

House District 20

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**THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE  
HAWAI'I STATE LEGISLATURE  
APPLICATION FOR GRANTS & SUBSIDIES  
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES**

Log No: 186-0

For Legislature's Use Only

Type of Grant or Subsidy Request:

GRANT REQUEST – OPERATING

GRANT REQUEST – CAPITAL

SUBSIDY REQUEST

"Grant" means an award of state funds by the legislature, by an appropriation to a specified recipient, to support the activities of the recipient and permit the community to benefit from those activities.

"Subsidy" means an award of state funds by the legislature, by an appropriation to a recipient specified in the appropriation, to reduce the costs incurred by the organization or individual in providing a service available to some or all members of the public.

"Recipient" means any organization or person receiving a grant or subsidy.

STATE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY RELATED TO THIS REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND PROGRAM I.D. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Legal Name of Requesting Organization or Individual:

Dba: **Mutual Assistance Associations Center (MAAC)**

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Honolulu, Hawaii 96818**

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**3. TYPE OF BUSINESS ENTITY:**

- NON PROFIT CORPORATION
- FOR PROFIT CORPORATION
- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
- SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP/INDIVIDUAL

4. FEDERAL TAX ID #: [REDACTED]

5. STATE TAX ID #: [REDACTED]

6. SSN (IF AN INDIVIDUAL): \_\_\_\_\_

**7. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S REQUEST:**

**GRANT-IN-AID FOR ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION OF  
MAAC'S COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

*(Maximum 300 Characters)*

**8. FISCAL YEARS AND AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS REQUESTED:**

FY 2008-2009 \$ 288,468.00

**9. STATUS OF SERVICE DESCRIBED IN THIS REQUEST:**

- NEW SERVICE (PRESENTLY DOES NOT EXIST)
- EXISTING SERVICE (PRESENTLY IN OPERATION)

SPECIFY THE AMOUNT BY SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE  
AT THE TIME OF THIS REQUEST:

STATE \$ -0-

FEDERAL \$ -0-

COUNTY \$ -0-

PRIVATE/OTHER \$ -0-

TYPE NAME & TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:

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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

MILTON HUTCHISON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MAAC  
NAME & TITLE

1/29/08  
DATE SIGNED

**Application to The Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
Hawai'i State Legislature  
Grant-In-Aid for  
MUTUAL ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATIONS CENTER (MAAC)**

**BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY**

**MAAC Background**

A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1985, MAAC provides free technology training and computer-aided educational programs for the children in Palolo Valley. For more than 20 years, it has been an integral part of the Palolo Valley community providing educational, social and technical services for underserved youth who live in low-income Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing.

Originally set-up to assist immigrant families, MAAC has evolved into a Community Technology Center (CTC) providing computer literacy and academic programs for Native Hawaiian, Pacific Island and other ethnic groups living in Palolo Valley housing projects.

The organization fills a unique gap in community services for the residents, particularly school aged children, who reside in public housing. MAAC provides needed technical training as well as social and life skills preparation for the youth who attend Palolo Elementary and Jarrett Middle School.

**MAAC's Mission**

*MAAC's mission is to help children in low income families in Palolo Valley to excel in school and prepare them for further success in life through the use of new technologies in our free after-school computer center. For the challenges ahead, we also fortify them with life skills training, experiential learning and operations of computer office tools.*

MAAC's overriding goal is to help marginalized children succeed in life. This is accomplished through providing them with the tools they need to succeed. One of those tools is technology. The others are reading, writing and math as well as life and social skills.

**Project Description and Goals**

The purpose of this project is to provide program support for MAAC's CTC, situated on the second floor of the Palolo District Park Gymnasium, so that it can expand its staff and hours of operation and serve more disadvantaged youth.

The CTC serves not only as an educational facility but also as a safe haven and a "home away from home" for 300 youth residing in the low income public housing projects of Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing. Native Hawaiians comprise 30-40% of these youth.

