



OFFICE OF ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION

# Introduction and Background

- Origin of Commission.
- Commission's charge.
- Commission members.







### Commission's Work This Year

- Accepted the O'ahu CEDS as 5-year strategic plan.
- Reviewed documents related to community, equity, and good jobs.
- Came to the table with 20 ideas, grouped as:
  - Innovative Incubator.
  - Small Business Support.
  - WiFi or Broadband.
  - Good Jobs or Workforce Development.
- Overall theme: Circular Economy.



## Three Takeaway Ideas

- Grant writer/administrator.
  - OER will issue RFP by end of the year.
- Facilitator of the circular economy.
  - OER has contracted with UHERO to conduct initial research on economic value of business relationships
- Business incubators and accelerators where they are needed.
  - OER is planning similar accelerator and incubator programs.



### **OER's Work This Year**

- Business & Constituent Educators
- Resource Network
- Data
- Innovation and Technology
- Regenerative Tourism
- Rental and Utility Relief
- Honolulu Film Office







# Next Steps: Commission's Work in 2024

#### To be determined. Possibly:

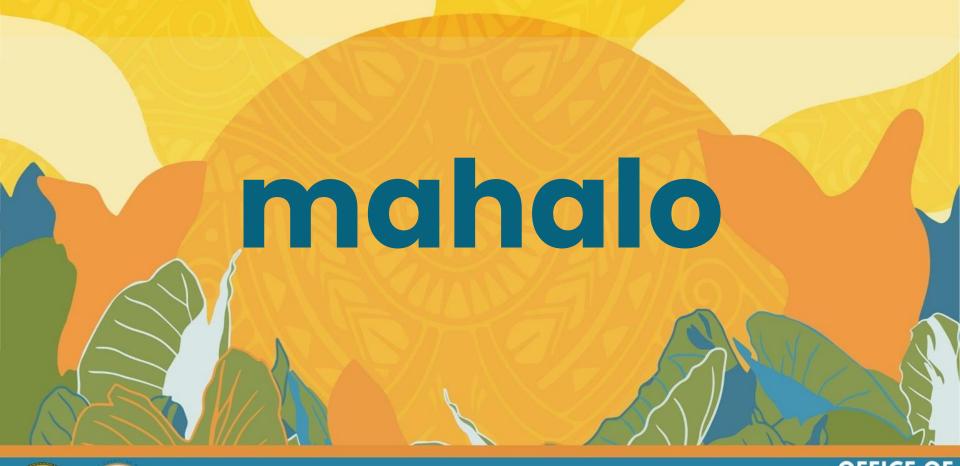
- Revisit Commissions draft rules.
- Strengthen and clarify the Commission's commitment to a circular economy and community, equity and good jobs.
- Develop Commissioners' roles as ambassadors.
- Determined Commission-directed projects



## **Commission-Directed Projects**

- \$50,000 available.
- Not focused on programming.
- Could focus on research, ie, "What else do we want to know?"
- Previously ideas kicked around include "import replacement" and city's own role in purchasing.
- Could follow up on UHERO research.

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## **Appendix 1: Foundational Documents**

- The <u>State of Hawai'i</u> and <u>O'ahu Comprehensive Economic</u>
  <u>Development Strategy (CEDS) documents</u>.
- Aspen Institute material on good jobs.
- 'Āina Aloha economic Futures.
- Aloha United Way Alice report.
- Hawai'i Tourism Authority's <u>O'ahu Destination Management Action</u> <u>Plan</u>.
- University of Hawai'i studies in local food, COVID business impacts in 2021, and housing.



## **Appendix 2: Materials from Each Meeting**

- January 2023
  - Meeting Agenda.
  - Meeting Materials:
    - Ethics guidance.
    - Ethics training.
    - Hawai'i Sunshine Law.
  - Link to Minutes.
- February 2023
  - o Meeting Agenda.
  - Meeting Materials.
  - Meeting Minutes.





### **Appendix 1: Foundational Documents**

- April 2023
  - See slide 10 for foundational documents.
  - Meeting Agenda.
  - Meeting Minutes.
- July 2023
  - Meeting Agenda.
  - Meeting Materials.
  - Meeting Materials.

