

Application Submittal Checklist

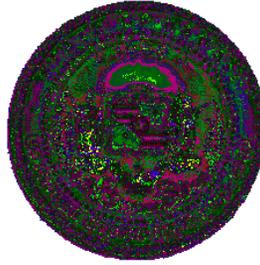
The following items are required for submittal of the grant application. Please verify and check off that the items have been included in the application packet.

- ❖ 1) Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization)
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Ian Kealf'i Custlno Executive Director
PRINT NAME AND TITLE

1/22/26
DATE



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: MOANALUA GARDENS FOUNDATION, INC.

DBA/Trade Name: MGF HAWAI'I

Issue Date: 01/15/2026

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#: [REDACTED]

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#: [REDACTED]

UI#: XXXXXX6323

DCCA FILE#: 18981

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 REVISIED 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; and
- 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.
- 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, 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.

Moanalua Gardens Foundation dba MGF Hawaii
(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

CSiB

1/22/24
(Date)

Ian Keali'i Custino
(Typed Name)

Executive Director
(Title)

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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.

A Certificate of Good Standing from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs dated January 15, 2026 is attached.

2. Declaration Statement

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

A signed Declaration Statement is attached.

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](#).

This grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The requested information required in this section is included in this grant application.

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;

Moanalua Gardens Foundation (MGF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, Moanalua Gardens Foundation (MGF) was founded in 1970 “To preserve and perpetuate the native culture, history and environment of Hawai’i through education and stewardship of Kamananui Valley and celebration of the Prince Lot Hula Festival.”

For over 55 years, MGF has pioneered programs which help people understand and appreciate the unique environmental and cultural resources of our islands, with

Kamananui valley as our classroom. This knowledge is essential to developing informed stewards who will protect and preserve our fragile and vulnerable 'āina.

This legacy of preservation began in the early 1900's with Samuel Mills Damon who set aside Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley and Moanalua Gardens for use by the general public and earmarked a portion of the net income of his estate to maintain and protect this historic property. When these lands were threatened by the encroachment of the H-3 freeway, two granddaughters of Samuel Damon founded MGF to safeguard the Valley from the construction of the freeway effectively preserving in perpetuity over 3,700 acres of land for the recreation and enjoyment of the people of Hawai'i.

Although MGF is one of the primary caretakers of the ahupua'a of Moanalua, MGF is not financially supported by, nor an entity of the beneficiaries of the Estate of Samuel Mills Damon. MGF is self-supporting.

MGF's accomplishments include developing the first comprehensive environmental education curriculum for Hawai'i, the production of an award-winning distance learning program, and place-based stewardship programs that explore and restore the historic Kamananui Valley. Highlights include:

- Completed planning for the repair of the last four miles of the existing, single lane Moanalua Valley road with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature.
- Completed with DLNR the first Moanalua Valley Forest Reserve Management Plan with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature and in partnership with DLNR, the community and other stakeholders.
- Completed Moanalua Valley road repairs for the first two miles with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature.
- The respected Partners in Education Program and 'Ōhi'a Project Curriculum, once the most widely used environmental education program in Hawai'i's elementary schools.
- Huaka'i o Kamananui, Aloha 'Āina Moanalua, the only place-based environmental education curriculum for 4th graders focused on Kamananui Valley, one of the last intact watersheds in Honolulu's urban core.
- The annual Prince Lot Hula Festival, the state's oldest and largest non-competitive hula celebration named after Prince Lot, Kamehameha V, who reprised hula in Moanalua.

Historical Significance

Kamananui Valley has great historical significance dating back to the 1600's during the reign of Oahu's King Kākuhihewa who established the ahupua'a of Moanalua as a center of hula and chanting. In 1795, Kamehameha is said to have rested by 'Iemi spring after the battles of Nu'uanu and Kahauiki.

