
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

PART I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known and may be cited as the Grant Funding Act of 2025.

SECTION 2. The legislature finds that the federal funding freeze imposed by the United States Office of Management and Budget may have detrimental effects on Hawaii's nonprofit sector, which provides critical services in health and human services. Without assistance from the federal government, Hawaii's federally qualified health centers, and programs that provide child care, social services, subsidized housing, and homeless services, will see a significant drop in funding.

The purpose of this Act is to provide one-time nonrecurring grants to organizations that provide critical services, in accordance with chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 3. The legislature finds and declares that the grants made pursuant to chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes,



1 under this Act are in the public interest and for the public
2 health, safety, and general welfare.

3 SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS. Unless otherwise clear from the
4 context, as used in this Act:

5 "Expending agency" means the executive department,
6 independent commission, bureau, office, board, or other
7 establishment of the state government (other than the
8 legislature and office of Hawaiian affairs), the judiciary, the
9 political subdivisions of the State, or any quasi-public
10 institution supported in whole or in part by state funds, which
11 is authorized to expend specified appropriations made by this
12 Act.

13 Abbreviations, where used to denote the expending agency,
14 shall mean the following:

15 AGR Department of agriculture

16 AGS Department of accounting and general services

17 ATG Department of the attorney general

18 BED Department of business, economic development, and
19 tourism

20 BUF Department of budget and finance

21 CCA Department of commerce and consumer affairs



1	DEF	Department of defense
2	EDN	Department of education
3	GOV	Office of the governor
4	HHL	Department of Hawaiian home lands
5	HMS	Department of human services
6	HRD	Department of human resources development
7	HTH	Department of health
8	JUD	Judiciary
9	LBR	Department of labor and industrial relations
10	LNR	Department of land and natural resources
11	LTG	Office of the lieutenant governor
12	PSD	Department of public safety
13	SUB	Subsidies
14	TAX	Department of taxation
15	TRN	Department of transportation
16	UOH	University of Hawaii
17	CCH	City and county of Honolulu
18	COH	County of Hawaii
19	COK	County of Kauai
20	COM	County of Maui



1 "Means of financing" or "MOF" means the source from which
2 funds are appropriated or authorized to be expended for the
3 programs and projects specified in this Act. All appropriations
4 are followed by letter symbols. The letter symbols, where used,
5 shall have the following meanings:

6 A General funds

7 B Special funds

8 C General obligation bond fund

9 D General obligation bond fund with debt service cost to
10 be paid from special funds

11 E Revenue bond funds

12 J Federal aid interstate funds

13 K Federal aid primary funds

14 L Federal aid secondary funds

15 M Federal aid urban funds

16 N Federal funds

17 P Other federal funds

18 R Private contributions

19 S County funds

20 T Trust funds

21 U Interdepartmental transfers



1 W Revolving funds

2 X Other funds

3 "Program ID" means the unique identifier for the specific
4 program and consists of the abbreviation for the organization
5 responsible for carrying out the program followed by the
6 organization number for the program.

7 **PART II. PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS - EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

8 SECTION 5. APPROPRIATIONS. The legislature finds that the
9 grant recipients named in this part have applied for a grant
10 pursuant to section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and
11 qualify to receive a grant pursuant to section 42F-103, Hawaii
12 Revised Statutes.

13 The appropriations shall be disbursed by a contract between
14 the named expending agency and the grant recipient pursuant to
15 sections 42F-104, 42F-105, and 42F-106, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
16 Further, the legislature finds and declares that the grants are
17 in the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
18 general welfare of the State. The following sums, or so much
19 thereof as may be sufficient to accomplish the purposes and
20 programs designated herein, are hereby appropriated or
21 authorized, as the case may be, from the means of financing



1 specified to the expending agencies designated for the fiscal
 2 biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The
 3 total expenditures and the number of positions in each fiscal
 4 year of the biennium shall not exceed the sums and the position
 5 ceilings indicated for each fiscal year, except as provided
 6 elsewhere in this Act or as provided by general law.

PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

ITEM NO.	PROG. ID	PROGRAM	EXPENDING AGENCY	APPROPRIATIONS	
				FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026	M O F
7					
8	A.	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
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10	B.	EMPLOYMENT			
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12	C.	TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES			
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14	D.	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION			
15					
16	E.	HEALTH			
17					
18	F.	SOCIAL SERVICES			
19					
20	G.	FORMAL EDUCATION			
21					
22	H.	CULTURE AND RECREATION			
23					
24	I.	PUBLIC SAFETY			
25					
26	J.	INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS			
27					
28	K.	GOVERNMENT-WIDE SUPPORT			
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PART III. SPECIAL PROVISIONS - EXECUTIVE BRANCH

SECTION 6. The governor may supplement funds for any cost element for a capital improvement project authorized under this Act by transferring sums as may be needed from the funds appropriated for any other cost element of the same project by this Act or any other prior or future Act that has not lapsed; provided that the total expenditure of funds for all cost elements shall not exceed the total appropriations for that project; provided further that the governor shall submit a report to the legislature of all uses of this authority for the previous twelve-month period from December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.

SECTION 7. Any provision of this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, the appropriations made for capital improvement projects authorized under this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is made; provided that all appropriations made to be expended in fiscal biennium 2025-2027 that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2028, shall lapse as of that date; provided further that this lapsing date shall not apply to non-general fund appropriations for



1 projects described in this Act where the appropriations have
2 been deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and
3 reimbursement; provided further that those non-general fund
4 appropriations that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2029, shall
5 lapse as of that date.

6 SECTION 8. In releasing funds for capital improvement
7 projects, the governor shall consider legislative intent and the
8 objectives of the user agency and its programs; the scope and
9 level of the user agency's intended service; and the means,
10 efficiency, and economics by which the project will meet the
11 objectives of the user agency and the State; provided that
12 agencies responsible for construction shall take into
13 consideration legislative intent, the objectives of the user
14 agency and its programs, and the scope and level of the user
15 agency's intended service and construct the improvement to meet
16 the objectives of the user agency in the most efficient and
17 economical manner possible.

18 SECTION 9. With the approval of the governor, designated
19 expending agencies for capital improvement projects authorized
20 in this Act may delegate to other state or county agencies the
21 implementation of projects when it is determined advantageous to



1 do so by both the original expending agency and the agency to
2 which expending authority is to be delegated; provided that the
3 governor shall submit a report to the legislature of all uses of
4 this authority for the previous twelve-month period from
5 December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the
6 convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.

7 SECTION 10. No appropriation authorized in this Act for
8 expenditure by a political subdivision of the State shall be
9 considered to be a mandate to undertake new programs or to
10 increase the level of services under existing programs of that
11 political subdivision. If any appropriation authorized in this
12 Act constitutes a mandate within the provisions of section 5 of
13 article VIII of the Hawaii State Constitution, the authorization
14 shall be void and, in the case of capital improvement
15 appropriations designated to be financed from the general
16 obligation bond fund, the total general obligation bonds
17 authorized for those projects shall be correspondingly
18 decreased.

19 SECTION 11. Whenever the expending agency to which an
20 appropriation is made is changed due to legislation enacted
21 during any session of the legislature that affects the



1 appropriations made by this Act, the governor shall transfer the
2 necessary funds and positions to the proper expending agency as
3 provided by law.

4 SECTION 12. If the State should assume the direct
5 operation of any non-governmental agency receiving state funds
6 under the provisions of this Act, all related state funds shall
7 constitute a credit to the State against the costs of acquiring
8 all or any portion of the property, real, personal, or mixed, of
9 the non-governmental agency. This credit shall be applicable
10 regardless of when the acquisition takes place.

11 SECTION 13. Where an agency is authorized to secure funds
12 or other property from private organizations or individuals to
13 be expended or utilized in connection with any authorized
14 program, the agency, with the governor's approval, may enter
15 into the undertaking; provided that the provisions of the
16 undertaking comply with applicable state constitutional and
17 statutory requirements; provided further that the governor shall
18 submit a report to the legislature of all uses of this authority
19 for the previous twelve-month period from December 1 to
20 November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the convening of
21 the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.



