

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](#))
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 - c) Equipment and motor vehicles ([Link](#))
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 - e) Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid ([Link](#))
- 7) Experience and Capability
- 8) Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing


AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Susan Eichor, Treasurer
PRINT NAME AND TITLE

January 19, 2026
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: AIO FOUNDATION

Issue Date: 01/12/2026

Status: Compliant

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#: [REDACTED]

FEIN/SSN#: [REDACTED]

UI#: No record

DCCA FILE#: 109100

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	Compliant
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 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 Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded;
 - b) Complies with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
 - c) Agrees not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
 - d) Allows the state agency to which funds for the grant were appropriated for expenditure, legislative committees and their staff, and the auditor full access to their records, reports, files, and other related documents and information for purposes of monitoring, measuring the effectiveness, and ensuring the proper expenditure of the grant.
- 2) If the applicant is an organization, the applicant meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
 - b) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant is awarded shall be conducted or provided; and
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
 - b) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.
- 4) The use of grant-in-aid funding complies with all provisions of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii (for example, pursuant to Article X, section 1, of the Constitution, the State cannot provide "... public funds ... for the support or benefit of any sectarian or nonsectarian private educational institution...").

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for grants used for the acquisition of land, when the organization discontinues the activities or services on the land acquired for which the grant was awarded and disposes of the land in fee simple or by lease, the organization shall negotiate with the expending agency for a lump sum or installment repayment to the State of the amount of the grant used for the acquisition of the land.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

aio Foundation

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

January 19, 2026

(Signature)

(Date)

Duane Kurisu

President

(Typed Name)

(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.

The Hawai'i Compliance Express Certificate is attached to this application

2. Declaration Statement

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

The Declaration Statement is attached to this application.

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 aio Foundation confirms that this grant will be used for a public purpose, pursuant to Section 42F-102, Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

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;

Geronimo Broadcasting Inc. is the owner of KNDI Radio, AM1270 (KNDI). Since its inception, KNDI has been dedicated to serving Hawaii's multicultural, ethnically diverse communities, with a predominant portion of their programming in Filipino – both Ilocano and Tagalog.

KNDI also provides limited programming in eleven additional Pacific Rim languages.

- *Kūpuna and individuals without reliable internet access*
- *Rural and underserved communities across Oahu.*

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

KNDI's primary service area extends throughout Oahu. Depending on weather and atmospheric conditions, KNDI's signal is intermittently received on the neighbor islands as well. Please see coverage map attached.

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;

Scope of Work

- *The successful completion of this project will result in KNDI resuming their multilingual on air broadcasting from the Kahauiki tower.*
- *Restoring this important community resource will ensure that the limited or non-English speaking community will once again have access to time sensitive information, particularly during times of disaster preparedness or post event recovery.*
- *Significant labor hours over the past months have already been expended, working with the radio contractors to develop high level design and cost estimates for this project. Estimated labor costs to date are \$10,375. We are, of course, not including these costs in this application, but are providing as reference for the time and costs that have already been invested date.*

Tasks

FCC approvals

- *Finalize application to relocated KNDI's transmitter site to Kahauiki tower.*
- *If it is determined that expected timeline for resumption of broadcast extends beyond one year (December 31, 2026), an extension request will be filed.*

State/City approvals

- *Determine if EAS waiver can be obtained, based on previous waiver issued in 2019 for similar work of much greater magnitude (FEMA project).*
- *Obtain permit for extending concrete pad within the secured radio perimeter.*

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: aio 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-Island				
2. Insurance				
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space				
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies				
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL	530,620			
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)				
SOURCES OF FUNDING	530,620	Budget Prepared By: Susan Eichor 808-292-1189 Name (Please type or print) Phone January 19, 2026 Signature of Authorized Official Date		
(a) Total State Funds Requested				
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested				
(c) Total County Funds Requested				
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested				
TOTAL BUDGET	530,620	Susan Eichor, Treasurer, aio Foundation Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: aio Foundation

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Not applicable			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
Not applicable			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: _____ aio 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			
LAND ACQUISITION			0			
DESIGN			0			
CONSTRUCTION			530,620			
EQUIPMENT			0			
TOTAL:			530,620			
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS: KNDI and aio Foundation have already invested time and labor valued at \$10,375 to develop, design and budget costs for this project. These costs are not included in this GIA application.						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: KNDI 1270AM Contracts Total: 196,479

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	Summer & Fall Emergency Campaign	7/1-11/1/2023	DOH Preparedness	State	22,000
2	Summer & Fall Emergency Campaign	7/15-11/17/2024	DOH Preparedness	State	22,000
3	Summer & Fall Emergency Campaign	7/1-11/3/2025	DOH Preparedness	State	22,000
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5	Tobacco Quitline	9/26/22-1/27/2023	Dept. of Health	State	20,812
6	Tobacco Quitline	8/14/23-3/30/2024	Dept. of Health	State	6,406
7	Tobacco Quitline	9/01/24-12/31/2024	Dept. of Health	State	22,880
8	Tobacco Quitline	2/1-3/31/2025	Dept. of Health	State	2,922
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10	Control Asthma	1/9/23-4/30/2023	Dept. of Health	State	19,989
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12	Chronic Disease & Prevention	1/9/23-4/30/2023	Dept. of Health	State	20,000
13					
14	Lahaina Wildfires	9/1/23-10/1/2023	Dept. of Health	State	10,471
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16	Tsunami Awareness	7/1-9/30/2025	HIEMA	State/Fed	27,000
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GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: _____ aio Foundation _____

Contracts Total: 3,000,000

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
1	Hui Mahi'ai Aina	6/25/2025, 1st tranche	Statewide Office on Homelessness & Housing Solutions	State	1,500,000
2	Hui Mahi'ai Aina	2nd tranche, awaiting final signature.	Statewide Office on Homelessness & Housing Solutions	State	1,500,000
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