

Section II. BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

1. *A brief description of the applicant's background:*

Hawaiian Islands Land Trust (dba Hawaii Land Trust, abbreviated HILT) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. We are the state of Hawaii's only local, statewide land trust, and the first to be nationally accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission. HILT was established in 2011 through the merger of four separate island land trusts on Hawaii Island, Kauai, Maui, and Oahu.

HILT's mission is to protect, steward, and cultivate relationships between people and aina that sustain Hawaii. In pursuit of our mission, we have protected 22,659 acres across Hawaii, through 8 public preserves owned and stewarded by HILT, 55 conservation easements protecting agricultural, ecological, and cultural resources on private lands, and 5 facilitated conservation transactions. We protect lands that are integral to Hawaii's wellbeing and character, upholding our kuleana to these lands, and the communities they are in, through thoughtful stewardship that deepens community connection to, and builds reciprocal relationships with, aina.

The abundant ocean waters and fertile lands of Hawaii have nurtured and sustained its people for generations and have capacity to do so in perpetuity. Modernization and urbanization are fragmenting and transforming Hawaii's historic landscapes, environment, and character. A sharp rise in digital device use keeps kids and adults indoors, impacting health. As a result, many in Hawaii are disconnected from land, and therefore do not care for land or practice Hawaiian values and culture, which is based on the understanding that humans and the land exist in a reciprocal relationship.

Hawaii's identity, values, culture, and economy is based in the health of the land. Losing Hawaii's coastlines, fertile agricultural lands, and historic landscapes to overdevelopment will inextricably alter Hawaii, sacrificing the very core of what makes Hawaii so special.

We work in three programmatic areas: Protect, Steward, and Connect. We permanently protect land using conservation easements and conservation purchases. New landowners and new government policies cannot change that protection. We prioritize the protection of coastlines, wahi kupuna, and lands that grow healthy food for Hawaii's people, and partner to conserve mauka forests and ranches. Our 8 public preserves on Hawaii Island, Kauai, Maui and Oahu welcome thousands of residents, visitors, and students every year to learn about, enjoy, and help care for these lands, creating generational commitments and a shared value system around land stewardship.

The places that HILT protects and stewards provide the very essence and foundation for our quality of life in Hawaii. The land is a lasting link to the past and our living legacy for the future. We preserve and keep open to the public coastlines, native ecosystems, and cultural landscapes. We safeguard local

farms and ranches that feed Hawai'i. We utilize both groundbreaking science and traditional wisdom to restore disturbed landscapes, reviving native species and the land's ancient functions and stories.

Voluntary land protection provides the landowner, and community surrounding and connected to a property, with a win-win method to preserve areas that are integral to Hawaii's health. Protecting and restoring wahi kupuna creates sanctuaries for Hawaii's native plants and animals, many of which are found nowhere else in the world, preserves and often revives the function of ancient cultural sites, and increases Hawaii's resilience to the effects of climate change. Protecting beloved coastlines safeguards the marine environment offshore, and provides places for Hawaii's people to swim, surf, picnic, and play. Protecting farms and ranches ensures Hawaii's ability to feed ourselves. Throughout our work, we engage communities and offer multiple ways to care for and connect to places of deep significance throughout the islands. When we get our hands dirty caring for a place, we grow to know and love that place. Malama aina grows aloha aina. Through HILT's work, we perpetuate Hawaiian values where people care for the land and it cares for us.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request:

Pupuka wetlands is located on the Nu'u Refuge in Kaupo, Maui, owned and stewarded by Hawaiian Islands Land Trust since 2011. These wetlands are home to resident populations of the threatened Hawaiian stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus knudseni*, Ae'o, est. pop. 1,932) and the endangered Hawaiian coot (*Fulica alae*, 'Alae Ke'oke'o, est. pop. 1,815). The wetlands are a vital transit point between Hawai'i Island and other, larger wetlands at Kealia, Kanaha and Waihe'e on Maui. Relative to its modest size, the Nu'u wetlands play a disproportionately large role in linking Maui and Hawai'i Island. In terms of hydrology & biota, it is the healthiest palustrine wetland remaining in Hawai'i. We have been working to protect this important avian habitat from future threats to its integrity and health, in particular, threats caused by non-native mammalian predators such as rats, mongoose, and feral cats.

