

Maui AIDS Foundation Summary

Mission: To promote sexual health and wellbeing in Maui County.

Category: Health & Wellness

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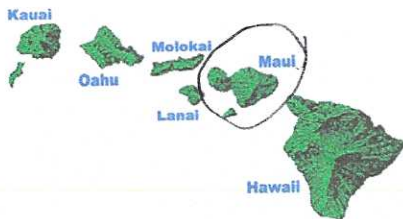
Address: 1935 Main Street, Suite 101 & 102, Wailuku, HI 96793

Grant History: N/A

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| 2024 Request: | \$20,124 in general operating support |
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Notes:

- Only free sexual health clinic in Maui County.
- STI testing, treatment, syringe exchange, Narcan distribution, and Nicotine Replacement Therapy.
- STIs and narcotics abuse is escalating.



Laurence H. Dorcy Hawaiian Foundation
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Attn: Tammy Davis Cownie, Administrator
Application Deadline: January 31st, 2024

Executive Summary:

Rates of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and substance use in Hawai'i are at their highest in decades, largely due to the lack of awareness and preventative screening within the state. The upward trend in both cases mirrors the incidents of disproportionately impacted racial and ethnic minority groups, adolescents and young adults (14-18 years old), and individuals that are pregnant. Longstanding factors, such as lack of access to regular medical care, discrimination, cultural barriers, and stigma continue to have a strong influence against STI prevention efforts within Maui County and stand in the way of quality sexual healthcare for all; especially the underserved residents. Over the past five years, fatal fentanyl overdoses have increased 400% in Hawaii. Maui County has approximately 11% of the state's population but has 21% of the overdose deaths in the state.

Maui A.I.D.S. Foundation (MAF) strives to promote the sexual health and wellbeing of Maui County and remains its only free sexual health clinic, offering STI testing, treatment, syringe exchange, Nicotine Replacement Therapy, and Narcan distribution. MAF recognizes the rise of STIs and the intersecting problems of substance use and houselessness as compounding factors to the longstanding STI epidemic.

First the COVID-19 pandemic and then on August 8th, 2023 the unimaginable devastation of the Maui Wildfires Disaster has disrupted the entire health care delivery system in Maui County, further increasing the social disparities especially in the Lahaina and Upcountry areas and causing lost ground on the fight against STIs. Younger generations coming of age are assessing their risks for things like STIs in different ways amidst increased drug use and decreased condom use. Cuts to educational STI programs at the state and local levels have reduced access to health care services by creating new barriers that Maui County youth have had to face. A dramatic climb in congenital syphilis illustrates the intersection between the STI crisis and the State of Hawaii's mental health disparities.

This proposal is requesting \$20,124.00 from the Laurence H. Dorcy Hawaiian Foundation for the following purposes:

- **Funding for Health Test Kits:** Timely testing results in life-saving treatment. Due to the uptick in STI infections, these testing kits would give our team the tools to identify STI infections to enable timely treatment.

- Funding for Timely Treatment: These medications in-house would greatly assist our clinicians in prescribing and administering treatment to clients quickly which results in a good outcome for MAF clients and to inhibit spread of Sexually Transmitted Infections to the Maui County community.
- Treatment Supplies: These supplies are needed for both testing and treatment.

Needs to be addressed:

While most STIs are preventable and curable if patients are diagnosed and given medication in time, people who go untreated could see severe and potentially fatal consequences.

Infections can raise a person's risk of cancer in different ways. For example:

- Some viruses directly affect the genes inside cells that control their growth.
- These viruses can insert their own genes into the cell, causing the cell to grow out of control.
- Some infections can cause long-term inflammation in a part of the body which can lead to changes in the affected cells and in nearby immune cells, and can eventually lead to cancer.
- Some types of infections can suppress a person's immune system and the immune system normally helps protect the body from some cancers.

Any of these changes may lead to a higher risk of cancer. Several viruses are linked with cancer in humans. Our growing knowledge of the role of viruses as a cause of cancer has led to the development of vaccines to help prevent certain human cancers and prevention education is crucial to avoiding transmission and making the decision to vaccinate. Human papillomaviruses (HPVs), Hepatitis B virus (HBV) and hepatitis C virus (HCV), Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), and Human herpes virus 8 (HHV-8) are examples of viruses that are linked to the development of cancer.

Many STIs can be cured or treated with medication, the consequences of untreated STIs can include infertility, pregnancy complications, cervical cancer, pelvic inflammatory disease, birth defects, death, and an increase in HIV/STI transmission in the community. STIs are a state-wide concern with Hawaii ranking very high in congenital syphilis, primary and secondary syphilis, and chlamydia.

