What is SARE?

Since 1988, the Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (SARE) program has been the go-to USDA grants and outreach program for farmers, ranchers, researchers and educators who want to develop innovations that improve farm profitability, protect water and land, and revitalize communities. To date, SARE has awarded over $310 million to more than 7,433 initiatives.

SARE is grassroots with far-reaching impact

Four regional councils of expert practitioners set priorities and make grants in every state and island protectorate.

SARE communicates results

SARE shares project results by requiring grantees to conduct outreach and grower engagement; and by maintaining an online library of practical publications, grantee-produced information products and other educational materials.

SARE: Advancing the Frontier of Sustainable Agriculture in...

Hawaii

Project Highlight: Finding Success with Local Fertilizers

Because they rely on imported food, Hawaii and the other Pacific Islands face food insecurity issues. Pacific Island farmers also rely on expensive imported fertilizers with prices that continue to increase substantially. The issue is so important that participants in a 2008 Western SARE listening session in Hawaii ranked replacing imported fertilizers with local resources as the highest research, education and development priority. Local organic sources of nutrients have promise—including compost, tankage (rendered animal products), biochar and seaweeds—but more research is needed on their use.

Three SARE-funded projects on locally produced organic fertilizers are taking a step in that direction. One project evaluated quality, maturity, nitrogen-release pattern and crop growth for 10 composts through a series of lab, greenhouse and on-farm trials. It led to an increased demand for locally produced tankage and a reported increase in taro and sweet potato yields and quality when using invasive algae as a fertilizer.

The second project followed up on the promise of tankage but using it as a solution for fertigation. There was some benefit from using this recipe compared to imported liquid organic fertilizer. The third project is continuing the momentum by evaluating biochar combined with compost.

For more information on these projects, see sare.org/projects, and search for project numbers SW11-055, SW14-026 and SW16-021.

SARE in Hawaii

western.sare.org/sare-in-your-state/hawaii

$6,624,472 in total funding

115 grant projects (since 1988)

For a complete list of grant projects state by state, go to www.sare.org/state-summaries
SARE Grants in Hawaii

Total awards: 115 grants
- 3 Enhanced State Grants
- 47 Farmer/Rancher
- 8 Graduate Student
- 11 On Farm Research/Partnership
- 19 Professional Development Program
- 27 Research and Education

Total funding: $6,624,472
- $74,610 Enhanced State Grants
- $684,461 Farmer/Rancher
- $193,938 Graduate Student
- $537,088 On Farm Research/Partnership
- $1,402,047 Professional Development Program
- $3,732,328 Research and Education

Find a complete list of projects on page 3.

SARE's Impact

53 percent of producers report using a new production technique after reading a SARE publication.

79 percent of producers said they improved soil quality through their SARE project.

64 percent of producers said their SARE project helped them achieve higher sales.

Learn about local impacts at: western.sare.org/sare-in-your-state/hawaii

Contact Your SARE State Coordinator

SARE sustainable ag coordinators run state-level educational programs for Extension and other ag professionals, and many help grant applicants and recipients with planning and outreach. Visit western.sare.org/state-pages/hawaii to learn more.

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For detailed information on SARE projects, go to www.SARE.org

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This report includes summaries of competitive grant programs only. Some competitive grant programs that are no longer offered may be included or excluded from the totals in this report depending on the grant program and SARE region.
Hawaii has been awarded $6,549,862 grants to support 111 projects, including but not limited to, 26 research and/or education projects, 19 professional development projects and 47 producer-led projects. Hawaii has also received additional SARE support through multi-state projects.

