

Organization: State of Hawaii Office of Community Services (OCS)

Description: Office of Community Services (OCS) assists Hawaii's low-income, immigrant and refugee populations to overcome and alleviate workforce barriers to economic self-sufficiency through an array of community-based programs and services. OCS primarily contracts and administers program services on behalf of the State and Federal governments. OCS allocated funds using a competitive purchase of services process unless the funding source authority direct the award to a specific organization(s).

Link: [Grants-in-Aid \(GIA\)](#)

OCS is one of several state agencies that administers the state's Grant-in-Aid program in accordance with Chapter 42F of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Hawaii State Legislature awards grants funded by the State under Hawaii Revised Statutes, Chapter 42F. Chapter 42F Grants (frequently known as "Grants-in-Aid" or GIAs) are awarded for two types of requests:

- Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) to construct and/or repair buildings and other facilities.
- Operating funds to support programs.

Applications: Applications for new GIAs will be made available on the Hawaii State Legislature's website: [Hawai'i State Legislature \(hawaii.gov\)](http://hawaii.gov). For more information, please contact the House Committee on Finance or Senate Committee on Ways and Means. The Office of Community Services does not handle the applications for new GIAs.

42F-102 Applications for grants. Requests for grants shall be submitted to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature at the start of each regular session of the legislature. Each request shall state:

- (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.