

**THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
APPLICATION FOR GRANTS
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

Type of Grant Request:

Operating Capital

Legal Name of Requesting Organization or Individual: Db:

Kosong Foundation

Amount of State Funds Requested: \$ 48,000

Brief Description of Request (Please attach word document to back of page if extra space is needed):

The overarching goal of "The Journey of Rainbows" project is to foster appreciation and encourage participation in the arts amongst Hawaii's keiki through an immigration story. Particularly over the last two years of the Covid-19 pandemic, children's lives have been disrupted. As they attend online schools at times and limit social interactions, it has never been more important to provide tools that will motivate our keiki to get involved in the arts and explore their creativity. By sharing an immigration story that so many of our residents can relate to, we want to give our children positive

Amount of Other Funds Available:

State: \$ _____

Federal: \$ _____

County: \$ _____

Private/Other: \$ _____

Total amount of State Grants Received in the Past 5 Fiscal Years:

\$ 0

Unrestricted Assets:

\$ 0

New Service (Presently Does Not Exist): Existing Service (Presently in Operation):

Type of Business Entity:

- 501(C)(3) Non Profit Corporation
- Other Non Profit
- Other

Mailing Address:

1311 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 613

City: State: Zip:

Honolulu HI 96814

Contact Person for Matters Involving this Application

Sosuk Ko

Name:
Sosuk Ko

Title:
President

Email:
kososuk@gmail.com

Phone:
808-286-1111

Federal Tax ID#:

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State Tax ID#

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Authorized Signature

Sosuk Ko, President

Name and Title


1/20/2022

Date Signed

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) Certificate of Good Standing (If the Applicant is an Organization)
- 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 ([Link](#))
 - b) Personnel salaries and wages ([Link](#))
 - c) Equipment and motor vehicles ([Link](#))
 - d) Capital project details ([Link](#))
 - e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid ([Link](#))
- 7) Experience and Capability
- 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing


AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

SOSUK KO
PRINT NAME AND TITLE

1/20/2022
DATE



Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, the undersigned Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs of the State of Hawaii, do hereby certify that

KOSONG FOUNDATION, INC.

was incorporated under the laws of Hawaii on 08/22/2012 ; that it is an existing nonprofit corporation; and that, as far as the records of this Department reveal, has complied with all of the provisions of the Hawaii Nonprofit Corporations Act, regulating domestic nonprofit corporations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, at Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dated: January 20, 2022

Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs



**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAI'I REVISED STATUTES**

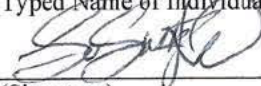
The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant certifies the following:

- 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.
- 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.

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.

So Suk Ko, Ko Sory Foundation
(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)


(Signature) 1/20/2022
(Date)

So Suk Ko
(Typed Name) President
(Title)

Application for Grants

If any item is not applicable to the request, the applicant should enter "not applicable".

I. Certification – Please attach immediately after cover page

1. Certificate of Good Standing (If the Applicant is an Organization)

Kosong Foundation Certificate of Good Standing is attached.

2. Declaration Statement

Kosong Foundation affirms its compliance with [Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#). Signed declaration is attached.

3. Public Purpose

Kosong Foundation affirms that the grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to [Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

II. Background and Summary

This section shall clearly and concisely summarize and highlight the contents of the request in such a way as to provide the State Legislature with a broad understanding of the request. Please include the following:

1. A brief description of the applicant's background;

Kosong Foundation Inc. (KFI) is a non-profit organization established in 2013, with its principal office at 1311 Kapiolani Blvd Suite 613, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814. KFI is a Hawaii nonprofit corporation that operates to promote Asia-Pacific arts & culture, charitable efforts, and educational purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or any corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law), and engages in any other activity not otherwise prohibited by federal, state, or county law or regulation.

Our main purpose is to foster and strengthen all Asia-Pacific rim communities through exhibitions, events, works of art, and literature. Kosong Foundation focuses on working with residents and visitors to learn and participate in arts and culture from the Asia-Pacific region. It also serves as an important organization in promoting Hawaii art and culture to visiting government officials and dignitaries from the Asia-Pacific region.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The overarching goal of “The Journey of Rainbows” project is to foster appreciation for the arts and culture amongst Hawaii’s keiki through an immigration story that Hawaii’s children can really relate to. This is not a book that should be read electronically – it is piece of artwork for children to physically touch and take the time to appreciate.

By donating prints of this book to Hawaii’s public libraries, children’s hospitals and medical facilities, and many low-income public or charter schools, our objectives are to:

- Share a relatable story of immigration through words and artwork.
- Motivate children to get involved in the illustrative arts.
- Showcase the beauty of Hawaii: it’s recognizable places, it’s people and it’s colors.
- Provide positive reinforcement to our keiki of Hawaii’s spirit of aloha and it’s power to bring future happiness

We also plan to hold special reading events for children with the book’s illustrator to further strengthen and motivate children to get more involved in the arts.

