

**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:

Amount of State Funds Requested: \$200,000.00

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

At Project Nehemiah Hawaii, we are dedicated to raising awareness about the urgent needs of our most vulnerable populations and fostering positive change for every individual we support. Our mission is to establish a foundation of H.O.P.E. (Healing, Opportunity, Positivity, and Empowerment) to promote resilience and empowerment for people from all backgrounds. By providing tangible and practical solutions, we aim to benefit Oahu's diverse and vibrant community directly.

Our commitment includes restoring communities and revitalizing lives affected by human trafficking, domestic violence, youth struggling with drug addiction, homelessness, mental health challenges, and children who are missing or exploited. We approach this work with compassion and care, harnessing the transformative power of God's word through community events to raise awareness. Additionally, we collaborate with various organizations to provide practical solutions and promote hope and reconciliation.

We are requesting \$200,000 in operating funds to support outreach initiatives including administrative payroll and event

Amount of Other Funds Available:

State: \$0

Federal: \$0

County: \$0

Private/Other: \$0

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:

PO BOX 970507

City:

Waipahu

State:

HI

Zip:

96707

Contact Person for Matters Involving this Application

Name:
Sheila Medeiros

Title:
Outreach & Marketing Director

Email:
s.medeiros@projectnehemiahhi.com

Phone:
808-479-6225

Sheila Medeiros

Authorized Signature

Sheila Medeiros/OR& Marketing Dir

Name and Title

1/16/2025

Date Signed

Grant Proposal for Project Nehemiah Hawaii

****Mailing Address:****

PO BOX 970507, Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

****Email:**** ceverett@projectnehemiahhi.com

****Organizational Overview****

At Project Nehemiah Hawaii, we are committed to raising awareness about the critical needs of our most vulnerable populations and fostering positive transformation for every individual we serve. Our mission is rooted in creating a foundation of H.O.P.E. (Healing, Opportunity, Positivity, and Empowerment), resilience, and empowerment for people from all walks of life. By providing tangible and practical solutions, we aim to directly benefit Oahu's diverse and beautiful community.

****Project Overview: Hope Awareness Initiative****

****Hope Awareness**** is a transformative community outreach program dedicated to addressing critical issues affecting Oahu, including homelessness, human trafficking, exploited and missing children, and domestic violence. This free event serves as a platform for dialogue, collaboration, and action. It connects at-risk and vulnerable populations with essential resources, support services, and knowledge to foster lasting change.

****Objectives:****

1. Illuminate critical issues affecting our community.
2. Provide educational workshops, expert panels, and direct access to resources.
3. Empower community members to build resilience and inspire collective efforts to create change.

**Implementation Plan**

****1. Infrastructure Development:****

- Secure suitable locations for hosting the "Hope Awareness" Community Outreach program, workshops, conferences, and live concerts.

****2. Community Engagement:****

- Conduct outreach programs to connect with the local community and identify potential needs and victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and child exploitation.

****3. Staff Recruitment:****

- Assemble a team of qualified professionals, including:

- Chairperson
- Project Manager/Community Liaison
- Media Director
- Logistics Specialist

****4. Partnership Activation:****

- Initiate collaboration with partnering organizations to ensure cohesive implementation and amplify the program's reach and impact.

****5. Finance and Budgeting:****

- Develop a comprehensive 2025-2026 budget aligned with our business plan.
- Identify and secure funding sources through potential donors (cash and in-kind contributions).

****6. Marketing and Outreach:****

- Design a 2025-2026 marketing strategy and campaign.
- Develop a strong branding strategy and produce identity elements.
- Create educational materials, including:
 - Easy-to-read brochures for schools about identifying human traffickers.
 - Simple books to educate potential victims and community members about recognizing and responding to trafficking attempts.
- Install permanent signage and placards at public and private community parks to raise awareness.

