



AGRICULTURAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CLASS XVI UPDATE

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Mahalo to the sponsors who have supported the 2018-2019 Agricultural Leadership Program. Please review this report for updates on the program.

- Agricultural Leadership Program (ALP) application materials were developed and the official recruitment process opened on the Agricultural Leadership Foundation of Hawaii (ALFH) website.
- A range of communication outlets were utilized to distribute the call for applications statewide: email distribution to over 1200 addresses; distribution through partner organization newsletters; and social media distribution.
- Applications were received, candidates were interviewed, and applicants were invited to participate in ALP Class XVI.
- Fourteen (14) applicants accepted the invitation, completed required paperwork, took part in a required webinar, completed a pre-participation survey and began the program. (Attachment 1 – ALP Class XVI Brochure).
- Two (2) applicants were provided scholarships.
- The ALFH Program Committee met to work on the draft training plan and curriculum for ALP as well as to determine final application details and costs. Program staff are continuing work on the draft training plan and curriculum, which includes the addition of sessions by new leadership trainers.
- Leadership trainers for ALP Class XVI have been determined. Peter Adler, Ph.D., was contracted to conduct training during Seminars 1, 4, and 7. His trainings will focus on systems thinking, mediation and strategic negotiation. Donna Ching, Ph.D., conducted training during Seminar 1 and 2. Her trainings covered facilitation training and group relationships. M'Randa Sandlin, Ph.D., will conduct training during Seminar 3 that includes a DISC Behavior Assessment. Neil Hannahs is expected to be contracted to conduct training during Seminar 6 related to the culture of leadership.
- A Class XVI Website was developed and is available to be viewed by sponsors.

To request access to the site, please contact Director@agleaderhi.org)

- Updates were made to the social media guidelines, and blogging detail documents. Class participants received guidance on how to complete related requirements.
- Updates were made to the Capstone Project. Class participants have been encouraged to connect their projects (when appropriate) to the planned 2019 Hawai'i Agriculture Conference.
- Planning of 7 in-state seminars began. (Complete Calendar on Class Website)
- Seminar 1 was conducted on the island of Hawai'i from May 3-6, 2018. (Detailed agenda available on Class XVI Website)
- Seminar 2 was conducted on the island of O'ahu from August 9-12, 2018 (Detailed agenda available on Class XVI Website)
- Seminar 3 was conducted on the islands of Moloka'i and Maui from October 25-28, 2018 (Detailed agenda available on Class XVI Website)
- Planning is underway for Seminar 4 (O'ahu, January 2019) and Seminar 5 (Kaua'i, March 2019).
- Planning for the national trip has begun. During Seminar 3, Class XVI determined that they will travel to Massachusetts after their trip to Washington, D.C. They may also visit a few locations in New Hampshire and Vermont if time allows.
- Blog posts were written for each day of the Agricultural Leadership Program. (Subscribe to receive posts at agleaderhi.org)

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**Thank you again for your support of this important program!
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development opportunities for agriculture professionals.**

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