“How does it feel to leave the only home you know and start a life in a new place? This is a story of one person’s journey. A journey that reveals that moving to a new place will bring hope, dreams, and opportunities. This is a story that teaches that new can be good. It can be great! We just need to open our hearts, be brave, and be resilient. It teaches you to never forget about your roots, while embracing the new. Immigration is hard for any child, any adult. Through the illustrations and story, we hope you are inspired. We hope you remember that you are amazing. We hope you always believe in yourself and never give up.”

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

The public purpose of this project is to foster and encourage our children to get involved in the arts. Particularly over the last two years of the Covid-19 pandemic, children’s lives have been extremely disrupted. As they attend online schools at times and limit social interactions, it has never been more important to provide tools that will motivate our keiki to get involved in the arts and explore their creativity. By sharing an immigration story that so many of our residents can relate to, we want to give our children positive inspirations in both words and art. All books printed with grant funding will be donated.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and
The target population is Hawaii’s keiki.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.
We hope to donate books throughout the islands of the state of Hawaii.

III. Service Summary and Outcomes

The Service Summary shall include a detailed discussion of the applicant’s approach to the request. The applicant shall clearly and concisely specify the results, outcomes, and measures of effectiveness from this request. The applicant shall:

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks and responsibilities;
The scope of work for Kosong Foundation is:
 - To reprint at least 2000 copies of the book
 - Coordinate delivery to multiple locations throughout the State
 - Multiple copies to each of the 51 public libraries in the State
 - Multiple copies to children’s hospitals, children’s medical facilities
 - Multiple copies to selected public schools in low-income areas throughout the State
 - Plan and execute various reading events at public libraries or other locations with the book’s illustrator and working with various local artists to encourage children’s appreciation and hands-on involvement with the arts.
 - All events will be free to the public.
 - All copies of the book will be donated.

2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;
Timeline upon receipt of grant funding:
Months 1-4: Reprinting of book
 Coordination with public libraries, hospitals, Dept of Education

Months 5-6: Donation and distribution of ALL books to receiving organizations
Months 7-12: Planning and execution of Reading Art events for children at public libraries, children’s medical facilities, and public schools throughout the State.

3. Describe its quality assurance and evaluation plans for the request. Specify how the applicant plans to monitor, evaluate, and improve their results; and

Kosong Foundation will regularly coordinate and follow up with all recipients to evaluate children’s responses to the book and need for follow-up Reading Arts events. If we are able to get additional funding, our hope is to plan events and donate more books throughout all the public schools in Hawaii.

4. List the measure(s) of effectiveness that will be reported to the State agency through which grant funds are appropriated (the expending agency). The measure(s) will provide a standard and objective way for the State to assess the program’s achievement or accomplishment. Please note that if the level of appropriation differs from the amount included in this application that the

measure(s) of effectiveness will need to be updated and transmitted to the expending agency.

Kosong Foundation will provide quarterly detailed reports to the expending agency to identify exact recipient organizations and types of Reading Arts events held, the number of children and people in attendance, and provide survey results.

IV. Financial

Budget

1. The applicant shall submit a budget utilizing the enclosed budget forms as applicable, to detail the cost of the request.
 - a. Budget request by source of funds (Link)
 - b. Personnel salaries and wages (Link)
 - c. Equipment and motor vehicles (Link)
 - d. Capital project details (Link)
 - e. Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid (Link)

2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2023.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
28,000	8,000	6,000	6,000	48,000

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for fiscal year 2023.

At this time, Kosong Foundation is considering additional sources of charitable or private funding but due to the Covid-19 limitations, funding levels for 2023 are uncertain.

4. The applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits it has been granted within the prior three years. Additionally, the applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits they have applied for or anticipate applying for pertaining to any capital project, if applicable.

Kosong Foundation has not received any state or federal tax credits.

5. The applicant shall provide a listing of all federal, state, and county government contracts, grants, and grants in aid it has been granted within the prior three years and will be receiving for fiscal year 2023 for program funding.

Kosong Foundation received \$10,000 in 2020 from the City & County of Honolulu and \$4550.46 Covid-related support.

6. The applicant shall provide the balance of its unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2021.

Kosong Foundation has no unrestricted current assets at this time.

V. Experience and Capability

1. Necessary Skills and Experience

The applicant shall demonstrate that it has the necessary skills, abilities, knowledge of, and experience relating to the request. State your experience and appropriateness for providing the service proposed in this application. The applicant shall also provide a listing of verifiable experience of related projects or contracts for the most recent three years that are pertinent to the request.

Sosuk Ko, president of Kosong Foundation, is also the artist featured in the book. Sosuk was born in North Korea. At just 8 months old, her family fled during the war to the South and settled in a city called Incheon. She grew up there until she would marry and move to Hawaii. Hawaii is where she raised her children and where she resides now. She has three children, Laura, Minnie and Kevin. Currently, she is the Chair of the Kosong Foundation, an international advisor to Incheon Metropolitan City, and a senior advisor to the Korean Artists Association of Hawaii. Through her artwork and community service is how she found comfort, peace and rainbows. She has won numerous awards for her community outreach and international programs. In 2007, she was awarded the presidential medal from South Korean President Moo-Hyun Roh for her role in promoting culture and arts. In 2021, she was awarded the presidential medal from South Korean President Jae-In Moon, for her years of community service and dedication to promoting Korean culture outside of Korea. She has been recognized and awarded on numerous occasions for her community work in Honolulu, both by the City Administration and City Council.

