

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) Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization) (compliance certificate pending and will be provided upon receipt; copies of DOTAX clearance approval and DCCA good standing certificate attached)
- 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](#))
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- 7) Experience and Capability
- 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing



Sabrina Grace

01/23/2026

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME AND TITLE

DATE

STATE OF HAWAII — DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION
TAX CLEARANCE APPLICATION

LETTER ID: L1297897088
CASE ID: 2212233

Form A-6 can be filed electronically OR for all state, city, or county government contracts, may be obtained through Hawaii Compliance Express. See Instructions.
(NOTE: References to "married" and "spouse" are also references to "in a civil union" and "civil union partner," respectively.)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
BUSINESS START DATE IN HAWAII IF APPLICABLE 11/13/2024
HAWAII RETURNS FILED IF APPLICABLE
STATE APPROVAL STAMP (State Approval QR Code) Issued: Jan-23-2026 
You may scan the QR code to authenticate this tax clearance
*IRS APPROVAL STAMP

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Applicant's Name BACK TO THE BEGINNING, INC

Address 590 FARRINGTON HWY PMB 222 UNIT 210 KAPOLEI HI 96707-2002

DBA/Trade Name

2. TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

HAWAII TAX I.D. # [REDACTED]

FEDERAL EMPLOYER I.D. # (FEIN) [REDACTED]

SOCIAL SECURITY # (SSN)

3. APPLICANT IS A/AN: (Check only ONE box)

- CORPORATION S CORPORATION TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION
 INDIVIDUAL PARTNERSHIP ESTATE TRUST
 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP OTHER
 SINGLE MEMBER LLC
 SUBSIDIARY CORPORATION

4. THE TAX CLEARANCE IS REQUIRED FOR: (MUST check at least ONE box)

- CITY, COUNTY, OR STATE GOVERNMENT CONTRACT IN HAWAII *
 REAL ESTATE LICENSE CONTRACTOR LICENSE LIQUOR LICENSE
 FINANCIAL CLOSING PROGRESS PAYMENT BULK SALES¹
 HAWAII STATE RESIDENCY FEDERAL CONTRACT PERSONAL
 SUBCONTRACT COMPLETION/FINAL PAYMENT LOAN
 OTHER - grant

* IRS APPROVAL STAMP IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR PURPOSES INDICATED BY AN ASTERISK.

¹ ATTACH FORM G-8A, REPORT OF BULK SALE OR TRANSFER.

5. DECLARATION - I declare that I am either the taxpayer whose name is shown on line 1, or a person authorized under section 231-15.6 or 231-15.7, HRS, to sign on behalf of the taxpayer. If the request applies to a joint return, at least one spouse must sign. I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, that this is a true, correct, and complete form, made in good faith pursuant to Title 14 of the HRS, and the rules issued thereunder.

Original Signature on File

SIGNATURE _____

Jan-23-2026

DATE _____

TELEPHONE _____

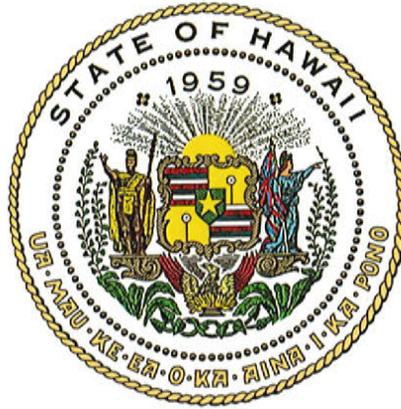
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BACK TO THE BEGINNING, INC

PRINT NAME _____

PRINT TITLE: Corporate Officer, General Partner or Member, Individual (Sole Proprietor), Trustee, Executor

POWER OF ATTORNEY. If submitted by someone other than a Corporate Officer, General Partner or Member, Individual (Sole Proprietor), Trustee, or Executor, a power of attorney (State of Hawaii, Department of Taxation, Form N-848) must be submitted with this application. If a Tax Clearance is required from the Internal Revenue Service, IRS Form 8821, or IRS Form 2848 is also required. Applications submitted without proper authorization will be sent to the address of record with the taxing authority. UNSIGNED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY — THE FRONT PAGE OF THIS APPLICATION BECOMES THE CERTIFICATE UPON APPROVAL. SEE PAGE 2 ON REVERSE & SEPARATE INSTRUCTIONS. Failure to provide required information on page 2 of this application or as required in the separate instructions to this application will result in a denial of the Tax Clearance request.



