APPLICATION FOR GRANTS – FISCAL YEAR 2027

Applicant Organization:
Hoʻomaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaiʻi

Internal Revenue Code Status:
501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organization

Project Title:
Rescue Facility Infrastructure Expansion and Program Operations Support

Total Grant Amount Requested:
$585,000

Fiscal Year:
FY 2026-2027

Type of Request:
Combined Capital and Operational Support

Public Purpose:
The requested grant funds will be used for a public purpose pursuant to Section 42F-102, Hawaiʻi Revised Statutes, by supporting nonprofit animal rescue services, humane animal care, community education, and public-access programming that benefits the broader community.

Geographic Area Served:
Island of Oʻahu, State of Hawaiʻi

Applicant Contact:
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Authorized Representative:
Amanda Ampon
Chief Development Officer, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Board
Hoʻomaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaiʻi

Date Submitted:
January 24, 2025

Applicant Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

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) *Currently pending*
- ☑ 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 (✓)
  - b) Personnel salaries and wages (✓)
  - c) Equipment and motor vehicles (✓)
  - d) Capital project details (✓)
  - e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid (✓)
- ☑ 7) Experience and Capability
- ☑ 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	PRINT NAME AND TITLE	DATE
	Amanda Ampon, Chief Development Officer	01-23-2026

I – CERTIFICATION

1. Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate

Attachment provided separately.
(Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate is pending and will be submitted immediately upon issuance.)

2. Declaration Statement

See attached Declaration Statement affirming compliance with Section 42F-103, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes.

3. Public Purpose

Yes. The requested grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to Section 42F-102, Hawai‘i Revised Statutes, by supporting nonprofit animal rescue services, humane animal care, community education, and public-access programming that benefits the broader community.

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

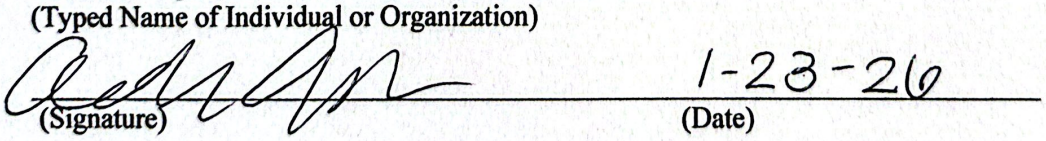
   b) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.

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.

Amanda Ampon, Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii
(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)



(Signature) 1-23-26 (Date)

Amanda Ampon (Typed Name)

Chief Development Officer (Title)

II. Background and Summary

1. Applicant Background

Hoʻomaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaiʻi is a Hawaiʻi-based nonprofit organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and humane care of horses and other livestock, while providing community education and public engagement opportunities centered on animal welfare and responsible stewardship. The organization operates a working rescue facility that supports daily animal care, volunteer engagement, and small-scale public programs that connect residents and visitors with rescued animals in a safe, educational environment.

2. Goals and Objectives Related to the Request

The goal of this request is to strengthen the organization's operational capacity and physical infrastructure in order to improve animal welfare, ensure public safety, and support sustainable program growth. Objectives include advancing permit-ready planning and engineering, completing phased facility improvements, installing permanent infrastructure systems, and formalizing staffing support necessary to administer and oversee grant-funded activities.

3. Public Purpose and Need

The requested funds address a demonstrated public need for safe, humane animal rescue services and accessible educational programming related to animal care and welfare. Existing infrastructure limitations constrain the organization's ability to safely house animals, manage quarantine and recovery needs, and host public-facing activities. Investment in facility improvements and program capacity will directly support animal health, regulatory compliance, volunteer coordination, and responsible public access.

4. Target Population to Be Served

The primary beneficiaries of the program are rescued horses and livestock requiring rehabilitation and long-term care. Secondary beneficiaries include community volunteers, local residents, schools, nonprofit partners, and members of the public

who participate in educational visits and service-based programming offered at the rescue facility.

5. Geographic Coverage

Services are provided on the island of O‘ahu, with primary operations serving the surrounding North Shore and greater O‘ahu community.

III. Service Summary and Outcomes

1. Scope of Work, Tasks, and Responsibilities

The proposed project combines capital facility improvements with operational support necessary to ensure safe, effective, and sustainable delivery of nonprofit animal rescue services and community-based programming. Capital activities will include professional design and engineering services; preparation of permit-ready plans; construction of covered animal care and common-use structures; modular quarantine and recovery spaces; reinforced enclosures; arena improvements; and installation of permanent water and utility infrastructure.

