

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

Type of Grant Request:

Operating Capital

Legal Name of Requesting Organization or Individual: Dba:

Ho'ōla Nā Pua

Amount of State Funds Requested: \$ 256,280

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

Ho'ōla Nā Pua will strengthen the State's collective ability to protect children from sexual exploitation and trafficking along a continuum of care. Funds would be used to serve children and adults through Prevention Education and Awareness, Trauma-Informed Group Sessions, Starfish Mentoring and Individualized Services. Funds would also support the delivery of experiential programming to Pearl Haven youth, essential to unlocking the child's ability to work through complex trauma.

Amount of Other Funds Available:

State: \$ 0
Federal: \$ 316,667
County: \$ 0
Private/Other: \$ 200,000

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

\$ 700,000

Unrestricted Assets:

\$ 1,378,510

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:

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Honolulu

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HI

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96823

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State Tax ID#

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Authorized Signature

Jessica Munoz, Founder
Name and Title

January 12, 2024
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) Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (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](#))
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 - e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid ([Link](#))
- 7) Experience and Capability
- 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing


AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

JESSICA MUNOZ, FOUNDER
PRINT NAME AND TITLE

JANUARY 12, 2024
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 (DCCA).

Vendor Name: HO`OLA NA PUA

Issue Date: 01/15/2024

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#:

UI#:

DCCA FILE#:

XX-XXX9164

No record

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Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	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	A status determination has not yet been made
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 REVISIED 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; and
- 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.
- 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, 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.

Ho'ōla Nā Pua
(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

 _____
(Signature) January 12, 2024
(Date)

Jessica Munoz _____
(Typed Name) Founder
(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. Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization)

If the applicant is an organization, the applicant shall submit one (1) copy of a Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate from the Comptroller of the Department of Accounting and General Services that is dated no earlier than December 1, 2023.

See attached Certificate of Vendor Compliance.

2. Declaration Statement

The applicant shall submit a declaration statement affirming its compliance with [Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

See attached Declaration Statement.

3. Public Purpose

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to [Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

Ho'ōla Nā Pua will use a grant from State Grant-in-Aid funds for a public purpose as described below in section ***II. Background and Summary, Question 3*** by strengthening the State's collective ability to protect children from sexual exploitation and trafficking along a continuum of care. Funds would be used to empower children and adults through Prevention Education and Awareness, Trauma-Informed Group Sessions, Starfish Mentoring/Advocacy and Individualized Support Services. Funds would also enable HNP to deliver experiential programming to support Pearl Haven residential youth, augmenting clinical care and unlocking the child's ability to work through complex trauma.

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;

Thirteen years ago, Founder Jessica Munoz's life was completely flipped upside down when she came face to face with the issue of Hawaii youth being sexually exploited and trafficked while working as a nurse practitioner in the emergency room at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women & Children. From a deep desire to shine light into the darkness of sexual exploitation and trafficking, Ho'ōla Nā Pua (HNP), meaning "New Life for Our Children," was founded. Today, our integrated programming fills a critical gap in the prevention of child sex trafficking and provision of care for children who have been exploited, reaching over 100,000 individuals since inception on all major islands.

HNP's core work is centered on the following community-based programs: Therapeutic trauma-responsive group programming for victimized and at-risk youth in residential facilities; 1-to-1 mentoring for survivors of sex trafficking and those at risk through Starfish Mentoring; Advocacy for youth and young adults as they attempt to exit trafficking and seek justice; and our Prevention Education and Awareness Program, which offers CSEC (commercial sexual exploitation of children) prevention education for students in grades 5-12 and training to professionals, organizations and community members in positions to interrupt victimization. With the opening of Pearl Haven, we now offer unparalleled residential treatment and services for youth ages 11-17 to heal from trauma and sexual exploitation – something previously nonexistent in Hawaii beyond emergency shelters.

