Keiki to Career

A Kaua'i Planning & Action Alliance Program

2027 Program Overview



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The Keiki to Career Program

Program Mission: Support the young people of Kaua'i from birth through to the start of their careers.

In 2012, Kaua'i Planning & Action Alliance's Keiki to Career Kauai (K2C) launched as an island wide initiative to coordinate schools, families, nonprofits, government departments, health providers, businesses and youth around the goal of supporting the youth of Kaua'i.

Since its inception, our program has delivered extraordinary results. The Kaua'i Youth Report has been the cornerstone data story from which youth programs are designed and to which financing responds, our Early Childhood Education Coordination initiative successfully created a permanant focused position held at the County of Kaua'i, the Kekaha Early Literacy Program delivered built out a local free library network, and our events and communications networks have become established institutions for the youth development sector.

KPAA is refocusing on its original mission: to serve as a backbone organization to drive collective impact through data, storytelling and strategy. In the youth development space, this means a prioritization of achievable, measurable systems work and a step back from direct services.

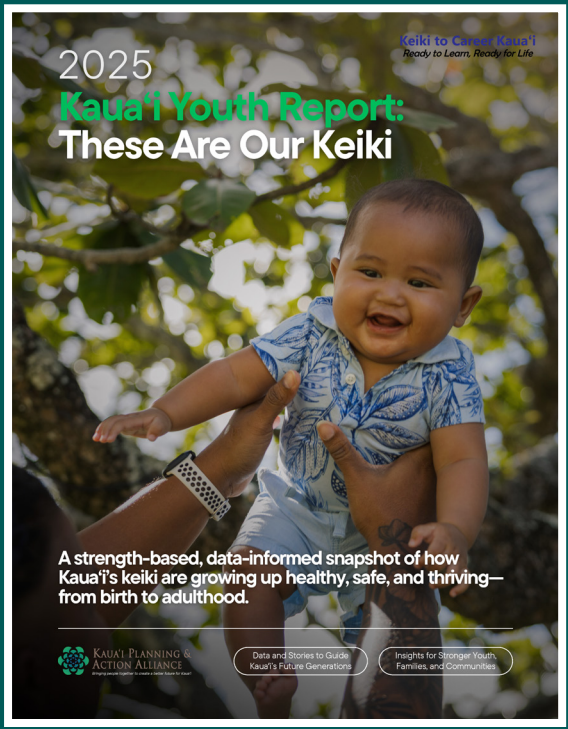
The 2027 K2C Initiatives have been designed with the sector's needs in focus; each collective impact initiative maps the provider and support network, defines clear metrics by which the network's impact can be assessed, and establishes a collaborative approach to ensure the sector niche is meeting its purpose.

As a set of projects, the program's initiatives build on the history of Keiki to Career to create coherent resource and provider mapping across the Kauai youth development sector, so that from 2027 KPAA is well positioned to support the sector for years to come.

We look forward to being of service,
Morgan Hannan, KPAA CEO



The Kaua'i Youth Report





Since 2012, KPAA has published the Kauai Youth Report, offering a countywide, data-informed assessment of the well-being of Kaua'i's children and young adults; from prenatal development through entry into the workforce, highlighting strengths, disparities, and priority actions for families, schools, community organizations, funders, and policymakers.

The 2025 Kaua'i Youth Report expanded on the previous indicators, adding early childhood indicators (prenatal to age five), weaving in reflections from community members, and spotlighting promising community practices that support youth well-being.

The unresolved issues identified in the report are primarily structural: families' housing and financial stability, housing insecurity and risk of homelessness, bullying and wellness, reliable early-childhood support, education-to-career continuity and school readiness when entering kindergarten. Notably, many factors affecting our youth are influenced by areas outside of the usual focus of youth development, so while KPAA has identified actionable priorities within the Keiki to Career Program we also recognize the need for KPAA programs to include our regional economic development and equity, our infrastructure and our built environment shortfalls.

Our 2027 Keiki to Career Initiatives are designed based on the findings of the report, and our working knowledge of the youth development sector across Kaua'i.