Operational activities supported by this request include essential staffing functions related to program administration, facility oversight, volunteer coordination, compliance monitoring, and grant reporting. Staff responsibilities will include coordinating capital project activities, overseeing contractors and vendors, maintaining compliance with County and State requirements, ensuring continuity of animal care during construction phases, and administering required financial and performance reporting.

2. Projected Annual Timeline

Project implementation will occur over the fiscal year using a phased approach. Initial activities will focus on completing design development, engineering, and permit preparation required for County approvals. Upon receipt of necessary approvals, construction activities will commence, prioritizing safety-related infrastructure improvements, covered animal care areas, and permanent utility systems.

Operational staffing and oversight will occur throughout the fiscal year to ensure uninterrupted animal care, volunteer engagement, and public-access programming while capital improvements are underway.

3. Quality Assurance and Evaluation Plans

Project implementation will be monitored through internal oversight, professional consultation, and regular review of budgets, timelines, and deliverables. Capital activities will be evaluated against approved plans and permit requirements, with adjustments made as needed to address site conditions, safety considerations, or regulatory requirements.

Operational performance will be evaluated through staff supervision, volunteer feedback, program tracking, and financial monitoring. The organization will maintain detailed records

related to expenditures, project milestones, and service delivery to ensure accountability and compliance with State requirements.

4. Measures of Effectiveness

The organization will report the following measures of effectiveness to the expending agency:

- Completion of permit-ready design and engineering plans
- Initiation or completion of phased capital improvement activities
- Installation of permanent infrastructure systems supporting animal care
- Increased capacity for safe animal housing, quarantine, and recovery
- Continuity of daily animal care and volunteer-supported operations during the fiscal year
- Timely submission of required grant reports and financial documentation

IV. Financial

Budget

1. Budget Forms

The applicant has submitted the required budget forms to detail the cost of the request, including the following attachments:

a. Budget request by source of funds
b. Personnel salaries and wages
c. Equipment and motor vehicles
d. Capital project details
e. Government contracts, grants, and grants-in-aid

All submitted budget forms are incorporated by reference and reflect the total amount requested for fiscal year 2027.

2. Anticipated Quarterly Funding Requests for Fiscal Year 2027

Anticipated funding requests are projected to be evenly distributed across the fiscal year to support continuous operational staffing and phased capital project implementation.

Quarter 1: $146,250
Quarter 2: $146,250
Quarter 3: $146,250
Quarter 4: $146,250
Total Grant: $585,000

3. Other Sources of Funding Being Sought for Fiscal Year 2027

At this time, the applicant is not seeking additional funding sources for fiscal year 2027 specific to the activities outlined in this request.

4. State and Federal Tax Credits

The applicant has not been granted any state or federal tax credits within the prior three years and has not applied for or anticipates applying for any tax credits related to the proposed capital project.

5. Government Contracts, Grants, and Grants-in-Aid

The applicant has not received any federal, state, or county government contracts, grants, or grants-in-aid within the prior three years and does not anticipate receiving such funding for fiscal year 2027 beyond the request outlined in this application.

6. Balance of Unrestricted Current Assets

As of December 31, 2025, the applicant’s unrestricted current assets were limited and primarily allocated to ongoing operational needs.

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

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	250,000			
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments	22,500			
3. Fringe Benefits	20,000			
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	**292,500**			
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island	0			
2. Insurance	3,200			
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment	2,000			
4. Lease/Rental of Space	500			
5. Staff Training	2,000			
6. Supplies	50,000			
7. Telecommunication	0			
8. Utilities	6,200			
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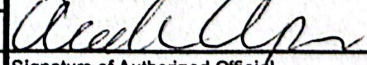
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	**63,900**			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	**22,000**			
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES	**0**			
E. CAPITAL	**207,000**			
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	**585,400**			

SOURCES OF FUNDING	
(a) Total State Funds Requested	585,400
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested	0
(c) Total County Funds Requested	0
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested	5,000
TOTAL BUDGET	**590,400**

Budget Prepared By:

Amanda Ampon — 808-469-6816

Name (Please type or print) — Phone



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Signature of Authorized Official — Date

Amanda Ampon, Chief Development Officer

Name and Title (Please type or print)

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
Chief Executive Officer	1	$75,000.00	100.00%	$ 75,000.00
Chief Development Officer	1	$65,000.00	100.00%	$ 65,000.00
Director of Equine Operations	1	$55,000.00	100.00%	$ 55,000.00
On-Site Caretaker	1	$55,000.00	100.00%	$ 55,000.00
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TOTAL:				250,000.00

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: Personnel costs reflect essential program administration and service delivery functions. The organization has historically operated with significant donated labor and limited compensation; however, the requested funding will allow for the stabilization and formalization of critical roles necessary to effectively administer, monitor, and deliver the proposed services.