Almost all of these children attend Palolo Elementary and Jarrett Middle Schools which have been identified as deficient in reading and math standards under the No Child Left Behind Law. Many of these children have no help at home and depend upon MAAC for assistance with their schoolwork. Their parents are either incapable or busy working or both.

MAAC is currently staffed with volunteers with the exception of a full-time Executive Director. He supervises the afternoon operation, providing the children an orderly, organized, drug free environment and also serves as the Center's technology specialist.

The number of children attending is far greater than one employee can manage. While the Center is functioning, its true potential to assist the children of Palolo Valley can only be achieved if additional funding is secured.

MAAC's CTC is fully equipped with state-of-the-art interactive educational programs, however, it lacks the staffing needed to assist the children in learning. These programs are designed to help children learn independently to improve their reading comprehension and math skills.

Additionally, with only one employee, MAAC's hours of operation are limited to three hours a day, five days a week. With more staff, the Center can extend its hours and serve more students and adults.

MAAC's Operational Plan for 2007-2009 calls for a gradual increase in staffing so that it can meet the needs of the children and adults of Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing. Projections call for the addition of three full-time program specialists and four part-time tutors as follows:

- Program Specialist – Technical Operations (FT)
- Program Specialist – Technical Maintenance (FT)
- Program Specialist – Technical Education (FT)
- Four Tutors (PT)

These much needed personnel will enable the Center to expand its after-school program, offer more interactive tutorials in reading and math, teach computer skills and provide assistance for adults in the evening. MAAC will also be able to provide a morning Kupuna (Senior) program and job training for adults.

The future of MAAC relies on hiring and retaining the staff needed to conduct its programs. Without these personnel, the Center will be reduced from an educational to a care-taking facility. This will be detrimental for all concerned but especially for the 300

children who would be deprived of the opportunities and training they so desperately need to succeed in school and in life.

Research shows that low-income families without job skills are caught in a generational spiral that is self-perpetuating. There are families who have been subsisting in public housing on public assistance for at least three generations. This is destructive and must be curtailed before more generations are affected.

MAAC has been addressing this problem for over 20 years. The CTC was established to provide essential job and life skills. These are the keys to success for Native Hawaiians, immigrant and other underserved groups.

### **Public Purpose and Community Need**

MAAC is one of a very few non-profit community-based organizations serving the residents, especially the children, of Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing. MAAC serves as a community learning center focusing on preparing youth in these housing complexes for higher education, jobs and for life.

At MAAC's free computer-based after-school Community Technology Center (CTC) at Palolo District Park, low-income students at Palolo Homes (federally-administered public housing) and Palolo Housing (state-administered public housing) can learn vocational and life skills.

The Center provides these underserved youngsters with an opportunity to develop their technology skills and to socialize and learn acceptable group behavior. Approximately 50 children per day utilize the center; a total of about 11,000 visits per year. On an annual basis, it is estimated that MAAC serves 300 children aged 9 to 18.

MAAC provides a unique service in the Palolo Valley community because it not only functions as a Community Technology Center but also as a resource center for many community organizations such as HCAP, Palolo Community Council, Palolo Pride and First LAP.

### **Target Population**

There are approximately 1,300 residents living in a total of 441 residential units in these two Palolo Valley housing complexes within a quarter-mile radius of MAAC. The resident population includes Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and other low income families.

Almost all the children in these projects attend Palolo Elementary and Jarrett Middle Schools. Over 95% of the elementary students qualify for federally subsidized school lunches.

At Palolo Elementary, 98% of third and fifth graders scored below the state averages in math and over 80% in reading in 2002. At Jarrett Middle, 85% and 76% of eighth graders scored below state averages in math and reading respectively.

Palolo Elementary is classified under the No Child Left Behind Act as "Planning for Restructuring" while Jarrett Middle is listed for "Corrective Action." Palolo Elementary is the only school in the Honolulu District targeted by the DOE as one of the 25 schools "in most need of urgent help."

### **Geographic Coverage**

This project encompasses the entire Palolo Valley and Palolo areas as well as underserved parts of Kaimuki.

