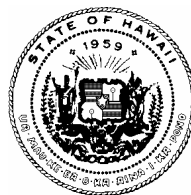




**REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON
Non-School Hour Programs
For Children & Youth
(Act 281, SLH 2006)**

THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES



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This report is submitted to the Hawaii State Legislature on programs funded under Act 281. The Hawaii State Legislature articulated the purpose of Act 281/SLH 2006, Relating to Children and Youth:

“The legislature finds that many children are on their own in the mornings and afternoons before and after the school bell rings. Nationally, nearly two-thirds of school-age children are in homes with both parents working, yet very few communities have a comprehensive system of before and after-school care for children. While Hawaii is fortunate to have the A+ program for students in grades K-6, older children also need adult supervision. When older children are unsupervised in the morning, afternoon, evening, weekend, and holiday hours, statistics clearly show that rates of juvenile crime, drug use, and experimentation with tobacco, alcohol, and sex increase.”

To fill this identified gap, the 2006 Hawaii State Legislature appropriated funds to the Department of Education (DOE), Office of Youth Services (OYS), and the county Departments of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to establish programs, services, and activities to provide safe, structured learning environments for children and youth during non-school hours.

The OYS, DOE, and City and County of Honolulu DPR began to meet in June 2006 to coordinate planning for implementation of programs and services. The Governor approved Act 281 in July 2006 and funds were released beginning in October 2006. The following presents information on programs funded and proposed expenditures from the Act.

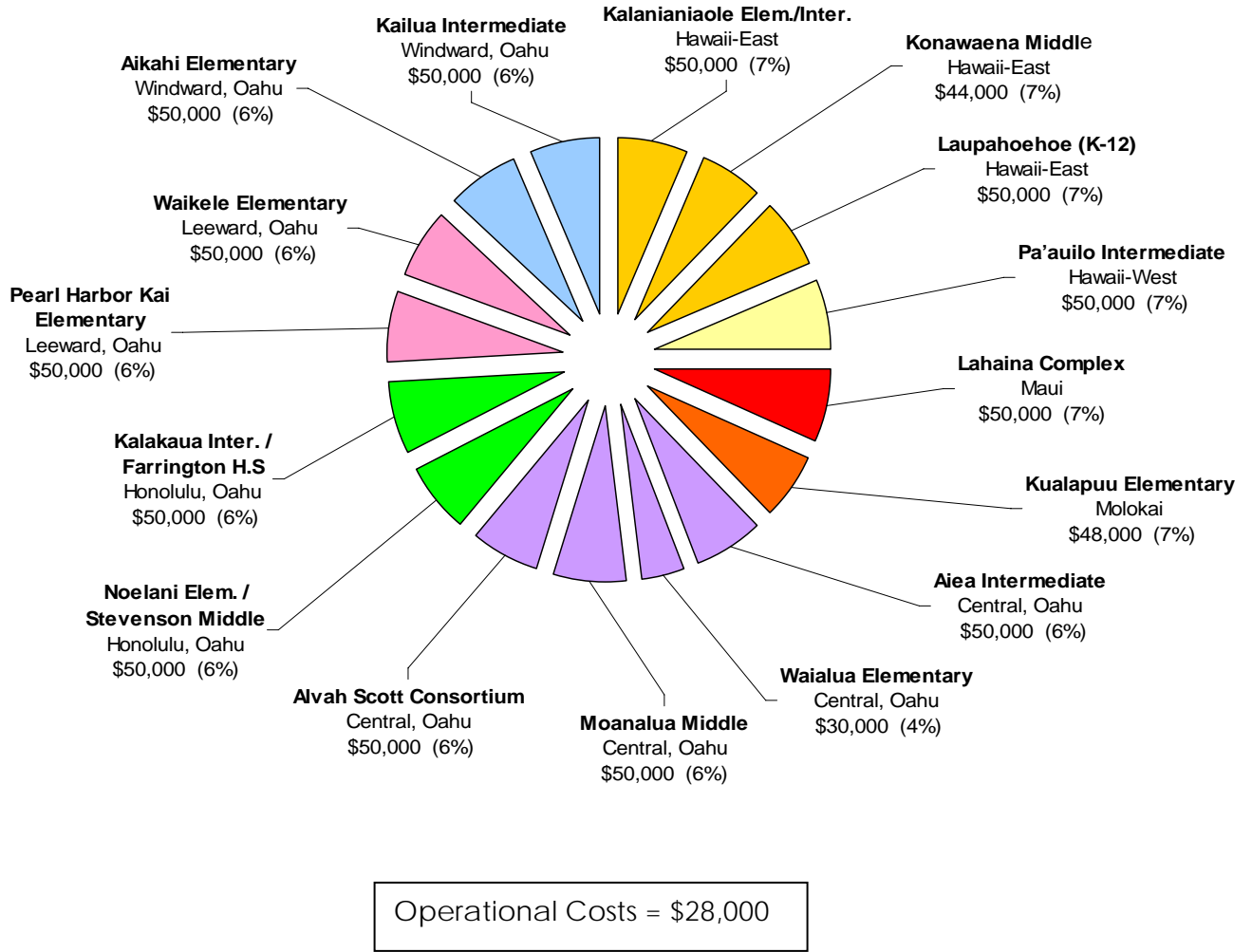
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The DOE assisted in planning and participated in a Non-school Hours Request for Information session held in July 2006 at the Hawaii State Capitol. Additional input for planning was received from the Hawaii State Student Council in November 2006.