### RESEARCH AND EDUCATION GRANTS

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University of Hawaii at Manoa, College of Tropical Ag & Human Resources (CTAHR)  
Dr. Stuart Nakamoto  
U. of Hawaii Manoa, Human Nutrition, Food, and Animal Sciences  
Dr. Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii  
Dr. Tao Yan  
Dept. of Civil & Environ. Engineering, University of Hawaii at M |
| SW17-050  | Assessing and Sharing Breadfruit Management Practices                                                                                                                                                         | $220,811     | Dr. Noa Lincoln  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW16-021  | Improving Nitrogen Synchronization of Local Fertilizers, Soil Fertility, and Crop Quality with Biochar Application                                                                                           | $259,816     | Dr. Nguyen Hue  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW16-023  | Development of Individual Free-Choice Mineral Supplementation Program for Sustainable Grazing Management of Hawaii’s Rangelands                                                                                 | $332,601     | Dr. Mark Thorne  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW14-026  | High nutrient solution fertilizers derived from local organic inputs for field and greenhouse application in the tropics                                                                                     | $170,466     | Dr. Amjad Ahmad  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW12-040  | Low-input integrated management of tomato viruses in Hawaii                                                                                                                                                    | $297,296     | Dr. Mark Wright  
University of Hawaii |
| SW12-114  | Secondary Effects of Behavior-based Pasture Management                                                                                                                                                        | $37,125      | Matthew Stevenson  
University of Hawaii |
| SW11-052  | Developing sustainable pest management strategies against major pests of papaya in Hawaii                                                                                                                      | $148,174     | Dr. Leyla Kaufman  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW11-055  | Reducing Pacific Island Growers’ Reliance on Off-island Fertilizer Sources Through Improved Awareness and Efficient Use of Local                                                                                   | $284,070     | Dr. Theodore Radovich  
University of Hawaii, Manoa |
| SW09-102  | Voluntary Long-Term Protection of Agricultural Land in Hawaii                                                                                                                                                  | $82,814      | Dr. Christopher Lepczyk  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
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UH-College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Cooperative Extension Service  
Glenn Teves  
UH CTAHR Cooperative Extension Service |
| SW08-037 | Sunn hemp and its allelopathic compounds for vegetable production in Hawaii and beyond | $156,105 | Dr. Inga Zasada  
USDA-ARS Horticultural Crops Research Lab  
Dr. Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii  
Dr. Cerruti R. R. Hooks  
University of Maryland  
Dr. Ming Li Wang  
USDA-ARS, PGRCU  
Jari Sugano  
University of Hawaii, TPSS  
Dr. Mark Wright  
University of Hawaii |
| SW07-073 | Enhancing Phytonutrient Content, Yield and Quality of Vegetables with Compost Tea in the Tropics | $162,500 | Dr. Theodore Radovich  
University of Hawaii, Manoa |
| SW07-501 | Innovative SARE Coordinator Program: Virtual Field Days to Improve Farmer-Researcher-Extension Linkages | $25,000  | Jonathan Deeniki  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| SW07-604 | Improving and extending the superhero status of the sunn hemp to other growers in need of help | $10,000  | Dr. Cerruti R. R. Hooks  
University of Maryland  
Dr. Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii |
| SW04-064 | Management of Banana Bunchy Top in Hawaii                            | $90,458 | Dr. Cerruti R. R. Hooks  
University of Maryland |
| SW03-003 | Cropping Systems to Control Tropical Soil-Borne Pests in Dryland-Grown Taro | $257,827 | Dr. Susan Miyasaka  
University of Hawaii |
| SW03-010 | Neem and Papaya Fruit Extracts and Ferric Phosphate for Control of Golden Apple Snail in Wetland Taro: Efficacy Testing | $31,831  | Lance Santo  
Hawaii Agriculture Research Center  
Mel Jackson  
Hawaii Agriculture Research Center |
| SW03-055 | Development of a Sustainable Polyculture and Marketing System for Exotic Tropical Fruits | $156,800 | Richard Bowen  
Department of Nat Res and Envir Mngt |
| SW01-066 | Nature Farming at Wheeler Elementary                                  | $13,460 | Joe Lee  
Wheeler Elementary School |
| SW99-005 | Survival of Taro: Agronomic and Pathological Research For Sustainable Production | $146,700 | Janice Uchida  
Dept. of Plant Pathology, University of Hawaii |
| SW99-022 | Adaptation of a Natural Farming System to Vegetable Farm Production in Hawaii. | $85,134  | Clyde Fukuyama  
HARC |
| SW97-001 | Management of Soil-borne Plant Parasitic Nematodes for Sustainable Production of Field Grown Tomatoes and Cucumbers by Cover Cropping | $21,900  | John McHugh  
Waiekele Farms |
| SW96-003 | Evaluation of a Perennial Vegetable, Asparagus, as a New Commercial Crop for Hawaiian Farmers | $49,595  | Susan Schenck  
Hawaiian Agriculture Research Center |
| LWE92-002 | Integrated Hog Farming and Market Gardening for Small Farmers in Tropical Areas of the Western Region | $36,000  | Kent Fleming  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
**A Comparative Study of Low Input and High Input Taro Production in American Pacific with Special Reference to Pest Control**