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

BACK TO THE BEGINNING, INC.

was incorporated under the laws of Hawaii on 11/06/2020 ; 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 23, 2026

Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

BACK TO THE BEGINNING, Inc.
PMB 222 590 Farrington Hwy #210
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

January 23, 2025

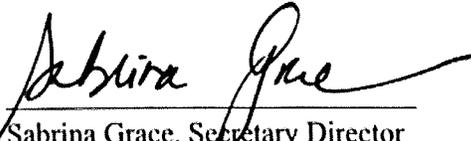
**Subject: Statement of Applicant for Grants Pursuant to Chapter 42F,
Hawaii Revised Statutes**

Please accept this statement attesting to and affirming Back to the Beginning, Inc. 's compliance with Chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") and specifically, that should it be awarded a Grant-in-Aid from the State of Hawaii, that these funds will be used for a public purpose as detailed in our grant Application.

To further affirm our compliance, this letter shall also serve to attest to the following:

- (1) Back to the Beginning, Inc. ("B2B") is organized as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Hawaii and designated as public charity under Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") Section 501(c)(3) (see attached Tax Exempt Designation Letter effective November 8, 2020);
- (2) B2B complies with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination; and,
- (3) B2B agrees to not use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities.

Should you have any questions concerning this Statement of Applicant for Grants Pursuant to Chapter 42F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, please feel free to contact me at (808) 699-5488 or at sabrina.grace57@yahoo.com .


Sabrina Grace, Secretary Director
Back to the Beginning, Inc.

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. Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization)

If the applicant is an organization, the applicant shall submit one (1) copy of a Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate from the Comptroller of the Department of Accounting and General Services that is dated no earlier than December 1, 2025.

2. Declaration Statement

The applicant shall submit a declaration statement affirming its compliance with [Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

Back to the Beginning ("B2B") declares and affirms that the applicant complies with the requirements stated in Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

3. Public Purpose

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to [Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

The grant requested herein is to provide for operating costs associated with the nearly 100 individuals located at B2B properties. The public purpose of providing houseless individuals and families a safe area to live is being done due to the inability of housing providers to provide alternatives to eviction and increased rents; the state and county being unable to increase affordable rental stock; and the lack of regulatory controls over rental pricing.

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;

B2B is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides residential, health care, respite and supportive services for houseless individuals and families along the Leeward Coast. B2B currently provides assistance at three of its locations located in the ahupuaa of Lualualei in Waianae. B2B provides caregiving services to those in hospice; those with advanced medical needs; and offering programmatic

assistance for obtaining client birth certificates, Social Security cards, Hawaii identification cards, and Hawaii driver's licenses.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

B2B is seeking operational funds to compensate two contract staff: Project Manager and Project Assistant who live onsite. B2B is also seeking staff training funds to provide stipends for individuals who have been volunteering with the delivery of service-related care: 1) nursing assistance for bedridden clients; 2) cleaning of the locations to avoid impacts to client health; 3) cooking meals (3 meals/day); and 4) purchases of cleaning/food/medical supplies (diapers, bus passes, etc.).

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

Unfortunately, the January 2025 Point in Time ("PIT") count of homeless persons was cancelled due to the US Housing and Urban Development's ("HUD") new regulation that PIT counts would be every other year. Available data from January 2024 completed by Partners In Care reveal that 13.6% of the 4,495 individuals counted identified as Native Hawaiian. Along the Leeward Coast, the data reflects below:

39	Pokai Bay Street
55	Plantation Road
82	Across Waianae Coast Comprehensive
46	Across Waianae Pizza Hut
45	After Keaau Beach Park

Given the lack of affordable housing, defined by HUD as no more than 30% of an individual/family's income per month, almost 300 individuals were houseless at the PIT count in January 2024. Just by driving around the Waianae area, it is plain to see that number has swelled. By seeking this operational grant, B2B is seeking to operationalize costs associated with the work being done to provide safe and secure housing for this most vulnerable population along the Waianae Coast.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

Answer in #5.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

B2B is a Leeward Coast based non-profit. The coastline extends from Kahe Point to Keawaula Beach Park. The target population is the many families and

individuals unable to afford basic housing since the high cost of rentals and lack of available housing subsidy from the federal, state and county governments has resulted in many being displaced over the last two years due to state and county sweeps of houseless camps. These sweeps, intended to clean the area where many are residing without water or sewer capacity, send many to neighboring areas while their belongings (identification, birth certificate, social security card, etc.) are thrown away.

The coastline along the Waianae coast varies from rugged exposed lava rock to sandy beach areas. The high winds and waves decimate many campsites located along the rocky oceanside while theft, assault and lack of cooking utensils mean those in beach or parking lot areas suffer as well. The intense summer heat during the day sees temperatures commonly in the 90-degree Fahrenheit range while winter storms plummet nighttime temperatures into the low 60s.