2013 Organized Korea Natural Dyeing Workshop
-Honolulu Academy of Arts & University of Hawaii

2014 Hosted Hawaii International Art Show in Korea
-C&C of Honolulu, Honolulu Hale Showroom

2015 Organized Kosong Foundation collection exhibition
-Honolulu Academy of Arts

2016 Hosted Korean Exhibition & Performance in Hawaii. show
-Honolulu City Hall, Kapiolani Bandstand

- 2017 Performance of Korean traditional music representatives
-Honolulu McCoy Pavilion
- 2018 Organized Hawaii Local Artist, University of Hawaii Art Professor, Korean Exhibition
-Suncheon Art Center
- 2019 International Art Show
-Korea, Washington DC, Hawaii
-Incheon Art Center

Local Hawaiian artist contemporary art show
-Bupyeong Kkotnuri Art Center
- 2020 Volunteered to help small businesses apply for COVID-19 small businesses grants for City & County of Honolulu
Hawaii Korean art video production
- 2021 Asian Art Show
-Songdo Convensia
-Hosted by 6 Young Artists Exhibition at Incheon Art Fair

2. Facilities

The applicant shall provide a description of its facilities and demonstrate its adequacy in relation to the request. If facilities are not presently available, describe plans to secure facilities.

Kosong Foundation has been actively working with the City & County of Honolulu on securing a International Arts & Culture facility.

VI. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

1. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

The applicant shall describe the proposed staffing pattern and proposed service capacity appropriate for the viability of the request. The applicant shall provide the qualifications and experience of personnel for the request and shall describe its ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction relative to the request.

Kosong Foundation Officers:

President
So Suk Ko

VP
George Woollard

Treasurer
Minnie Ko

Secretary
Diane Chongmin Kim

Kosong Foundation develops programs based on coordination with different artists associations and governmental agencies. Activities are primarily supported by volunteers. Consultants are utilized for specific activities. Our plan is to employ an independent consultant to support The Journey of Rainbows project.

2. Organization Chart

The applicant shall illustrate the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision. If the request is part of a large, multi-purpose organization, include an organization chart that illustrates the placement of this request.

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3. Compensation

The applicant shall provide an annual salary range paid by the applicant to the three highest paid officers, directors, or employees of the organization by position title, not employee name.

Kosong Foundation officers are not paid salaries. Any funding received is fully utilized for projects and specific independent consultants.

VII. Other

1. Litigation

The applicant shall disclose any pending litigation to which they are a party, including the disclosure of any outstanding judgement. If applicable, please explain.

Not applicable.

2. Licensure or Accreditation

The applicant shall specify any special qualifications, including but not limited to licensure or accreditation that the applicant possesses relevant to this request.

Not applicable.

3. Private Educational Institutions

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution. Please see [Article X, Section 1, of the State Constitution](#) for the relevance of this question.

Funds will not be used for private educational institutions.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2022-23 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

- (a) Received by the applicant for fiscal year 2022-23, but
If funding is received, Kosong Foundation will immediately utilize all funding for purposes outlined in this application for The Journey of Rainbows project. We continue to seek additional resources for funding both charitable and private.
- (b) Not received by the applicant thereafter.
If not received thereafter, Kosong Foundation will continue to explore alternative funding avenues to extend The Journey of Rainbows project throughout the State of Hawaii.

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Applicant: Kosong Foundation

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 (coordinator)	12,000			
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits				
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	12,000			
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island				
2. Insurance				
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space				
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies for art/events	6,000			
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
9. Transportation/distribution of books	5,000			
10. Printing	25,000			
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	36,000			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	48,000			
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> SOSUK KO 808-286-1111 </div>		
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Name (Please type or print) Phone </div>		
(c) Total County Funds Requested		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> 1-20-2022 </div>		
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Signature of Authorized Official Date </div>		
TOTAL BUDGET		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> So Suk Ko, President </div>		
		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Name and Title (Please type or print) </div>		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Applicant: Kosong Foundation

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
Coordinator		\$12,000.00		\$ 12,000.00
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TOTAL:				12,000.00
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Applicant: Kosong Foundation

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
			\$ -	0
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			\$ -	
TOTAL:				

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

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

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Applicant: Kosong Foundation

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: 2020-2021	FY: 2021-2022	FY:2022-2023	FY:2022-2023	FY:2023-2024	FY:2024-2025
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION						
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:						
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: Not applicable						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Kosong Foundation

Contracts Total: 10,000

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	International Arts & Culture Museum	2020		C& C of Honolulu	10,000
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