

# ALP MENTOR PROGRAM

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ALP Class XVII participants will have the unique opportunity to engage directly with mentors to experience the challenges, opportunities and potential solutions to some of agriculture's most pressing problems. Participants will fully engage in learning from mentors through site visits and will then present what they learned during a virtual seminar and via an online blog to allow others to connect with the experience.

### Who can be an ALP mentor?

- Anyone with a desire to help grow tomorrow's agricultural leaders
- Desirable to have 10+ years agricultural leadership experience
- Must be able to host participant at your work location
- No requirement to be an ALP alumni
- The class may not have participants residing on every island; however, ALFH is interested in finding virtual guest presenters and mentors from those islands

### How does the program work?

- Participants will be matched with mentors by the ALP Director
- Participants will spend a minimum of four hours with each mentor
- Participants and mentors coordinate a site visit at the mentor's work location  
*Mentors should communicate essential information and requirements to the participant (e.g., access, proper dress code, safety information, need for liability waivers, etc.*
- Participants will develop a virtual presentation to share their experience with ALP classmates
- Mentors are encouraged to participate in their mentee's virtual presentation to meet and network with the class

### The Site Visit Experience

- The goal: ALP participants gain a greater understanding of agriculture from the perspective of the mentor and their organization
- Participants will spend 4-8 hours on a site visit with their mentor
- Participants should actively engage in the mentors' daily operations as much as possible
- Discussions should include:
  - Mentor's background and experience
  - History, mission, structure of the organization and industry
  - Agricultural opportunities and challenges
  - Opportunity to ask questions, get hands-on, take photos and video (*where allowed*)

### What is the timeline for mentoring ALP Class XVII?

- ALP Class XVII begins November 4, 2020 and ends in late 2021
- Site visits should occur between December 2020 and June 2021
- The mentor relationship does not need to end there! Our hope is that this program will foster long-term relationships that will help promote the future of agriculture in Hawai'i

### Ready to be an ALP Mentor?

Please complete this simple [form](#) to indicate your interest in participating. Still have questions? Contact us by email at [director@agleaderhi.org](mailto:director@agleaderhi.org) or by phone at 808-947-2914.