Data from the 2020 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) Surveillance Statistics showed that 2.4 million cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis were reported. Preliminary data for 2021 showed 2.5 million reported cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis and congenital syphilis and the upward trend of infections continue.

Based on this data, here is Hawai'i at a glance:

- CDC Reported Cases and Rates of Reported Cases by State, 2020 (Ranked by Rate per 100,000 Population)
 - Chlamydia – Hawai'i is ranked 21st with a rate of 494.7
 - Gonorrhea – Hawai'i is ranked 43rd with a rate of 104.8 (rapidly increasing in 2022 and 2023)
 - Primary and Secondary Syphilis – Hawai'i is ranked 16th with a rate of 12.9
 - ***Congenital Syphilis – Hawai'i is ranked 10th with a rate of 71.4***

Sexual health is often misunderstood, misinterpreted and stigmatized. Stigma is widely recognized as a significant barrier to the prevention, management, and treatment of STIs. Stigma around substance use is a primary barrier to seeking and receiving help for opioid and other substance misuse disorders. Stigma negatively impacts policy since perceptions about STI transmission and substance use are often inaccurate and outdated. Due to the high prevalence of asymptomatic STIs, many of these cases can only be identified through screening. A large portion of vulnerable youth do not seek routine screening or decline to be tested in the absence of symptoms.

Testing in a rural community requires extra efforts in confidentiality and is more likely successful with out of town personnel. Reducing stigma reduces the dynamic process of devaluation that significantly discredits an individual in the eyes of others. MAF offers resources and training to assist individuals and other health and social service providers supporting more inclusive sexual health, harm reduction, and safe substance use education and services. benefit

How MAF meets that need:

Since an increasing number of people have limited access to health care, free clinics have become an established and meaningful contributor to the public safety net. Free clinics often serve patients who may have limited access to health care due to: being uninsured or under-insured, the inability to pay, a member of a racial/ethnic minority, having limited English proficiency, lack of citizenship, and lack of housing.

Free clinics benefit everyone. A cost-effectiveness analysis of a free clinic serving around 250 patients, saved an estimated \$1.28 million in future healthcare costs – costs that would most likely be paid for with public resources. Dividing these cost-savings by the operational costs of a free clinic yielded a return on investment of \$34 per \$1 invested. Patients accessing and receiving health care are also unlikely to utilize emergency rooms for primary care, medications or hospitalizations for chronic conditions. Individuals whose health conditions are managed and who are receiving routine care, are able to work and provide for their families, which unburdens public resources.

The project takes a harm reduction approach, which acknowledges that substance use is a complex issue that cannot be solved by simply abstinence or punishment. Instead, the project seeks to provide a range of services and resources to help individuals stay as safe and healthy as possible with referrals that give them the opportunity to end any substance or tobacco use addiction and at-risk behaviors.

Services and resources provided by the project include:

- Outreach and engagement: building trust and establishing relationships
- Harm reduction supplies: harm reduction supplies, such as STI/HIV test kits and treatment medications, clean needles and syringes, Narcan (naloxone kits), condoms, and Nicotine Replacement Therapy supplies.
- Referrals: to specified housing resources, peer support services, sexual health prevention, substance use counselor, tobacco cessation specialist, clinical services testers, medical personnel for treatment, and behavioral health practitioners.

The goal of MAF is to secure funding to continue regular free clinic services, prevention education outreach, and substance use prevention within Maui County, by offering a regular continuum of services that provide testing, care and/or treatment, education and prevention for the following:

- STI testing, counseling, diagnosis and treatment for, but not limited to:
 - Chlamydia & Gonorrhea
 - Syphilis (including congenital)
 - Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
 - Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
- STI Prevention, including:
 - Condoms, Internal Condoms, Dental Dams
 - STI & Safe Sex Education
- Harm Reduction, including:
 - Opioid Overdose Prevention
 - Narcan Training & Distribution
 - Syringe Exchange
 - Nicotine Replacement Therapy

Demographic of Clientele:

MAF's Free Clinic is specifically designed to address the unique needs and challenges faced by the houseless population and low income residents throughout Maui County; including a lack of accessible services for prevention/harm reduction education, Narcan training and education, tobacco cessation services, and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) testing and treatment.

