

Hawaii Cesspool Pilot Grant Program (CPGP) Procedures

Purpose:

The purpose of this grant program is to assist low- and moderate-income property owners with converting, upgrading or connecting failing cesspools to a more environmentally appropriate method of managing and treating wastewater.

Available Funds:

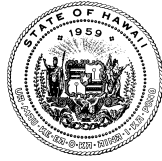
- Each grant recipient is eligible to receive up to \$20,000 in reimbursements for their cesspool conversion or connection costs incurred.
- Grant program will have a total of \$5 million and be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to funding availability. The submit date of a complete application will determine applicant's priority to receive the available funding.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicant must be an owner of real property or a Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) lessee.
2. Subject cesspool must be in either a priority level 1 or 2 area as identified by the University of Hawaii's 2021 Hawaii Cesspool hazard assessment and prioritization tool (HCHAPT).
3. Household income of applicant, based on the owner or lessee's federal tax return of the most recent taxable year that has closed, cannot exceed 140% of the area median income (AMI) as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Refer to the following table for the 2022 county-by-county break down of the AMI.

2021 - 140% Area Median Income (AMI)								
Family Size (# of Persons)								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Hawaii County	\$84,000	\$95,900	\$107,940	\$119,840	\$129,500	\$139,020	\$148,680	\$158,200
Maui County	\$101,360	\$115,780	\$130,200	\$144,620	\$156,240	\$167,860	\$179,340	\$190,960
Kauai County	\$99,960	\$106,080	\$119,340	\$132,470	\$143,130	\$153,790	\$164,320	\$174,980
City & County-Honolulu	\$118,440	\$135,380	\$152,320	\$169,120	\$182,700	\$196,280	\$209,720	\$223,300

2022 - 140% Area Median Income (AMI)								
Family Size (# of Persons)								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Hawaii County	\$93,380	\$106,680	\$119,980	\$133,280	\$144,060	\$154,700	\$165,340	\$175,980
Maui County	\$111,860	\$127,820	\$143,780	\$159,740	\$172,620	\$185,360	\$198,100	\$210,980
Kauai County	\$111,720	\$127,680	\$143,340	\$159,600	\$172,480	\$185,220	\$197,960	\$210,700
City & County-Honolulu	\$128,100	\$146,300	\$164,640	\$182,840	\$197,540	\$212,000	\$226,800	\$241,360



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4. Cesspools that have been upgraded or converted to an Individual Wastewater System (IWS) that has an Approval-To-Use date or connected to a sewage system prior to July 1, 2022, are not eligible for reimbursement under this CPGP.
5. If you meet all the eligibility criteria: Please complete and submit a grant application to the Department of Health. Department staff will review your application and will notify you if:
(1) your application is complete; and (2) you are eligible to receive the grant.
6. If it is determined that you are eligible to receive a grant, the applicant will be required to submit the documents listed below to the Department within nine (9) months of receiving a Grant Qualification Letter notifying you that you are eligible to receive the grant. Please be aware that the IWS must be installed and approved for use within nine (9) months to qualify for this grant reimbursement.
 - a. Design plans prepared by a licensed engineer (ENGINEER) must comply with HAR chapter 11-62 for IWS or applicable utility standards for sewer connection and be approved by the Director of Health.
 - b. ENGINEER's final construction inspection report (w/ photos, as-builts and certification) that the individual wastewater system was constructed in accordance with design plans approved by the Director of Health.
 - c. A copy of an approval to use letter of the wastewater system issued by the Director of Health; and
 - d. Receipts of payment made to the licensed engineer and licensed contractor.