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April 19, 2021

Mr. Herman Andaya, Administrator Maui Emergency Management Agency County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Andaya:

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2022 BUDGET (EMA-2) (BFED-1)

May I please request a copy of the executive summary and budget for each grant included in the Department's FY 2022 Proposed Budget, as submitted by the Mayor.

May I further request your written response no later than **April 23, 2021**. To ensure efficient processing, please transmit your response to <u>bfed.committee@mauicounty.us</u> and include the relevant Committee item number and reference number in your response's subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Lesley Milner at ext. 7886, Kasie Apo Takayama at ext. 7665, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,

KEANI N.W. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, Chair Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee

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cc: Mayor Michael P. Victorino Budget Director

BFED Committee

From:	BFED Committee
Sent:	Monday, April 19, 2021 3:50 PM
То:	Herman.Andaya@co.maui.hi.us
Cc:	Michelle Santos; Zeke Kalua; michele.yoshimura@co.maui.hi.us; BFED Committee
Subject:	PLEASE READ attach letter re: re: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2022 BUDGET (EMA-2) (BFED-1)
Attachments:	(EMA-2) Correspondence to Emergency Management Agency 04-19-2021.pdf

Mr. Andaya: Please refer to the attached letter from the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development (BFED) Committee Chair, dated April 19, 2021.

Mayor's Office (Michelle Santos and Zeke Kalua): Please forward the attached letter to Mayor Victorino.

Ms. Yoshimura: FYI

Thank you, Clarita Balala, Secretary on behalf of BFED Committee MICHAEL P. VICTORINO Mayor

> HERMAN ANDAYA Administrator





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26 April 2021

Ms. Michele M. Yoshimura Budget Director, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawai`i 96793

Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawai`i 96793 APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

4/26/21

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Chair Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawai`i 96793

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2022 BUDGET (EMA-2)(BFED-1)

Dear Chair Rawlins-Fernandez:

This is in response to your letter dated April 19, 2021, requesting the executive summaries and budgets for grant subsidies managed by this agency. In fiscal year 2022, this agency submitted one (1) grant program for funding, American Red Cross. Please find attached a copy of their final report which includes the information you are seeking.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at extension no. 7825. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Administrator



The American National Red Cross Final Report to the Maui County Emergency Management Agency for FY2019-20 Funding Disaster Preparedness & Response in Maui County

Program Summary

Funding received from the County of Maui was used to support the American Red Cross of Hawaii's Disaster Preparedness & Response Program in Maui County. The purpose of the program is to increase community resilience in the face of disaster. We fulfill this mission by providing food, shelter and comfort to individuals and families in need, as well as casework and recovery assistance for disaster survivors. In addition, volunteers provide individuals and communities with the knowledge and skills to better prepare themselves prior to a disaster occurring.

The American Red Cross' mission is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. We are the only non-profit organization that responds to disasters 24/7, 365 days a year. In Hawaii, we respond every four days to disaster. All disaster assistance is provided to the public free of charge. Our services are essential and irreplaceable and help bridge the gap between disaster-caused hardship and hope. We greatly appreciate the continued support of the County of Maui.

Please note that because the grant contract was not fully executed until the Fourth Quarter, this will be the final and only report provided and metrics reported are inclusive of the whole year.

During FY20 YTD (7/1/19 to 6/30/20), the American Red Cross of Maui:

- Responded to 13 disasters
- Assisted 37 survivors
- Opened 8 shelters
- Sheltered 97 individuals (overnight population, 700 peak population)
- Maintained a base of 91 trained disaster volunteers.

Deliverables	# Served Goal	Total Achieved
Disaster training certificates issued	200	N/A ¹
Number of disaster volunteers maintained	130	121 ²
Number of individuals reached with disaster preparedness information	1,500	410 ³
Number of disaster relief responses	unpredictable	13 ⁴
Number of individuals assisted during a disaster relief response	unpredictable	37

¹ Data no longer tracked due to difficulty in collecting

² In December 2019, we embarked on a cleanup project to remove inactive volunteers from our database. The effort resulted in a decline in the overall number of volunteers to report, but now reflects a more dedicated base.



³ The COVID-19 pandemic has prevented us from meeting planned outcomes. The number reported reflects Pillowcase Presentations from September through December 2019. The program was suspended in April due to COVID-19. Furthermore, this outcome was redefined during the grant period. Previously, we included the number of people reached at Community Disaster Education (CDE) events (Ex: individuals who stopped at the Red Cross table and picked up a flyer). We decided to discontinue tracking that number as we feel this statistic does not measure meaningful impact.