Access the 2025 Kaua'i Youth Report, or find the plans for the 2027 iteration (built into the Kaua'i Indicators, Learnings and Outlooks (K.I.L.O) Initiative) at **www.kauainetwork.org**.

K2C's Success In The Spotlight:

Early Childhood Education Coordinator

From 2022 to 2025, Alanna Souza served as KPAA's Kauai ECE System Coordinator, funded through Kamehameha Schools. Alanna worked closely with State and County partners to support early childhood expansion projects on Kauai. Throughout this project, Alanna worked to support the statewide Ready Keiki Initiative on Kauai. KPAA was an integral partner as the County built its first-ever early childhood learning center at the County's Līhu'e Civic Center.

In 2025 we were successful in working with the County to establish the role as a permanent position held within the County.



Left to right: KPAA's Early Childhood Education Coordinator, Alanna Souza, County of Kaua'i Chief of Staff Sarah Blane, Mayor Derek Kawakami



KPAA's Maternal and Child Health Lead, Leah Ho

Maternal and Child Health Worker Leah Ho

Leah has been with KPAA since 2022 as our resident Maternal and Child Health Worker.

From keiki safety and injury prevention to family development, Leah has provided family support for 10+ years to Kaua'i's high-risk families with children. In her time with KPAA Leah has become a cornerstone of resource navigation for prenatal to early childhood resources across Kaua'i.

Currently, Leah maintains and managed the network of 72 providers that utilize our 'Ohana Resource Kiosks network and provides resource navigation and support to 60+ families a year.

Keiki to Career's 2027 Initiatives

We keep this document as up to date as we can, but many new opportunities and quick win initiatives spring up regularly.

Find the most current version at www.kauainetwork.org

Image: Parent and Child Fair 2026, Organized by KPAA's Alanna Souza

K2C Initiatives

2027's Keiki to Career initiatives have been designed with the sector's needs in focus; each collective impact initiative maps the provider and support network, defines clear metrics by which the network's impact can be assessed, and establishes a collaborative approach to ensure the sector niche is meeting its purpose.

As a set of complementary initiatives, the Keiki to Career program adds up to a coherent network map across the majority of the youth development network for Kaua'i, establishing an ongoing planning and improvement process

Community Empowerment Initiatives

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Collective Impact Initiatives

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Elementary School
Middle School
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Career & Community

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Community Engagement Initiative

ʻOhana Resource Kiosks

Where we are today

The ʻOhana Resource Kiosks are a network of stands, booths and facilities maintained in ʻohana and keiki focused spaces providing a direct to user communication channel for Kauaʻi's providers and youth focused organizations.

The original ʻOhana Resource Kiosk (then named K.O.R.K) was established in 2021 by a partnership between KPAA, the Department of Health, Hale ʻŌpio, Makers Space, Wilcox Health and Kamehameha Schools utilizing an open kiosk space in Kukui Grove Shopping Center.

Today KPAA has expanded the kiosk network to include 29 mini kiosks located within low-income housing communities, medical centers, DOE schools, preschool programs, and community centers.

With 72 groups using the network, and monthly updates to the featured content, it has become an essential communications infrastructure for Kauaʻi.



