

Civil Beat Programming Letter

[Honolulu Civil Beat](#) provides this exhibit to demonstrate an advancement of an educational program under 73.503(a) of the Rules.

Educational Program: Civil Beat provides unique news for people in the state of Hawaii and promotes civic engagement and institutional transparency. The programming would be primarily spoken word content that fits with the mission of engagement and transparency.

Public Participation: Civil Beat's programming would reflect active outreach to Hawaii's diverse population including Native Hawaiian, Asian American and other Pacific Islander communities. Civil Beat would provide training opportunities and support to increase the capacity of those community organizations to produce audio content.

Programming Aired: Civil Beat would anchor programming with a weekly program based on Civil Beat's reporting. The station has a back catalog of locally produced podcast material that would also be given wider distribution through the station. Civil Beat would mentor various community entities to create or re-version spoken word content that would be included in the lineup.

Sample programming:

"Civil Talks": Civil Beat provides the most comprehensive reporting on the Hawaii State Legislature. This regular program would track the progress of government business while in session.

"Maui Rebuilds": Civil Beat is committed to ongoing coverage of the impact of the August, 2023 wildfires on Maui. This regular discussion program would curate insightful conversations around ongoing community challenges and highlight solutions.

Objectives of the service:

- To create, develop and promote non-profit, non-commercial community radio for the benefit of underserved residents of Oahu, Hawaii island and Maui.
- Provide additional access to information, knowledge & needs for local communities
- Promote civic engagement and conversations that nurture civility and participation
- Provide a platform for a variety of community partners to uplift diverse perspectives
- Create unique local content informed by Civil Beat's journalism
- Diversify the platforms that Civil Beat uses to reach its community
- Bolster the otherwise contracting Hawaii media landscape
- Expand emergency communications

Civil Beat has been voted the Best Overall News Site by the Society of Professional Journalists for 13 years in a row.