### **Community Benefit**

As a result of this project, marginalized children and families in the Palolo Valley housing projects and in the surrounding areas of Palolo and Kaimuki, will learn to become self-sufficient through specially designed programs operated by MAAC. The programs will teach these youth and adults necessary job and life skills and give them the confidence they need to succeed in life thus reducing the economic burden on governmental agencies and taxpayers.

## **EXPERIENCE AND CAPABILITY**

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### **Necessary Skills and Experience**

MAAC is governed by an eleven member Board of Directors who provide oversight over the program, Executive Director, staff and volunteers. They also assist in fundraising. The president of the board and the Executive Director are Native Hawaiian as are MAAC's advisor and fundraising consultant.

MAAC's board all bring needed expertise and a deep commitment to the organization, its mission and goals. The board is led by Robert K. Hutchison, Lt. Colonel, USAF retired, who has background in property management, a BA from the University of Hawaii and a MA from Central Michigan University.

He is supported by a capable core of professionals from such fields as education, business, finance and youth development. Advisors include leaders from the Native Hawaiian community and technology sector.

The Executive Director, Milton Hutchison, is committed to MAAC and has been working with a dedicated volunteer staff in operating the Center's programs.

MAAC coordinates services with other non-profits in the Palolo Valley area such as HCAP (Honolulu Community Action Program), Palolo Pride, Palolo Community Council and First LAP (Life After Prison).

HCAP refers adults for workforce training and job searches; MAAC participates on the board of Palolo Pride and organizes and coordinates the annual event; MAAC participates in the Palolo Community Council composed of legislators, community leaders, governmental representatives and others; MAAC also provides workforce training for participants in First LAP, an effective prison rehabilitation program.

Accomplishments include:

- Establishment of the Community Technology Center (CTC) in 2003
- Establishment of the Computer Recycling Center
- Partnership with the City and County of Honolulu to provide an after-hours Computer Boot Camp for Summer Fun youth
- Conducting the SOS (Strategies for Older Students) computer training program
- Conducting the Virtues Class teaching basic values (kindness, respect, responsibility, malama aina , pono, etc.) to Palolo youth
- Managing, organizing and coordinating the annual Palolo Pride community event

Through these accomplishments, MAAC has established a proven track record and shown its deep commitment to addressing the needs of the youth of Palolo Housing and Palolo Homes. With reliable funding from the Legislature, MAAC will continue these much needed services and enhance them.

### **Quality Assurance and Evaluation**

The success of this project is really dependant upon increasing MAAC's staffing. Only with additional personnel will MAAC be able to reach its full potential of giving hope, opportunity, training and self-confidence to Native Hawaiian keiki and to other marginalized children.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate this project:

- Hiring a full-time Program Specialist – Technical Operations
- Hiring a full-time Program Specialist – Technical Maintenance
- Hiring a full-time Program Specialist – Technical Education
- Hiring four part-time tutors
- Expanding MAAC's hours of operation to 6 hours per day
- Training 300 children a year to become more computer proficient
- Providing reading, math and writing programs for 100 children a year
- Providing outreach services for 300 children a year
- Providing job search services for 500 adults a year

## Facilities

Located in a 2,000 square foot area on the second floor of Palolo Valley Gymnasium, MAAC's CTC is equipped with 44 computers connected to a server. The facility is open five days a week, three hours a day, on a year long schedule compatible with the Department of Education's (DOE's) school calendar.

The City and County of Honolulu provides the space rent-free. All of the equipment in the Center is owned by MAAC. The Center also operates a Computer Recycling Facility which refurbishes donated computers. These are given to the children and their families as rewards for achievement.

## **PERSONNEL: PROJECT ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING**

### Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

The project team leaders will consist of the following individuals, all of whom are highly qualified and very knowledgeable in their areas of expertise:

**Milton Hutchison** – MAAC's Executive Director for two years, Mr. Hutchison is a lifelong Hawaii resident with a degree from Reedley Community College and experience in the U.S. Army. He is also a certified Microsoft Computer Recycling Specialist and serves dual roles as MAAC's technical specialist and program manager. He supervises a cadre of capable volunteers who assist with teaching and computer recycling.