During late November 2006 to February 2007, as part of its overall strategy to strengthen its community collaborative efforts, the DOE established a specialist position to oversee planning, coordination and implementation of non-school hour programming.

In February 2007, the DOE announced the availability of grant applications for public schools to fund non-school programs for children and youth (Appendix A). Although all K-12 schools were eligible to apply, priority was given to middle schools with no current non-school hour funding. In April 2007, the DOE provided technical assistance work sessions that included private providers' presentations to potential grant applicants. Grant reviews (with student participation) and awards were subsequently completed in April 2007. A technical assistance session was provided for grantees in May 2007. A total of \$772,000 was awarded through 16 grants to individual schools and consortia of schools statewide to implement non-school hours programs for the period May 2007 to June 2008.

**Department of Education
Non-School Hours Awards Breakdown
FY 2007 Total Amount = \$800,000**



Department of Education -- Non-School Hours Awards

School	Amount	Location	Target Population	Estimated No. Served	Purpose
Kalaniana'ole Elem./Inter.	\$50,000	East, Hawaii	6th - 8th	Not Available	A series of sessions focused on student interest--dance, music, etc. to enhance the limited resources and outside experiences available to this rural school community.
Konawaena Middle	\$44,000	East, Hawaii	6th - 8th	Not Available	Afterschool tutoring that focuses on math and reading tutorial sessions, homework assistance, career explorations, and activities in the arts and sports.
Laupahoehoe (Elem./High)	\$50,000	East, Hawaii	6th - 12th	Not Available	The acquisition of a 15 passenger van to transport students home from school, in this rural community where there is no public transportation, so students can attend afterschool programs such as a reading program, a broadcast journalism laboratory and a fitness center.
Pa'auilo Intermediate	\$50,000	West, Hawaii	6th - 9th	35 students	Afterschool tutoring and counseling. Followed by enrichment programs such as athletics, woodshop, computer technology, animal husbandry, speakers and personal & social skills training.
Lahaina Complex	\$50,000	Maui	3rd - 12th	240 students	Activities to improve reading, writing, social studies, and math skills and creating a credit recovery program at the high school.
Kualapuu Charter (Elementary)	\$48,000	Molokai	4th - 6th	35 students	Agricultural projects centered around the school's Hawaiian Garden. Students will document their projects and research Hawaiian traditional cultivation practices and modern farming methods.
Aiea Intermediate	\$50,000	Central, Oahu	7th - 8th	98 students	Activities to support academic growth through appropriate access to technology, tutoring and guided instruction/monitoring of individual projects.
Waialua Elementary	\$30,000	Central, Oahu	2nd - 6th	145 students	The focus is on students disinterested in school. Projects include writing & performing plays & video presentations, researching the dance and music of India to prepare for a musical performance, and experimenting with hydroponics.
Moanalua Middle	\$50,000	Central, Oahu	7th - 8th	385 enrolled into different activities	Activities that will provide a safe environment to improve academic achievement, enhance social development and improve family and community involvement. Activities involve tutoring sessions, sports, computers and art.