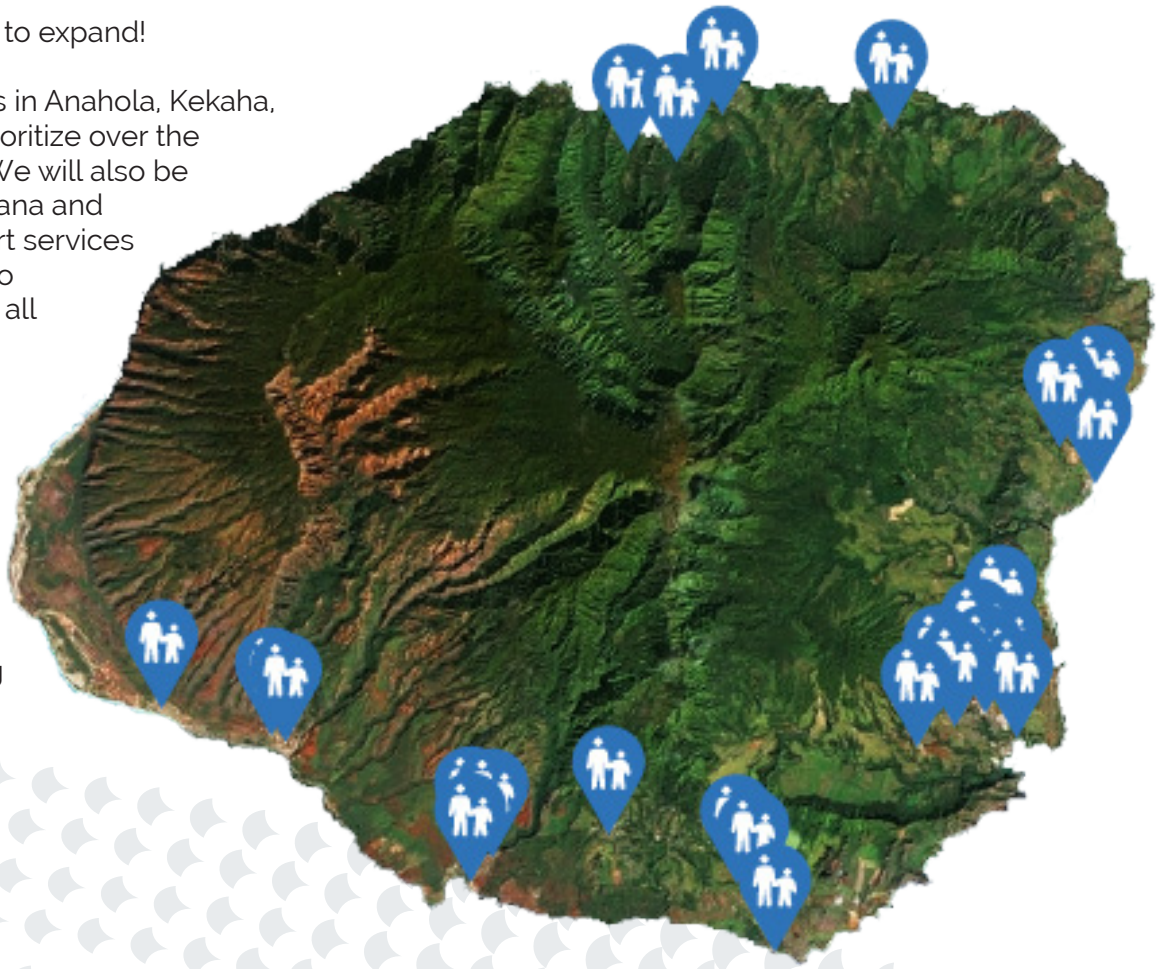
The quick numbers:

- **30** kiosk and mini kiosk locations
- **72** groups using the network for **102** programs
- **120** fliers/booklets distributed weekly from the Kukui Grove Kiosk
- **30** in-person outreach activities utilize the Kukui Grove Kiosk annually

Growing the Network

The network is planned to expand!

We have identified gaps in Anahola, Kekaha, Lāwa'i and 'Ōma'o to prioritize over the next six month period. We will also be reviewing what new 'ohana and keiki spaces and support services are suitable to include to ensure we are reaching all our communities fairly.



Have a space for a mini-kiosk, or want to share resources?

Reach out to leah@kauainetwork.org

Annual Budget

Annual Budget	$17,525	Existing contracts secure the 'Ohana Kiosk Network through April 2027. The needed funding covers: • Remaining rent: $3,355 • Kiosk staffing: $5,000 or volunteer support • Project management time: $6,000
Funding locked in	$3,170	
Funding needed for 2027	$14,355	

Stage

Early Development	Establishment Period	Initial Trial	**Established Project**

Community Empowerment Initiative

Leadership Kaua'i Youth Cohort

Leadership Kaua'i's Pi'ina Hoku

In 2006, KPAA and Leadership Kaua'i partnered to develop a youth leadership course, Pi'ina Hoku ("Stars that Rise"). 20 years later, we are ready to partner again and bring the well loved program back!

