National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is a nationwide celebration that brings together business leaders, career seekers, labor, educational institutions, and other critical partners to demonstrate their support for apprenticeship.

NAW also provides apprenticeship sponsors with the opportunity to showcase their programs, facilities, and apprentices in their community.

The week-long celebration highlights the benefits of apprenticeship in preparing a highly-skilled workforce to meet the talent needs of employers across diverse industries.
In conjunction with the National Apprenticeship Week, Hawaii will celebrate Apprenticeship Week on November 9-10, 2020.

Because of restrictions on public meetings/gatherings and in compliance with social distancing requirements, Hawaii Apprenticeship Week will be celebrated virtually.

This virtual celebration seeks to create awareness and provide information on the registered apprenticeship programs in Hawaii to various stakeholders and partners throughout the state.
Reducing Unemployment Disruption & Driving Economic Regeneration (RUDDER)

- DLIR’s economic regeneration initiative providing State Employment & Training Funds in a unified effort to efficiently train and transfer labor into Hawaii’s businesses.
- The primary objective of RUDDER is to facilitate an efficient labor exchange between the sectors hardest hit by COVID-19 and employers hiring employees.
- Serves as the foundational strategy for aligning federal workforce programs, to help reduce job losses and help minimize the economic slide due to COVID-19.
- Immediately infuses money into the economy.
Program Benefits

- Provides up to $100,000 of relief to registered and complaint Hawaii businesses who hire new employees through the program.
- An initial $500 payment per new employee is provided to each participating employer to offset training and associated costs.
- A second $500 payment is issued for each new employee certified to have been retained by the employer after six months of continuous employment.
Reducing Unemployment Disruption & Driving Economic Regeneration (RUDDER, cont’d)

Program Accomplishments

- DLIR has assisted 43 employers – reimbursing them over half a million dollars for their new hires through the program.
- Employers have hired more than 1,000 new hires since RUDDER’s inception in March 2020.
THANK YOU FOR LISTENING