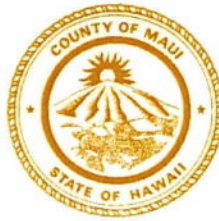


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Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
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For Transmittal to:

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee
Maui County Council
200 South High Street
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Dear Chair Sugimura:

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2026 BUDGET EXPANSION POSITIONS

The Department is requesting eight months of funding for two expansion positions within the Grants Management Division as follows:

Grants Management Program Specialist III	\$38,864
Grants Management Program Specialist I	\$33,240

The Grants Management Division is currently tasked with managing over 80 grants. In FY 2025, Council added \$2.9 million in grant funding which resulted in 9 new grants and 24 amendments.

Honorable Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, Chair
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The Department anticipates an additional 10 new grants in FY 2026 based on the Mayor's Proposed Budget expansion of \$1.6 million in grant funding and \$859,000 in continuation funding from grants transferred to the Department of Human Concerns. This number will continue to increase should the Council also include additional funding.

The expansion of two additional positions will allow the Grants Management Division to continue to provide the level of service needed to ensure the proper administration of taxpayer funds.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Ext. 7805.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lori Tsuhako", with a stylized, flowing script.

LORI TSUHAKE, LSW, ACSW
Director of Human Concerns

BFED Committee

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Aloha BFED Committee,

Please see attached correspondence from the Department of Human Concerns.

Mahalo,

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