Considered a national partner and rising standard in the global effort to stop sexual violence among children, HNP's experience and resources effectively position us to disrupt sexual exploitation and reduce sexually induced trauma through innovative programming along the continuum of care.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The Goals and Objectives of this request over 12 months include:

Goals

- To strengthen Hawaii's collective ability to protect at-risk and sexually exploited or trafficked youth by enhancing prevention and increasing the likelihood victims will be identified and referred to intervention services.
- To educate and support at-risk youth within correctional facilities, shelters and youth care facilities to mitigate the risk of sexual exploitation and empower them to recognize their own victimization.
- To enable the sexually exploited and those at substantial risk of exploitation to rebuild skills derailed by complex trauma, providing a pathway toward healing, restoration and successful reintegration to families and communities.

Objectives

- HNP will equip children with skills to prevent sexual exploitation, while empowering professionals and community members with training on the

prevalence, indicators and appropriate response to suspected sexual exploitation and trafficking.

- HNP will offer trauma-responsive and resilience focused treatment sessions to youth under 18 residing in correctional/residential facilities and onsite at Pearl Haven. These sessions are designed to create healthy connections and equip youth with life skills that serve as protective factors after discharge.
- HNP will connect youth and young adults to 1-to-1 mentors and advocates through Starfish Mentoring and Advocacy programs to address abuse/trauma, increase safety and access appropriate resources.
- Youth ages 11-17 recommended to Pearl Haven will receive experiential programming in tandem with intensive therapeutic treatment, onsite schooling and family/group therapy to reduce acute symptoms and work through trauma.

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

At risk, sexually exploited and trafficked children in Hawaii must have access to a continuum of care to prevent them from falling prey to victimization, protect their physical and psychological well-being and facilitate pathways to recovery.

The scope of sex trafficking in Hawaii has been historically limited, resulting in unidentified victimized children falling in the cracks and not receiving trauma-informed services that prevent re-victimization. Research from Arizona State University (ASU) unveiled the magnitude of this problem in Hawaii, exposing the average age of CSEC at a heartbreaking 11 years of age, with some children trafficked as young as age 4. Child welfare involvement is a major risk factor for sexual exploitation, but the juvenile justice system is ill-equipped to provide the response that is best practice for trafficked youth. Many children enter the system with unmet mental health and substance abuse needs but are running before they engage in services. Early intervention efforts to develop healthy relationships prior to arrest or system involvement are critical to ending this cycle.

Sex trafficked victims identified as part of the ASU study experienced complex trauma and abuse as children, underscoring the need for prevention education and trauma-informed programming that incorporates an understanding of multi-layered issues and evidence-based intervention approaches. Child survivors of sexual exploitation experience complex trauma that disrupts development, often leading to immediate and long-term physical, mental and emotional challenges. Sex trafficked victims in Hawaii had significantly higher rates of adverse childhood experience (ACE) scores at nearly 5 compared to 2 among non-sex trafficked individuals. Without trauma-informed intervention, children with higher ACEs are at increased risk for chronic diseases as they move into adulthood. Untreated ACEs impact success in school, work and life, placing a strain on social welfare nets and heightening the risk of substance abuse, mental health issues and even suicide.

Approximately 70% of sex trafficked victims in Hawaii in the ASU study reported having a mental health diagnosis, including anxiety, depression, Bipolar Disorder, PTSD and Schizophrenia. An astonishing 44% indicated drug addiction, with sex trafficked victims twice as likely to have attempted suicide compared to the general population. Sexually exploited victims experience gaps in their education, attending school inconsistently or dropping out altogether. In Hawaii, sex trafficked victims struggled academically, with victims nearly 3 times more likely to have attended special education classes.

Regrettably, the long-term impacts of sexual exploitation place a burden on an already crowded prison system as trafficked victims are often arrested for crimes they were forced to commit by their traffickers. The Justice Policy Institute estimates the price of incarcerating youth significantly increases the burden on society by costing millions of dollars nationwide each year, with the cost to Hawaii approximately \$206,768 annually per youth. This sobering statistic illustrates the need to develop innovative programs to prevent victimization and bring intervention to children as early as possible.

