# OahuMPO Project Management Training Program Mobile Workshop Evaluation Study

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## OahuMPO Project Management Training Program Mobile Workshop

The mobile workshop was the capstone event of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO) 10-month Project Management Training Program (PMTP). The purpose of this training program was to enhance the knowledge and skills of government agency staff involved in the planning and implementation of federally funded multimodal transportation projects.

#### **Evaluation Overview**

HHET conducted an evaluation study of the OahuMPO PMTP mobile workshop to gain a better understanding of how the mobile workshop enhanced participants' (n=24) knowledge and skills in implementing federally funded multimodal transportation projects.

[The mobile workshop] made a significant and palpable difference in the vision, innovation, and leadership potential of its participants in a short time. - Mobile Workshop Participant The Evaluation Team planned, designed, and conducted the evaluation study in collaboration with the HDOH Primary Prevention Branch and OahuMPO.



## **Data Collection**

Mixed methods evaluation using three data collection tools:

- Online Survey (Oct. 2023): Conducted immediately postworkshop (100% response rate)
- Photo Insights (Oct. 2023): Collected 27 photo-narrative responses from 21 participants
- Follow-Up Survey (Feb. 2024): Conducted four months later to evaluate impacts on participants' practice (96% response rate)

# **Key Findings**

Participants gained valuable insights during the mobile workshop beyond what could be taught in the classroom. They felt it was a valuable professional development experience. Lessons learned will help participants advance implementation of federally funded multimodal transportation projects.

Learned new ways to make the **built environment safer** for bicyclists, pedestrians, and users of mass transit



Strengthened relationships among local peers in Hawai'i, improving collaboration and communication across departments and agencies Further **developed professional skills** to advance implementation of federally funded multimodal transportation projects and returned more

and returned more confident and inspired to work on these projects Valuable tool for building awareness, knowledge, and excitement around multimodal transportation

Key learnings focused on safety, equity, and the importance of community engagement

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