OCET Highlights
March 2016

- Collaborating with the Kanoelehua Industrial Area Association (KIAA) and the transportation industry to submit a macro Employment and Training fund grant to develop a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) curriculum. This training is needed to meet the demands to fill CDL driver positions on the island.

- Moving forward to fill the Apprenticeship Coordinator and IEP Coordinator positions. We are hoping that the positions will be filled before the end of this academic year.

- Working with the West Hawaii English faculty to develop short ESL training modules for the Marshallese population. Modules will help this group with improving their English skills for specific situations such as going to the doctor, asking for help, introducing themselves, etc. This training will be piloted at Ulu Wini housing complex in West Hawaii where a large population of Marshallese live.

- Continuing to provide training for the inmates at Kulani Correctional facility. The Sustainable Horticulture classes have helped the inmates to grow crops for their meals. We hope to develop additional Facilities Maintenance training by working closely with a non-union entity, The Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. Hawaii Chapter, to provide instructors for this popular program at the facility.