The project's primary purpose is to protect federally listed endangered Hawaiian waterbird species and other native wildlife. The project will install a predator-proof fence, also known as a predator exclusion fence, around the Nu'u wetlands. Predator exclusion fences are used to create protected areas for vulnerable native species that are free of predator species and are primarily used on islands where destructive mammalian predators have been introduced. Fences like this have been installed with great success at Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge on Kauai, Kaena Point Natural Area Reserve, Honouliuli National Wildlife Refuge, and James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge on Oahu.

Unfortunately, even with long term predator removal programs in place, invasive predators, such as cats and pigs, have intermittently decimated nesting waterbirds on the Refuge. Regular predation by non-native mammals make the fence a necessary action to protect the avian habitat from predators. ([The Journal of Wildlife Management](#))

Dr. Scott Fisher, Hawaii Land Trust's Director of Aina Conservation estimates that the wetlands could support up to 12 nesting pairs of birds and potentially be a site to reintroduce the Hawaiian common gallinule (*Gallinula galeata sandvicensis*, est. pop. 1,000 on only Kauai and Oahu) which was extirpated from Maui sometime after 1940.

The reasons for the gallinule's disappearance from Ni'ihau, Molok'ai, Maui, and Hawai'i are unknown, but may relate to a combination of hunting pressures, sparse and deteriorating breeding habitat, and predation from non-native mammals. It was listed by USFWS as a Federally Endangered Subspecies in March 1967. Attempts to reintroduce the waterfowl in the 1950s elsewhere were unsuccessful but the methods and outcomes of those efforts are useful for planning future reintroduction efforts. The causes of failure in previous reintroductions were thought to be inadequate or discontinued control of non-native predators, poaching, and decline of habitat quality. (Source: [Bishop Museum](#), [Pacific Rim Conservation](#))

HILT has worked over the last two years to restore the habitat surrounding the wetlands, removing invasive trees and planning a native forest with the purpose of protecting the wetlands from the effects of climate change including high-wave events which could cause sediment incursion, essentially filling in the wetlands to the degree that it can no longer pond water reducing its capacity to perform most natural wetland functions. The next step in ensuring the long-term viability and health of the Nu'u wetlands is the construction of a predator proof fence.

Engaging the community is central to the project's success. HILT recruits and involves fisherfolk, students, educators, conservationists, and the public in hands-on conservation activities and educational events at the Nu'u wetlands. This outreach aims to foster ongoing stewardship of the natural resources in the area.

This project exemplifies a proactive approach to conserving an ecologically significant wetland in Hawai'i. It not only safeguards the habitat of endangered species but also promotes community engagement, offering a model for conservation efforts in the Hawaiian and Pacific Islands.

3. *The public purpose and need to be served:*

This project will benefit the State of Hawai'i by protecting and enhancing one of the most ecologically significant remaining wetlands in the state and advancing statewide conservation priorities for endangered species recovery. Pūpuka Wetlands at the Nu'u Refuge on Maui supports federally listed endangered and threatened native Hawaiian waterbirds and functions as a critical ecological corridor linking Maui with Hawai'i Island and other major wetland systems. By installing permanent predator-proof exclusion fencing, the project will reduce ongoing losses caused by invasive mammals, increase nesting success, and contribute to the long-term recovery of native waterbird populations that are protected under state and federal law.

The project also provides broader public benefits by strengthening climate resilience, safeguarding prior public and private conservation investments, and supporting environmental education and stewardship across Hawai'i. Protecting the wetlands helps preserve essential ecosystem services such as flood mitigation, water filtration, and coastal protection, while maintaining habitat connectivity statewide. The Nu'u Refuge serves as a site for community-based conservation and public education, engaging residents, students, and practitioners in hands-on stewardship. Through permanent conservation infrastructure, this project supports the State's constitutional mandate to protect natural resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

The target population served by this project includes the residents of the State of Hawai'i and the native wildlife resources held in public trust for their benefit. Primary beneficiaries are federally listed endangered and threatened native Hawaiian waterbirds, whose protection and recovery are mandated under state and federal law and reflect the State's responsibility to conserve Hawai'i's unique natural heritage.