**Budget**

For the initial phase, we request funding of ****\$200,000****, broken down as follows:

1. ****Staff Salaries**** - \$85,000
 - Chairperson: \$25,000
 - Project Manager/Community Liaison: \$30,000
 - Media Director: \$20,000
 - Logistics Specialist: \$10,000
2. ****Media Production and Campaigns**** - \$40,000
 - Online awareness campaigns: \$25,000
 - Video and audio production for live events: \$15,000
3. ****Event Costs**** - \$50,000
 - Venue rentals: \$20,000
 - Equipment and supplies: \$15,000
 - Catering and hospitality for attendees: \$15,000
4. ****Educational Materials and Marketing**** - \$15,000

- Brochures and books: \$10,000
- Signage and branding materials: \$5,000

5. ****Miscellaneous and Contingency Fund**** - \$10,000
- Unforeseen expenses and adjustments.

**Timeline**

The initial phase of the project will span approximately 3 to 6 months. Key milestones include:

1. ****Month 1-2:**** Staff recruitment and infrastructure setup.
2. ****Month 2-3:**** Community outreach and partnership activation.
3. ****Month 4-6:**** Event execution and evaluation of impact.

**Outcomes and Impact**

1. Increased awareness of critical issues among Oahu residents.
2. Enhanced accessibility to resources for at-risk and vulnerable populations.
3. Strengthened partnerships and collaborative efforts between local organizations.
4. Long-term empowerment and resilience within our communities.

**Conclusion**

With your support, Project Nehemiah Hawaii's Hope Awareness Initiative can make a profound and lasting impact on Oahu. Together, we can address the pressing challenges of homelessness, human trafficking, child exploitation, and domestic violence, fostering a more resilient and empowered community. We respectfully request ****\$200,000**** to support this initiative and help us bring our vision to fruition. Thank you for considering our proposal and joining us in this vital mission.

****Contact Information:****

Project Nehemiah Hawaii

PO BOX 970507, Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

****Email:**** ceverett@projectnehemiahhi.com

**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISD 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, Hawaii 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, Hawaii 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; and
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii 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.
- 4) The use of grant-in-aid funding complies with all provisions of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii (for example, pursuant to Article X, section 1, of the Constitution, the State cannot provide "... public funds ... for the support or benefit of any sectarian or nonsectarian private educational institution...").

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii 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.

Project Nehemiah
(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

Sheila Medeiros

(Signature)

January 16, 2025

(Date)

Sheila Medeiros
(Typed Name)

Outreach & Marketing Director
(Title)

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Applicant: Project Nehemiah

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	85,000			
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits				
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	85,000			
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island	10,000			
2. Insurance				
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space				
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies	65,000			
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
Media Production & Campaign	40,000			
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	115,000			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	200,000			
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	200,000	Sheila Medeiros 808-479-6225		
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested		Name (Please type or print) Phone		
(c) Total County Funds Requested		Sheila Medeiros Jan16 2025		
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		Signature of Authorized Official Date		
TOTAL BUDGET	200,000	Sheila Medeiros/Outreach & Marketing Director Name and Title (Please type or print) <i>Sheila Medeiros</i>		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

PROJECT NEHEMIAH

POSITION TITLE		FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
Christina Everett		FULL TIME	\$30,000.00		\$ 30,000.00
Mikala Apilando		FULL TIME	\$20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00
Shella Medeiros		FULL TIME	\$25,000.00		\$ 25,000.00
Anna Odom		FULL TIME	\$10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
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TOTAL:					85,000.00
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:					

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Project Nehemiah

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:2023-2024	FY:2024-2025	FY:2025-2026	FY:2025-2026	FY:2026-2027	FY:2027-2028
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION						
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:						
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">Not Applicable</div>						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

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PROJECT NEHEMIAH

Contracts Total: NONE

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	NOT APPLICABLE - NONE				
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STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: PROJECT NEHEMIAH HAWAII

Issue Date: 12/09/2024

Status: Compliant

Hawaii Tax#: 18234670-08
New Hawaii Tax#: GE-1823467008-01
FEIN/SSN#: XX-XXX1589
UI#: XXXXXX7008
DCCA FILE#: 332174

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information