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Alvah Scott Consortium	\$50,000	Central, Oahu	2nd - 6th	150 students	Afterschool activities that focus on unsupervised students and include mentoring and computer programs.
Noelani Elem./ Stevenson Middle	\$50,000	Honolulu, Oahu	2nd - 8th	53 students	A "Digital Academy" that will enhance academic enrichment opportunities and improve and increase student skills in the use of technology.
Kalakaua Inter./ Farrington H.S.	\$50,000	Honolulu, Oahu	6th - 12th	108 students	Project to address "obesity" through physical activities like hip hop and salsa dancing and nutrition education and other healthy lifestyle sessions.
Pearl Harbor Kai Elementary	\$50,000	Leeward, Oahu	K - 6th	156 students	School-wide programs to enhance the students well-being and performance. The programs include morning care on campus, after school classes, and school break academic competencies classes to ensure smoother transitions for the school's military students.
Waikele Elementary	\$50,000	Leeward, Oahu	5th - 6th	69 students	Expanding the M.O.V.E. Programs: Afterschool activities in painting, drawing, ceramics, dance, drama, opera, musical instruments, team sports, video and multi-media technology.
Aikahi Elementary	\$50,000	Windward, Oahu	K - 6th	Robotics Prgm = 29	Expanding the Wednesday Afterschool Enrichment Program to prepare the for transition to middle school. Activities include robotics, rockets, sports, dance, art and running a store.
Kailua Intermediate	\$50,000	Windward, Oahu	7th - 8th	Not Available	A program utilizing distance learning coupled with a mentoring program as a way to facilitate credit recovery.
Operational Costs	\$28,000				A/A1 funds for Substitute Educational Specialist & B/C funds for supplies & equipment.

TOTAL \$800,000

ACT 281 (Sec 2)

Appropriated to the Department of Education, the sum of \$800,000, for non-school hour programs for kindergarten through twelfth grades.