Secondary beneficiaries include the people of Hawai'i—particularly residents of Maui County—who benefit from the preservation of healthy wetland ecosystems that provide public goods such as flood mitigation, water quality protection, climate resilience, and biodiversity conservation. The project also serves students, educators, conservation practitioners, subsistence and recreational users, and community members who participate in environmental education and stewardship activities at the Nu'u Refuge, ensuring that the benefits of the project extend across generations and throughout the state.

5. Describe the geographic coverage

This project will take place at Nuu Refuge in Kaupo, Maui. The refuge encompasses an 81-acre area on Maui’s southern shore. It includes the Pupuka wetlands, a 7-acre spring-fed wetland.

III. SERVICE SUMMARY AND OUTCOMES

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks, and responsibilities:

The project scope includes the construction of a predator proof fence surrounding the Pupuka wetland at Nuu Refuge. HILT has already begun the process of applying for a Conservation District Use Permit and has requested bids from fencing contractors. Once funds are available HILT will commence with engaging a contractor of construction of the fence. HILT’s Director of Aina Stewardship will be directly responsible for hiring the contractors and overseeing their work.

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

HILT 2026-2027 Community Preserve Stewardship		
TIMELINE	ACTIVITIES	RESULTS OR OUTCOMES
1/1/2026-6/30/2026	Obtain CDUP Permitting	HILT will have permits for construction of a fence in a Conservation District
7/1/2026-8/30/2026	- Identify and hire fencing contractors	Skilled predator proof fencing contractors are hired
9/1/2026-12/31/2026	- Clear fencing area	The area where the fence will be built is cleared of trees and or brush
1/1/2026-6/30/2027	- Install fencing	Pupuka wetland is protected by a predator proof fence

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

It is HILT’s general practice to seek out and hire the most qualified consultants to partner with us on our projects to ensure the highest outcome is achieved.

Through preliminary bidding, Pono Pacific looks like the likely fencing contractor. With 25 years of work in this area, they may be the most qualified company in the state. Additionally, HILT’s Director of Aina Stewardship, Scott Fisher brings decades of land management and specific knowledge of Nuu and it’s characteristics to the project.

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. HILT will provide the following measures of effectiveness to the State for assessment of the program's achievement and accomplishment:

- Copies of permits
- Copies of fencing estimates
- Photos of construction in progress
- Photos of construction completed

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, SEE ATTACHED
 - (b) Personnel salaries and wages, SEE ATTACHED
 - (c) Equipment and motor vehicles, SEE ATTACHED
 - (d) Capital project details, N/A Not a Capital Request
 - (e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid, SEE ATTACHED

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
\$105,694	\$105,694	\$105,694	\$105,694	\$4422,776

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for the fiscal year 2027.
HILT has submitted a Congressionally Directed Spending Request which was approved by both the House and Senate for \$600,000. The final step is obtaining the President's approval of the current budget.

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. HILT has not received any state or federal tax credits within the prior three years.

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 2025 for program funding.

SEE ATTACHED

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

As of December 31, 2025, HILT's unaudited unrestricted assets are \$5,316,838.

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.

HILT's team of highly experienced land stewards and educators collectively hold over four decades of professional experience, specializing in all facets of land conservation in Hawai'i.

HILT's President and CEO, Olu Campbell, has worked in various capacities in the public and private sectors on topics such as conservation, community empowerment, education, Native Hawaiian rights, food systems, climate change, housing and development, law, and business. Since 2018, he has served as the Community and Government Relations Manager for Kamehameha Schools, where he worked to address systemic issues through advocacy and capacity building among Native Hawaiian organizations. He previously was a Legacy Lands Specialist for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA), where he conducted community-driven land-use planning and stewardship for about 26,000 acres of culturally and ecologically significant lands.

