

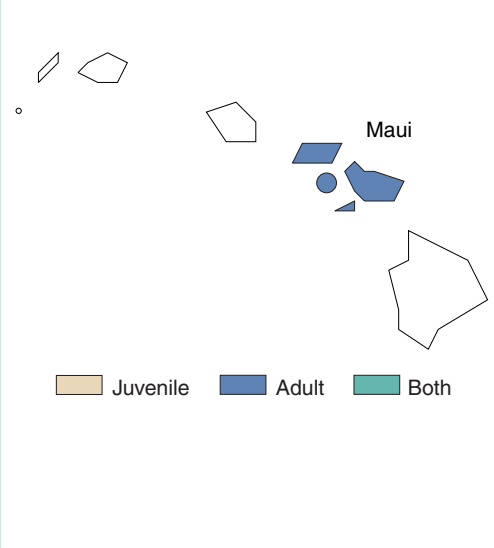
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SVORI Grantees in Hawaii

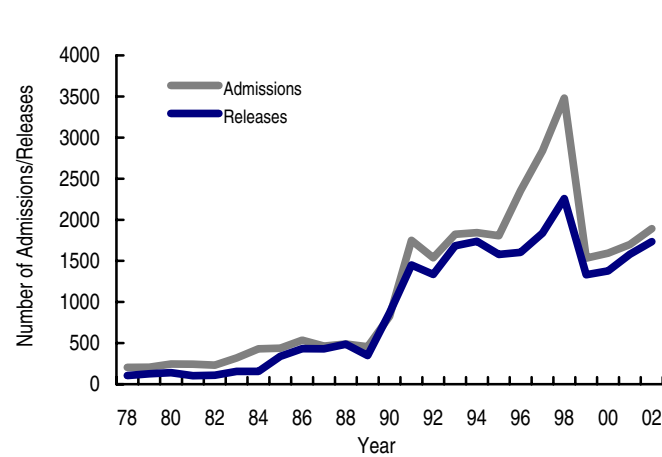
- Hawaii Department of Public Safety (HI DPS)

Hawaii has one SVORI grantee focusing on adults returning to Maui (depicted in the map below). The line chart below provides BJS statistics on adult prison admission and release trends in Hawaii over a 24-year period.

Hawaii SVORI Target Areas



Hawaii Adult Prison Admissions and Releases, 1978–2002



Source: Correctional Populations in the U.S. (BJS, 2002) and Prison and Jail Inmates at Midyear 2002 and 2003 (Harrison and Karberg, 2004)

SVORI Grantee: Hawaii Department of Public Safety

SVORI website	None
Data management system	Integrated system in development
Local evaluation planned	Pending
Program name	Being Empowered and Safe Together (BEST) Reintegration

HI DPS

Being Empowered and Safe Together (BEST)

TARGET POPULATION

Population type	Male and female adults
Number of targeted prisoners	201+
Inclusion criteria	Ages 18–35 and serious and violent offenders
Exclusion criteria	Sex offenders until they complete Sex Offender Treatment Program (SOTP)
Pre-release facilities	Selected State prisons
Post-release locations	Maui County
Participation	Voluntary
Legal release status:	Most enrollees are released under parole supervision

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Steering committee	Planning and Advisory Council; “The Partners”
Post-release reentry authority	Hawaii Department of Public Safety, the Second Circuit Judiciary, and Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc.
Number of phases	3

Phase 1**Duration:** 6 months**Assessments:** LSI, RAD, and ASUS used to measure recidivism, level of risk to the community, and mental health issues**Components/services offered within phase:**

- Individual Service Plan (ISP) is developed
- Inmates participate in reentry planning
- Mentor training in community begins
- Inmates matched with community-based mentor
- All participants sign a Reentry Agreement that states clearly that failure to participate will result in expulsion from the program
- Specific targeted services include, as needed, substance abuse treatment, mental health counseling, family unification, educational and vocational training, life skills training, faith-based services, cognitive skills training, and culturally based programs

Coordination of services:

- BEST case managers, Maui Community Correctional Center (MCCC) administrative staff, MCCC case managers, Maui Drug Court

Phase 2**Duration:** 12 months**Assessments:** LSI, ISP, recidivism, level of risk to the community, mental health, and substance abuse**Components/services offered within phase:**

- Restorative Justice Programs in development
- Graduated system of intermediate sanctions administered
- Family Reunification implemented as a joint objective
- Mentor training in community continues
- Job training, employment referrals, and support services
- Support services implemented, including job-related transportation, clothing, vocational training
- Assistance with Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment services
- Integrated case management services between BEST and supervising agencies

Coordination of services:

- BEST case managers, Hawaii Paroling Authority (HPA)—Maui District Office, The Judiciary, Second Circuit, Adult Client Services Division, Maui Intake Services Center (MISC), Sex Offender Treatment Program (SOTP), Drug Treatment and Mental Health Services Providers

Phase 3**Duration:** 18+ months**Assessments:** LSI reassessment and ISP tools are used to measure recidivism, level of risk to the community, mental health, and substance abuse issues**Components/services offered within phase:**

- Mentoring continues
- Specific targeted services include, as needed, substance abuse and mental health treatment, housing assistance, employment services, cultural awareness and renewal, and cognitive skills training

Coordination of services:

- BEST case managers, HPA, MISC, the Judiciary, Second Circuit, Adult Client Services Division, various community service providers

CHANGES EXPECTED AS A RESULT OF SVORI FUNDING**System-level changes**

- Funding is now available for services that were volunteer-based
- Needs assessment conducted and updated prior to release specifically for the purpose of developing a reentry plan
- Case management where representatives from multiple community service providers and/or corrections agencies meet to discuss and work on particular cases
- Partnerships created with community service providers, which will open channels of communication and collaboration among agencies and facilities for offenders post-release

Individual-level changes

- Development of reentry plan prior to release is tailored to the individual risk and/or needs of the offender
- Offenders are active participants in the creation of the reentry plan
- Family members are included during reentry planning
- Transition team from within institution and community agencies will work with offender before, during, and after release throughout incarceration and parole term
- Case managers from a community-based organization broker services from appropriate agency for offenders post-release
- Offenders are better prepared to reenter the community, are motivated, and are invested stakeholders in the community