



## ***Springboard to Prosperity***

***...Building The Financial Stability, Wealth & Well Being Of Hawai'i's Working Families***

**Mahalo for attending Springboard to Prosperity on Dec. 9-10<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort in Kailua-Kona!**

- There were **203 participants** with representation from every island, state and local government agencies, policymakers, financial institutions, CBOs, families, and youth.
- More than **50 participants** gathered to launch **Ho'owaiwai Network - Hawai'i Island**.
- Mayor Billy Kenoi launched the **County of Hawai'i Financial Empowerment Initiative** and the **Hawai'i Island Kids Savings Project**.
- We have gathered information to continue to **map Hawai'i's asset building network**; visualize the structure; diagnose strengths and weaknesses; and identify on-going strategies for growing the network.

### **Voices from Network Members**

*"The speakers were wonderful and the many topics were just what I needed. They opened up my eyes to new ideas and connections."*

*"I will take the information shared back to my organization to change the way we help families."*

*"I loved the constant referral to Hawaiian culture with the meanings and implications to the knowledge and wealth that already exists."*

**Symposium materials now available at**

[www.hacbed.org](http://www.hacbed.org)

### **Upcoming Events in 2011**

***Boot Camp – Kanu Hawai'i Ho'owaiwai Network Meeting***

Stay tuned for more information on these events.

## ***Campaigns & actions that came out of the Symposium!***

- **Hawai'i Island Kids Savings Project** where every child on the island has a savings account to build towards their future. Led by Mayor Billy Kenoi with support from Treasurer Cisneros and CFED's Bob Friedman.
- A **1,000 Savers = \$1 Million** initiative to generate broad based public support for raising a million dollars to invest in initiatives that advance Hawai'i's strategic framework for asset building. Some commitments have already been made by symposium participants.
- **Legislative & Administrative Policy Changes** – Examples suggested were State EITC, asset limits/exemptions, universal health coverage, children's savings accounts, rental housing trust fund.
- Network members from Kaua'i are working to form a **Ho'owaiwai Network – Kaua'i** to push on asset building policy and practice on the island of Kaua'i.
- Explore starting an asset building resource system in Hawai'i, like Asset Mission Fund's LaRED, to connect families to services and benefits so they can build assets.
- Request for **trainings and technical assistance** around community based economic development (CBED).
- HACBED to analyze and identify actions taken at the community, county, and state level and **develop an action agenda** for the Ho'owaiwai Network.

Intro to the asset building on Hawaii Island: <http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/presymposium%20hoowaiwai%20hawaii%20island%20network%2012.09.2010.pdf> (slide 12 is a potentially useful framework)

Hawaii County asset profile (including some scary -- and encouraging -- data):  
<http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/hi%20island%20hoowaiwai%20network%20presentation.pdf>

Intro to the state asset policy network: <http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/summary%20of%20asset%20building%20in%20hi.pdf>

Common municipal asset building strategies: <http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/jennifer%20brooks%20symposium.pdf>

Alex Frost's (from R&D) thoughts on building an asset building network in Hawaii County:  
<http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/alex%20frost%20asset%20building%20symposium.pdf>

Intro to community based economic development (CBED):  
<http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/brad%20cbcd%20ventures.pdf>

Intro to community benefits agreements: <http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/karen%20cba%20presentation.pdf>

A model of aina-based sustainability (in contrast to the western systems we operate in):  
[http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/kamu%20aoc%20presentation\\_use%20this.1.pdf](http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/kamu%20aoc%20presentation_use%20this.1.pdf)

Thoughts on the national movement: <http://www.hacbed.org/images/stories/PDF/symposium-ppt/connecting%20to%20national%20movement.pdf>