

**Abstract**

**Applicant's Name:** Kokua Kalihi Valley

**Purpose of the Project:** *Support for Kalihi Women (SKW)* is an 18-month project of Kokua

Kalihi Valley (KKV), a federally qualified health center serving low-income Asian and Pacific

Islander patients. **SKW** focuses on **Healthcare** and aims to coordinate KKV's broad spectrum of

Enabling services, non-clinical services that increase access to healthcare and improve health

outcomes that address other FARE focus areas including **Discrimination in the Workplace** and

**Eligible Benefits.**

**Activities funded by the Grant:** Coordination and integration of CHWs and community

navigators across KKV's clinical and community programs to provide a wide range of support

services to marginalized Asian and Pacific Islander women. This includes food support,

healthcare referrals, Native Hawaiian healing, benefits navigation, immigration navigation,

school support, legal workshops, vocational training, English language instruction and job-

readiness, and financial counseling. KKV will partner with Medical Legal Partnership for

Children and Hawaiian Community Assets to expand services available to API women.

**Expected Outcomes:** More than 2500 API women served with one-on-one counseling; 100

women participate in an extensive SDOH Assessment to gather data to develop and expand the

menu of services provided by KKV; women participate in "know your rights" workshops,

financial counseling workshops, and job-readiness trainings.

**Intended Beneficiaries:** KKV serves the community of Kalihi, a neighborhood of Honolulu.

Close to 98% of KKV's patients are Asian and Pacific Islander (API), and 43% are best served in

languages other than English. More than half (61%) are at or below 100% of the federal poverty

guidelines. KKV patients have high rates of chronic disease such as diabetes, hypertension, and

obesity, and experienced the highest rates of COVID-19 relative to population in the state.