Maui County's Underserved Populations (MUP) in the rural communities (Hana, Moloka'i, and Lanai) are at higher risk of poor health outcomes. Less access to medical and specialty care,

increased economic challenges (workforce shortages, uninsured and underinsured health insurance status, transportation issues), cultural and social differences, educational shortcomings, lack of recognition by legislators of the increased need for services, and the physical isolation of living in the remote areas of Maui County. These conditions have created health care disparities, at-risk behaviors, and increased substance and tobacco use. Within small communities the “coconut wireless” is simply a part of normal networking and information sharing. Patients’ concerns about confidentiality reduces their willingness to talk openly and access care. Providing services to Moloka’i, Hana, and Lanai with “off island” trained professionals is beneficial.

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Other Funding Resources:

MAF receives a majority of funding from a combination of Federal, State of Hawai’i and County of Maui grants. MAF has been the awardee of many of these programs for over 20+ years. Overall, MAF has been successfully managing these grants and has performed with proficiency. MAF supplements funding through fundraising events, donor solicitations, foundation and corporate grants, and biannual appeal campaigns. The County of Maui grant (prevention/harm reduction/free clinic core services, the Department of Health, Department of Health Services (DHS), and HUD (housing) are the mainstays of the organization’s funding. This grant proposal accounts for approximately 1% of the annual organizational operating budget but will fund crucial testing and treatment supplies to address the considerable uptick in infections and national emphasis on ending the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

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**LAURENCE H. DORCY FOUNDATION
GRANT BUDGET - FY24**

| | ITEM AMOUNT | UNIT COST | TOTAL COST |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------|
| HEALTH TEST KITS | | | |
| Syphilis Health Check Kit (VSC-11-01 | 600 | 10.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Aptima Chlamydia/Gonorrhea Test Kits | 600 | 2.50 | 1,500.00 |
| Oraquick HIV Test Kits Rapid Testing | 100 | 8.32 | 832.00 |
| Inst HIV-1/HIV-2 One Test Kits | 100 | 10.99 | 1,099.00 |
| Total HEALTH TEST KITS | | | 8,599.00 |
| TREATMENT MEDICATIONS | | | |
| Azithromycin 250mg tabs | 72 | 0.61 | 44.00 |
| Doxycycline 100mg tabs (#50/bottle) | 50 | 11.72 | 586.00 |
| Penicillin G. Benzathine Injectable 1.2 mill unit-Syringes - 2 ml (10) | 20 | 363.00 | 7,260.00 |
| Ceftraixone 500 mg injection vial | 50 | 1.40 | 70.00 |
| Nicotine Replacement Therapy (10mg) | 375 | 8.56 | 3,210.00 |
| Total TREATMENT MEDICATIONS | | | 11,170.00 |
| TREATMENT SUPPLIES | | | |
| Insti Control Test Kit (HIV-1/HIV-2) | 1 | 80.00 | 80.00 |
| Pipette Transfer, 5OUL | 75 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Plastic Pill bottles (child resistant) | 100 | 0.95 | 95.00 |
| Urine Cups | 400 | 0.45 | 180.00 |
| Total TREATMENT SUPPLIES | | | 355.00 |
| TOTAL BUDGET | | | 20,124.00 |

MAUI A.I.D.S. FOUNDATION
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As of June 30, 2023
(With Prior Year Comparative Information)

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | |
| Cash (including interest-bearing accounts) | \$ 58,983 | \$ 98,766 |
| Grants and contracts receivable – net | 290,690 | 246,977 |
| Prepaid expenses | 12,834 | 10,406 |
| Total current assets | <u>362,507</u> | <u>356,149</u> |
| NONCURRENT ASSETS | | |
| Restricted cash – endowment fund | 80,051 | 80,031 |
| Investments in marketable securities – endowment fund | 111,593 | 105,201 |
| Property and equipment – net | 3,250 | 4,278 |
| Lease deposit | 1,700 | 1,700 |
| Operating lease right-of-use assets – net | 124,580 | - |
| Total noncurrent assets | <u>321,174</u> | <u>191,210</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>\$683,681</u> | <u>\$547,359</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| Accounts payable | 34,974 | 11,922 |
| Accrued liabilities | 68,303 | 60,651 |
| Refundable advances | 6,402 | 99,695 |
| Operating lease liabilities | 21,966 | - |
| Total current liabilities | <u>131,645</u> | <u>172,268</u> |
| OPERATING LEASE LIABILITIES – Noncurrent | <u>102,951</u> | <u>-</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | <u>234,596</u> | <u>172,268</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Net assets without donor restrictions | <u>247,099</u> | <u>179,518</u> |
| Net assets with donor restrictions | | |
| Donor restrictions for programs | 99,384 | 92,971 |
| Donor restrictions for endowment | 102,602 | 102,602 |
| Total net assets with donor restrictions | <u>201,986</u> | <u>195,573</u> |
| Total net assets | <u>449,085</u> | <u>375,091</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | <u>\$683,681</u> | <u>\$547,359</u> |