⁴ Disaster Responses included:

- 9/20 Wailuku MFF (9 clients)
- 11/1 Makawao SFF (1 client)
- 11/7 Wailuku MFF (5 clients)
- 11/24 Kihei SFF (2 clients)
- 12/21 Haiku SFF (2 clients)
- 12/25 Lahaina Flooding Single Family (3 clients)
- 5/11 Kahului MFF (4 clients)
- 6/10 Lahaina MFF (11 clients)



According to the U.S. Census Bureau, from 2014 to 2018, 8.6% of the County of Maui's population lived below the poverty level. Our records indicate that in FY20, at least 25% of the clients the American Red Cross of Hawaii served in the County of Maui during disaster response were also living in poverty. This population is particularly vulnerable to disasters and is dependent on Red Cross services during these especially challenging events.

The unexpected and unprecedented impact of COVID-19 has affected the delivery of our services. In general, our staff and volunteers' efforts had to be redirected to learning, coordinating, and implementing new safety procedures and assisting with new efforts such as assisting with meal delivery for people who were in isolation and quarantine to slow the spread of COVID-19. The potential for shelters to become hotspots of the outbreak has become a significant area of concern.



Due to COVID-19 quarantine restrictions, our disaster preparedness efforts were suspended in April 2020.

- We were forced to cancel our annual Sound the Alarm National Signature Volunteer Event, during which we had planned to engage the employees of our corporate partners to install 1,000 fire alarms in April and May. 307 smoke alarms were installed prior to April 2020, however none of these were on Maui. When conditions allow, we will resume installing the smoke alarms in completion of the original project. We will continue to work with our contacts and property managers to install smoke alarms in condominiums and apartments.
- 2. Our Pillowcase Project presentations for Elementary-aged students were also scheduled to occur beginning in 2020. Due to school closures, we were unable to conduct any of these inclass events. We are currently transitioning to provide our Pillowcase Project Presentation virtually. We have already trained two staff and four new volunteers in these programs. Red Cross has also secured a WebEx Account as the virtual platform for live presentations which parents can sign up their kids to listen to.

Notable Disaster Responses in FY20

Maui Brushfires - July, October, November, December 2019

Red Cross responded to five brushfires on Maui in 2019. Red Cross worked in coordination with Maui County Emergency Management to open evacuation shelters for the community. Collectively, these events affected thousands of people due to road closures and caused hundreds of people to evacuate their homes.

On July 11, a brush fire broke out in South Kihei that threatened homes, forced an evacuation of the Maui Humane Society and isolated Kihei. The Red Cross opened two shelters at Kamalii School and Maui War Memorial Complex. Within two hours, the shelter population grew to more than 600. The majority of the shelter clients were stranded tourists who were unable to leave because the Kahului Airport lost power and closed. The following evening, a shelter was opened for stranded passengers from a delayed American Airlines flight that had 400 passengers. Red Cross managed the dormitory operations at Maui High School. Over 25 volunteers assisted with this effort from logistics, lining up staff, coordinating with community and government partners, to shelter operations.

Additional Fires in 2019 included:

- 10/2 West Maui Mountains Brushfire (2 shelters opened/95 clients)
- 10/22 Kahana Brushfire (1 shelter opened/2 clients)
- 11/21 Kahikinui Brushfire (1 shelter opened/0 clients)
- 12/14 Paia Brushfire (1 shelter opened/0 clients)

Maui Multiple Family Fire - May 2020

Maui responded to its first Disaster Action Team call during COVID-19 on May 11. A multiple family fire in Kahului rendered two homes unlivable. A caseworker facilitated a health screening with the client over the phone to verify that the clients were okay. The families were provided accommodations in Kahului to help jumpstart their recovery. One of the families thought they were going to need to relocate to the mainland and live with family because they did not think that their income could



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continue to support living in Maui. The family has since found a new rental and was referred to a community non-profit to apply for funding assistance.

Financial Status Report

The funding provided by the County of Maui was used to support the partial salary of the only paid Red Cross staff person in Maui County, the Red Cross Maui County Director. This position is responsible for implementing the Disaster Preparedness & Response Program in Maui County, which is achieved by recruiting, training and retaining volunteers who can assist with the organization's efforts. Volunteers aid disaster victims and educate the public about the importance of disaster preparedness.

Expenses	Budget	Funding Used
Salary and Benefits	\$62,668	\$50,000
Buildings & Occupancy	\$16,465	\$0
Supplies, Program Materials & Equipment Maintenance and Rentals	\$1,002	\$0
Travel, Meetings & Meals	\$2,753	\$0
Disaster Relief Assistance	\$5,660	\$0
TOTAL	\$88,548	\$50,000

BFED Committee

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: Kristina Cabbat <Kristina.Cabbat@co.maui.hi.us> Monday, April 26, 2021 3:09 PM BFED Committee Herman Andaya EMA-2 (BFED-1) (EMA-2) Response.pdf

Please see attached.

Thank you,

Kristina Cabbat

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