Pi'ina Hoku integrates the evidence-based Student Leadership Challenge model (developed by Jim Kouzes and Barry Posner) into island-wide schools and special camps to build leadership, self awareness, and community engagement. When active 2006 till 2013, the program reached middle and high school students across the island through school curricula and seasonal leadership camps.

The partnership will integrate KPAA's Youth Advisory Group with Piina Hoku, connecting the cohort's survey findings, feedback, and recommendations with agencies seeking youth input.

The cohort is planned to start in January 2027, and run through the year.

Why Integrate Youth Engagement?

Across Kaua'i there are many duplicate efforts for maintaining youth councils to centralize youth feedback and engagement. At KPAA we are regularly approached for assistance in this space, and we know the primary challenges are maintaining a consistent and large enough cohort, and ensuring the engagement offers value to the youth, rather than being an extractive process.

As part of Pi'ina Hoku, students and alumni will be engaged to provide feedback and input where current youth engagement is needed. This allows for a stable cohort of well engaged youth, and the ability to connect their project interests to current works on Kaua'i.

The approach draws on IAP2's public participation framework and Kouzes and Posner's leadership development model.

Have a need for youth engagement? Reach out to morgan@kauainetwork.org

Annual Budget

KPAA Contribution	**$13,000**	**Fully funded through a partnership between KPAA and Leadership Kaua'i Grants. Our funding structure will allow the initial cohort to develop without admission fees, and with transport costs covered.**
Funding locked in	**$13,000**	
Funding needed for 2027	**$0**	

Stage

Early Development | **Establishment Period** | Initial Trial | Established Project

Community Empowerment Initiative

Parent Advisory Group

The Parent Advisory Group

Since 2024, KPAA has facilitated a parent advisory group on behalf of the Kaua'i District Health Office, providing direct input from the community into ongoing health policy and interventions.

The members developed strong relationships with one another and a shared commitment to supporting Kauai families. Going into 2027 the Parent Advisory Group is looking to provide direct support to two areas of work:

1. Taking an active role in park improvement efforts shared between KPAA, Get Fit Kaua'i and the County of Kaua'i,
2. Providing support to the Keiki to Career Parent Resource Navigation Initiative as those currently or recently in the target demographic.

The group currently has 10 parents, but they are excited to expand as they get their shovels in the dirt making changes for our communities.



Parent Advisory Group Member, Amber Bass and KPAA Facilitator Maya Tayal

Annual Budget

Annual Budget	**$10,000**	**Existing contracts secure the Parent Advisory Group through until the end of April 2027, including stipends for participation and some funding for project delivery.** **Parents' projects may seek further funding.**
Funding locked in	**$10,000**	
Funding needed for 2027	**None sought now - Watch this space**	

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Collective Impact Initiatives

Collective impact projects are about coordination: getting organizations and community members to tackle a shared problem together, rather than running separate efforts that may overlap or leave gaps. They're meant for complex issues (such as homelessness, educational inequality, or community health) that no single organization can solve on its own.

What makes them different from ordinary collaboration? A collective impact project gives collaboration a structure:

- A shared goal and understanding of the problem,
- Agreed measures of progress,
- Different but complementary roles for participating organizations,
- Regular communication so partners can adjust their work,
- A dedicated coordinating team, often called a "backbone," to keep the effort moving. (That's us!).

The idea isn't that everyone does the same thing. It's that everyone's work fits together.

The intended payoff is better community-wide outcomes; not simply more meetings, partnerships, or individual programs. At its strongest, collective impact changes the policies, practices, and allocation of resources that keep a problem going, while giving affected community members a meaningful role in deciding what changes.

We know that as a small island community our resources are thinner; we have fewer people, fewer supporting industries and more need. KPAA recognizes this need for Kaua'i; we are here to ensure we have collaboration over competition, and provide the support to make it happen.