Tragic events like the devastating fires that ravaged through Maui and a prolonged pandemic make at-risk and vulnerable children and youth prey to sexual predators. Exposure to horrific events often lead to emotional and psychological distress that inevitably makes children more prone to manipulation and coercion by traffickers who offer false promises of safety or support. Unfortunately, youth who have experienced tragedies like the Maui fires or who have witnessed loved ones succumb to viruses like COVID-19, often turn to social media as a way to seek support, share their experiences or connect with others who have gone through similar situations. During times of vulnerability, these youth are unaware of the potential risks of sharing personal details or their emotional state online. Predators are looking for opportunities to exploit such tragedies by targeting vulnerable youth, using a range of tactics to manipulate victims into seeking comfort and support.

To strengthen the State's response to such emergencies, we must collectively protect vulnerable children from opportunistic traffickers who will take advantage of the chaos and aftermath of tragedies. Unless young people are aware of online safety measures and develop protective factors, they open themselves up to individuals with ill intentions. One of the most powerful ways to mitigate these risks is through Prevention Education and Awareness, as well as trauma-informed group sessions that facilitate age appropriate conversations on the dangers of CSEC.

HNP's comprehensive continuum of programs offer the optimal framework to address the traumatic impacts of sexual exploitation and trafficking, while supporting the prevention and resilience response for children and youth who are most vulnerable.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

HNP's target population includes cis-gender, transgender and non-conforming youth and young adults, a majority who are part of the foster care system and who have

suffered sexual abuse or violence in their homes. Often these youth have histories of mental health issues, past trauma or substance abuse, with parental mental illness and drug addiction present in their sphere of childhood. The majority reside in low-income households and are often victims of intense sexual violence and assault or relational trauma, significantly impacting their ability to trust and develop healthy relationships imperative to establishing connections with caring, supportive adults and moving along pathways toward sustainability. Our Prevention Education and Awareness targets children, as well as educators, first responders, social service providers, business leaders and community members in positions to interrupt victimization and connect youth to appropriate services along our continuum of care.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

Our continuum of programs are offered statewide, reaching victimized and at-risk youth on all major islands, including Oahu, Hawaii Island, Maui, Kauai and Molokai.

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;

To end sexual exploitation and protect our children immediately and in the long-term, we will continue emboldening Hawaii communities through Prevention Education and Awareness, while creating pathways to resilience through trauma-responsive group sessions, Starfish Mentoring and residential care at Pearl Haven.

- In partnership with schools and agencies children are likely to access, HNP will equip students, educators, first responders, social service providers, business leaders and community members with research-based information on the prevalence, indicators, screening and response of sexual exploitation.
- In tandem with residential care facilities and onsite at Pearl Haven, HNP will deliver trauma-informed, culturally relevant group sessions to youth under age 18 who have multiple risk factors making them susceptible to sexual exploitation. Group sessions will expose control tactics used by traffickers, providing children with tools to enhance resilience, self-care, personal worth, individual advocacy and social/safety skills.
- HNP's Starfish Mentors and Advocates will guide children toward self-efficacy and healthy living, establishing connections through 1-to-1 weekly mentorship and/or advocacy. Each child will develop a Personal Empowerment Plan, which includes support with therapists and professionals, as well as a path forward to succeed in school, work and life. Starfish Mentoring is based on Trust-Based

Relational Intervention (TBRI®), a research-based, trauma-informed intervention that addresses physical and attachment needs, while disarming fear-based behaviors. HNP staff will also provide individualized support services to youth, as necessary.

- Youth ages 11-17 who are suspected and/or confirmed to be victims of sexual exploitation will be referred to Pearl Haven. As part of treatment modalities, youth will engage in experiential programming (e.g., expressive arts, animal/equine therapy, therapeutic gardening) to make therapy sessions more productive and reduce acute symptoms. Experiential programming calms the nervous system, empowering children to work through trauma and replace self-harming behavior with healthy ways to process memories and emotions. Youth will also receive shelter, intensive therapeutic care and onsite education using a Department of Education approved curriculum that incorporates STEM and extracurricular activities.
2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;

If awarded funding through State Grant-in-Aid, Ho'ōla Nā Pua will immediately draw down funds to support our continuum of programs, fully expending funds within a 12-month period.

