



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
REPORT TO THE 2014 LEGISLATURE**

**RESPONSE TO SECTION 353C-7  
HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

**Annual Report on the Status of the  
Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund**

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Department of Public Safety (PSD)  
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Fiscal Year 2013

Section 353C-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, established the Federal Reimbursement Maximization Special Fund (FRMSF) under the purview of PSD. Act 77, SLH 2012 added additional use of the federal payments relating to the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program that are deposited into the FRMSF as follows:

1. To meet the state match requirement for federal grants and costs associated with federal grant reporting requirements, including administrative expenses such as the hiring of temporary staff;
2. For any other purpose deemed necessary by the department for maintaining existing federal grants as well as pursuing federal grants;
3. To hire consultants to provide training for corrections officers;
4. To hire consultants to conduct facility or program evaluations;
5. To rent or purchase vehicles to transport inmates;
6. To provide pre-release and reentry programs;
7. To improve technology; and
8. To develop a plan for workforce recruitment and retention.

For Fiscal Year 2013, the total expenditure was \$111,865.92. The details of the expenditure are as follows:

**\$26,669.76 for State Match for the Bridge Programs**

The purpose of this grant is to continue building on PSD's success in operating the substance abuse treatment and reentry programs. The funds were used for two Office Assistant III positions (one at Oahu Community Correctional Center and another at Women's Community Correctional Center). The funding of these positions increased the clinical staff contact hours with the clients, as the clinical staff was no longer required to conduct clerical duties.

**\$85,196.16 for State Match for the Rural Health Care Pilot Project**

The grant funds were used to upgrade and extend the State Telehealth Access Network (STAN) as a cost-effective and shared network. The overall goal was to establish a framework to use the STAN to improve healthcare in Hawaii, the Pacific Islands, and the Asia-Pacific Region; provide a foundation for healthcare and public health research and infrastructure; enhance a shared Health Information Technology to improve services, develop and deliver education to build human resource capacity; and efficiently and effectively share resources to mutually benefit the PSD, University of Hawaii, and the public.