Workforce Development Council & Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Collaboration in the works for Hawaii’s economic and workforce development
WIOA Helps People With Barriers to Employment
WIOA improves access to education and workforce services

- Veterans
- Individuals with disabilities
- Out-of-School and At-Risk Youth
- Ex-Offenders
- Low-income
- Homeless

- Foster Care Youth
- Low level of literacy
- Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers
Core programs report on common performance indicators that provide key employment information:

- How many job seekers entered and retained employment
- Their median wages
- Any credentials attainment
- Their measurable skills gain
- For the first time: the effectiveness of services to employers
Juston “Braddah” Akiona

Youth on probation

Good with hands, interested in carpentry

Building Industry Association’s Occupational Training Program

YouthBuild Program

Employed skilled craftsman
STACEY KAIULANI MARCELLINO

- Single mother of three children
- Received government assistance
- Career goal: Social Worker
- Leeward Community College – Associate’s Degree
- Certificate in Substance Abuse Counseling
- UH Manoa - Bachelor’s of Social Work Degree
- Full time Counselor and Case Manager at Hale Na‘au Pono
2018 Hawaii’s Investment of Public Funds in Workforce Development Programs

- July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019
- Total Federal Expenditures $43,808,983
- Total State Expenditures $57,229,228
- DOE – Adult Education Fed $2.2M State $3.9M
- DOE – K-12 / CTE Secondary Fed $2.5M State $5.8M
- UH Community Colleges
  - CTE Post Secondary Fed $2.5M State $31M
- FY18 federal and state workforce investment dropped nearly $29M (Fed by 26% State by 21%)
- Agencies with substantial increase in Federal and State funding: DOE K-12 CTE, Adult Education, UH Community Colleges CTE
Check It Out!
Concurrent Session on Workforce

Out-of-School and Out-of-Job: Figuring Out What’s Happening with Disconnected Youth in Hawaii

Presenter: Wayne Liou, Ph.D., Employment Analyst and Economist, Workforce Development Council

Shameless plug for WDC!