

HAWAII
Quarterly Narrative Report
ARRA Green Jobs State LMI Improvement Grants
SGA/DFA PY-08-17

General Grant Information

SGA Type: **SGA/DFA-08-17**

Grantee Name: **Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations**

Project Name: **ARRA Green Jobs State LMI Improvement Grant**

Grant Number: **GJ-19811-10-60-A-15**

Report Quarter Ending: **December 31, 2010**

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A. Summary of Grant Activities

We attended the "New Realities-New Responses" Technical Assistance Meeting for ARRA Grantees in Leesburg, Virginia, on December 6-8, 2010. We also participated in the Pre-Institute Enrichment Session entitled "LMI Forest Not the Trees" where a table display was set up for Hawaii to show and tell our grant accomplishments. We reported about the release of the "Hawaii's Green Workforce - A Baseline Assessment" Report. The report is a key deliverable and allows us to proceed to the next phase of the grant. For the next quarter, we expect to continue with the development of the green portal that will incorporate survey results and various analytical tools to enhance the delivery of green information. We are also partnering with other ARRA grantees in the state to produce green jobs projections and skills gap analysis. Acquisition of products and contractual services has been a major challenge, due to delays in getting approvals through the state procurement process. Although the reported expenditures are \$333,500 only, we have over \$212,168 in unliquidated obligations. We need a no-cost extension to meet grant deliverables. The estimated time of performance should be extended to December 31, 2011.

B. Status Update on Strategic Partnership Activities

We made presentations on the green jobs report to the Workforce Development Council (WDC) meeting and the SESP grant Steering Committee meeting. We worked with the Workforce Development Division (WDD) regarding the green portal development and workforce development outreach. We extended invitation for WDD staff to attend TORQ training and allocated two (2) TORQ license user seats for their use. We also scheduled a green jobs presentation for WDD

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Administrators in January 2011. We initiated direct contact with all four (4) county WIB representatives. Also, we extended invitation for WIB staff to attend TORQ training. We offered on-demand outreach services for green jobs presentation at WIB quarterly meetings. We initiated dialogue with the Oahu Work Links and scheduled green jobs presentation for next quarter. We met the program director of Hawaii Green Collar Institute to discuss the green survey initiative, and responded to media, educators, and business groups for informational requests. We sent out hardcopy publications of the “Hawaii Green Workforce – A Baseline Assessment” Report to all our partners, selected employers, and users.

C. Status Update on Leveraged Resources

No additional resources outside of the grant were used for this quarter.

D. Status of Deliverables and System Building Activities

See Section A above.

E. Key Issues and Technical Assistance Needs

No change from last quarter. We continue to face challenges in finalizing external and internal agreements for acquiring survey tools and software , developing projections models, assessing training gaps, and other contractual services. Grant expenditures may be impacted.

F. Best Practices and Success Stories

We do not have anything new to report at this time.

G. Additional Information

We plan to submit a request for a no-cost extension and to extend the time of performance to December 31, 2011.