

Fred Baldwin Memorial Foundation

2026 Funding Opportunity

Online Application Deadlines:

- February 2, 2026, 4:00 p.m.
- August 3, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

OVERVIEW

The Fred Baldwin Memorial Foundation believes that supporting the people of Maui County and their environment is important, not just because of the impact on the community but because it reflects and perpetuates the shared values of our family and founders.

FOUNDERS AND HISTORY

In 1910, as part of their lifelong commitment to philanthropy, Emily Alexander Baldwin and Henry Perrine Baldwin gave the Maui community a facility to provide housing for the elderly. The Fred Baldwin Memorial Foundation was created to provide operating funds for this home. Both the home and the Foundation were dedicated to the memory of their son, Fred Baldwin. After the home closed in the 1940's, the Foundation's assets were committed to supporting programs and projects serving Maui County. Today, the Foundation's trustees are all descendants of the Baldwin family who's shared goals are to continue Emily and Henry Baldwin's commitment to the people of Maui—a legacy that has spanned generations and touched the lives of thousands in the community.

THE FOUNDATION'S AREAS OF GREATEST INTEREST

- We support programs and projects that benefit the people of Maui County.
- We support organizations and programs for whom our modest grants will have the greatest impact.
- Evaluations are based on community need, quality of leadership, financial accountability, organizational stability, and the projected cost of the program in relation to its benefits.
- We support human services, housing and health organizations that provide a safety net of services for those most vulnerable in our community.
- We support youth and educational organizations which create a robust learning environment.
- We support arts and culture in our community through funding performances, exhibits, equipment, and facilities.
- We support environmental organizations designed to improve and preserve our natural resources.
- We support historical and heritage organizations dedicated to historical documentation and cultural awareness.

TIMELINE/KEY DATES

Application Deadlines	will be considered at the Trustees' meeting in:	...and applicants will receive decision letters in:	Grant Period
February 2, 2026, 4:00 p.m.	April	Late April	May 1 to April 30
August 3, 2026, 4:00 p.m.	October	Late October	November 1 to October 31

ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) public charity. Organizations that are not a 501(c)(3) public charity must apply with a fiscal sponsor that is a 501(c)(3) public charity. Public charities that are further classified as a 509(a)(3) supporting organization are eligible to apply except for Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations.
- Applicants must be located in or have significant programs in Maui County.
- Grants are for a one-year term. Grantees may not receive more than one grant at a time and no more than one grant in any twelve-month period. Grantees may reapply for funding in subsequent years but generally the Foundation is not a source of ongoing support for any organization.
- Average grants are \$5,000 with occasional exceptions.
- Capital campaign requests, while not a priority, may be considered in some situations.
- Final reports must be submitted before a new grant is considered.
- The Foundation does not fund loans or debt service, endowments, funds for re-granting, scholarships, grants to individuals or units of government, or activities that have already occurred.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Online Application

Applications must be submitted online via the Hawai'i Community Foundation's Grants Portal: https://hawaiicf.smartsimple.com/s_Login.jsp using Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.

Applicants must log in to their account to apply; new users must register for an account. We recommend that you do not wait until the last moment to submit your application as you may experience technical difficulties. Only complete applications submitted by the deadline will be accepted; this includes completion of Organization Profiles and associated fiscal sponsorship documents if applicable. The online application has fillable boxes with character limits. The character counts in MS Word may not match the character counts in the application. If you cut and paste your work into the application, please be sure your text fits the space provided.

ORGANIZATION PROFILE

Both new and returning users must certify and submit the organization profile prior to submission of the application; re-certification is required every six months.

The Organizational Profile consists of four tabs: *Organization Information, Contact Information, Budget, Board and Certification*. To submit your organization profile, you must complete all required fields marked with an asterisk on each tab. **If you are unable to provide the correct documents, please post the most recently available files and contact the officer listed at the bottom of these guidelines to notify them of when you can provide the required documents.**

The following additional documents will be required:

- IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter (not required if previously applied to the Foundation or if applying through a fiscal sponsor)

APPLICATION

The application consists of 4 tabs: *Program Overview, Program Information, Budget, Supporting Documents & Certification*. All required fields are marked with an asterisk.