**Robert K. Hutchison** – President of MAAC's Board of Directors, Mr. Hutchison was instrumental in the founding of the CTC and has been contributing both time and money to the Center. A community volunteer for many years, Mr. Hutchison has dedicated the past five years to building MAAC's organizational capacity. He brings extensive management experience to the board having served in property management and as a Lt. Colonel in the United States Air Force.

**Joseph Yasutake** – Director of Palolo District Park, Mr. Yasutake currently serves on MAAC's Board of Directors. Well known in the Palolo community, Mr. Yasutake was instrumental in obtaining approval from the City and County of Honolulu to allocate 2,000 square feet of space in the Palolo District Park Gymnasium for MAAC's CTC. A tireless fundraiser, Mr. Yasutake also provides valuable expertise in youth training and programs.

**Richard Young** – A former nuclear submarine specialist, Mr. Young volunteers hundreds of hours of his time to supervising and training MAAC's volunteers, overseeing the Microsoft Computer Recycling Program and maintaining MAAC's computers and equipment.

**Alex Alike Jamile** – MAAC's business advisor, Mr. Jamile has extensive experience in leading non-profit organizations and improving their operations. A former Senior Vice

President of Bank of Hawaii, Mr. Jamile has also served in management capacities at Alexander and Baldwin, Matson, Young Brothers, Hawaiian Airlines and the Hawaii Employers Council.

**Pauline Worsham** – With over 30 years of experience in fund development, community building, public relations, marketing and strategic planning, Ms. Worsham specializes in the non-profit sector. A former Vice President at Bank of Hawaii, Ms. Worsham also served in key positions at Neiman Marcus - Ala Moana, the Queen's Medical Center, Liberty House, UCLA and the Hawaii Departments of Transportation and Health. She serves as MAAC's development and marketing consultant.

**Charles and Suzanne Nakoa** – Well known Native Hawaiian community leaders, Charlie and Suzanne Nakoa have been assisting MAAC for many years. They have served as kupuna at the Center and as key advisors helping to shape MAAC's philosophy and programs.

What is most urgently needed in bringing specific skills into the organization is additional staffing. The need has been documented in the project description. This proposal requests funding from the Legislature to hire three full-time specialists and four part-time tutors so that MAAC can provide a full-range of services for the children and families in Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing.

Board skills will also be expanded as the president brings additional members into the organization to assist with finance, organizational management, and fundraising.

### **Organization Chart**

An organization chart is not available; however, a list of MAAC's staff and Board of Directors is included.

## **SERVICE SUMMARY AND OUTCOMES**

### **Scope of Work, Tasks and Responsibilities**

According to *Measuring Up 2004*, out of 100 ninth graders entering high school in Hawaii, only 65 graduate on time, 34 enter college, 22 return to their second year and 12 graduate higher education on time with a degree. Not enough learners are making it through the pipeline, and as a result, we do not have the human resources needed to empower our vulnerable communities to be successful and sustainable.

Only six out of ten children are ready to succeed in school and the majority of our elementary schools are not prepared to receive them.

In the Palolo community, MAAC will help prepare vulnerable youth to be successful contributing members of society by developing community-based technology to:



1. Support academic and career success for Palolo youth and build their aspirations for higher education
2. Support personal and career development for Palolo's older adults

In order to accomplish this goal, MAAC must first build its organizational capacity by adding needed staff and updated equipment. This is an essential first step in developing a solid organization that can address Palolo's urgent community, educational, social and economic needs.