Traffic is also a major concern with Farrington Highway running the entire length of the coastline as a busy thoroughfare during rush hour commutes in the morning and evening. Deaths of houseless individuals crossing in poorly lit areas and using unmarked crossing paths are also unfortunate consequences of our target population.

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;

B2B is an off-grid, farming community teaching houseless individuals daily responsibility and rehabilitation through self-sustaining food production like sweet potato; papaya; egg-laying hens; goats; ducks; geese and pig. Clients are allowed to bring their pets when many government sponsored transitional housing facilities do not. The elderly, ambulant clients are also provided daily tasks that allow them to feel productive and have a better quality of life than living on a beach or parking lot.

The Project Manager (PM") lives on site. This individual is responsible not only for the prescription needs of two of the clients unable to walk, but also the daily maintenance of the property's gas-powered generators that provide power to hospital beds; light for evening/night; appliances; and charging ports for devices. Additional responsibilities include security; project outreach and logistics; one on one counseling of male clients going through difficult times; grocery and supply shopping; and overall oversight of the property.

The Project Assistant ("PA") also lives on site. This individual develops and oversees the medical charting of clients and accompanies, when needed, clients to medical appointments. The PA is the onsite representative authority of the Project Manager in their absence and oversees the daily cooking, cleaning, and personnel management of the volunteers.

Day to day oversight of the PM and PA will be provided by the B2B Board Secretary Director and general oversight of the two positions will belong to the board as a whole.

Currently, there are volunteers on site such as: cook; caregivers for the infirm; housekeeping for the daily maintenance of enhanced health care objectives; farm animal keepers; and groundskeepers.

2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;

The grant timeline provided the state's fiscal year: July 1, 2026 thru June 20, 2027. Should late or untimely contracting push the dates out farther, than those dates selected at encumbrance shall have prevailing authority.

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

Applicant will utilize monthly volunteer performance monitoring with each individual contributing to their job description; self-evaluation; and then combined supervisor feedback to improve work product quality. The organization already utilizes daily sign in/out logs as well as regular review of work duties and cross-training of various volunteers.

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.

1. Number of individuals served throughout the lifespan of the grant.
2. Number of new individuals brought into the B2B communities.
3. Number of US star-compliant IDs/HDLs obtained by clients.
4. Number of birth certificates obtained by clients.
5. Number of individuals successfully transitioned to gainful employment outside of B2B.
6. Number of individuals completing court-required community service and/or probation/parole court ordered services.

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](#))
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2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2027.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000		\$380,460
			\$80,460	

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for fiscal year 2027.

None.

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.

None ever sought.

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 2027 for program funding.

B2B was approved for a CIP grant-in-aid in the amount of \$300,000 through HB300 CD1 which will be expended for the acquisition and installation of two (2) modular units that will serve as residential facilities for houseless individuals.

6. The applicant shall provide the balance of its unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2025.

None.

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.

B2B has been serving the houseless on the Leeward Coast for over 15 years, utilizing volunteers and material donations to assist in providing safe housing, food and transportation along the Waianae Coast. B2B's board of directors serve without compensation and provide policy guidance for efforts targeting the existing Leeward population through outreach; food distribution; and community beautification efforts. Most recently, B2B was able to provide houseless individuals displaced by the County's Ulehawa beach sweep with container and tent structures; portable toilets; and a shower for bathing. Running water and gasoline generators provide light and an area for eating and socializing.

B2B was also awarded a GIA CIP last legislative session which resulted in contracting for services set to begin in February 2026.

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.

The current location is set against the beautiful mountainside of Puu o Huluhulu in the ahupuaa of Lualualei. Comprised of one main building wherein those residents who are in hospice; non-ambulatory; and with mental health issues reside. The main building also cooks three meals per day for residents using the large kitchen and dining area.

The middle part of the property is home to the farm animals and pets and the growing of produce and local plants while the lower section houses the recently displaced residents from Ulehawa who utilize container and tent structures for living purposes.

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.

Robert Figaroa, Jr. is a business owner and a certified automobile and repair mechanic on Kauai and Oahu. He serves as B2B board President Director. He finds the time by doing outreach to teach and train individuals in repairing vehicles, trucks and in mechanics and career opportunities. He plays a big role in employment vocational training for individuals in the program and finds residents at our residential program. Background of business bookkeeping and taxes as well as assisting other organizations in repairing needs.

A life-time resident of the Wai'anae Coast and co-owner of family business of Events Sanitation, Wise Stage and Events, Sabrina Grace serves as Secretary Director. Her background is grounded in business taxes, marketing, and community outreach. As a property owner, she has opened her property in assisting the homeless population for over fifteen years (15 years), building living quarters, food sustainability, providing employment opportunities and giving HOPE to the people that reside there. Grace provides many opportunities for the residents to give back by coordinating community outreach programs along the Coast, i.e. beach cleanups, Kupuna pantry assistance, assisting seniors cleaning their yard and participating in community Neighborhood Security Watch.