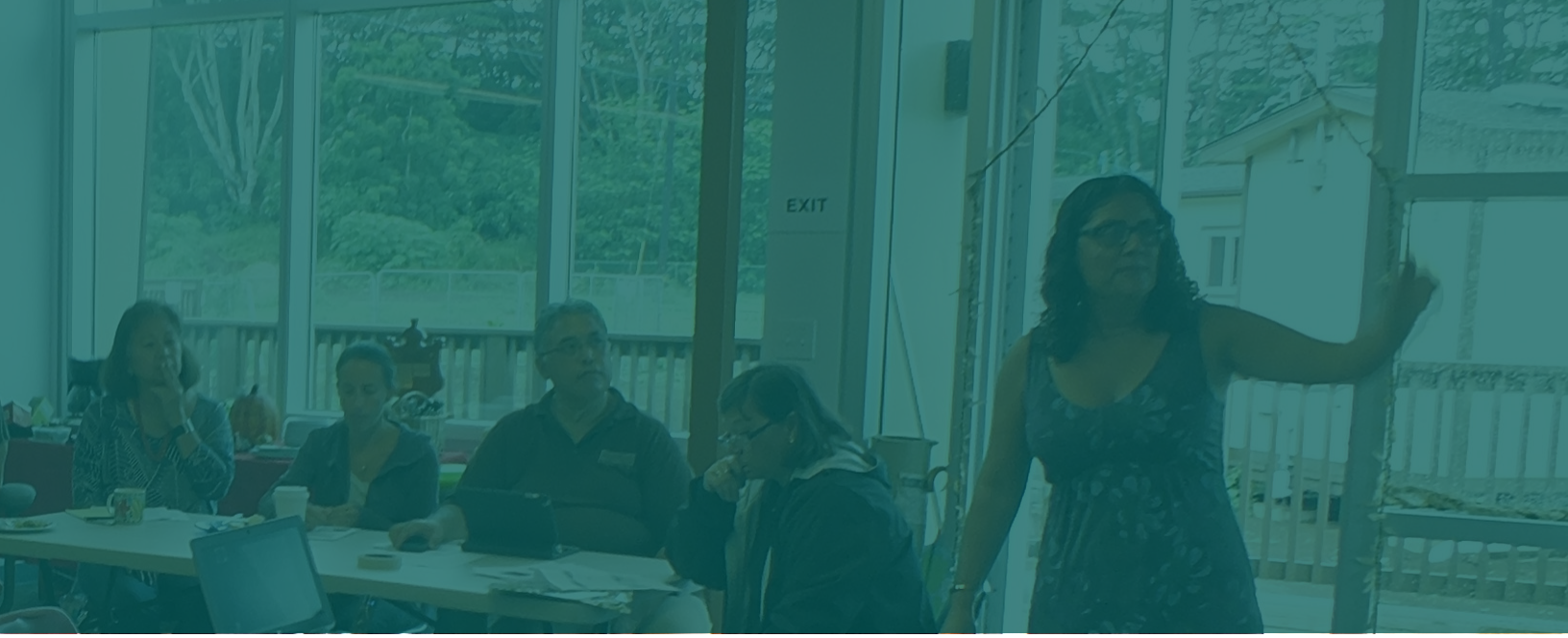
01

Map Current Programs, Reach, and Challenges

The first step is to do our research!

Through desktop research and conversations with partners, KPAA builds out a network map of each active program in the focus field of impact. We identify providers, locations and demographics served, participation data and delivery challenges, allowing us to see where our network overlaps, has gaps, or needs focused support.

The outcome: A shared baseline of what is known and what needs further exploration to guide collective planning.



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Establish a Problem Specific Collective Impact Hui

Partners come together to review these findings and agree on their shared outcomes, priorities, barriers requiring collective action, and ways programs can complement one another.

If an ongoing hui is suitable, partners then define practical progress measures, roles, and responsibilities, with KPAA being ultimately responsible for maintaining maintaining partner buy-in, facilitating the hui, and ensuring participation remains valuable.

The outcome: A joint action plan connecting providers' strengths with shared priorities.