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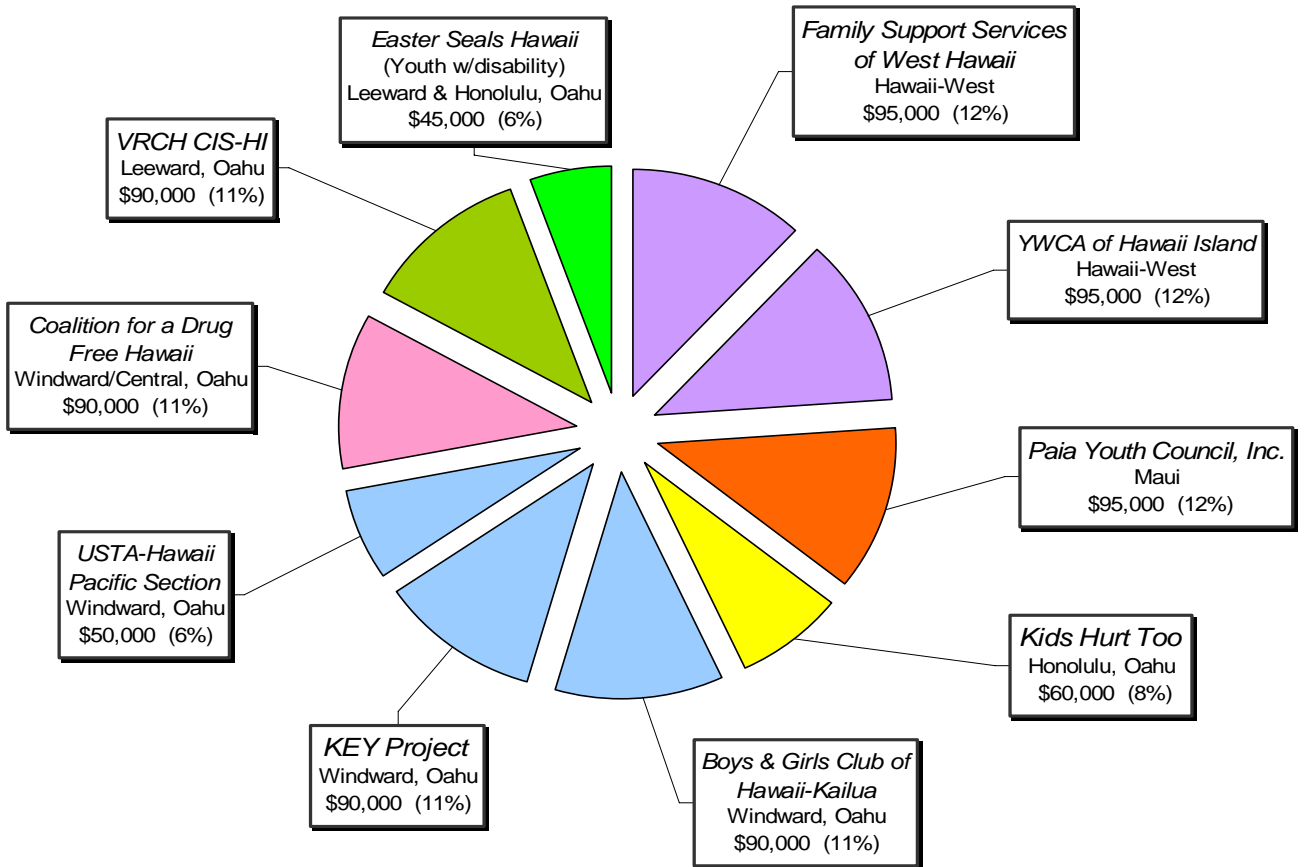
The OYS received broad-based input from the community through participation at a Non-School Hours Request for Information session held in July 2006 at the Hawaii State Capitol. The session was attended by over 40 persons, including youth from both urban and rural areas. Meeting notes are found in Appendix B.

Building on the information gathered at the Request for Information session, the OYS issued a Request For Proposal for Non-School Hour Programs in January 2007. The target population for non-school hours program services included children and youth enrolled in school, grades kindergarten through twelfth grade, with preferences given to proposed programs serving youth attending middle school; located in rural communities that have minimal free-time alternatives for youth; and youth who are disabled with limited access to existing programs.

The response to the Request For Proposal was excellent as OYS received 27 proposals to provide programs and services in communities statewide. A total of 10 proposals were selected, and purchases of service contracts totaling \$800,000 were executed to begin services in June 2007 and ending in May 2008. The programs and services provide a variety of activities, ranging from tennis and nutrition lessons, to leadership and service projects opportunities.