### **Projected Annual Timeline**

The projected annual timeline for accomplishing MAAC's goal and objectives is as follows:

#### **Year One**

- Update MAAC's operational plan
- Identify top five priorities and develop strategies to accomplish them
- Develop action steps for hiring identified staff members
- Implement action steps and complete hiring process
- Increase Center's hours of operation
- Expand Center's technology programs for students and adults

#### **Year Two**

- Review, revise MAAC's operational plan
- Implement second year of plan
- Coordinate services with Palolo Pipeline project
- Assess youth and adult programs and align them with community, educational and Pipeline project goals
- Evaluate Center's performance and effectiveness in reaching project goals

### **Project Outcomes**

As a result of this project, MAAC will be part of a continuum of lifelong learning opportunities for the youth and adults of Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing. The Center will provide the needed technology-based after-school and evening programs that will supplement the educational, economic and social programs being administered by the DOE and other agencies. It will play a key role in building Palolo Valley's community and institutional assets.

The outcomes and benefits of this project are:

- Providing a fully functional Community Technology Center (CTC) for youth and adults in the Palolo Valley public housing projects

- Expanding the Center's hours of operation to 6 hours per day
- Training 300 children a year to become more computer proficient
- Providing reading, math and writing programs for 100 children a year
- Providing outreach services to 300 children a year
- Providing professional development services for 500 adults a year
- Serve as a model for other disadvantaged communities

## **FINANCIAL**

### **Need for Financial Assistance**

MAAC cannot realize its full potential without funding assistance from the Legislature. Although it has been providing many essential services for the residents in Palolo Valley Homes and Housing, it has not received any meaningful support from state or federal agencies. MAAC has been primarily dependant on periodic grants from foundations, community organizations and individuals.

To address this situation, MAAC has retained an experienced development and marketing consultant to assist in developing a strategic funding and operational plan. This plan is now being executed to bring financial stability to MAAC on a short and long-term basis.

Agencies who benefit from MAAC's programs should contribute towards the support of the Center. In addition to funds from the Legislature, MAAC will also be seeking funds from private foundations, targeted individuals, county and federal agencies.

### **Budget Narrative**

Of its total project budget of \$731,936.00, MAAC is requesting a grant-in-aid of \$576,936.00 for the next biennium as follows:

- \$288,468 for FY 2007-2008
- \$288,468 for FY 2008-2009

These funds will enable MAAC to hire the necessary staff with the technical competency required to become a fully functional Community Technology Center (CTC). Funds will also be used to acquire equipment to upgrade the technology and capacity of the Center.

## **OTHER**

### **Litigation**

Currently MAAC is not involved in any litigation regarding their programs, facilities, staff or operations.

### **Licensure or Accreditation**

MAAC is an accredited Microsoft Computer Recycling Center. It is not required to have any other special licenses or accreditation.

### **Summary**

For over 20 years, MAAC has been providing educational, social and technical services for disadvantaged youth and adults who live in low-income Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing. Through its Community Technology Center (CTC), MAAC fills a real need in the community, a community that is often overlooked and underserved.

Over the years MAAC has been subsisting on sporadic grants and gifts from foundations and private individuals. Although MAAC has been providing essential educational and social services to the residents in public housing projects, it has not received any substantial funding from state, county or federal agencies to operate and administer these services.

If MAAC is to realize its full potential of becoming a community-based technology training center, assistance from the Legislature and other agencies is critical. A recent Honolulu Advertiser story quoted Superintendent Pat Hamamoto as saying that "poverty is a challenge in teaching" and economically disadvantaged students may not come to class as well prepared or have the same support from home that more affluent students receive. "Poverty makes a difference in the DOE and we can't solve it alone."

With your assistance, MAAC can be part of the solution to this difficult problem.

**BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS**  
(Period: July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009)