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Take Coordinated Action

With agreed priorities in place, partners act together to address the barriers identified through the first two stages. Depending on the findings and partner agreement, this may include:

- Sharing expertise, training, facilities, and materials,
- Pursuing joint grants to strengthen stability,
- Streamlining school and community outreach to improve uptake and program accessibility,
- Aligning participation data collection and progress reviews.

The outcome: Turn shared plans into practical changes, reviewing progress and adapting as partners learn what works and where gaps remain.

Collective Impact Initiative

Parent Resource Navigation (Prenatal to Age 3)

- **Purpose:** Coordinate Kaua'i's support resources and providers for expectant and new parents so that the resources are timely, equitable, and no parents fall through the cracks.
- **Period:** Establishment active, delivery through 2027.

There are approximately 700 births on Kaua'i annually. Through our Maternal and Child Health work, we are brought in as the backup support for around 60 families annually who have fallen through the cracks. These are families who reach childbirth without having been provided the resources they need.

This mean mothers unsure of breastfeeding, newborns unable to go home in appropriate infant seats, or going home to unsafe sleeping arrangements. The cases we review through Child Death Review highlight gaps in resource access and inconsistent or unclear safety education for new parents.

Our organization catches 60 failures in the support system a year. The Parent Resource Navigation Initiative (PRN) is the collective systemic change needed to see that number drop to zero.

A Collective Impact Approach to Resource Navigation

The Parent Resource Navigation (PRN) initiative brings together parents, caregivers, community based organizations, health and human-service partners, and funders to strengthen the system of support for Kauai families from pregnancy through early childhood.

Using a Sequential Intercept Mapping–inspired process, partners will document the family support journey through prenatal care, birth, postpartum, infancy, and early childhood. At each key touchpoint, they will identify available community resources, referral pathways, unmet needs, and structural barriers. Resources will include home visiting, behavioral health, food and housing assistance, transportation, parenting education, lactation support, childcare, public benefits, and cultural and family supports.

The resulting map will highlight where families encounter unclear referrals, eligibility restrictions, wait lists, transportation challenges, language or cultural disconnects, service duplication, and gaps during critical transitions. Partners will use these findings to develop a shared action agenda, improve referrals and coordination, and establish common outcomes to guide ongoing collective action.

The goal is not to create another standalone program, but to align and strengthen existing resources. Each organization will contribute its distinct role toward a more navigable, equitable, and family-centered network, so every new and expectant parent on Kauai can find timely, culturally responsive, coordinated support, wherever they first ask for help.

Initiative Outcomes

A sequential model for resource provision will:

- Ensure resources are equitably communicated across Kaua'i, including reaching parents less engaged with providers and supports,
- Provide a more certain pathway for off-island resource organizations to reach their client base,
- Build in a "no wrong door" system, where any approached provider can support the parent by directing them to the correct resource first try.

As a secondary value to the initiative, by mapping the full range of resources available the initiative will also be able to:

- Assess gaps in equitable access,
- Identify challenges faced by provider networks.

A Model for Resource Navigation

Kauai struggles with clear and navigable resource distribution and navigation across many of our support sectors, but as a region with a small population and clear boundaries (we are an island), we should be in a position to model clear network navigation.

This initiative aims to provide a benchmark for how resource navigation can be done; with user experience front of mind, culturally relevant practice, and in support of our island's providers.

As part of the Keiki to Career Program, the approach will concurrently roll out across other demographic areas, and age brackets, creating a comprehensive network wide mapping and impact clarity.



Parent Resource Navigation Initiative Budget

Annual Budget	$60,000	Our Maternal and Child Health focused staffing is currently funded through short term contracts with the Department of Health, as a community health worker of their department. This has allowed us to develop robust relationships with all providers. We are now in a position where longer term funding stability will ensure KPAA can be proactive in systemic solutions rather than reactive to state funding changes. The budget overview reflects the funding to provide stability for the 2027 period.
Funding secured	$18,900	
Funding needed for 2027	$41,100	

Stage

Early Development | **Establishment Period** | Initial Trial | Established Project

Collective Impact Initiative

Kapa'a Continuums

- **Purpose:** Improve the school readiness results for keiki entering school in the Kapa'a school district
- **Target Demographic:** 0 - 5 yr olds and their families in Kapa'a
- **Period:** 2026 (Q4) - 2028

Research consistently shows that early school readiness is a strong predictor of later academic achievement, educational attainment, and long-term health and economic outcomes. Children who are not reading at grade level by the end of third grade are significantly less likely to catch up academically, increasing their risk of disengagement from school and limited opportunities in adulthood.