Traditions of Moanalua relate that Kamehameha was resting by 'Iemi when he heard the chants of Moanalua and news of the birth of a child descended from beloved King Kākuhihewa at an area of the valley known as Kahaukomo. Kamehameha went to Kahaukomo and laid his battle sword next to the child, naming him

“Kāpahikauaokamehameha” (the battle sword of Kamehameha). The act bestowed honor on the child and his family. This child was the great grandfather or great granduncle of Nāmakahelu, the last chantress of Moanalua.

The entire ahupua`a of Moanalua – two valleys, from the Ko`olau peaks to the sea—were Kamehameha lands that passed through Bernice Pauahi Bishop in 1884 to her friend, Samuel Mills Damon, the business partner of her husband, Charles Reed Bishop. The property was the one-time home of Prince Lot Kapuāiwa, who reigned as King Kamehameha V from 1863 to 1872.

Damon set aside the makai lands, now known as Moanalua Gardens, one of Hawaii’s earliest public parks, “for public use and enjoyment.” These lush gardens have been open to the public for over a century. However, the public had only limited access to Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley for “appropriate recreational and educational purposes.” Moanalua Gardens is spread over 23 acres and has “general preservation” zoning. Kamananui Valley spans 3,700 acres, is classified as “restricted preservation property,” and is the location of important cultural artifacts.

Kamananui Valley is also a sanctuary for several endangered and rare forest bird species, including the Elepaio, and was the site of the last observations of the Oahu creeper `iwi. In addition, at least 11 endangered plant species, 3 rare plant species and 2 endangered Oahu tree snail species are found in the area. The last known sighting of the threatened Hawaiian hoary bat was also in this valley.

Its location immediately adjacent to Tripler Army Medical Center, Fort Shafter and other military installations serves as a defense buffer zone preventing encroachment by urban development.

When the Estate of Samuel Mills Damon was dissolved in 2006, Kamananui Valley was sold to the State of Hawai‘i and Moanalua Gardens was sold to Samuel Mills Damon’s great grandson, John Philip (JP) Damon.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The purpose of this CIP request is to provide funding for realignment and restoration of one of the most dangerous sections of Kamananui Valley Road. The State Legislature, through the GIA process in 2019, funded the planning and design of the proposed road work. This request is to implement that plan and make the needed repairs. Our work in the valley has a strategic framework supported by funding from the State Legislature. We started with the Moanalua Valley Forest Reserve Management and repair of the first two miles of damaged roadway into the valley. We maintain ‘āina education and stewardship all year long that supports the care and maintenance of the recent repairs and the natural environment in the valley. The funding of these road repairs works as part of a carefully planned and stakeholder partnered system of activities to preserve this precious space for Hawai‘i’s people in perpetuity.

While previous legislative funding has enabled MGF to repair the first two miles of Kamananui Valley Road, the main pathway through the valley, it was not sufficient to complete repair of the remaining portions of the 4-mile roadway which includes some of the most heavily damaged areas.

For over a hundred years, Kamananui Valley was under private ownership with limited public access. When the valley was sold to the State of Hawai'i and transferred to the DOFAW in 2008, the valley was opened to the public for educational and recreational purposes. Since that time MGF, which has served as the guardian of the valley for 55 years, and DOFAW have seen a marked increase in usage of the valley by local residents and visitors to our islands.

Since 2008, MGF has been partnering with the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) to protect and preserve the fragile natural resources of Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley, and in 2012, an MOU was executed designating MGF as the lead stewardship partner. (MOU attached.)

This increase in public use has made it even more urgent that critical road repairs continue before any more damage occurs that would substantially increase the cost of the repairs in the future. It is imperative that the Design Phase be started immediately and run concurrently with the Master Plan so that the transition into implementation will be seamless and construction less costly.

These improvements will support MGF and DOFAW's management of the valley, enhance the hiking experience for both kama'āina and malihini, provide security for all users, stimulate economic growth, and preserve the natural beauty of the valley.

While DOFAW and MGF support public access and enjoyment of this resource, this project needs to start now before conditions further deteriorate and harm natural and cultural resources as well as educational programs and stewardship activities conducted by MGF, DLNR and other organizations.