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

Outcomes over 12 months include:

- 3600 children and adults served as part of Prevention Education and Awareness, Trauma-Responsive Groups Sessions, Starfish Mentoring/Advocacy and/or Individualized Support Services.
- Pearl Haven residential youth receive 3000 hours of experiential programming in tandem with treatment and onsite education.

The HNP Program Managers and Coordinators will maintain statistics monthly on numbers served, reporting summary program data to the Interim Chief Operating Officer to ensure we are meeting outcomes.

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 level of appropriation differs from the amount included in this application that the measure(s) of effectiveness will need to be updated and transmitted to the expending agency.

Ho'ōla Nā Pua will report progress to the State on a quarterly basis, including but not limited to the number of children and adults served through our continuum of programs, as well as the number of experiential programming hours delivered to Pearl Haven residential youth.

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 ([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](#))

See attached Budget Forms.

2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2025.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
\$64,070	\$64,070	\$64,070	\$64,070	\$256,280

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for fiscal year 2025.

HNP submitted a \$200,000 City GIA request for Fiscal Year 2025 to help complete funding for these transformative programs. HNP has additional funds committed from foundations and was awarded a 3-year grant from the Office for Victims of Crime in 2023, which will help support our continuum of programs. A \$256,280 grant from State Grant-in-Aid will help ensure HNP is able to bring significant positive change to sexually exploited and at-risk children in Hawaii through pathways to freedom – interrupting victimization, increasing protective factors and offering treatment and empowerment to support healing. Remaining funds will be secured from individuals or special events revenue, as well as through grants from foundations/corporations/trusts.

4. The applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits it has been granted within the prior three years. Additionally, the applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits they have applied for or anticipate applying for pertaining to any capital project, if applicable.

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.

10/1/21 – 9/30/22	City GIA	\$124,728
10/1/22 – 9/30/23	City GIA	\$200,000
10/1/23 – 9/24	City GIA	\$200,000
4/1/23 – 3/31/24	State GIA	\$100,000
7/1/23 – 6/30/24	State GIA	\$100,000
7/1/23 – 6/30/24	County of Hawaii	\$25,000
10/1/21 – 9/30/24	OVC	\$437,910
10/1/23 – 9/30/26	OVC	\$950,000

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

The estimated unaudited balance of Ho'ōla Nā Pua's unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2023 is \$1,378,510. We are currently working on finalizing this number as part of our annual audit and would be happy to provide the State with this information if required.

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.

Ho'ōla Nā Pua has been offering transformative community-based programs since 2013 in collaboration with youth detention facilities, hospitals, teen programs and shelters to address prevention and direct care for youth who are victims of or are at high risk for sexual exploitation. As a result of our collaborative efforts, HNP received a national award from the Department of Homeland Security Investigations in 2020 for exemplary partnerships, was honored with a 2023 national Sword and Shield Non-Profit Leadership Award by the Attorney General Alliance and was nominated for the Non-Profit Impact of the Year Business Achievement Award by Pacific Edge Magazine in 2023.

To date in 2023, HNP empowered 3743 keiki to kupuna through Prevention Education and Awareness to disrupt sexual exploitation, with 2889 children and youth receiving services through trauma-responsive groups and 1-to-1 Starfish Mentoring/Advocacy. In 2023, 64% of Pearl Haven youth reported having academic difficulties, with nearly 1 in 2 receiving special education services as inconsistent school attendance often prevented them from meeting grade level expectations. 92% of youth were from the foster care system, with 93% reporting drug use and 100% who had 1 or more mental health diagnosis at time of intake. Despite these challenges, residential youth received over 3000 hours of experiential programming to enhance therapy and unlock trauma. As a result, Pearl Haven residential youth continued their trajectory toward success this past year, experiencing a 33% average increase in personal well-being, a 50% average increase socially, and a 30% average increase in overall general sense of well-being.

In 2021, we completed a \$9.0 million capital campaign to renovate Pearl Haven, a 13-acre campus featuring a 24,000 square foot facility deliberately designed to provide a safe, trauma-informed, therapeutic environment where sexually exploited children can recover and heal. Pearl Haven provides unparalleled residential treatment for survivors of child sex trafficking, something previously nonexistent in our islands beyond emergency shelters. Pearl Haven's campus and treatment model are an essential element in our continuum of care, offering sexually exploited children a holistic program that begins at admission and continues throughout the child's stay.

