1. **State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations now Open to Public**
   a. Masks, vaccine cards, and proof of negative covid tests -- no longer required effective March 28, 2022.
   b. Unemployment Insurance Offices -- open for appointments only on Mondays and Tuesdays; open to walk-ins Wednesdays through Fridays.

2. **Hire Vets Medallion Program**  [https://wwwhirevetsgov/](https://www.hirevets.gov/)
   a. Actively promoted Program to businesses and American Job Centers
   b. Very much appreciated partners, including Work for Warriors, SHRM, Kapolei Chamber of Commerce, and Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, who are spreading the word!
   c. Promotions increase awareness of veterans as a business asset; medallion identifies business as veteran-friendly organization, can help attract more veterans
   d. See attached flyer and criteria table.
   e. *Application deadline for businesses—April 30, 2022*

3. **HUB (Helpful, Useful, Basic tools) Online Workshops for Jobseekers and Service Provider Staff**
   Now you can view schedule and register on our website! See link below.

4. **IT Internships**
   a. 42 IT-related college students and recent grads placed in state executive branch departments.
   b. Paid internship is 89-day appointment @ $21.00/hr.
   c. Over 12 state dept worksites hosting interns including DLIR, DAGS, DLNR, DOH, DHS, DPS, DOE etc.
   d. Several depts have indicated that they intend to hire interns.

5. **Aloha Apprenticeship Accelerator Grant Proposal**
   a. Submitted yesterday, April 25
   b. 4-year grant
   c. $4 mil ask to modernize our RAP system, build employer partnerships, expand both traditional and non-traditional apprenticeships across state, establish RAP hubs
   d. Target industries include skilled trades, IT, healthcare, early-childhood education

6. **Outreach campaign for AJCHs**
   a. Vendor selected to provide outreach and recruitment services
   b. Goal to drive more traffic to AJCHs statewide as well as Hirenet Hawaii

7. **Summer Youth Program**
   a. Targeting 60 Title I students
   b. Placements at various state agencies and DOE schools
   c. Built in workshops on financial literacy and employability (soft) skills