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FW16-023  Malama Kou Kino  $20,000  Melanie Holt  Real Farm  
FW15-035  Producing Triploid Oysters  $24,992  David Nisbet  Goosepoint Oyster Co.  
FW12-034  Grapes for tropical Hawaii  $17,370  Ken Love  Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers  
FW10-040  Relocating swarms for pollination: How feral bees can be integrated into sustainable farming strategies  $29,975  Jennifer Bach  Honeybee Education Program  
FW10-056  Use of Cover Crops with Medicinal Herbs in North Hawaii  $20,117  Dr.Katherine Pomeroy  Kohala Medicinal Herb Farm  
FW09-002  No Chill Stone Fruit for Hawaii  $9,528  Ken Love  Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers  
FW09-004  Integrating Existing Crop and Livestock Enterprises on a Native Hawaiian Homestead Farm  $12,580  Conrad Aquino  Alton Arakaki  UH-College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Cooperative Extension Service  
FW09-012  Project Fresh: Mountain View Community Gardens  $30,000  Neena Roumell  Eden Earthworks  
FW09-025  Maximizing the Utilization of Bamboo in the Hawaiian Islands  $14,460  Rich von Wellsheim  Whispering Winds Bamboo  
FW09-027  Evaluating New Windbreaks and Cover Crops for Tropical Fruit Crops  $12,206  Jane Teves  Puakala Farms  
FW09-308  Quantifying Secondary Compounds in Common Pasture Vegetation for Behavior Based Grazing Management in Hawaii  $41,760  Dr.Mark Thorne  University of Hawaii at Manoa  
FW09-311  Diversifying Hawai’i Aquaculture with Clam and Oyster Culture  $50,000  Dr.Maria Haws  Pacific Aquaculture and Coastal Resources Center  
FW08-049  Healthy Foundation, Healthy Bees, Making Organic Wax Foundation for Beekeepers  $13,999  Richard Spiegel  Volcano Island Honey Co.  
FW07-034  Choosing the Best Figs for Hawaii  $25,000  Ken Love  Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers
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### Sustainable Alternatives To Herbicide for Weed Control: Using Cover Crops To Combat Panicum repens and Panicum maximum In Lowland, Eastern Hawaii

**Project #**: FW97-004  
**Support**: $3,500  
**Project Leader**: Paul Acciavatti  
**Organisation**: Wailea Spring Farm

### Growing Ring-Spot Virus-Free Papayas Using Anti-transpirants and Other Sustainable Techniques

**Project #**: FW97-017  
**Support**: $4,000  
**Project Leader**: Jon Bilo

### Sustainable Greenhouse Tomato Production: Evaluating Alternatives to Pesticide Use for Controlling Tomato Pinworm Larvae in Hawaii

