Resilient Hawai‘i means that Hawai‘i’s people and `aina can survive and thrive through economic, social and environmental challenges. The “Resilient Hawai‘i: Good Jobs Challenge” initiative (Resilient Hawai‘i) will connect individuals whose employment opportunities were disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic with employer-driven training that leads to good jobs. Led by the University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges in collaboration with employers, industry associations, and community partners statewide, the overarching goal is to establish a sustainable, effective regional workforce training system that creates economic resilience and prosperity for the State of Hawai‘i’s individuals, businesses, and communities.

The three-year, $16.3M Resilient Hawai‘i proposal to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) would invest in four strategic industry sectors identified as priorities in the state and counties Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and other economic development plans including Hawai‘i’s Talent Roadmap to Economic Recovery. The strategic industry sectors have the potential to transform Hawai‘i’s ability to endure and recover from economic challenges.

Through a coalition of 70+ employers, training providers, community-based organizations and key stakeholders, Resilient Hawai‘i will develop, design, and implement workforce development programs to get Hawai‘i’s residents back to work or to increase their skills for employment in “good jobs.” Sector partnerships will bring together Hawai‘i’s employers to translate their skills-needs into training programs, certifications, and/or on-the-job training opportunities.

Resilient Hawai‘i will support the training and wraparound support costs for participants and leverage various federal, state, city/county, and philanthropic resources including the Hana Career Pathways (uhcc.hawaii.edu/training), Oahu Back To Work, and federal and state programs administered under the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) Workforce Development Division (WDD). The three-year initiative will train 3,000 participants including 1,000 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islanders and will place 75% of completers into good jobs.

Resilient Hawai‘i is one of the 509 applicants for the EDA Good Jobs Challenge grant. EDA will award 25–50 grants in Summer 2022.
Key Stakeholders, Training Providers and Employers

**Healthcare Partners**
Convener: Healthcare Association of Hawai‘i

Adventist Health Castle
Clinical Laboratories of Hawai‘i, LLP
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Hawai‘i Medical Service Association
Hawai‘i Pacific Health
HARIETT
Mānoa Cottage
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Rehab Hospital of the Pacific
UNITE HERE Local 5
Wahiawa General Hospital
Healthcare Association of Hawai‘i (170 members)

**Technology Partners**
Convener: Chamber of Commerce Hawai‘i

Bank of Hawai‘i
Booz Allen Hamilton
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Dev Island Inc.
Island Holdings, Inc.
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Hawai‘i Defense Alliance
Hawai‘i Technology Development Corporation
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Office of Enterprise Technology Services
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Zippy’s, FCH Enterprises, Inc.

**Clean Energy Partners**
Convener: Hawai‘i State Energy Office

County of Kaua‘i Office of Economic Development
Hawai‘i Carpenters Apprenticeship and Training Fund
Hawai‘i Gas
Hawaiian Electric
Hawai‘i Transportation Association
Ho‘āhu Energy Cooperative Moloka‘i
IBEW Local 1260
IBEW Local 1186
Kaua‘i Island Utility Cooperative
Moss & Associates, LLC
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**Creative Industries Partners**
Convener: Hawai‘i State Department of Economic Development, Business and Tourism, Creative Industries Division

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees
Moving Picture Technicians Artists and Allied Crafts (IATSE) Local 665

Wrap around services for outreach, case management and job placement
State of Hawai‘i Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, State of Hawai‘i Department of Education Community Schools for Adults, Economic Development Alliance of Hawai‘i, Hawai‘i’s Hotel and Restaurant Industry Employment and Training Trust, HINET SNAP Employment and Training Program, We Are Oceania

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- Maui Economic Development Board
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- Hawai‘i Business Roundtable
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