Despite decades of public and private investment in early childhood programs, significant disparities in school readiness and early academic achievement persist across Hawaii. These disparities are most pronounced in rural, low-income communities, where families face limited access to high-quality early care and education, health services, and coordinated family supports.

Across 2024- 2026 school years, Kapa'a's school assessment results showed:

Only 33% of students demonstrate school readiness upon entering kindergarten.

48% of students **did not** demonstrate language and arts proficiency at 3rd grade.

What are Community-based Early Childhood Continuums Projects?

The early childhood continuum is a connected system of care, learning, and family support that follows children from birth through about age 8, or third grade. In 2022, Early Childhood Continuum efforts began in Hawaii thanks to seed funding from the Stupski Foundation and the Harold K.L. Castle Foundation.

Two communities have had 4+ years of implementing community-centered solutions: Pahoa Promise and Waimānalo Early Education Upena partnership, O'ahu. As a result of the successes within the other communities the effort is expanding statewide.



The Kapa'a Continuums Approach

Kaua'i Planning and Action Alliance has been selected to provide the 2 year Community Facilitation Services for the Early Childhood Continuums Initiative in Kapa'a, Kauai County.

The initiative will focus on developing community centered collaborations working to ensure every keiki is Healthy, Safe and Thriving and ready to learn from their first day in kindergarten.

The Community-Based Early Childhood Continuums Initiative responds to the challenge by strengthening local, community-level systems of support for keiki, initially from birth through age five, and their 'ohana. The initiative brings together health, early learning, family support, and education partners to create intentional, sequenced pathways of services that support healthy development and school readiness.

As a community led project the approach will be unique to Kapa'a, and designed through partnership with local providers.

To find out more, email alanna@kauainetwork.org

Short- to Medium-Term Outcomes

- Increased access for keiki (ages 0–5) to preventive health care, developmental screenings, and appropriate referrals.
- Increased access for 'ohana to high-quality early care and learning opportunities within their communities.
- Improved coordination and reduced duplication among health, education, and family support providers.
- Stronger community capacity to use data for planning, accountability, and continuous improvement.

Long-Term Outcomes

- Increased rates of kindergarten readiness as measured by the Hawaii Kindergarten Entry Assessment.
- Increased rates of students reading at grade level by the end of third grade.
- Stronger, more resilient community systems capable of sustaining continuum linkages over time.



Kapa'a Early Childhood Continuums Initiative Budget

Annual Budget	$60,000	Funding for this project is primarily through Collaborative Support Services, Inc - Early Childhood Action Strategy (CSS-ECAS), in part, through 2026 Congressionally Funded Community Projects funding from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. While the funding covers primary staffing and administration costs, essential project expenses for community engagement, meetings, travel, etc. require fundraising.
Funding received total (Yr 1 of 2)	$55,735	
Funding gap for 2027	$4,265	

Stage

Early Development	**Establishment Period**	Initial Trial	Established Project

Collective Impact Initiative

Future Ready ʻŌpio

- **Purpose:** Facilitate a Kauaʻi wide collective response on career pathways and financial training
- **Target Demographic:** Providers for 14 - 20 yr olds
- **Period:** 2027 - 2028

As an island we recognize that you support youth wellbeing by building agency; the ability to make informed choices, pursue meaningful goals, and navigate challenges. Together, they connect young people's emotional and social development with practical opportunities for a stable, fulfilling future.