- **Program Overview:**
 - Provide general information and characteristics about the program including program title, duration, program location(s), ages and genders served, and the CHANGE sector(s) your program most closely aligns with.
 - For more information about the CHANGE framework, please visit our website <https://www.hawaiicommunityfoundation.org/change>.
 - If you have a fiscal sponsor, you will be asked to identify your fiscal sponsor. Please note, your fiscal sponsor must first be registered in the Grants Portal prior to submitting your application.
- **Program Information:**
 - **Organization Description:** Describe the history and mission of the organization/program. What is the organization's experience implementing this program and staff capabilities to conduct the proposed work?" (Maximum 1,500 characters)
 - **Problem or Opportunity:** Describe the problem or opportunity that this project will address. (Maximum 3,500 characters)
 - **Program Activities:** Describe the activities that will be completed to address the problem/opportunity. Explain why you chose this approach. Provide a program timeline. If this is an ongoing program provide past results and achievements. (Maximum 4,500 characters)
 - **Expected Results:** How much will you do? Once the activities are complete, what are the expected outputs of the program? What difference will you make? What are the anticipated results of the program like changes in behavior, attitudes, conditions, knowledge, or skills? (ex. 80% of participants (16/20) increase knowledge) How will you know? What will you use to measure results? (ex. surveys, pre/post tests, observation.)" (Maximum 4,000 characters)
 - **Funding:** Explain the budget, including adjustments to be made if not all anticipated funding is received. (Maximum 1,000 characters)
- **Budget:** Provide your total program budget. Be sure to show your anticipated income (source, amount, restrictions, whether secured or pending) and your anticipated

expenses. Be sure to clearly indicate what expenses a Baldwin Foundation grant would be used for.

- **Supporting Documents & Certification:** Though the foundation does not require additional documentation, you are able to post any Letters of Support that you feel are applicable. If you are using a fiscal sponsor, please be sure that they certify your application prior to submission and complete all of the required documentation.

FISCAL SPONSORS

- Fiscal sponsors must have an account in the portal. Their profile must be certified and include their IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter and up-to-date financial documents. Fiscal Sponsor Agreement and Board Resolution templates can be found at this [link](#).
- Starting July 28, 2025, **fiscal sponsors will be required to certify the application before it can be submitted by the applicant.** To do so, the applicant must invite the fiscal sponsor to collaborate on the draft application. Please reference this [video](#) and our [External User Guide](#) on how to invite collaborators. The fiscal sponsor as a collaborator can then check the Fiscal Sponsor certification box under Supporting Documents & Certification.

NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Decision notifications will be sent by email to the applicant, applicant's Chief Staff or Volunteer, and Fiscal Sponsor contact, if applicable in the HCF Grants Portal. The decision letter should be attached to the email and it will also be available in the Grants Portal under My Application Tracker in the Active or Historical tabs, depending on if you were awarded or not.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions about this funding opportunity, please contact Maggie Pulver at mpulver@hcf-hawaii.org or phone at (808) 566-5590.

For technical assistance with the Grants Portal, please submit a [support ticket](#).

Tips for Applicants

- How-to videos, the Applicant User Guide and support tickets can be found on our [website](#).
- Tool tips can be found throughout the portal. These boxes indicate exactly what information you should provide.
- Use a preferred browser when working in the portal: Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox
- The online application has fillable boxes with character limits that may not match character counts in MS word. If you cut and paste your work into the application, please be sure all text is complete.
- If you have an existing organization profile and fields are not editable, please click "Update Profile". This will move your org profile to draft and allow you to make edits. Click "Submit" to move it back to active status.