Aloha Everyone,

A milestone happened last month for the Hawai’i Seed Growers Network and the future of seed production and use of locally produced seed and plant resources for Hawai’i.

On March 25-26, the Hawai’i Seed Growers Network partnered with the Organic Seed Alliance (OSA) the leading national education, research, and advocacy organization advancing organic seed, UH Manoa CTAHR Extension, and GoFarm Hawai’i our statewide farmer training program, to bring the First Statewide Organic Seed Conference to Hawai’i highlighting everyone’s work to develop more biodiverse local community food and agriculture resources.

**The 2-day Virtual Conference gave both an overview and summary of who we are, what we’ve all been up to over the past decade, what is happening right now in the world of locally produced seed for Hawaii’s growers, and why biodiverse locally adapted seed is an important link in our community food chain.**

Mahalo Nui to all of you who were able to attend.  We hope you learned a lot and made some good connections during the 2-day event.  If you didn’t have a chance to fill out the [survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LVDBQZ8) here it is again.  Your feedback is very much appreciated and important to the future of developing seed in Hawai’i.

OSA has produced videos of all the presentations and we wanted to share them with you, and that we plan to offer more seed education opportunities both virtual and in person in the future.

[**Here**](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL41PUNMFs5_Rb21lvLdA2yBQ4JZYZZ0K0)**are the videos of the presentations should you wish to view them, and**[**lots of resources**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1boJPAQWP-c7T634p-fJypARHPDS0Icj0fQDDDbXJ-zg/edit?usp=sharing)**that were shared during the event**.

Mahalo to all of our wonderful presenters who shared their inspiring work with seed in Hawai'i.

**Next steps:**

1. **If you did not yet,**[**join**](https://www.organicseedcommons.org/share/WtVjKyWfAU2-YGlD?utm_source=manual)**the Hawaii Regional group of the Organic Seed Commons, t**his will be a good place to stay abreast of seedy things going on in Hawai'i and elsewhere.
2. If you are an experienced seed grower and would like to explore working with [Hawaii Seed Growers Network](https://www.hawaiiseedgrowersnetwork.com/) to grow and sell seeds, please contact [jbost@hawaii.edu](mailto:jbost@hawaii.edu) or [808mc96778@gmail.com](mailto:808mc96778@gmail.com)
3. If you are wanting to learn how to grow/garden/farm consider checking out the UH Manoa Master Gardeners Program or [GoFarm Hawai'i](https://gofarmhawaii.org/) on your island.
4. For those of you who are experienced gardeners or growers and want to learn more about seed production check out the vast, amazing resources of [Organic Seed Alliance](https://seedalliance.org/).

Mahalo Nui,

Hawai’i Seed Growers Network

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Organic Seed Alliance:  <https://seedalliance.org/>

UH Manoa Master Gardeners Program:  <https://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/uhmg/>

GoFarm Hawai’i:  <https://gofarmhawaii.org/>

UH Manoa CTAHR Extension:  <https://cms.ctahr.hawaii.edu/ce>