This is particularly true for the youth of Kauaʻi, where the anxiety around being able to find financial security, hold a career that keeps you on island and navigate a region under constant cultural change pressures create a uniquely complex set of pressures. Two focus work areas have found a lot of interest and support throughout our youth development network:

- Career Pathways / Internship Programs,
- Financial Literacy Training

The Conditions Today

As a provider network, Kauaʻiʻs organizations have developed a great number of programs across these fields; however they have been working in relative isolation, and often in competition with each other. The result is that we are currently seeing a disjointed, overlapping and often struggling set of programs.

Early discussions with providers have highlighted a series of repeating challenges: insufficiently skilled staff on island, funding impacting program stability, challenges engaging with the schools, and unclear needs across the community.

We have also identified that as a network, there is no assessment of which demographics are being reached, which are being missed, and which are most in need, creating unclear pathways to real change for all involved.

Our early analysis has identified:

13 separate **career pathways** & internship programs

12 separate organizations running **financial literacy training**

Notably, there are few verifiable numbers of youth participation across the above interventions.

Stage

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We have a Moment of Opportunity

A number of factors are coming together that make this an opportune time to bring these programs together in a more strategic way:

- In 2027 there is a mandated requirement that all public school students must complete a financial literacy educational opportunity prior to graduation. This requirement begins with incoming high school freshmen (the Class of 2030),
- The current County of Kaua'i's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is lapsing at the end of 2026, and the updated strategy will need to be developed. Having a clear and structured response for youth pathways will allow it to be adopted and reflected in official economic policy,
- Youth institutions that will hold financial literacy and career pathway programs are in process of being developed; the Boys and Girls Club Teen Facility, Namahana Public Charter School.

Why Collective Impact?

A number of the identified programs have been running or in development for multiple years. Our engagement with the responsible organizations has identified key challenges around getting buy in and access from schools, reaching the required cohort numbers, and identifying host employers for internship and student positions.

Many of the programs are struggling to, or failing to, meet the funding requirements or internal expectations, even while it is broadly understood that the program is needed.

A collective impact response will empower the network to make the informed and funding-smart decisions, advancing challenged initiatives to effective delivery.

To find out more, email morgan@kauainetwork.org.



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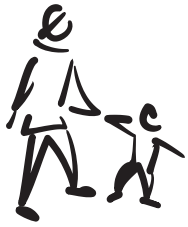

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The Keiki to Career
2027 Program Budget

To fully fund 2027's Keiki to Career Program: $85k			
	Total Budget	Remaining funding needed	
	$350,525	**$84,720**	
Operational Expenses			
Administrative Staffing	$95,000	$25,000	Keep the organization running so that the initiatives can run!
Office, IT and Material Expenses	$35,000	-	Support welcome!
Community Empowerment Initiatives			
'Ohana Resource Kiosks	$17,525	$11,000	For staffing (support and management)
		$3,355	For kiosk rent and supplies
Leadership Kaua'i	$13,000	-	Support welcome!
Parent Advisory Group	$10,000	-	Future funding will be needed
Collective Impact Initiatives			
Parent Resource Navigation (Prenatal to 3yrs)	$60,000	$37,100	For continued project staffing
		$4,000	For project expenses
Kapa'a Continuums	$60,000	$4,265	For project expenses
Future Ready 'Ōpio	$60,000	-	Support welcome!

Our Team



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Morgan joined KPAA in early 2026, having moved to Kaua'i in 2024. He holds a master's degree in Urban Management and Development, specializing in regional economic resilience, competitiveness and accessibility. Morgan's work has included community and governance capacity development, the built environment and urban planning, economic and cultural geography, and data for impact across Australia, the UK and Europe. Working across many sectors, Morgan's priority is always to be grounded first and foremost in people-centered experience and outcomes, and ensuring outcomes are systematic, sustained and empowering.



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Priti "Maya" Tayal, EdM, MA runs the Kauai Planning & Action Alliance yollective impact work focused on youth wellness. She brings the experience of running over 20 youth programs on Kaua'i and is a recognized walking, talking youth resource directory. Maya spent eight years as a college professor of Psychology and Criminal Justice in Philadelphia, while also serving as a Clinical Director, mental health therapist, and supervisor for programs supporting community members, at-risk youth in juvenile justice, homeless services, and foster youth.



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