Olu earned his Juris Doctor with an Environmental Law and Native Hawaiian Law Certificate from the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and his bachelor's degree in biology with a Hawaiian Language Certificate from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. He currently serves on the Honolulu Economic Revitalization Commission and recently concluded his term as a member of the State of

Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Forest Stewardship Committee, on which he served since 2018. He was the Co-Chair of the Hawai'i State Bar Association's Environment, Energy and Resources Section, and Second Vice President of the O'ahu Council of Hawaiian Civic Clubs.

HILT's Chief of Operations and Philanthropy, Angela Britten, CFRE, has worked with HILT for over ten years. Angela has nineteen years of experience in fundraising and is past president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals – Aloha Chapter. During her tenure at HILT, she has managed and overseen all of organization's fundraising programs including grant writing and reporting. Angela ensures that the organization's programs are results and impact oriented and that those results and impacts are reported accurately and timely to donors and stakeholders.

HILT's Director of Aina Stewardship, Dr. Scott Fisher has been a member of HILT for more than 22 years. Dr. Fisher specializes in sand dune ecology and paleoecology. Dr. Fisher has led HILT's stewardship strategy for all of HILT's public preserves since 2018. In 2019, he completed a paleo-ecological research project that has informed our Climate Resilience strategies for Waihee Coastal Dunes and Wetlands Refuge. Currently he is studying the effects of two historic tsunami events at Nuu Refuge to inform our strategy for creating a native bio-shield that aims to protect the wetlands from saltwater or silt incursion. Scott is the primary aina steward of Nuu Refuge and is a vital resource for our other aina stewards and educators.

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.

HILT's fee-simple preserves represent each aspect of our mission and services. They are the lands that we, as a connected community, mobilized to protect, so that we may share access to these vital resources in perpetuity. They are the lands that we study, steward, and restore, developing best management practices that can be shared with land managers across the State. Finally, they represent the special places across Hawaii with which we seek to cultivate a connection, because we understand that people must know a place to be inspired to protect it.

Properties under fee simple ownership and active management by HILT include:

Hawaii Island

Kukuau Community Forest

Size: 1,600 acres

Year Protected: 2019

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Hawaii County

Conservation Values: Native habitat, watershed

Land Features: Native forest

*** HILT is currently working to install an ungulate proof fence of over 1,000 linear feet at this preserve**

Mahukona Cultural & Ecological Refuge

Size: 642 acres

Year Protected: 2023

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Hawaii County

Conservation Values: Native habitat, coastal habitat, pastureland, cultural sites

Land Features: Coastal and pastureland

*** HILT maintains nearly 2 miles of ungulate proof fencing at this preserve.**

Kauai

Kahili Beach Preserve

Size: 17 .6 acres

Year Protected: 2005 initial 5.4 acres, 2013 additional 12.2 acres

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Kauai County

Conservation Values: Marine shoreline, public beach access, native bird habitat and estuarine wetlands

Land Features: Marine shoreline, estuary and sand dunes

Wainiha Bay

Size: .4 acres

Year Protected: 2008

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Kauai County

Conservation Values: Open space

Land Features: Ocean shore and beach

Maui

Waihee Coastal Dunes and Wetland Refuge

Size: 277 acres

Year Protected: 2004

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Maui County

Conservation Values: Recreation, archeological and cultural preservation, education, and habitat for native plants and animals

Land Features: Coastal wetlands, dunes, marine shoreline, near-shore reef systems and riparian habitat

Nuu Refuge

Size: 82 acres

Year Protected: 2011

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT

Conservation Values: Native habitat, shoreline access, recreation, cultural and archeological preservation

Land Features: Coastal wetlands, rocky shoreline

*** HILT maintains ungulate proof fencing around the 7-acre wetland here. This fencing will be replaced with the predator proof fencing described in this proposal.**

Veterans Peace Park

Size: 4.5 acres

Year Protect: 2015

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by the HILT, Conservation Easement held by Maui County

Conservation Values: Outdoor Recreation and Education, Historic Sites, Water Resource Values (land serves as natural filter strip for runoff heading to Kahului Bay), Scenic Vistas, Wildlife Habitat

Land Features: Coastal land near Kahului Bay in a densely developed section of Wailuku

Oahu

Maunawila Heiau Complex

Size: 9.08 Acres

Year Protected: 2014

Land Protection Strategy: Owned by HILT, Conservation Easement held by Honolulu City & County

Conservation Values: Archaeological and cultural preservation; Habitat restoration; cultural practice and education

Land Features: Historic Sites

*** HILT maintains 200 linear feet of ungulate proof fencing at this preserve.**

VI. PERSONNEL: PROJECT ORGANIZING 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.

HILT relies on the extensive experiences of our team of land conservation professionals to carry out the organization's mission and programs. HILT operates with seventeen (19) dedicated full-time employees, four (5) part-time employees, and is assisted by over 1,500 volunteers.