**Project #**: FW96-049  
**Support**: $3,520  
**Project Leader**: Shari Tresky  
**Organisation**: Mariah Farm

### GRADUATE STUDENT GRANTS

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| GW20-211   | A key to sustainable Hawaiian agricultural production resides with the endemic sandalwood species | $24,997      | Dr.Travis Idol  
University of Hawaii  
Emily Thyroff  
University of Hawai‘i Mānoa  
Emily Thyroff  
University of Hawai‘i |
| GW20-212   | Evaluate sorghum and sorghum-sudangrass hybrids as soil builders and microbial enhancer crops in the tropic. | $25,000      | Dr.Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii  
Dr.Amjad Ahmad  
University of Hawaii at Manoa  
Roshan Paudel  
University of Hawaii  
Joshua Silva  
University of Hawaii at Manoa, College of Tropical Agriculture  
Philip Waisen  
University of Hawaii  
Roshan Paudel  
University of Hawaii |
| GW19-201   | A Hawai‘i Soil Health Index to Guide Farmer Adoption of Sustainable Management Practices | $23,036      | Jamie (Jayme) Barton, M.A.  
Hawaii Agriculture Research Center  
Dr.Susan Crow  
University of Hawaii Manoa  
Jonathan Deeniki  
University of Hawaii at Manoa  
Elaine Vizka  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| GW18-014   | Conditioning Sheep to Avoid Koa Foilage: An opportunity for productive silvopastures in Hawaii. | $24,920      | Rebecca Ryals  
University of Hawaii - Manoa  
Nicholas Krueger  
University of Hawaii - Manoa |
| GW18-187   | Quantifying the Environmental Impact of Doubling Hawaii’s Local Food Supply | $21,119      | Dr.Kimberly Carlson  
University of Hawaii  
Tanya Torres  
University of Hawaii |
| GW18-026   | Cover Crop "5-in-1 Approach" for Nematode Management Using Mustard and Oil Radish | $24,998      | Dr.Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii  
Philip Waisen  
University of Hawaii |
| GW18-104   | Conservation Biological Control of Coffee Berry Borer by Applying Nitrogen Fixing Tree Mulch to Enhance Indigenous Entomopathogenic Nematodes | $24,948      | Dr.Brent Sipes  
University of Hawaii  
Dr.Brent Sipes  
University of Hawaii |
| GW14-007   | Evaluating the Potential of Oyster Mushroom Compost Waste for Plant-Parasitic Nematode Management | $24,920      | Dr.Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii  
Shelby Ching  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |

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| OW20-354   | Healthy Soils Hawai‘i: Building Better Soil on Agricultural Lands through Soil Health Planning | $49,557      | Dave Elliott  
Oahu RC&D  
Hannah Hubanks  
Oahu RC&D |
| OW19-344   | Breadfruit Disease Identification and Varietal Resistance in Hawai‘i          | $49,971      | Dr.Noa Lincoln  
University of Hawaii at Manoa  
Eli Isele  
University of Hawaii  
Dana Shapiro  
Hawaii Ulu Producers Cooperative  
Janice Uchida  
Dept. of Plant Pathology, University of Hawaii |
| OW18-017   | Pest reduction on agricultural lands due to Hawaiian short-eared owls       | $49,755      | Dr.Melissa Price  
University of Hawaii |
| OW17-037   | Successful Cacao Establishment through Improved Soil Management             | $49,789      | Dave Elliott  
Oahu RC&D |
| OW16-022   | Cover Crop Cocktails: Evaluating Costs and Benefits of Mixed-Species Plantings | $41,606      | Dave Elliott  
Oahu RC&D |
| OW15-019   | Sustainable Pest Management Approaches for High Tunnel Screenhouse Production in the Tropics | $49,989      | Dr.Koon-Hui Wang  
University of Hawaii |
| OW13-034   | Enhancing the sustainability of grass-fed beef production in Hawaii via carcass and meat quality improvement | $49,948      | Dr.Yong soo Kim  
University of Hawaii |
| OW12-041   | Effectiveness of Beauveria bassiana on coffee berry borer in different agroclimatic zones | $49,403      | Dr.Elsie Burbano Greco  
University of Hawaii at Manoa |
| OW11-308   | Control of coffee berry borer and increase of coffee yields using Surround WP (kaolin) | $47,648      | Dr.Shawn Steiman  
Coffee Consulting |
| OW11-309   | Training Livestock to Eat Weeds in the Tropical Pacific and Evaluating the Effects on Meat Quality for Stronger Ranch Profits | $49,610      | Matthew Stevenson  
University of Hawaii |
| OW11-310   | Master Farmer Workshop Series                                                | $49,812      | Dave Elliott  
Oahu RC&D |

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