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

MAUI A.I.D.S. FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2023
(With Prior Year Comparative Information)**

| | <u>2023</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| CHANGES IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS | | |
| Revenue and support | \$ 1,156,938 | \$ 1,208,636 |
| Federal grants | 537,389 | 386,186 |
| State grants and contract revenues | - | 149,997 |
| Gain on forgiveness of SBA PPP loan | 140,000 | 140,000 |
| County of Maui grants | 57,956 | 21,784 |
| Contributions without donor restrictions | 45,833 | 47,828 |
| 340B drug program | - | 19,369 |
| Net assets released from donor restrictions | 10,000 | 7,000 |
| Other grants | 588 | 6,769 |
| Other income | <u>1,948,704</u> | <u>1,987,569</u> |
| Total revenue and support | | |
| Expenses | 1,180,516 | 1,253,604 |
| Client services | 399,906 | 358,380 |
| Education and prevention | 117,549 | 116,834 |
| Clinical and other programs | <u>1,697,971</u> | <u>1,728,818</u> |
| Total program services | 107,208 | 96,623 |
| Management and general | 75,944 | 63,510 |
| Fundraising | <u>1,881,123</u> | <u>1,888,951</u> |
| Total expenses | <u>67,581</u> | <u>98,618</u> |
| Increase in net assets without donor restrictions | | |
| CHANGES IN NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS | | |
| Investment income (loss) – net | 6,413 | (14,509) |
| Net assets released from donor restrictions | - | (19,369) |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets with donor restrictions | <u>6,413</u> | <u>(33,878)</u> |
| INCREASE IN NET ASSETS | 73,994 | 64,740 |
| NET ASSETS – Beginning of year | <u>375,091</u> | <u>310,351</u> |
| NET ASSETS – End of year | <u>\$ 449,085</u> | <u>\$ 375,091</u> |

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MAUI A.I.D.S. FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

For the Year Ended June 30, 2023
(With Prior Year Comparative Information)

| | Program Services | | | | Supporting Services | | 2022 Total | 2023 Total |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Client Services | Education and Prevention | Clinical and Other Programs | Total Program Services | Management and General | Fundraising | | |
| Salaries and benefits | \$ 378,113 | \$ 330,792 | \$ 95,923 | \$ 804,828 | \$ 76,713 | \$ 53,733 | \$ 848,361 | \$ 935,274 |
| HOPWA program | 608,265 | - | - | 608,265 | - | - | 682,833 | 608,265 |
| Direct financial assistance | 116,339 | - | - | 116,339 | - | - | 126,353 | 116,339 |
| Lease rent and utilities | 29,661 | 25,884 | 7,506 | 63,051 | 6,003 | 4,205 | 72,172 | 73,259 |
| Supplies | 11,318 | 16,553 | 4,421 | 32,292 | 1,042 | 335 | 31,442 | 33,669 |
| Professional fees | 8,850 | 2,350 | - | 11,200 | 9,216 | - | 42,480 | 20,416 |
| Telecommunication | 6,990 | 6,170 | 1,789 | 14,949 | 1,431 | 1,002 | 15,256 | 17,382 |
| Equipment and rental maintenance | 6,362 | 5,615 | 1,628 | 13,605 | 1,302 | 912 | 26,699 | 15,819 |
| Insurance | 6,175 | 5,450 | 1,581 | 13,206 | 1,264 | 885 | 15,308 | 15,355 |
| Fundraising | - | - | - | - | - | 13,852 | 4,631 | 13,852 |
| Travel | 4,471 | 4,734 | 1,973 | 11,178 | 1,315 | 658 | 8,974 | 13,151 |
| Postage and delivery | 1,451 | 132 | - | 1,583 | 1,056 | - | 2,070 | 2,639 |
| Interest expense | - | - | - | - | 1,810 | - | 80 | 1,810 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,521 | 2,226 | 2,728 | 7,475 | 6,056 | 362 | 12,292 | 13,893 |
| Total expenses | \$ 1,180,516 | \$ 399,906 | \$ 117,549 | \$ 1,697,971 | \$ 107,208 | \$ 75,944 | \$ 1,888,951 | \$ 1,881,123 |

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