community events around the island.

2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;

AIR will complete the work within one year of receiving the funds.

3. Describe its quality assurance and evaluation plans for the request. Specify how the applicant plans to monitor, evaluate, and improve their results;

The board of directors will continue to meet regularly to monitor and evaluate the progress of programs and initiatives, taking into account statistics and community feedback.

4. List the measure(s) of effectiveness that will be reported to the State agency through which grant funds are appropriated (the expending agency). The measure(s) will provide a standard and objective way for the State to assess the program's achievement or accomplishment. Please note that if the

Not applicable

5. **The applicant shall provide a listing of all federal, state, and county government contracts, grants, and grants in aid it has been granted within the prior three years and will be receiving for fiscal year 2025 for program funding.**

County of Hawai'i Waiwai Grant for Spay/Neuter Program FY 2022-2023: \$40,000
County of Hawai'i Waiwai Grant for Spay/Neuter Program FY 2023-2024: \$45,000

6. **The applicant shall provide the balance of its unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2023.**

\$380,117

V. Experience and Capability

1. Necessary Skills and Experience

The applicant shall demonstrate that it has the necessary skills, abilities, knowledge of, and experience relating to the request. State your experience and appropriateness for providing the service proposed in this application. The applicant shall also provide a listing of verifiable experience of related projects or contracts for the most recent three years that are pertinent to the request.

Aloha 'Īlio Rescue has been in operation since 2010, growing in scale from helping less than 200 dogs/year to more than 600 dogs in 2023. AIR has garnered tremendous community trust and support during its time in operation.

2. Facilities

The applicant shall provide a description of its facilities and demonstrate its adequacy in relation to the request. If facilities are not presently available, describe plans to secure facilities.

The current facility is on one acre in Hawaiian Paradise Park. The facility includes:

- covered kennel area
- indoor kennel area for small dogs
- laundry room, meds storage, dog food preparation area
- office building containing the business office, staff break room, kitchen and bathroom; dog food and transport crate storage
- 4 fenced dog exercise areas, one with small pond

Note that AIR has a robust foster care program, so many of the dogs in care are in foster homes rather than at the facility.

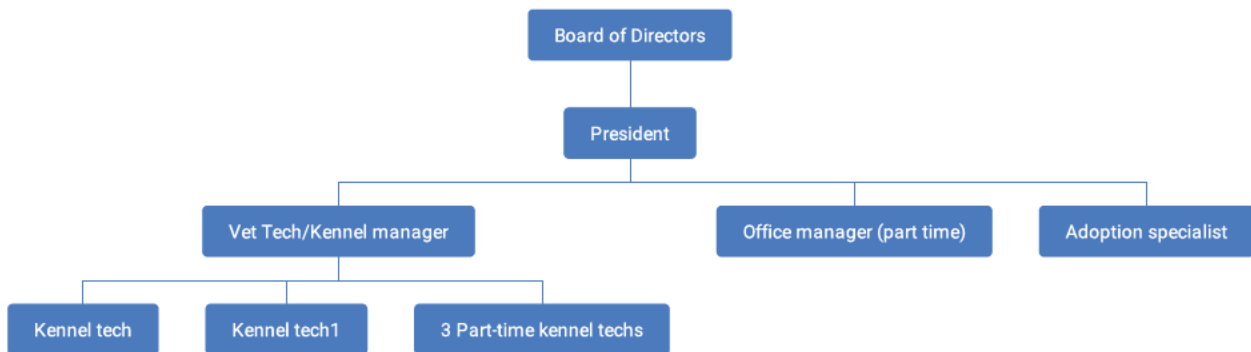
found dogs). She has great communication skills, enabling her to train and supervise kennel technicians to a high level of competence in a short time.

Donna Cornwell has an extensive background in office administration and performs this task for AIR part-time.

Two full-time and three part-time kennel technicians take care of the dogs' needs and interact with the public in the course of adoptions.

2. Organization Chart

The applicant shall illustrate the position of each staff and line of responsibility/ supervision.



3. Compensation

The applicant shall provide an annual salary range paid by the applicant to the three highest paid officers, directors, or employees of the organization by position title, not employee name.

- 1) President - \$70,000
- 2) Veterinary Technician/Kennel Manager - \$34,000
- 3) Kennel Technician - \$30,000

(Note these are base salaries and do not include benefits and taxes)

VII. Other

1. Litigation

Applicant: _____ Aloha 'Ilio Rescue _____

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

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Ford Transit Cargo Van	1.00	\$60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	38000
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:	1		\$ 60,000.00	38,000

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: Our van was crushed by a falling tree on a state highway in late 2023. Our insurance only paid 22,000—their estimate of the value of the old van, not the replacement cost to buy a new one.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Aloha 'Īlio Rescue Contracts Total: 45,000

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/ Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
2	Hawai'i County Waiwai Spay/ Neuter Grant	July 2023-July 2024		Hawai'i County	45,000
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