

HPGS/ALOH Eldercare Worker Training Award

With support from a generous grant from Assisted Living Options Hawaii (ALOH), HPGS is pleased to announce a new training awards program designed specifically for persons currently working with, or planning to work with, older adults. In funding this program, the ALOH President stated, "Our intent is...to support incumbent workers who need financial support for specialized short-term Gerontological training resulting in certification." These awards will provide tuition assistance for workers who enroll in credit or noncredit courses and certificate programs, which enhance their knowledge and skills in areas related to aging.

The Awards Program

HPGS will provide several \$500 awards (funds permitting) to cover tuition costs for one or more individuals to enroll in a credit or noncredit eldercare worker certificate program, which will enhance their ability to work with older individuals. Selected programs can be either in local classroom settings or online.

Applicants must provide:

1. Proof of US high school diploma or proof of GED.
2. CPR and First aid certificate.
3. Proof of Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR) and Hepatitis B Immunization.
4. Proof of TB Clearance.
5. A copy of your resume detailing prior education and experience particularly in elder related areas.
6. A one-page essay (12pt font, single-spaced) detailing why you want to obtain eldercare worker training and what you plan on doing after the training is complete.
7. Two letters of Recommendation demonstrating your aptitude towards a career working with elders and a commitment to completing the necessary education to work in the field.

The Application Process

1. Applicants should first identify a eldercare worker program they wish to attend either locally or through the Internet. This is a link to the state certified nurse aide training programs: <https://www.prometric.com/en->

[us/clients/nurseaide/documents/hawaii/RI_RNEvaluators.pdf](https://www.hawaii.edu/clients/nurseaide/documents/hawaii/RI_RNEvaluators.pdf)

2. Applicants should then apply to enroll in their selected program of study and simultaneously submit their application for tuition assistance to HPGS under the Eldercare Worker Training Awards program. Submit applications to HPGS via email at least two weeks before starting the program of study. In the subject line, write, "Eldercare Worker Training Award."
3. The HPGS Scholarship Committee will review applications as they receive them, at any time, throughout the year. As soon as an applicant has been accepted into a program, he or she should immediately notify the HPGS Scholarship Committee (Jan Thurman) via email at jan.thurman@hawaii.edu . In the subject line, write "Immediate Attention: Scholarship Committee."
4. HPGS will endeavor to review such applications and make funding decisions, before the start date of such programs. However, submitting an application does not automatically assure funding, nor does it necessarily mean that tuition funds will be available before the program start date. Therefore, applicants should be prepared to pay for the course or program with their own money or other resources. Also, note that this award does not cover books, other training materials, travel, etc.

Application Materials

Please submit, via email to Jan Thurman at jan.thurman@hawaii.edu, the following:

1. The Training Awards Application Form. (The form is found at the end of this information document) Fill out the form and send it as an attachment to your email.
2. An online version of the program brochure or description, or reference to where the material can be found on the Web.
3. Proof of US high school diploma or proof of GED.
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Awardees may be asked to submit a brief statement indicating how the course or program enhanced their ability to work in the field of aging.

HPGS Eldercare Worker Training Award Application Form

Name _____

Address

Email _____

Phone _____

Current Job Title _____

Name & Address of Employer (if employed)

Title of Program Selected

Location _____

Course Start Date _____

Tuition Cost _____