



DHHL Grants Program

Building **UNITY** in Comm**UNITY**

2nd Homestead Leadership Conference

January 23, 2010

Workshop Agenda

- Introductions
- Review of Grant Programs
 - Capacity-building
 - Implementation
 - Regional Plan Priority Projects
- Grant Award Process
- Pitfalls and pratfalls
- Proposed Changes for Kūlia i ka Nu‘u
- Q & A

Native Hawaiian Development Program

- Improves general welfare and conditions of native Hawaiians through educational, economic, political, social, cultural, and other programs
- Increases self-sufficiency/ self-determination of native Hawaiian individuals/ communities
- Provides grants and technical assistance for beneficiary organizations
 - “Hawaiian home lands homestead community or applicant organizations”
- Builds the leadership and management capacity within beneficiary organizations

Capacity-building grants

- Intended to help a beneficiary organization improve its ability to serve applicants and homestead residents
- Example activities:
 - board training
 - strategic planning/ community visioning
 - membership drives
 - beneficiary outreach
 - fundraising activities

Capacity-building grants

- Rolling deadline; 4 processes per year
- Total budget: \$50,000
- Cap per award: \$5,000
- Reviewers: DHHL staff
- Recommenders: DHHL committee
- Decision-maker: HHC

Capacity-building grants

- Review criteria:
 - Purpose of building capacity (expected outcomes and benefit to beneficiaries)
 - Organization's readiness to make use of the proposed capacity-building activities
 - Proposed work plan for capacity building activities
 - Demonstrate the intended impact on the DHHL beneficiaries

Implementation grants

- Improve the living standards in native communities
- Help applicants become lessees
- Improve homestead areas and facilities
- Implement a community vision

- Example activities:
 - Youth programs
 - Purchase farm equipment
 - Homestead garden projects

Implementation grants

- 2 cycles per year
- Total budget: \$200,000
- Cap per award: None
- Reviewers: DHHL staff
- Recommenders: GRAC
- Decision-maker: HHC

Implementation grants

- Review criteria:
 - Relevance to a community plan/vision
 - Completeness and relevancy of the project work plan
 - Beneficiary involvement in planning the project
 - Applicant's organizational capacity
 - Expected outcomes and intended impact on beneficiaries
 - Proportion of matching funds provided from other sources
 - Cost effectiveness

Regional Plan Priority Project grants

- For community-driven priority projects identified in DHHL's Regional Plans approved by the Hawaiian Homes Commission (HHC).
- Example projects:
 - Maku'u Community Center
 - Waimānalo CTTEC
 - Kapolei CDC Heritage Center
 - La'i 'Ōpua 2020 Community Center

Regional Plan Priority Project grants

- 1 cycle per year
- “Second chance”
- Total budget: \$250,000
- Cap per award: None
- Reviewers: DHHL staff
- Recommenders: DHHL committee
- Decision-maker: HHC

Grant Award Process



Pitfalls and pratfalls

APPLICATION

- Missing information in application
- No matching funds or in-kind match
- 100% of grant to consultant

IMPLEMENTATION

- Certification delays
- Limited communication with DHHL
- No reporting
- Running out of money

Proposed Changes

- Capacity-building grant → “Outreach Grant”
- Specific capacity eligibility requirements
- Supplemental application information
- New reporting format
- No implementation grant funds for RPPP
- Required enrollment in Hawaii Compliance Express
- Developing GRAC nominations process



QUESTIONS?



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