

West Hawai'i Fund Community Grants Program

About Community Grants program

The Community Grants program provides project and program-based funding to nonprofit organizations benefiting communities in Hawai'i. We believe that those working closest to the people they serve are best informed of the needs and opportunities that exist through the connections and relationships that they build every day.

Specific geographic funds established at the Hawai'i Community Foundation support this program and are conducted in three different grant rounds throughout the year.

About West Hawai'i Fund

The West Hawai'i Fund was established for the benefit of the people and communities of West Hawai'i, from North Kohala to Ocean View Estates. The West Hawai'i Fund aims to support programs that address equitable and inclusive access to services, build resilience and connection between different sectors of the community, and strengthen the long-term capacity of individuals and organizations to become healthy, vibrant, and sustainable. Preference will be given to organizations based in West Hawai'i.

Did you know?

- A volunteer advisory committee, made up of residents of West Hawai'i, works with the Hawai'i Community Foundation professional staff to match the fund's resources with community needs. Since its formation in 1990, over 40 community members have served on the advisory committee.
- Since its inception, the West Hawai'i Fund has distributed a total of \$2.3 million in grants to 218 organizations serving West Hawai'i.



Who is eligible to apply?

- Nonprofits
- Fiscally-sponsored organizations
- Community-serving groups
- Programs of churches
- Projects of Hawai'i DOE schools

How to apply:

- ▶ Visit hawaiicommunityfoundation.org/grants/community-grants and read through the Funding Opportunity to see if this funding is a good fit for your community-based organization.
- ▶ Log in or sign up with **HCF's Grants Portal** to start and submit your application.
hawaii.cf.smartsimple.com/s_Login.jsp

Questions?

- ▶ **Contact Michelle Pope at mpope@hcf-hawaii.org or (808) 792-3101**
- ▶ **Submit your application to the West Hawai'i Fund online by Monday, August 18, 2025 at 4 p.m. HST.**
- ▶ **Have general questions or need help registering your organization the Grants Portal?**
E-mail communitygrants@hcf-hawaii.org

To learn more about application dates and deadlines for the Community Grants program, please visit: hawaiicommunityfoundation.org/grants/community-grants