The descriptions of the Non-school Hours programs awarded contracts for FY 2007 are on the following pages:

**Office of Youth Services
Non-School Hours Awards Breakdown
FY 2007 Total Amount = \$800,000**



Office of Youth Services -- Non-School Hours Awards

<i>Agency</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Target Population</i>	<i>Estimated No. Served</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
Family Support Services of West Hawaii	\$95,000	West, Hawaii	10 - 18 yrs	60 youth	Homework Assistance, sports & fitness program, leadership program, performing arts activities, community service projects, intergenerational mentoring
YWCA of Hawaii Island	\$95,000	West, Hawaii	7 - 18 yrs	100 youth	Afterschool drop-in center, sports & leisure activities, video & music production projects, gender-specific sessions, Hawaiian culture education, Teen Court
Paia Youth Council, Inc.	\$95,000	Maui	6th - 8th grd	75 youth	Afterschool drop-in center, Youth Radio Club, Video Production Lab, Skate Park & Other Sports- fitness activities, Youth Leadership Program, Horticulture & Cooking classes, Community service projects
Volunteer Resource Center of Hawaii CIS-Hawaii	\$90,000	Honolulu, Oahu	5th - 8th grd	100 youth	Community Learning Centers, Peer Mentoring, Community Presentations, video production projects
USTA-HI Pacific Section	\$50,000	Windward, Oahu	K - 12th grd	200 youth	Tennis lessons & Nutrition lessons, Tutoring program
Coalition for a Drug Free HI	\$90,000	Windward, Oahu, Central, Oahu	7th - 8th grd	60 youth	Girls Circle Program--workshops & activities to promote positive sense of self, life-skills & personal wellness Annual mother/daughter conference
Boys & Girls Club of HI	\$90,000	Windward, Oahu	7 - 17 yrs	60 youth	Morning tutoring program, Afterschool activities: water sports & Fitness program, Nutro-fit program, Fellowship-Goodwill games (non-competitive), Community Network Activities
Kualoa-Heeia Ecumenical Youth (KEY) Project	\$90,000	Windward, Oahu	7th - 9th grd	100 youth	Teen Drop-in Center (afternoon and evenings), Tutoring program, Sports & Recreation program, Life Skills Workshops, Youth Leadership Board, Family & Community Events
Kids Hurt Too	\$60,000	Honolulu, Oahu	Pre-Sch - H.Sch	80 youth	Peer group sessions, Interpersonal skills training, Nutrition workshops, for youth missing 1 or both parents & foster children
Easter Seal HI (Disability)	\$45,000	Leeward, Oahu, Honolulu, Oahu	6th - 8th grd (w/disabilities)	20 youth	Independent living skills training and career planning program for youth with disabilities

TOTAL \$800,000

ACT 281 (Sec 3)

Appropriated to the Office of Youth Services, \$800,000 for non-school hour programs for children and youth enrolled in school.

COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF PARKS AND RECREATION

City and County of Honolulu – \$284,000 allocated. The City and County of Honolulu DPR assisted in planning and participated at the Non-school Hours Request for Information session held in July 2006. Funds were encumbered in June 2007, following release of the funds from the State in May 2007. Plans for the usage of the funds include the purchase of mini-buses to provide transportation for youth to participate in island-wide program activities. The City and County of Honolulu DPR was grateful for the funding opportunity provided by the legislature, however, the process of securing matching funds was challenging, as planning for the department’s annual budget cycle was not synchronized with the availability of the funds.

Hawaii County – \$52,000 allocated. Hawaii County DPR reported expenditures of \$42,222 for non-school hour services during the period, March 2007 to July 2007. A variety of activities were funded that enhanced and enriched the experiences for 1,389 children and youth. The following is a description of program activities funded by the grant:

