

Welcome Kūhiō Lewis, This Year's NPD Awards Luncheon Keynote Speaker!



Our AFP Aloha Chapter is pleased to announce our 31st Annual NPD Conference and Awards Luncheon **Keynote speaker J. Kūhiō Lewis**, Chief Executive Officer of the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA). As a leader in the Native Hawaiian community, Kūhiō serves on national advisory boards, numerous non-profit, community, governmental, and Native Hawaiian boards and organizations. He is a graduate of the University of Hawai'i with an Associate Degree in Applied Science and a Bachelor's Degree in Public and Justice Administration.

“Our theme, Visionary - “Kū i ka Māna, is so fitting - as both honorees and keynote speaker Kūhiō demonstrate daily their commitment to providing visionary leadership through their philanthropy while strengthening the diverse communities we serve throughout Hawai'i allowing them to thrive every day,” says Pomai Toledo, multi-year NPD Event Co-Chair.

Established in 2001, CNHA is a non-profit organization whose mission is to enhance the cultural, economic, political, and community development for Native Hawaiians. Under Kūhiō's leadership, CNHA expanded its services to the Native Hawaiian community and the broader public through the establishment and administration of the Hawaiian Trades Academy, the online marketplace Pop-Up Mākeke, the KūHana Business Program, and nationally-recognized emergency rental and mortgage assistance programs. [Read more](#) about Kūhiō and CNHA's recognitions for professional achievements and community contributions.

Come listen to how Kūhiō and his hui continues to help strengthen our kaiāulu (communities) here in Hawai'i nei. Conference sessions aligned with our “Visionary” theme include leading change, turning donors and volunteers in to powerful advocates and trust based philanthropy. Plan to celebrate at our in-person awards luncheon honoring the community that we live in, strive to support and those that give of themselves to uplift others.