

<b>HAWAII Disability Employment Initiative (DEI) Grant Abstract</b>	
<b>Grant Number</b>	DI-22461-11-75-A-15
<b>Grant Award</b>	\$2,923,674
<b>DEI Applicant</b>	<b>Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations</b>
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<b>Project Period</b>	Three Years (2011-2014)
<b>Abstract Narrative</b>	
<b>Scope of Grant</b>	Two local workforce investment areas serving Adults with Disabilities (including subgroups such as veterans)
<b>Project Description</b>	HDEI will hire two staff to provide training and capacity building services to the selected LWIBs - Disability Resource Coordinators (DRCs) and Business Relations Inclusion Coordinators (BRICs). The DRCs will focus on training staff in job seeker-related issues and building partnerships between disability and employment-related organizations to ensure participants inclusive access to all One-Stop services. The BRICs will coordinate inclusion-related events and workshops for employers, establish a local BLN, build relationships with employers, create job experience work site agreements, and train Business Relations staff in disability related efforts. One-stop services will be inclusive and accessible with customized workshops and support services available to fill gaps in the pathway to employment.
<b>Strategic Service Delivery Components</b>	Integrated Resource Teams; Blending and Braiding Funds/Leveraging Resources; Partnerships and Collaboration; Customized Employment; and Asset Development Strategies
<b>Strategic Partners</b>	The HDEI key partners are: Workforce Investment Boards/County One-Stop Career Centers; Department of Human Services, including Vocational Rehabilitation, Benefit, Employment & Support Services, and Med-Quest Division; University of Hawaii; Department of Health; Social Security Administration; Hawaii Disability Rights Center; Hawaii BLN; Medicaid Infrastructure Grant; and community providers.
<b>Proposed Outcomes</b>	Outcomes will be achieved by: training One-Stop Career Center staff on community-based resources; establishing IRTs to leverage services for customers; building a network of inclusive employers; establishing a "flexible spending fund" to provide the "first dollar down" to leverage partner resources; and hosting semi-annual Asset Development Summits for Ticket Holders with the overall goal to increase by 20 percent the use of One-Stop Career Centers by adults with disabilities.