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

Once closed to the public for more than a century, the opening of Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley and its two major trails have turned it into a popular recreational destination for both local residents and visitors. Currently it is conservatively estimated that an average of 250 visitors per month or approximately 3,000 per year see and experience Kamananui Valley. With the increased usage of social media promoting this site, the number of visitors is projected to be much higher. Similarly, the average number of residents visiting Kamananui Valley is estimated to be 600 per month for a total resident usage of 7,200 per year, a combined total of 10,200 persons annually.

This dramatic increase in usage and severe flooding has impacted Kamananui Valley's infrastructure causing further erosion of Kamananui Valley Road and highlighted the need for a Master Plan to guide future improvements and use of this sacred ahupua'a.

The Master Plan is currently underway and this project is part of the long-range plans for the valley.

When Kamananui Valley was acquired by the State of Hawaii Division of Forestry and Wildlife, funds for the purchase came from more than one party. These parties recognized that Kamananui Valley was a valuable treasure that needed to be protected for many reasons. Among these are Native forest conservation, cultural resource safeguarding, public recreation, protection of Oahu's precious water supply and preservation of some of our rare Hawaiian species like the endangered Elepaio bird.

A critical lifeline that makes all this public recreation and good work possible is Kamananui Valley Road, an old historic road that goes straight through the valley. Within the past 8 years, this road has been heavily damaged by storm water. While the first two miles of this 4-mile road have been repaired, funds were not sufficient to repair the last two miles. This portion of the road is no longer passable. This grant seeks to repair the road to allow the safe passage of the public and managers to the far reaches and the back of the valley.

Moanalua Gardens Foundation (MGF), in partnership with DLNR/DOFAW, is developing a comprehensive Master Plan for Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley and this project is part of the long-range improvements that will be included in the plan. It is vital that the road be repaired as soon as possible so that safe access is provided for all users and essential resource management of the valley continues.

Since 1970, MGF has conducted educational and stewardship programs in Kamananui Valley teaching thousands of students and residents in our community about the importance of protecting and preserving the unique natural resources of the valley. In April 2012, MGF obtained a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) from the State Board of Land and Natural Resources authorizing MGF to continue educational programs and stewardship of Kamananui Valley in partnership with the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW).

As stewards of this valley for 55 years, MGF has the educational and interpretive expertise along with the proven track record and commitment to continue managing and protecting this valley under the MOU. MGF is dedicated to continue assisting DOFAW with implementing improvements and coordinating management of this valley, given that agency's limited funding and personnel.

Our community not only needs, but is demanding, more amenities in our public recreational areas, some of which have deteriorated due to overuse, neglect, and/or lack of resources. They, like our visitors, want to learn more about Hawai'i's unique natural resources and be assured that they are protected, respected and perpetuated. This project will not only engage our community, but will increase collaboration among community stakeholders, government agencies and our Armed Forces.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

The target population to be served by this project are Hawai'i residents, students, visitors, and the military. With the curriculum being taught by Moanalua Gardens Foundation, Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley has become a "living classroom" for students and teachers in our public and private schools as well as for community and environmental education groups.

A secondary key target group is our visitors. Research shows that tourists who travel to Hawai'i are looking for experiences that connect them with our people, places and culture. With its rich history, important cultural sites, and proximity to Waikīkī, O'ahu's tourism hub, Kamananui is a popular destination for edu-tourism, volun-tourism and eco-tourism experiences.

As more groups discover the beauty of the valley, the preservation of this sacred site becomes even more urgent.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

This project will include the entire state of Hawai'i, visitors to our islands, and our military. While our programs are centered in Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley, we are attracting residents statewide and tourists from around-the-world.

