

## **FY 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and related agencies appropriations requests**

Honolulu High Capacity Corridor Transit Project  
City and County of Honolulu  
Honolulu, Hawaii  
Request: \$30,000,000  
Federal Transit Administration  
New Starts

In June 2008, Honolulu was found to have the worst drive time travel time in the nation. Although the federal statutory match for the FTA's transit New Starts Program is 80 percent federal and 20 percent local, Honolulu proposes to nearly invert that ratio for its rail transit project. Honolulu estimates that it will only seek 25 to 30 percent federal funding with 70 percent of the funds provided locally. Given the commitment of Honolulu residents to fund a substantial portion of the project themselves, this funding request would seem to be precisely the type of request that the New Starts Program was intended to support making it a worthwhile use of taxpayer funds. Alternative forms of transportation must be developed. The Honolulu Transit Project is just one such strategy the City and County of Honolulu is deploying.

Laiopua 2020 Community Center, Hawaii  
Laiopua 2020  
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii  
Request: \$950,000  
Housing and Urban Development  
Economic Development Initiative

The Laiopua 2020 Community Center will be part of a master planned Hawaiian Home Lands Community that will eventually include 4,082 affordable single-family homes and additional affordable multi-family residences that will primarily serve low-and moderate income individuals. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands designated 16.5 acres for the development of the Laiopua 2020 Community Center.

Economic Development Initiative resources will facilitate the development of a comprehensive community center that will improve the quality of life for Homesteaders and other residents in the growing Kona community by increasing access to community services, recreational facilities, commercial enterprises, and educational opportunities.

Northern Leg of the Western Bypass, Hawaii  
County of Kauai  
Lihue, Hawaii  
Request: \$1,000,000  
Federal Highway Administration  
Transportation, Community and System Preservation

The completion of this loop will provide multiple evacuation routes from the shoreline in case of emergencies, decrease congestion within Koloa Town at the intersections of Koloa Road and Poipu Road and Maluhia Road and be the gateway to the Poipu/Koloa area.

Rural Bus Program for Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai Counties, Hawaii  
State Department of Transportation  
Honolulu, Hawaii  
Request: \$5,000,000  
Federal Transit Administration  
Bus and Bus Facilities

The rural transit systems on Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii provide economic, social, and environmental benefits for the community. Funding to improve bus services in these areas will improve the mobility of residents.

Nawiliwili to Anahola Bike/Pedestrian Path  
County of Kauai  
Lihue, Kauai  
Request: \$1,000,000  
Federal Highway Administration  
Transportation, Community and System Preservation

The Path will provide alternative transportation routes by providing alternative routes within and between the most heavily populated areas on the island. The project will improve access to the beaches. It also will create a much safer route for cyclists and pedestrians.