Additionally, HILT relies on the expertise of a variety of contractors to provide some of the deliverables under the project proposal. These include archeologists and land stewards.

HILT's Director of Aina Stewardship will lead the project. He will be directly overseen by HILT's President & CEO. HILT's Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer will manage the grant finances and reporting.

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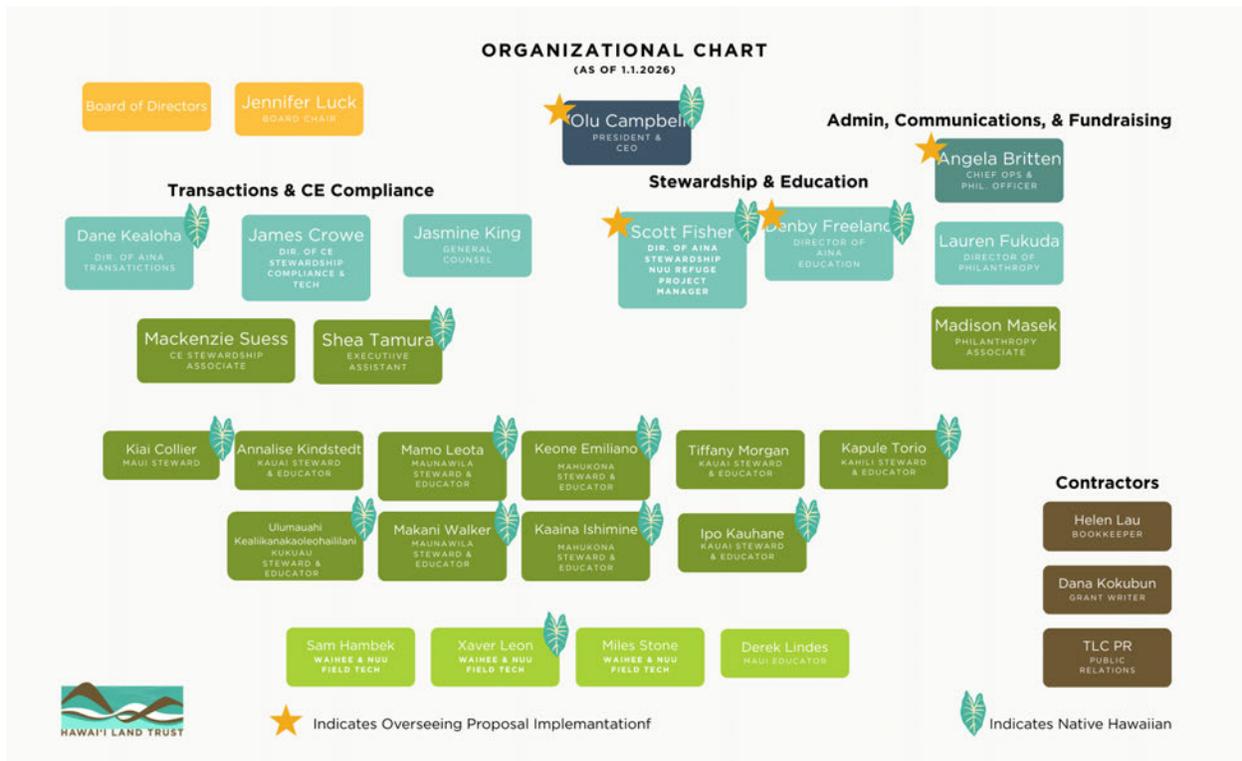
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All hired contractors will be required to produce deliverables specific to their project purview, and in accordance with our grantor requirements.

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.



