



# Hawai'i County

2020

2021

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Updated 08/2024

## Early Childhood Priorities

- \* Building capacity for early childhood
- \* Increasing quantity and quality of workforce
- \* Piloting community-driven initiatives

- » **Early Childhood Resource Team** has received employment commitment through 2026
- » Used **Community Profile data** on the status of young children to draft **County priorities** and establish ARPA funding RFP's
- » Currently in the process of awarding ARPA funding distribution
- » Beginning to plan a **third conference** for September of 2024
- » Over **7500 Reach Out and Read books** have been distributed to keiki across the County and the program continues to **expand to more pediatric clinics**
- » Hawai'i County is providing **scholarships** with Chaminade University and Hawai'i Community College for **ECE classes for Hawai'i Island practitioners**