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Funds Released for Kohala and Waimea Capital Improvement Projects

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Honolulu -- Funding for projects at Kohala Hospital and Ke Kumu Ekolu have been released by Governor Neil Abercrombie. Kohala Hospital will receive \$2.2M for renovations and upgrades and Ke Kumu Ekolu will be receiving \$1.2M for construction costs that will go toward roofing and interior repair.

"Mahalo Governor Abercrombie for releasing the funding for these two very important projects in my district," said Senator Malama Solomon (District 4, Hilo, Hamakua, Kohala, Waimea, Waikoloa, Kona). "Not only will the funding provide much needed repairs, it will also stimulate our economy and create jobs."

Ke Kumu Ekolu is an affordable rental unit located in Waimea.

Kohala Hospital opened its doors in 1917 and is located in Kapaau.

The Abercrombie Administration is dedicated to accelerating Hawaii's economic recovery through a broad-ranged series of capital improvement actions called the New Day Work Projects.

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