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;

Moanalua Gardens Foundation, Inc. will obtain the services of CPE to begin road repairs as described in the Construction Plans for the Kamananui Valley Road. The work shall include labor, equipment, and materials and the work will consist of the execution of the Construction Plans by a qualified contractor to install erosion control measures, clear and grub, as required, install a 6" aggregate base course to accept the new concrete pavement, approximately 2,000 square feet of 8" thick concrete pavement with 2 layers of welded wire fabric, approximately 500 square feet of GEOCELL lining and dowel into repair/extend existing concrete fords at stream crossing #14 of Kamananui Valley Road. CPE will perform administration and maintenance of the construction contract. CPE will direct and manage the construction work as specified in the Construction Plans and oversee CPE's subcontractors' construction to ensure road repair is accomplished as specified in the Construction Plans and according to the specified timeline. Periodic construction observations and the administration of the final inspection and acceptance for the project will be performed. Stakeholders for this project will be invited to the final inspection and acceptance for the project. CPE will

review and make recommendations on all construction subcontractors pay applications. Any changes that may be necessary during construction will be addressed as soon as practicably possible and coordinated with MGF and DOFAW. Upon final acceptance of the project, CPE will coordinate with Moanalua Gardens Foundation on the closing of the project. CPE will obtain all waivers of liens or claims on the project at closing of the construction contract.

As the overseer of this project, MGF is seeking assistance from the Legislature so that it can carry out its responsibilities as the project contractor. When completed, this project will benefit our keiki, families and visitors while at the same time protect and preserve the only undeveloped valley in urban Honolulu.

The existing single lane, gravel and dirt road is approximately four miles long and is primarily used by management and maintenance vehicles of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW), the U.S. Army, Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO), the Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) and other management partners in the valley. The road is also heavily used by hikers for recreational purposes and access to historical sites within the valley.

A field investigation conducted by Community Planning and Engineering (CPE) in March of 2013 found the entire length of the road to be accessible by vehicles. However, since that time heavy rains and flooding have caused severe erosion damage to a portion of the road between stream crossings #15 and #16 (near the two-and-a-half-mile point along the road), rendering the road impassable by vehicles at this point. As a result, the previously mentioned management partners are unable to access the remaining mile-and-a-half of the road to conduct their work. On January 14, 2019 a field investigation was conducted to determine the existing condition of the road between stream crossings #15 and #16. It was found that the entire width of the road (approximately 20-feet) had eroded away.

In May of 2023 a field investigation was conducted and found a bypass road had been constructed around crossings #15 and #16 providing access around the eroded portion of the roadway. However, Crossing #14 had experienced erosion along the roadway and its adjacent earth banks on either side. If the road is not repaired, the damage to the roadway will worsen and the management partners will not be able to access the remaining mile-and-a-half of the road to perform their work. Hikers will continue to be at risk of getting injured or lost.

MGF, DLNR/DOFAW and CPE concur that the road needs to be repaired. Therefore, MGF and CPE completed the following services in preparation of construction repairs to the roadway

A. Research and Data Gathering

1. Topographical Survey: CPE obtained the services of a land surveyor licensed in the State of Hawaii to perform a topographic survey of the subject area. A

map of the topographic survey was prepared and utilized as a base drawing in preparation of the concept plans.

2. Met with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for permit determination.
3. Met with the DLNR, including DOFAW, Engineering Division and Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands (OCCL).
4. Met with HECO.
5. Met with the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), for access through City Park property.
6. Met with the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP), for any necessary permit requirements.
7. Met with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), for proposed work through area designated as Elepaio Critical Habitat.
8. Met with the neighborhood board to appraise them of plans for the area.
9. Perform field reconnaissance to confirm the topographic survey map.