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.

President & CEO: \$125,000-\$175,000

Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer: \$125,000-\$175,000

Director of Aina Stewardship: \$90,000-\$125,000

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.

HILT is involved in two pending litigations, both being where HILT is not the subject of either litigation, rather HILT is procedurally named as a co-defendant as the holder of the two conservation easements that protect the lands subject to the lawsuits. We are currently in the discovery phases of the litigations and there is no outstanding judgment. For both pending litigations, HILT is represented by a private law firm, with legal fees fully covered by our legal defense insurance policies we have in place.

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.

HILT is the first land trust in the State of Hawai'i to receive national accreditation from the Land Trust Accreditation Commission®.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission® was incorporated in 2006 as an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance® to build and recognize strong land trusts, foster public confidence in land conservation, and help ensure the long-term protection of land. The Commission is governed by a board of directors comprised of land conservation and nonprofit management professionals from across the United States.

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.

The grant will not be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution.

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.

As a land trust with a mission spanning perpetuity, HILT recognizes the need for a long-term fiscal sustainability plan. This request will help fund HILT's annual Statewide Stewardship Program, leveraging financial resources from a variety of public and private sources. This request is part of a broader, organization-wide fundraising campaign designed support HILT's mission-related programing while reaching new donors, stewarding existing supporters, and supporting land acquisition.

We have built long-term program sustainability growing organizational reserve funds while also maintaining a prudent and careful financial management system.

Should HILT receive a grant for fiscal year 2027, but not receive a GIA grant thereafter, HILT will prioritize the cultivation of additional prospective sources of funds at this request level.



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: **Hawaiian Islands Land Trust**

DBA/Trade Name: **Hawaii Land Trust**

Issue Date: **01/20/2026**

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#: [REDACTED]

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: [REDACTED]

UI#: No record

DCCA FILE#: 121112

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

**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII' 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, Hawaii'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, Hawaii'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; and
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii'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.
- 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'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.

Hawaiian Islands Land Trust dba Hawaii Land Trust

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

Angela M. Britten

(Signature)

1/20/2026

(Date)

Angela Britten, Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer

(Typed Name)

(Title)



January 16, 2025

PUBLIC PURPOSE STATEMENT OF APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER
42F-102, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant certifies that the requested grant shall be used for public purpose pursuant to Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and that within this grant request the State shall find:

- 1) the name of the requesting organization or individual;
- 2) the public purpose for the grant;
- 3) the services to be supported by the grant;
- 4) the target group; and
- 5) the cost of the grant and the budget.

Angela M. Britten

January 20, 2026

Angela M. Britten, CFRE

Hawaiian Islands Land Trust (dba Hawaii Land Trust, abbreviated HILT)

Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Hawaiian Islands Land Trust

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, Taxes, & Benefits	19,613			
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	19,613			
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Fence line clearing	30,000			
2. Removal of existing fencing	40,000			
3. Fence materials and equipment	16,200	300,000		
4. Contingency	63,200			
5. Fence line installation (labor)	113,300	300,000		
6. Pedestrian gate	8,000			
7. Travel	300			
8. Administrative Costs	132,163			
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	403,163	600,000		
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	422,776	600,000		
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	422,776	Angela Britten (808) 791-0731		
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested	600,000	Name (Please type or print) Phone		
(c) Total County Funds Requested		<i>Angela M. Britten</i>		
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		Signature of Authorized Official Date		
TOTAL BUDGET	1,022,776	Angela Britten, Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer		
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Hawaiian Islands Land Trust

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A - No equipment or vehicles requested			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A - No equipment or vehicles requested			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Hawaiian Islands Land Trust

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:2024-2025	FY:2025-2026	FY:2026-2027	FY:2026-2027	FY:2027-2028	FY:2028-2029
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION			422776			
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:			422,776			
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Hawaiian Islands Land Trust

Contracts Total: 600,000

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	Congressionally Directed Spending	Pending	USFWS	US	600,000
2					
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6					
7					
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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)
- 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

Angela M. Britten

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Angela Britten, Chief Operations & Philanthropy Officer

PRINT NAME AND TITLE

1/20/2026

DATE