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Horse Trailer	1.00	$20,000.00	$ 20,000.00	20000
Portable Fencing Panels	1.00	$2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	2000
			$ -	
			$ -	
			$ -	
TOTAL:	2		$ 22,000.00	22,000

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
			$ -	
			$ -	
			$ -	
			$ -	
			$ -	
TOTAL:				

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED

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:2024-2025	FY:2025-2026	FY:2026-2027	FY:2026-2027	FY:2027-2028	FY:2028-2029
PLANS	-	2,200.00	20,000.00	-	6,000.00	5,500.00
LAND ACQUISITION	-	-	-	-	-	-
DESIGN	-	-	12,000.00	-	4,000.00	3,000.00
CONSTRUCTION	-	10,000.00	155,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	8,000.00
EQUIPMENT	-	2,000.00	20,000.00	-	7,500.00	4,200.00
TOTAL:	-	14,200.00	207,000.00	5,000.00	27,500.00	20,700.00

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: The requested capital funds will support a phased infrastructure expansion to improve animal care capacity, operational safety, and public access at the rescue facility. Funds will be used for professional design and engineering services, including preparation of permit-ready plans (structural, elevation, and electrical), as well as initial construction activities and installation of fixed infrastructure systems. Construction components include covered animal care and common-use structures, modular and container-based quarantine and recovery spaces, reinforced enclosures, arena improvements, and visitor safety enhancements. Fixed equipment costs include permanent water distribution systems essential to daily animal care. This project represents a critical phase in the organization's long-term facility development plan and will enable compliance with County requirements while supporting program sustainability and growth.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Ho'omaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaii

Contracts Total: N/A

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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V. Experience and Capability

1. Necessary Skills and Experience

Hoʻomaluhia Horse Rescue Hawaiʻi has demonstrated the organizational capacity, technical knowledge, and operational experience necessary to implement the proposed project. The organization has experience managing daily animal care operations, coordinating volunteers, administering nonprofit programs, and overseeing facility maintenance and improvements.

Over the past 2 years, the organization has successfully operated a working rescue facility, coordinated community-based programming, and managed professional services related to planning, engineering, and site improvements. Leadership and staff possess direct experience working with contractors, consultants, and regulatory agencies to advance facility-related projects while maintaining ongoing program operations.

2. Facilities

The organization operates a dedicated rescue facility located on Oʻahu that supports daily animal care, volunteer activities, and limited public-access programming. Existing facilities include animal enclosures, pasture areas, and support spaces; however, infrastructure limitations currently restrict capacity, safety, and program expansion.

The proposed project will enhance existing facilities through phased capital improvements designed to support humane animal care, operational efficiency, regulatory compliance, and safe public engagement.

VI – PERSONNEL: PROJECT ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

1. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision, and Training

The organization will utilize a combination of paid staff and volunteer support to implement the proposed project. Paid personnel supported through this request will provide program administration, facility oversight, volunteer coordination, compliance monitoring, and grant reporting. Staff possess relevant experience in nonprofit operations, animal care management, and project coordination.

Staff will be supervised by organizational leadership, with ongoing training and guidance provided to ensure compliance with safety standards, animal welfare best practices, and grant requirements.

2. Organization Chart

An organization chart illustrating staff roles and reporting relationships is available upon request and reflects clear lines of supervision and accountability for grant-funded activities.

3. Compensation

Compensation levels for organizational leadership and staff are conservative and commensurate with experience, responsibilities, and nonprofit sector standards. Salary ranges for the organization’s highest compensated positions are provided in the accompanying budget documentation.

VII – OTHER

1. Litigation

The organization is not a party to any pending litigation and has no outstanding judgments.

2. Licensure or Accreditation

The organization complies with applicable federal, State, and County requirements relevant to nonprofit operations and animal care services.

3. Private Educational Institutions

Grant funds will not be used to support or benefit any sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

If grant funding is received for fiscal year 2027, the organization will utilize the funds to strengthen operational capacity and advance phased facility improvements that support long-term sustainability. Improved infrastructure and staffing capacity will enable expansion of program offerings, enhanced volunteer engagement, and pursuit of diversified funding sources.

If grant funding is not received beyond fiscal year 2027, the organization will continue operations at a reduced pace using available resources while pursuing alternative funding opportunities, including private donations, grants, and earned program revenue, to support future phases of development.