B. Engineering Services

1. Prepared concept plans for discussion with MGF, DLNR, DOFAW, OCCL, USFWS, and the U.S Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE).
 2. Prepared construction documents consisting of plan and profile views of the road, details, erosion control plan (including Construction Best Management Practices Plan), and cross section views. The construction documents included the preparation of technical specifications and a construction cost estimate based on construction plans. Construction documents are ready for permitting and construction.
 3. Prepared and processed permits required by the USACOE, including but not limited to:
 - a. Department of the Army (DA) Permit
 - b. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination (NPDES) Permit
 - c. Nation Wide Permit (NWP)
 - d. Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Permit
 - e. Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC)
 - f. Section 404 Permit
 - g. State Historic Preservation Department (SHPD) Section 106
 - h. Stream Channel Alteration Permit (SCAP)
2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;

Months One to Three

Pre-Construction Services

Perform Pre-Construction Services

- a. Submit material submittals
- b. Coordinate with stake holders

Months Four to Nine

Construction Services

Perform Construction as shown in Construction Plans

- c. Install biosock per erosion control plans
- d. Clear & grub as required
- e. Grade and level to subgrade of roadway
- f. Construct 6" aggregate base course for new concrete pavement
- g. Construct approximately 2,000 square feet of 8" thick concrete pavement with 2 layers of welded wire fabric
- h. Construct approximately 500 square feet of GEOCELL lining
- i. Install dowels into repair/extend existing concrete fords at stream crossing #14

Months Ten to Twelve

Post-Construction Services

Perform Post-Construction Services

- a. Perform Final Inspection
- b. Complete closing Documents

Note: Delays in the construction process may occur due to weather and other unforeseen conditions and will, therefore, affect the length of the project which is projected to be approximately 10-months.

Expected Outcomes

This project will generate the following outcomes:

Preservation of Kamananui Valley's cultural and historical resources

This project will protect, preserve and maintain Kamananui's important historic and cultural sites and resources by restoring a badly damaged portion of Kamananui Valley Road that will:

- a. Enable responsible entities to continue Native forest conservation
- b. Preserve its natural resources and cultural sites
- c. Preserve rare Hawaiian species
- d. Protect our vital watersheds
- e. Allow safe access for the public and responsible entities
- f. Protect this valuable resource for future generations

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

MGF's Project Director will directly oversee has assigned will ensure that appropriate qualitative and quantitative measures are used to monitor, evaluate and improve this project. Quality assurance standards on this project will be directly managed by the will be built into the project deliverables. This will ensure high-quality delivery on the scope of work.

Monitor

Under the direction of the Executive Director, the Kamananui Valley Master Plan Project Director (Project Director) will have primary oversight over the implementation of this project. The Project Director will meet with the Executive Director on a regular basis to monitor progress and document completion of objectives. A project status report will be submitted to the Executive Director for review on a regular basis.

The Project Director, under the direction of the Executive Director will be responsible for coordinating project activities with the project sub-contractor, the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), and other organizations and agencies. The Project Director will also communicate with community and government agencies on a regular basis. This will ensure that project activities are well coordinated and executed.

Evaluate

Project team meetings will be held on a regular basis to evaluate the progress of the project. Status reports from the sub-contractor will be used to evaluate progress and identify concerns. Additionally, regular site visits by the contractor will be conducted to monitor project progress and address any issues that may arise. The Project Director and sub-contractor will address unforeseen issues and make needed adjustments.

Improve

Progress reports will be analyzed, and the information will be used by MGF and the sub-contractor to improve the Master Plan process. The data will also be used to guide the development of future programs, services and activities for Kamananui Valley.

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.

Quantitative

- a) Status/progress reports from the sub-contractor showing activities accomplished as outlined in the Scope of Work section.
- b) Number of meetings conducted to implement, monitor and evaluate the project
- c) Completion of all activities as listed in the project timeline.

Qualitative

- a) Improvement of Kamananui Valley's infrastructure so that valley users will have safe access to the valley for educational, cultural and recreational purposes.
- b) Restoration of the last 4 miles of Kamananui Valley Road so that urgent resource management activities can be maintained.

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](#))
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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
\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$750,000

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

City & County of Honolulu FY27 GIA
Office of Hawaiian Affairs CIP Grant

- 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.

MGF has not applied for nor has any plans to apply for state/federal tax credits. Not applicable.

- 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.

See Form/Page 10 for list of all federal, state, and county government contracts, grants, and grants in aid granted within the prior three years.

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

The balance of MGF’s unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2025 is \$259,129.79

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.