1 SECTION 14. Except as otherwise provided by general law,
2 negotiations for the purchase of land by state agencies shall be
3 subject to the approval of the governor and the department of
4 land and natural resources or other appropriate agency; provided
5 that private lands may be acquired for the purpose of exchange
6 for federal lands when the department of land and natural
7 resources and the governor determine that the acquisition and
8 exchange are necessary for the completion of any project
9 specifically authorized by this Act.

10 SECTION 15. With the approval of the governor, expending
11 agencies that use appropriations authorized in part II of this
12 Act for planning, land acquisition, design, construction, and
13 equipment for repair and alterations may delegate that
14 responsibility and transfer funds to public works - planning,
15 design, and construction (AGS221) for the implementation of the
16 repair and alterations when it is determined by the agencies
17 that it is advantageous to do so; provided that the governor
18 shall submit to the legislature a summary report of all uses of
19 this authority for the previous twelve-month period from
20 December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the
21 convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.



PART IV. PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS - JUDICIARY

SECTION 16. APPROPRIATIONS. The legislature finds that the grant recipients named in this part have applied for a grant pursuant to section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and qualify to receive a grant pursuant to section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The appropriations shall be disbursed by a contract between the named expending agency and the grant recipient pursuant to sections 42F-104, 42F-105, and 42F-106, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Further, the legislature finds and declares that the grants are in the public interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare of the State. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to accomplish the purposes and programs designated herein, are hereby appropriated or authorized, as the case may be, from the means of financing specified to the expending agencies designated for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The total expenditures and the number of positions in each fiscal year of the biennium shall not exceed the sums and the position ceilings indicated for each fiscal year, except as provided elsewhere in this Act or as provided by general law.



PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS

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				FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026	M O F

A. JUDICIARY

PART V. SPECIAL PROVISIONS - JUDICIARY

SECTION 17. The chief justice may supplement funds for any cost element for a capital improvement project authorized under this Act by transferring sums as may be needed from the funds appropriated for any other cost element of the same project by this Act or any other prior or future Act that has not lapsed; provided that the total expenditure of funds for all cost elements shall not exceed the total appropriations for that project; provided further that the chief justice shall submit a report to the legislature of all uses of this authority for the previous twelve-month period from December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.

SECTION 18. Any provision of this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, the appropriations made for capital improvement projects authorized under this Act shall not lapse at the end of



1 the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is made;
2 provided that all appropriations made to be expended in fiscal
3 biennium 2025-2027 that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2028,
4 shall lapse as of that date; provided further that this lapsing
5 date shall not apply to non-general fund appropriations for
6 projects described in this Act where the appropriations have
7 been deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and
8 reimbursement; provided further that those non-general fund
9 appropriations that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2029, shall
10 lapse as of that date.

11 SECTION 19. In releasing funds for capital improvement
12 projects, the chief justice shall consider legislative intent
13 and the objectives of the judiciary and its programs; the scope
14 and level of the judiciary's intended service; and the means,
15 efficiency, and economics by which the project will meet the
16 objectives of the judiciary and the State; provided that
17 judiciary shall take into consideration legislative intent, the
18 objectives of the responsible for construction and its programs,
19 and the scope and level of the judiciary's intended service and
20 construct the improvement to meet the objectives of the user
21 agency in the most efficient and economical manner possible.



1 SECTION 20. With the approval of the chief justice, the
2 judiciary may delegate to other state or county agencies the
3 implementation of projects when it is determined advantageous to
4 do so by both the judiciary and the agency to which expending
5 authority is to be delegated; provided that the chief justice
6 shall submit a report to the legislature of all uses of this
7 authority for the previous twelve-month period from December 1
8 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior to the convening
9 of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.

10 SECTION 21. No appropriation authorized in this Act for
11 expenditure by the judiciary shall be considered to be a mandate
12 to undertake new programs or to increase the level of services
13 under existing programs of the judiciary. If any appropriation
14 authorized in this Act constitutes a mandate within the
15 provisions of section 5 of article VIII of the Hawaii State
16 Constitution, the authorization shall be void and, in the case
17 of capital improvement appropriations designated to be financed
18 from the general obligation bond fund, the total general
19 obligation bonds authorized for those projects shall be
20 correspondingly decreased.



