

**HAWAII STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
EDN 407**

15% Budget Cut

\$4,472,619

- Eliminate Funds for Books and Materials: \$1,825,448

Impact: Book and other materials collections in all 51 public libraries statewide would be severely affected and reduced. Funds allocated for Central Purchase Programs would be eliminated for the following:

- Bestseller Hot Picks
- Children's High Demand Titles
- Young Adult High Demand Titles
- Audio Visual High Demand titles
- Foreign Language Books
- Digital Audio Books
- E-Books & E-Music

Individual library books and materials allocations would also be cut. Selectors at each library will be unable to purchase titles to keep library collections current and valid. With fewer available books, access or waiting time will increase, reservations may be eliminated, transfers between branches will greatly increase, and there will be long delays in getting the highly circulated books back on the shelves.

- Freezing Vacant Positions, Student Hires, Elimination of Positions: \$2,647,171

Impact: 20 positions would be eliminated throughout HSPLS, resulting in 6 to 8 libraries closing. The personnel and operational costs from these libraries will allow us to meet this budget cut. The exact number of targeted positions and libraries would be identified after evaluating many pertinent factors (i.e. geographical proximity to other libraries, number of vacant positions frozen, circulation, programs, activities, logistics, parking, operating costs, etc.) The remaining neighboring libraries must cover and provide service to these abandoned communities and patrons. We fully expect these communities whose libraries have closed, to protest and pressure their elected officials to reopen them. Essential operations provided by the library support offices with vacancies or eliminated positions would be limited resulting in delays to the libraries or elimination of programs, services, logistical support, deliveries, and needed reports. Training funds would be eliminated. Security Services would be cut in half or more, while travel will be greatly reduced. Outreach programs would be eliminated, storytelling would be greatly reduced and special programs in all areas would be curtailed.