



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REPORT TO THE 2014 LEGISLATURE

HRS 367D-008
GENDER-RESPONSIVE
COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS
FOR WOMEN

Department of Public Safety
Corrections Program Services Division
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INTRODUCTION

The 2006 Hawaii State Legislature appropriated \$175,000 to the Department of Public Safety (PSD) to develop a comprehensive continuum of care to address the gender-responsive needs of Hawaii's female offenders. The program developed by the PSD was designed to support their eventual return to the community through services such as, substance abuse treatment, life skills and parenting education, and, job development training and placement. Annual reports previously submitted by PSD addressed the programs and services provided to Hawaii's female offenders in accordance with HRS 367D-0008.

General funds for the purpose of sustaining the programs and services developed under the direction of HRS 367D-0008, Gender-Responsive Community Based Programs for Women, were discontinued during FY 2010 as a result of the state's budget difficulties. In spite of the loss of state funding, PSD was able to temporarily redirect funding from existing federal grants to provide partial services to female offenders for a period of two additional year; this still resulted in a 20% overall reduction in funding for the program during 2012. Available federal funds, however, were completely exhausted in FY 2012, resulting in the department's inability to continue providing the comprehensive continuum of care for Hawaii's female offenders during FY 2013.

EXPENDITURES

Defunded in FY 2013 as a result of reduction in funds.