Founded in 1970, Moanalua Gardens Foundation has served as a vital link in preserving and protecting the environmental and cultural resources of Hawai'i. A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, MGF was instrumental in safeguarding Kamananui (Moanalua) Valley from the construction of the H-3 freeway, thus preserving in perpetuity over 3,700 acres of land for the recreation and enjoyment of the people of and visitors to Hawai'i.

For the past 55 years, MGF has pioneered the aloha 'āina movement through public education initiatives that taught people to value the unique environmental and cultural resources of our islands, some of which are found nowhere else on Earth. MGF believes that education is essential to developing informed stewards who will protect and preserve our fragile and vulnerable 'āina for current and future generations.

Our Mālama Kamananui 'Āina-based Environmental Education Program, our newest 'āina-based education program has educated 1766 students since 2021 (2021-22 290 students; 2022-23 674; 2023-24 802 students served; 2024-25 202 students). Our team currently receives more inquiries about our environmental education programs than our team is currently able to serve.

MGF has worked with contractors, government partners like DLNR, and community stakeholders to plan and implement capital improvement projects in the valley in the past. Including the last road repairs performed in the valley funded by the State legislature in 2014 and the study for this year's CIP request which lays out the plan and design for current, proposed road repairs. MGF also worked with partners to plan and produce the area's first Moanalua Valley Forest Reserve Management Plan funded in 2019, which is in its final stages of vetting for publication as of the writing of this funding request.

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 3,700-acre Kamananui Valley, one of the last intact valleys in urban Honolulu, serves as the living classroom for MGF's 'āina-based program, immersing students in STEM, culture, history, in an active 'āina-based learning environment. Kamananui Valley Road is a perfect hike for all ages and offers access to many other hiking trails in the Moanalua Valley. The valley itself is historical, with the earliest human inhabitants dating back to the 1500s. A short walk from the trailhead lies a marked offshoot to the old ruins of the Douglas Damon house, where the grand staircase lanai and fireplace are still standing.

MGF does maintain an office located at Helumoa in Waikīkī at the Royal Hawaiian Center. Our modest office houses a rare book collection, meeting space, and ample storage for all MGF outdoor educational equipment. In the case in inclement weather, Royal Hawaiian Center has made available, spaces that could be used as a covered classroom for educating youth.

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.

For more than five decades MGF has been administering projects, programs and grants and has successfully supervised, trained and provided administrative direction to project staff engaged in our educational and cultural programs. Our small but effective team includes expertise in the diverse areas of need that is required to contribute to the maintenance and preservation of the precious ecosystem that is Kamananui valley. This expertise, from culture to project management, will be used to oversee the construction contractors that are necessary to execute this capital improvement project.

Ian Keali'i Custino, Executive Director

Ian will provide oversight of the project for this request. Ian brings over two decades of project management experience, and ten years of executive leadership experience to the organization. Ian holds a B.A. in Sociology with a Certificate in Conflict Resolution from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, an M.S. in Psychology and is an A.B.D. PhD Candidate in Psychology. Most recently, Ian has worked with Kamehameha Schools on large-scale projects focused on collaborative cultural, environmental and community returns, as well as led community and organizational strategic planning work across the pae'āina. Ian's community work with the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Hawaiian Royal Societies, The Chamber of Commerce, The King Kamehameha Celebration Committee, the 2024-25 OHA Salary Commission, and the City & County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Management has resulted in an expanded network of

community and governmental relationships that benefit the work towards fulfilling our mission at MGF.

Shane Lee, Deputy E.D. & Project Director

Shane is a project management professional with over 22 years of management experience in a wide range of closely related fields including small scale to corporate level farming, drinking water, wastewater & irrigation water management. Shane also has specialized expertise in environmental remediation projects involving groundwater extraction, treatment, and disposal. He was a co-owner and senior project manager of a Hawai'i-based property management company that managed construction projects, upgrades, major repairs, and day-to-day operations of condominium associations.

