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.