Ho'ōla Nā Pua will leverage its experience as the recipient of Federal, State and City grants over the past three years to make certain that reporting requirements are met to ensure timely release of funding to deliver on its mission.

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 Bromley Family Pearl Haven Campus is 13 acres with a 24,000 square foot facility that has been deliberately designed to provide a safe, trauma-informed, therapeutic environment in which youth can recover and heal. The newly renovated facility features:

- ❖ 19 homelike bedrooms in 3 wings;
- ❖ State-of-the-art classrooms;
- ❖ Inviting gathering spaces in which to relax and socialize;
- ❖ Private, soothing therapy rooms;
- ❖ Multipurpose room and movement studio;
- ❖ Health room;
- ❖ Commercial kitchen and dining area;
- ❖ Full demonstration kitchen;
- ❖ Recreation spaces and sports courts;
- ❖ Outdoor lawns; and
- ❖ Lush vegetable gardens

VI. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

1. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

The applicant shall describe the proposed staffing pattern and proposed service capacity appropriate for the viability of the request. The applicant shall provide the qualifications and experience of personnel for the request and shall describe its ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction relative to the request.

With a team of trained staff, consultants and over 100 volunteers, HNP is well positioned to drive transformational impact to at-risk, sexually exploited and trafficked children in Hawaii both now and in the future.

Our team is equipped to create a systemic shift in protecting Hawaii's most vulnerable children, with all staff undergoing annual culturally relevant, trauma-informed care training. In addition, all personnel interacting with victims must undergo an additional 20 hours of training in connection with trafficking in persons. For over a decade, our partnership with the Hawaii Department of Education, Homeland Security, the FBI and other private agencies empower us to identify sexually exploited and trafficked children, connecting them to our continuum of care as early as possible.

Founder Jessica Munoz has a long history of active involvement with high-risk youth and is a leading advocate for holistic services to vulnerable populations. Since 2009, Jessica has led her team to help drive the anti-trafficking movement in the Hawaiian Islands and the Pacific. A recipient of the Cades Foundation Non-Profit Organization of the Year award and recently named one of KITV's Hawaii's Remarkable Women, Jessica holds a Master of Science in Nursing from University of Hawaii Family Nurse Practitioner Program and a Bachelor of Nursing with certification as a Public Health Nurse from Long Beach State University School of Nursing.

Tamara Bitanga has been with Ho'ōla Nā Pua since its beginning. As Interim Director of Programs, Tammy is trained in trauma informed care, Adverse Childhood Experiences, Trust-Based Relational Intervention and Sex Trafficking Prevention. Over the past 5 years, Tammy has worked with local law enforcement to ensure a victim-centered approach to trafficking and has been a featured speaker at regional and national conferences regarding Survivor Advocate services. In 2023, Tammy received national recognition as winner of the Liberator Awards for her work as an advocate for survivors of childhood sexual exploitation. Tammy also brings lived experience and a survivor perspective to all programming to ensure relevancy.

Liz Porter oversees delivery and oversight of treatment and services at Pearl Haven, our 13-acre campus featuring a 24,000 square foot facility deliberately designed to provide a trauma-informed, therapeutic environment where sexually exploited children can recover and heal. Liz is trained in delivering trauma-informed services, having completed training in Trust-Based Relational Intervention, Trauma Informed Care, Core Curriculum Childhood Trauma, Adverse Childhood Experiences and Sex Trafficking

Prevention. Liz holds an associate degree in psychology and a B.S. in Human Services/Management from the University of Phoenix.

2. Organization Chart

The applicant shall illustrate the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision. If the request is part of a large, multi-purpose organization, include an organization chart that illustrates the placement of this request.

See attached Organization Chart.

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.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Annual Compensation</u>
Founder	\$180,000
Interim Chief Operating Officer	\$130,000
Interim Director of Programs	\$85,000

VII. Other

1. Litigation

The applicant shall disclose any pending litigation to which they are a party, including the disclosure of any outstanding judgement. If applicable, please explain.