Kumu Hula Michael Pili Pang, Office Administrator

Kumu Pang is a former Executive Director of the Mayor's Office on Culture and the Arts (MOCA). Kumu Pang will oversee the fiscal aspects of the project. A protege of Maiki Aiu Lake and Mae Kamāmalu Klein, Kumu graduated through the 'uniki rituals of hula in 1979 as 'ōlapa (dancer) and in 1985 as Kumu Hula. He received an MFA in Dance from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. Serving on the Board of Directors for MGF over the years, Kumu Pang now serves as Office Administrator, managing the organization's fiscal and administrative policies and processes.

Keoki Limasa-Viena, 'Āina Educator & Education Coordinator

A passionate conservationist and 'āina educator, Keoki earned his B.A. in Hawai'i-Pacific History from the University of Hawai'i West O'ahu in 2015. Keoki will work alongside our lead educator and coordinate logistics for project implementation. An experienced environmental field professional, Keoki brings years of experience in 'āina restoration, trail management, and 'āina stewardship.

MGF's accomplishments include developing the first comprehensive environmental education curriculum for Hawai'i, the production of an award-winning distance learning program, and place-based stewardship programs that explore and restore the historic Kamananui Valley. Highlights include:

- Completed planning for the repair of the last four miles of the existing, single lane Moanalua Valley road with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature.
- Completed with DLNR the first Moanalua Valley Forest Reserve Management Plan with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature and in partnership with DLNR, the community and other stakeholders.
- Completed Moanalua Valley road repairs for the first two miles with a CIP GIA from the State Legislature.
- The respected Partners in Education Program and 'Ōhi'a Project Curriculum, once the most widely used environmental education program in Hawai'i's elementary schools.

- Huaka'i o Kamananui, Aloha 'Āina Moanalua, the only place-based environmental education curriculum for 4th graders focused on Kamananui Valley, one of the last intact watersheds in Honolulu's urban core.
- The annual Prince Lot Hula Festival, the state's oldest and largest non-competitive hula celebration named after Prince Lot, Kamehameha V, who reprised hula in Moanalua.

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.

An organization chart reflecting the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision is attached.

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.

1.	Executive Director and President	\$90,000
2.	Deputy E.D. & Director of Education & Stewardship	\$90,000
3.	Office Administrator	\$60,000

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.

MGF is not involved in any litigation at the present time.

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.

MGF does not have any special qualifications or licensure or accreditations that are relevant to this request.

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.

Grant funds will NOT be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

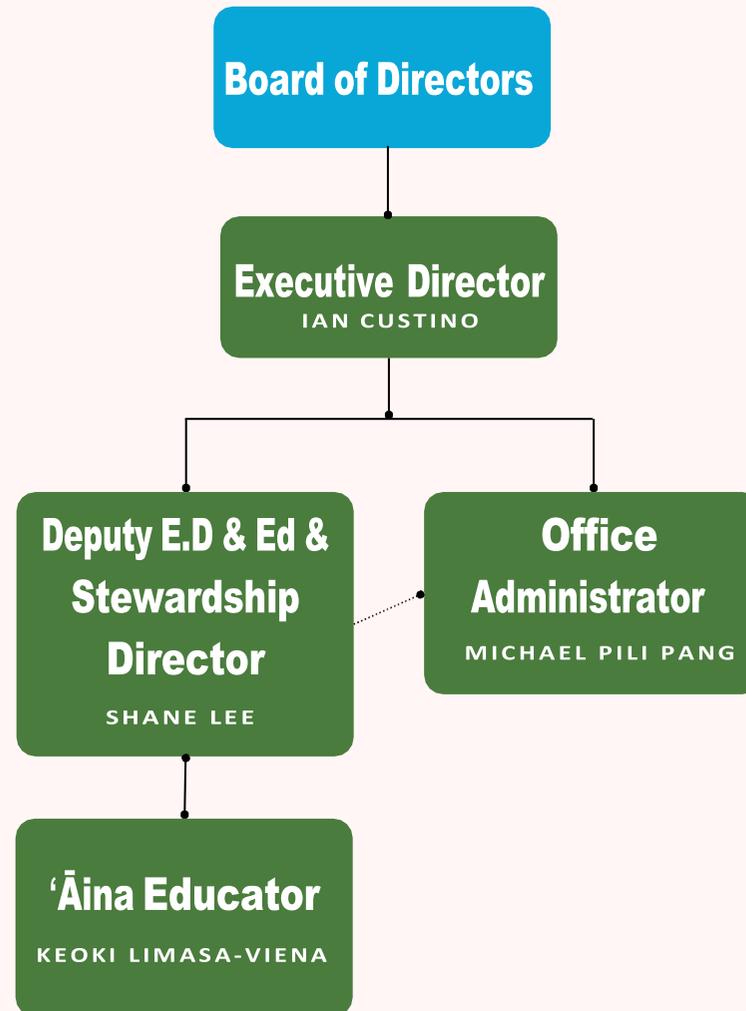
The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2027 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