Program Activity	Description	Partners/Matching
Hawaii Speed and Quickness Event (2 sessions). Featuring Colt Brennan, Devon Bess, Ryan Grice-Mullins, Desmond Thomas, Jacob Patek, Keao Monteihl, Jason Rivers, Mel DeLaura, and Lehua Woods.	First session: Afook/Chinen Civic Auditorium hosted 550 elementary age group youngsters. After the speed and quickness exercise, the Hawaii Warriors athletes had pizzas with the youngsters. Second session: Keaau High School hosted 180 intermediate to high school teens.	Pizza Hut Hawaii, Meadow Gold Dairies, Keaau High School, Jack Tours, KTA Superstores and Big Island Candies
Zoo Overnighter (2 sessions) Youngsters spent the night at the Panaewa Rain Forest Zoo.	First session hosted 45 elementary children and the second session hosted 45 intermediate youths.	Waiakea High School Key Club, Panaewa Zoo, Friends of the Zoo, and Waiakea Lions Club.
Dolphin Quest in Kona (2 sessions)	First session: 45 elementary youngsters Second session: 45 intermediate teens	Jacks Tours, Dolphin Quest, Boys and Girls Club, King Kamehameha Hotel, QLCC, and the Keaukaha Community Association.
Two-night Camps at QLCC (Papawai Beach)	44 teens and 8 adults	Jacks Tours, QLCC, Hilo High School Key Club, KTA and Boys Scouts of America.
Two-night camp at Spencer Beach Park	42 elementary youngsters and 6 adults	Partnered with Boys and Girls Club, Jacks Tours, and Foodland
Two-night camp at Mahukona Beach Park	50 elementary youngsters and 10 adults	Boys and Girls Club, Jacks Tours, Kohala Inter-generational Center, Chalon International, and New Hope Church

Program Activity	Description	Partners/Matching
Two-night camp at Waiohinu Park	25 elementary youngsters and 6 adults	Jacks Tours, Boy Scouts of America and Pahala Congregational
Atlantis Submarine (4 sessions)	First session: 30 elementary youngsters 2 nd session: 30 elementary youngsters 3 rd session: 30 elementary youngsters 4 th session: 30 intermediate youths	Partnered with Jacks tours, Atlantis submarine, Hilo High School Key Club, QLCC, Keaukaha Community Association
Kohala Excursion to Kona	50 elementary youngsters	Jacks Tours, Wendy's, and Cinema theaters
Puna Volcano Hopping	48 elementary youngsters	Jacks Tours, Volcanoes National Park, KMC and Volcano House
Hawaiian Oceanview Estates (in Kau) trip to Kona	50 elementary youngsters	Jacks Tours, HOVE community association, and McDonalds
Hamakua Spring Fling to Waikoloa	50 elementary youngsters	Jacks Tours, Waikoloa Hilton, and KTA

Kauai County – \$20,000 allocated. Kauai County DPR did not request release of funds. Kauai DPR is currently exploring and planning the usage of funds for any additional funding opportunities, including funding of programs for middle school youth during intercession periods, and supporting completion of installation of a multi-purpose gymnasium flooring that youth use during activities.

Maui County – \$40,000 allocated. Maui County DPR did not request release of funds. Maui DPR is currently exploring usage of funds for any additional funding opportunities. Preliminary plans include possible funding of a mobile recreational vehicle that could provide rural areas with a variety of physical fitness, cultural and educational activities.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

As mandated by Act 281, the OYS, DOE and county DPR will be convening annually to share information, promising and best practices, and outcomes. Due to the late start-up of non-school hour services and programs, this meeting is scheduled for spring 2008 and should provide preliminary data and information for further program planning and strategies.

The counties' DPR experienced varying degrees of difficulty in planning for and accessing the appropriated funds. The identified issues included securing the matching funds and coordination of the fiscal/budgetary process with the funding availability. The counties would welcome future funding appropriations and have already begun or are continuing their planning efforts in this area.

Act 281 has provided an opportunity for the State, counties, and private sector to help address the needs of children and youth during non-school hours. Partnerships and linkages between the public and private sectors have been established and will continue to offer opportunities for future collaborative efforts in program planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Investing in quality programming has been found to improve outcomes for children and youth.¹ Connections and relationships are critical elements in quality programs, and the commitment of stakeholders in the community is vital to creating and sustaining safe, structured learning environments where children and youth can thrive and develop. It is the consensus of the DOE, counties' DPR, private sector partners, OYS, and most importantly, the children and youth who have participated in and benefitted from the non-school hours programs, that funding be continued for this important initiative.

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