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Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum

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GRANT AWARDED TO SUGAR MUSEUM

Puunene, Maui, Hawaii – The Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum has been awarded a \$15,000 FLEX Grant from the Robert Emens Black fund of the Hawai'i Community Foundation. This is the fourth time that the Sugar Museum has been a recipient of the FLEX Grant.

The Flex Grant program is intended to award flexible operating support to high-performing organizations and may be used for a variety of purposes including administrative costs, and program expenses. Museum Director Roslyn Lightfoot said, “We are very appreciative of this award, and will use the funds for administrative and program expenses related to our core programs. Through the foundation’s generous support, we are able to expand a valuable service to the community.”

The Sugar Museum is one of Hawai'i's important repositories of historical sugar industry information. This year marks thirty-two years that the Museum has been operating and the twenty-ninth year of providing an educational program that allows students to connect with Maui's sugar plantation past.

The Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum is an independent 501 (c)3 non-profit organization established in 1980 as a memorial to early sugar pioneers Samuel T. Alexander and Henry Perrine Baldwin. The museum is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 871-8058 or visit www.sugarmuseum.com

About the Hawai'i Community Foundation:

With over 100 years of community service, the Hawai'i Community Foundation (HCF) is the leading philanthropic institution in the state. HCF is a steward of more than 850 funds, including more than 250 scholarship funds, created by donors who desire to transform lives and improve communities. In 2017, HCF distributed more than \$59 million in grants and contracts statewide, including more than \$6 million in scholarships. HCF also serves as a resource on community issues and trends in the nonprofit sector.