1 SECTION 22. Whenever the expending agency to which an
2 appropriation is made is changed due to legislation enacted
3 during any session of the legislature that affects the
4 appropriations made by this Act, the chief justice shall
5 transfer the necessary funds and positions to the proper
6 expending agency as provided by law.

7 SECTION 23. If the State should assume the direct
8 operation of any non-governmental agency receiving state funds
9 under the provisions of this Act, all related state funds shall
10 constitute a credit to the State against the costs of acquiring
11 all or any portion of the property, real, personal, or mixed, of
12 the non-governmental agency. This credit shall be applicable
13 regardless of when the acquisition takes place.

14 SECTION 24. Where the judiciary is authorized to secure
15 funds or other property from private organizations or
16 individuals to be expended or utilized in connection with any
17 authorized program, the agency, with the chief justice's
18 approval, may enter into the undertaking; provided that the
19 provisions of the undertaking comply with applicable state
20 constitutional and statutory requirements; provided further that
21 the chief justice shall submit a report to the legislature of



1 all uses of this authority for the previous twelve-month period
2 from December 1 to November 30 no later than thirty days prior
3 to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027.

4 SECTION 25. Except as otherwise provided by general law,
5 negotiations for the purchase of land by state agencies shall be
6 subject to the approval of the chief justice and the department
7 of land and natural resources or other appropriate agency;
8 provided that private lands may be acquired for the purpose of
9 exchange for federal lands when the department of land and
10 natural resources and the chief justice determine that the
11 acquisition and exchange are necessary for the completion of any
12 project specifically authorized by this Act.

13 SECTION 26. With the approval of the chief justice,
14 expending agencies that use appropriations authorized in part IV
15 of this Act for planning, land acquisition, design,
16 construction, and equipment for repair and alterations may
17 delegate that responsibility and transfer funds to public works
18 - planning, design, and construction (AGS221) for the
19 implementation of the repair and alterations when it is
20 determined by the agencies that it is advantageous to do so;
21 provided that the chief justice shall submit to the legislature



1 a summary report of all uses of this authority for the previous
2 twelve-month period from December 1 to November 30 no later than
3 thirty days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of
4 2026 and 2027.

5 **PART VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND EFFECTIVE DATE**

6 SECTION 27. (a) An organization shall not receive grant
7 moneys pursuant to this Act unless the organization:

8 (1) Provides crucial programmatic aid and outreach in the
9 health, human services, or legal representation
10 sector;

11 (2) Normally receives substantial federal funding for the
12 purpose of program operations;

13 (3) Is considered at a risk of losing, or receiving a
14 significantly decreased amount of, federal funding if
15 the suspension or termination of funding occurs; and

16 (4) Agrees to be subject to audits conducts by the State,
17 or any contracted entity of the State, to ensure the
18 organization's use of moneys authorized by this Act is
19 consistent with the purposes of this Act.

20 (b) Each organization that receives grant moneys pursuant
21 to this Act shall provide to the legislature, no later than



1 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
2 2026, a report to the legislature that includes:

3 (1) The specific sources of federal funding for the
4 organization from which funding has been suspended or
5 terminated;

6 (2) The reasons why funding may be affected by the
7 suspension or termination of funding; and

8 (3) Detailed, itemized explanations regarding how moneys
9 provided by the Act shall be used to supplant
10 suspended or terminated federal funding.

11 SECTION 28. If any portion of this Act or its application
12 to any person, entity, or circumstance is held to be invalid for
13 any reason, the legislature declares that the remainder of the
14 Act and each and every other provision thereof shall not be
15 affected thereby. If any portion of a specific appropriation is
16 held to be invalid for any reason, the remaining portion shall
17 be expended to fulfill the objective of that appropriation to
18 the extent possible.

19 SECTION 29. If manifest clerical, typographical, or other
20 mechanical errors are found in this Act, the governor or the
21 chief justice, as the case may be, may correct the errors.



1 SECTION 30. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Chapter 42F; Grants; Executive Branch; Judiciary; Appropriations

Description:

Appropriates moneys for grants for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Subjects recipient organizations to certain requirements.

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