Not Applicable

2. Licensure or Accreditation

The applicant shall specify any special qualifications, including but not limited to licensure or accreditation that the applicant possesses relevant to this request.

Not Applicable

3. Private Educational Institutions

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution. Please see [Article X, Section 1, of the State Constitution](#) for the relevance of this question.

Not Applicable

4. Future Sustainability Plan

The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2024-25 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

- (a) Received by the applicant for fiscal year 2024-25, but
- (b) Not received by the applicant thereafter.

While we work diligently to end sex trafficking throughout Hawaii, our programs are essential to rewrite the narrative for at-risk and victimized children as we build capacity for a statewide continuum of care that decreases the stigma and shame surrounding the issue. Unfortunately, emergencies like the Maui wildfires and the global pandemic put vulnerable children and youth at heightened risk for sexual exploitation and trafficking.

While fee-for-service covers the costs of therapy, shelter and food at Pearl Haven, experiential programming and onsite education must be funded by private dollars to bring hope and sustained healing to sexually exploited and trafficked youth. We will continue to sustain our continuum of programs through a financial model that includes donations from individuals as part of our "Bright Futures" campaign and revenues derived from our annual Charity Golf Tournament and Pearl Gala, which provide a stable source of operating dollars year over year.

Current development efforts are focused on our annual/planned giving campaigns in 2024 - 2025 to sustain and expand programs as appropriate in the long-term. However, we anticipate it taking a few years to transfer Pearl Haven capital donors to regular supporters. State GIA funding would bolster our efforts to build capacity for HNP to adapt, grow and evolve to address critical gaps in services for sexually exploited and vulnerable children, while strengthening the state's collective response to protect our keiki from sexual predators in the wake of any future emergencies.

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Applicant: Ho'ōla Nā Pua

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
Founder	1	\$180,000.00	20.00%	\$36,000
Interim Director of Programs	1	\$85,000.00	20.00%	\$17,000
Program Manager/Coordinator	1	\$62,500.00	50.00%	\$31,250
Program Manager/Coordinator	1	\$62,500.00	50.00%	\$31,250
Program Manager/Coordinator	1	\$50,000.00	100.00%	\$50,000
Program Manager/Coordinator	1	\$50,000.00	50.00%	\$25,000
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TOTAL:				\$190,500
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: State GIA funds would support the salaries/wages of key staff integral to accomplishing the Goals and Objectives of this project.				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Applicant: Ho'ōla Nā Pua

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Not Applicable			\$ -	
			\$ -	
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JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Not Applicable			\$ -	
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TOTAL:				

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Applicant: Ho'ola Na Pua

FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED - Not Applicable						
TOTAL PROJECT COST	ALL SOURCES OF FUNDS RECEIVED IN PRIOR YEARS		STATE FUNDS REQUESTED	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS REQUESTED	FUNDING REQUIRED IN SUCCEEDING YEARS	
	FY: 2022-2023	FY: 2023-2024	FY: 2024-2025	FY: 2024-2025	FY: 2025-2026	FY: 2026-2027
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION						
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:						
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Ho’ōla Nā Pua

Contracts Total: \$2,137,638

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	City Grant-in-Aid	10/1/21 - 9/30/22	Department of Community Services	Honolulu County	\$124,728
2	City Grant-in-Aid	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	Department of Community Services	Honolulu County	\$200,000
3	City Grant-in-Aid	10/1/23 - 9/30/24	Department of Community Services	Honolulu County	\$200,000
4	State Grant-in-Aid	4/1/23 - 3/31/24	Office of Community Services	State	\$100,000
5	State Grant-in-Aid	7/1/23 - 6/30/24	Office of Community Services	State	\$100,000
6	Wai Wai Program	7/1/23 - 6/30/24	County of Hawaii	Hawaii County	\$25,000
7	Preventing Trafficking of Girls	10/1/21 - 9/30/24	Office of Victims of Crime	U.S.	\$437,910
8	Minor Victims of Human Trafficking	10/1/23 - 9/30/26	Office of Victims of Crime	U.S.	\$950,000
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