# Pa`upena Community Development Inc.

Maui-based IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit beneficiary organization

## Pa'upena CDC Mission/Vision

Pa`upena CDC is a beneficiary-owned group, whose vision is to fulfill Prince Kuhio's century-old dream for native Hawaiians to reconnect with Waiohuli ahupua`a in thriving farming and ranching communities, and to share this paradigm throughout the pae`aina (archipelago). The mission of Pau`pena CDC is to provide resources and training for fellow Hawaiian Homes trust beneficiaries to build homes and self-sufficient communities.

#### Values:

- -Ea: sovereignty, the life breath that undergirds all efforts
- -`Eleu: Energetic and proactive
- -E Huli`au Kakou: Change the system, transform the community.
- -Education: Train others to be financially sustainable.





Co-Founders Norman Abihai and Kekoa Enomoto

## Officers, Board, Staff!



Norman Abihai, President & Co-Founder



Noelani Paresa, Secretary & Board of Director



Mahesh Cleveland, Board of Director



Kekoa Enomoto, Chairwoman of the Board, Co-Founder,



John Kainoa Pestana, Board of Director



Emma Yap, ED/Treasurer

# **Highlights 2021/2022**

- Starting 2/1/20, a \$179,000 Enterprise Community Partners/HUD community-needs-assessment grant project. Completed ending of 2021.
- Collab with Waimanalo homestead to install and educate 10 Hawaiian Homestead `ohana aquaponic systems. Completed installation on 10.16.22
- Continuing to work with the County of Maui OED Ka Pa `lke Project
- Continued our efforts in getting the long term lease for 127 acres in Kula. Still waiting on `Aina Archeology for their assessment
- → \$58,000 Offfice of Hawaiian Affairs grant to provide an e-commerce platform for native farmers and ranchers to sell and distribute their fresh products.
- Received two-\$10,000 First Nation grants (dates). First, `Ai Pono project was to make CSA boxes. Second, for Technical Assistance.
- Helped establish Honokowai HHA
- → Submitted C-WRM testimony on 11/15/22



### Maui County OED Grant

- -ending of 2021 we were able to bring opio from the Kamehameha baseball team (JV and Varsity)
- -started on the fencing
- -distributed and blessed many kupuna and `ohana in Waiohului and throughout Maui with kalo and pua`a in 2021 and 2022

















## Ka Pa 'lke











### **Project MAHI'AI**

- Started October 2021-October 2022
- Introduced 16 Native Hawaiian ranchers & farmers to an online selling platform











#### Theresa Hi`ilei Martinson

- -Project Manager
- -Native Hawaiian Farmer
- -Keokea Ag beneficiary





# First Nations Grants

- `Ai Pono
  - Started 5/1/2022-10/31/22
  - Total CSA boxes
  - All Native Hawaiian Farmers
- Technical Assistance
  - Started 8/15/22-/11/30/22
  - Ho`okupu to Ho`omana
     Farms-donated pua`a for `Ai
     Pono boxes
  - Project MAHI`Al website
  - Hawaiian Moon calendars

Hoomana Farms





`Ai Pono Boxes



### Chang's Farm Tour

Pa`upena collaborated with Natasha & Deashia-Lei Chang to host a Chang Farms tour in Makena this past Saturday, Nov. 16, 2022. The First Nations-sponsored event featured four workshops on indigenous planting and food preparation. Co-proprietors of the 6-acre, fourth generation Chang Farms, the ladies participate as a vendor in Pa`upena CDC's Project MAHI`AI



MAHALO!!!