

### Current Native Hawaiian Conditions on Moloka‘i



#### Educational Pathways Data

- 79% (53 of 67) of 2021 Moloka‘i Island high school graduates were Native Hawaiian.
- 40% of Native Hawaiian 2021 public school graduates on Moloka‘i enrolled in college across the nation, compared to 45% of all Moloka‘i graduates.



#### Health Outcomes Data

- COVID-19 vaccines administered as of 6/26/2022: 320,553 vaccines. 79% of Maui County residents received at least one (1) dose (130,856), 71% received two (2) doses (117,834), and 48% received more than two (2) doses (80,145).
- 23% of those vaccinated Maui County residents (who received at least one (1) dose) are Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (NHPI). Of the 85% vaccinated NHPI Maui County residents, 91% are Native Hawaiian.



#### Quality Housing Data

- Homeownership rate data are reported by total population only. In 2019, there were 3,765 total households on Moloka‘i; 69% own their housing units, 26% rent, and 5% are classified as other.
- The Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) has 838 leases on Moloka‘i, 8% of the 9,957 leases statewide.
- DHHL Lands on Moloka‘i comprise a total of 25,747 acres, 13% of the total 203,981 acre DHHL land holdings.
- As of 6/30/2021, the DHHL Moloka‘i Island Waitlist is 2,139; Residential (814), Agricultural (1,123), and Pastoral lots (202).



#### Economic Stability Data

- Educational attainment data are reported by county only. 18% of Native Hawaiians in Maui County have some college but no degree, 10% have an associate degree, 7% have a bachelor’s degree, and 5% have a graduate or professional degree.
- Income data are reported by county only. As of 2015, Native Hawaiian Median Household Income in Maui County was \$60,945, compared to \$66,476 for all races – Native Hawaiian Median Household Income was 92% of all races countywide.
- The COVID-19 pandemic had significant negative effect on Native Hawaiian household finances. Many Native Hawaiian survey respondents on Moloka‘i reported being worse off during than before the pandemic, including an increase from 6% to 18% of Native Hawaiian respondents who were not making ends meet.

### Current Issues on Moloka‘i

**Kawela Water Stream Flows Again:** In 2019, Moloka‘i No Ka Heke formally filed for the restoration of the Kawela stream. Moloka‘i Properties Ltd., which owns the stream diversions, has until October to conduct an audit of its water systems and analyze its various alternative sources of non-potable water. See Full Report, page #13

**Moloka‘i Tuberculosis Crisis Causes Statewide Concern:** Moloka‘i is currently experiencing the worst outbreak of bovine tuberculosis (bTB) in decades. If spread across the state, it may cause a massive hit to the ranching industry. It has already had a huge impact on Moloka‘i’s cattle and pig populations, including infected four herds, over 100 pigs, 60 cattle and exposing more than 400 cattle. Officials are still trying to determine how far it has spread. Gov. David Ige requested the state legislature add \$1 million to the proposed state budget for the Hawai‘i Department of Agriculture (HDOA) to cover three temporary full-time positions for control operations, as well as vehicles and additional operating expenses for bTB control on the island of Moloka‘i. A quarantine order of all ungulate animals, except horses, on Moloka‘i restricts movement of exposed animals in an attempt to control the spread; it does not regulate hunting of feral and wild deer, pigs, sheep and goats on Moloka‘i, or prohibit the slaughter, harvest, sale or transportation of meat from livestock, wild deer, or pigs. See Full Report, page #13

**Community Ownership of Moloka‘i Ranch:** Molokai Properties Limited, which owns about 1/3 of the island’s land area, shut down operations over a decade ago. 55,000 acres of land remain untouched since. In Late May 2022, Moloka‘i community initiative facilitated by Sustainable Molokai held a series of community meetings to navigate public acquisition and community stewardship of lands. See Full Report, page #14

**Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa:** The nonprofit organization, Ka 'Ohana O Kalaupapa, has been raising funds to build the Kalaupapa Memorial to honor their loved ones isolated to Kalaupapa due to being diagnosed with leprosy, known as Hansens Disease. Senate passed memorial bill SB3338, which was signed into law on 6/29/2022 as Act 230, appropriating \$5 million to the nonprofit. Next steps include creation of a committee to discuss building and creating endowment to maintain the memorial. See Full Report, page #14

### **Current Grantees Serving Moloka'i**

Kualapu'u Public Conversion Charter School \$183,056 • Maui Family Support Services, Inc. \$41,199 • ALU LIKE, Inc. \$102,554 • KUPU \$48,713 • *Statewide:* The Hawaiian Church of Hawai'i Nei \$50,000 • Bishop Museum \$49,999 • Hawaiian Community Assets \$515,885 • Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement \$300,145 • Hawai'i Community Lending \$1,044,253 • Papa Ola Lokahi \$20,000 • Homestead Community Development Corporation \$75,000

### **Current Moloka'i Lending**

- 10 active Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund/Consumer Micro Loan Program loans; \$100,832 total dollar amount