



# Executive Director Report

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**WDC EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**OCTOBER 19, 2020**

# Department of Labor & Industrial Relations

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**Governor appointed Acting Director Anne Perreira-Eustaquio as Director and JoAnn Vidinhar as Deputy Director.**

**Labor/Tax building will be phasing in reopening by appointment-based public access and thermal temperature screening to enter through November 19.**

**Targeting opening building to the public on December 17 with temperature screenings.**

# FISCAL UPDATE

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## General Funds

Total in base funds \$463K

Budget & Finance impact of reduction  
10%, 15%, 20%

DLIR requested WDC reduction \$300K

Furloughs, Reduction-in-Force

## Federal Funds

WIOA \$5.9M

2 COVID Disaster & Employment  
Recovery Grants – Awarded \$3M  
pending request to increase by \$1.2M (*If  
awarded total \$4,214,520*)

Monitoring federal grant opportunities

# GRANTS & FUNDED

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WDC partnered with UH: Awarded \$13.3M over 3 years to (1) increase short-term training leading to industry-valued credentials; (2) increase employment in in-demand living wage jobs; (3) expand high-quality apprenticeship opportunities; (4) develop post-apprenticeship career pathways and advancement opportunities. Only 8 states were awarded!

WDC partnered with UH Community Colleges: Workforce for Water proposal expands training to earn industry-recognized credentials statewide to replace 88,000 cesspools by 2050. Cesspools are at high risk for contaminating drinking water and coastal reefs. 4-year project for \$5M. Proposal submitted to USDOL on October 5. Pending award notification.

Almost \$2M returned WIOA funds from the counties, approved projects getting underway to issue Request for Proposals through procurement process, executing MOUs, contracts, to expend funds by June 30, 2021.



# PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATION

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**Governor's Office: Economic Recovery Support Function Group** develop statewide economic plan including workforce, WDC Workforce Resiliency Initiative

**DBEDT: Remote Worker Plan, Broadband Hui, WDC Workforce Resiliency Initiative**

**UH: USDOE Reimagine Grant, USDOL Community Colleges Grant**



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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**Statewide Customer Satisfaction Survey: Ward Research**

**MidWeek Cover Story: Hawaii Is Hiring**  
**<http://www.midweek.com/hawaii-is-hiring/>**

**All counties agreed with State and USDOL negotiated performance goals for PY2020 and PY2021**

**National Governors Association On-Demand Economy (gig workers) survey and reports**

**Video Production for American Job Centers underway with Kinetic Productions**

**Conducted Annual Monitoring of county Workforce Development Boards**

**11 WIOA Bulletins of policies and procedures issued since June during COVID-19**