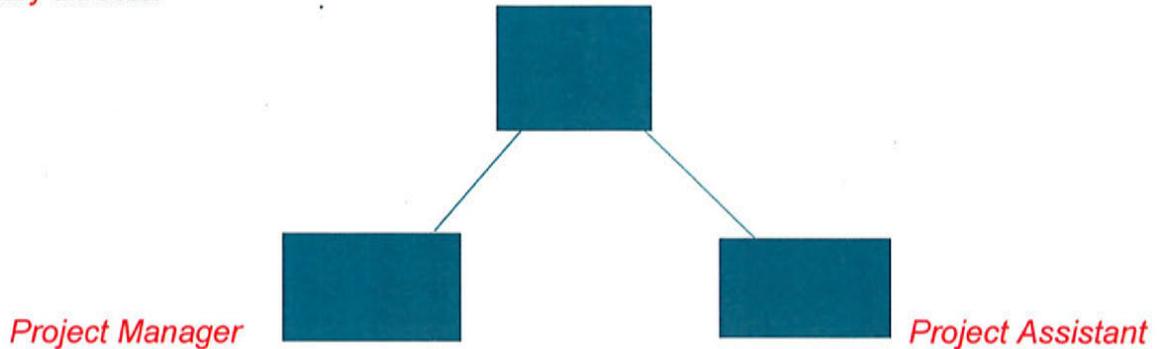
Randall N. Harakal is a lawyer practicing civil, criminal and administrative law, litigation, labor and employment law and 3 other areas of law. Randall received a B.A. degree from Villanova University in 1973 and has been licensed for 49 years. Randall practices at Law Offices of Gary Y. Shigemura A Law Corporation in Honolulu, HI. Resides in Kailua Hawaii and has been doing years of Outreach along the Waianae Coast - including a passion for assisting the homeless population with housing opportunities. He serves as Treasurer Director.

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.

The Secretary Director will provide day to day management of the PM and PA.

Secretary Director



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.

Project Manager - \$44,000 (1.0 FTE)
Project Assistant - \$28,000 (1.0 FTE)

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.

None.

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.

B2B holds IRS 501(c)(3) status since 2021.

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.

None.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2027 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

- (a) Received by the applicant for fiscal year 2027, but
- (b) Not received by the applicant thereafter.

B2B has been in quiet, public service for 15 years without funding. With this opportunity comes the doorway to service the over 300 still houseless individuals that have not been swept by state or local authorities.

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Back to the Beginning

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	72,000	0	0	
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments	0	0	0	0
3. Fringe Benefits		0	0	0
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	72,000	0	0	0
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Equipment Maintenance/Lease	166,100			
2. Insurance	6,000			
3. Utilities	41,400			
4. Property Lease	42,000	0	0	
5. Staff Training	23,000			0
6. Supplies	17,960			
7. Telecommunication	12,000	0	0	0
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	308,460			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	0			
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES	0			
E. CAPITAL	0			
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	380,460			
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	380,460	Sabrina Grace	808-699-5488	
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested	0	Name (Please type or print)	Phone	
(c) Total County Funds Requested	0	<i>Sabrina Grace</i>	1-23-2024	
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested	0	Signature of Authorized Official	Date	
TOTAL BUDGET	380,460	Sabrina Grace	Secretary Director	
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

**FY 2026-2027 GIA
Budget Summary**

Applicant: Back to the Beginning

A. Salaries

Project Manager	\$ 44,000
Project Assistant	<u>28,000</u>
	\$72,000

B. Other Current Expenses

Equipment Maintenance/Lease	166,100 ¹
Insurance	6,000
Utilities	41,400
Property Lease	42,000
Staff Training	23,000
Supplies	17,960
Copy paper, ink, office supplies, emergency medical supplies (adult diapers, etc.)	
Telecommunication	<u>12,000</u>
Phones, internet, cellular Propane (cooking), water	
	\$308,460

TOTAL BUDGET: \$380,460

¹ Lease: portable toilets (including handicap); septic tanks; solar panels; work trucks; pump truck; and backhoe and forklift. Maintenance: vehicle oil and gasoline; fuel for five generators (diesel/gas); and, water.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

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Contracts Total: 300,000

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	HB300 CD1 Capital Improvement Project GIA	02/01/2026 - 01/31/2027	Dept. of Labor & Industrial Relations	State	300,000
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