Applicant: Mutual Assistance Associations Center

<b>BUDGET CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Total State Funds Requested (a)</b>	<b>Cash Donations (b)</b>	<b>Foundations &amp; Grants (c)</b>	<b>(d)</b>
<b>A. PERSONNEL COST</b>				
1. Salaries	129,500			
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments	24,474			
3. Fringe Benefits	7,200			
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL COST</b>	<b>161,174</b>			
<b>B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES</b>				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island	0			
2. Insurance	3,000			
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment	0			
4. Lease/Rental of Space		60,000		
5. Staff Training	3,000			
6. Supplies	6,000			
7. Telecommunication			10,000	
8. Utilities	0			
9. Professional Fees	72,000			
10. Outside Services			45,000	
11. Printing & Reproduction			10,000	
12. Education Materials			25,000	
13. Conference & Meeting Expenses			5,000	
14. Repair & Maintenance	6,294			
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<b>TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>90,294</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>95,000</b>	
<b>C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES</b>	<b>37,000</b>			
<b>D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES</b>				
<b>E. CAPITAL</b>				
<b>TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)</b>	<b>288,468</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>95,000</b>	
<b>SOURCES OF FUNDING</b>		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	288,468	Milton Hutchison	737-9633	
(b) Cash Donations	60,000	[Redacted Signature]		Phone
(c) Foundations & Grants	95,000	[Redacted Signature]		Date
(d)				
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>443,468</b>	Milton Hutchison, Executive Director Name and Title (Please type or print)		





**DECLARATION STATEMENT  
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES  
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant acknowledges that said applicant meets and will comply with all of the following standards for the award of grants and subsidies pursuant to section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:

- (1) 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 or subsidy is awarded;
- (2) Comply 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;
- (3) Agree not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
- (4) Allow the state agency to which funds for the grant or subsidy 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 assuring the proper expenditure of the grant or subsidy.

In addition, a grant or subsidy may be made to an organization only if the organization:

- (1) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
- (2) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant or subsidy is awarded shall be conducted or provided.

Further, a grant or subsidy may be awarded to a non-profit organization only if the organization:

- (1) Has been determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
- (2) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

Mutual Assistance Associations Center (MAAC)

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)



(Signature)

January 30, 2007

(Date)

Milton Hutchison

(Typed Name)

Executive Director

(Title)

**MAAC Board of Directors and Staff  
2008**

**Board of Directors**

1. Robert K. Hutchison, President  
Lt. Colonel USAF, Retired; Property Management Background; BA University of Hawaii; MA Central Michigan University
2. Viraphan Sananikone, CFA, Vice President  
Community leader; businessperson .
3. Milton Hutchison, Secretary  
Reedley Community College; US Army; Microsoft Recycling Specialist
4. Beatrix Hu  
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5. James W. Miller, PH.D.  
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Leahi District
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9. Joseph Yasutake  
Director, Palolo District Park
10. Charles MLS Nakoa  
Community Volunteer and Kupuna
11. Suzanne M. Nakoa  
Community Volunteer and Kupuna

**Staff**

1. Milton Hutchison, Executive Director
2. Eddie Souza, Computer Technician – Volunteer



3. Richard Young, Head Computer Technician – Volunteer
4. Robert Imagiri, Instructor – Volunteer



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January 30, 2008

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Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Attn: Aaron Nyuha

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Suzanne M. Nakoa

Dear Chair Baker:

## Re: Mutual Assistance Associations Center (MAAC) Grant-In-Aid

Mutual Assistance Associations Center (MAAC) is pleased to submit the enclosed proposal to the Twenty-Fourth Legislature, Hawaii State Legislature, for a Grant-In-Aid.

MAAC is requesting funding in the amount of \$288,468.00 for FY 2008-2009. These funds are urgently needed to enable MAAC to become a fully functional Community Technology Center (CTC).

A non-profit organization, MAAC has been serving, for over 20 years, the needs of Native Hawaiian and immigrant children and adults who reside in the public housing projects of Palolo Homes and Palolo Housing.

MAAC's mission and goal is to help marginalized children succeed in life by helping them to prepare for higher education and employment through community-based technology and life skills programs.

We humbly ask for your favorable consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please contact Pauline Worsham, Development and Marketing Consultant, at (808) 951-5373 or 497-4084 or via email at [pauline@pmwconsult.com](mailto:pauline@pmwconsult.com).

Aloha and best regards,

Milton Hutchison  
Executive Director

cc: Senator Les Ihara

**NOTE: GIA for FY 07-08 and 08-09 was submitted in January 2007.  
This is a revised copy.**