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

This CIP funding request is for the sole purpose of executing on repairs proposed through a study and design process funded by the State legislature in 2019. If this funding is not approved, MGF plans to submit a CIP funding request to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.



MGF ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Moanalua Gardens 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				
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits				
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST				
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Islam				
2. Liability Insurance	10,000			
3. Lease/Rental/Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental/Office	15,000			
5. Travel				
6. Supplies				
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
9. Contract Fee- Professional	125,000			
10. Construction Fee- Construction	600,000			
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	750,000			
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL CA+B+C+D+E)	750,000			
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	650,000	Ian Keali'i Custino		808-783-7562
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested		Name (Please print)		Phone
(c) Total County Funds Requested			1/11/27
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		Signature of Authorized Official		Date
TOTAL BUDGET	650,000	Ian Keali'i Custino, Executive Director		
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - PERSONNEL SALARIES AND WAGES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Moanalua Gardens Foundation

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
N/A				\$ -
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TOTAL:				0.00
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Moanalua Gardens Foundation

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A			\$ -	0
			\$ -	
			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
TOTAL:				0
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
N/A			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
			\$ -	0
TOTAL:				0
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: Moanalua Gardens 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:2024-2025	FY:2025-2026	FY:2026-2027	FY:2026-2027	FY:2027-2028	FY:2028-2029
PLANS	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND ACQUISITION	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESIGN	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONSTRUCTION			750000			
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL:	0	0	750,000	0	0	0
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS This CIP funding request is for the sole purpose of executing on repairs proposed through a study and design process funded by the Stage legislature in 2019.						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: Moanalua Gardens Foundation

Contracts Total: 1,464,931

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	CIP 2018 GIA Moanalua FR Mgmt Plan	6/21/18 - 6/21/24	DLNR	State	890,000
2	City and County of Honolulu - Kamananui ED	10/1/20 - 9/30/21	C & C of Honolulu	Honolulu	124,931
3	IMLS Halia Oral History Project	09/01/22 - 08/31/23	IMLS	U.S.	150,000
4	City and County GIA 45th Prince Lot HF	10/1/21 - 9/30/22	C & C of Honolulu	Honolulu	10,000
5	NEA 2022 45th Prince Lot Hula Festival	1/1/22 - 12/31/22	NEA	U.S.	15,000
6	OHA 2022 45th Prince Lot Hula Festival	FY 2022	OHA	State	15,000
7	Oahu Visitors Bureau Prince Lot Hula Festival	FY 2022	OVB	State	20,000
8	Department of the Interior - Ho'ihi Grant	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	DOI	U.S.	150,000
9	City and County GIA 46th Prince Lot HF	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	C & C of Honolulu	Honolulu	10,000
10	OHA 2024 47th Prince Lot Hula Festival	FY 2024	OHA	State	15,000
11	GIA 2025 - Kamananui Ed	FY 2026	DOE	State	50,000
12	OHA 2024 48th Prince Lot Hula Festival	FY 2026	OHA	State	15,000
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