

*EFS Project Update - July 2024*

*Department of Accounting  
and General Services*

# **ALAKA'I**

## ***New Fiscal Year Ushers in New Changes***

As we step into the new fiscal year, it's to be expected that this period will usher in various new changes for the Enterprise Financial System (EFS) Project. Continuing to move full steam ahead, we are excited to announce that all legislative bills affecting the EFS Project have been enacted into law, and Governor Josh Green, M.D., has recently appointed Christine Maii Sakuda as the State of Hawaii Chief Information Officer.

At this time, we'd like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Gov. Green, Hawaii's legislators, and our extended network of project leaders, partners, and advocates for their unwavering support of the EFS Project and our mission to modernize the State's financial system. Their commitment is a testament to their trust in our team and their dedication to improving public services.

The journey ahead is promising, and together, we will transform the way the State of Hawaii serves our local community.

## ***Welcome Christine Sakuda! New State CIO***



It is our pleasure to welcome Christine Maii Sakuda as the newly appointed State Chief Information Officer (CIO) and the newest executive sponsor for the EFS Project. Upon starting her new role on August 5, Christine will succeed former CIO, Doug Murdock, who retired in late May.

Learn more about Christine Sakuda by clicking [here](#).

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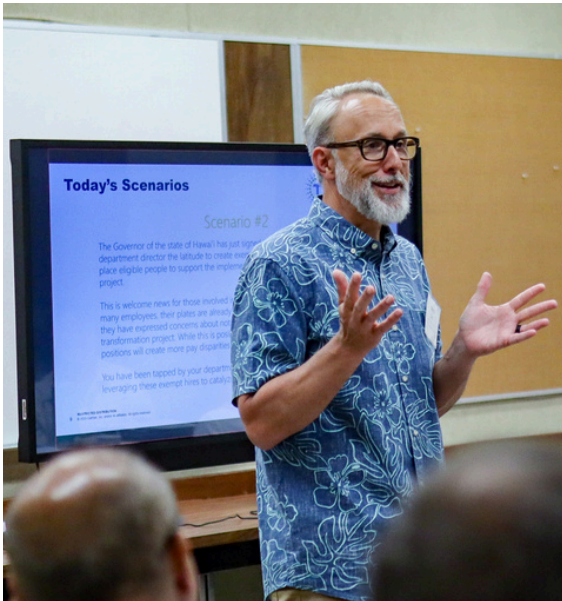
## ***Bills Impacting EFS Project Enacted into Law***



With the support of Gov. Josh Green, Hawaii's legislators, our project partners, and community advocates, the following acts concerning the EFS Project were recently passed by the state legislature and signed into law: [Act 019](#), [Act 140](#), and [Act 230](#).

Click [here](#) for more information on recent legislation concerning the EFS Project.

## ***EFS Change Leaders Sharpen Skills at Storytelling for Change Workshop***



About 50 State employees and EFS Change Leaders from various departments attended the Storytelling for Change Workshop at the Kalanimoku Building on Tuesday, June 18, 2024. Hosted by Transform Hawaii Government (THG) and Gartner Research, the workshop focused on the fundamentals of storytelling and how to use this method of communication to drive positive change within an organization.

Learn more about the Storytelling for Change Workshop by clicking [here](#).

## **ASK AN EXPERT**



**Got a question about the EFS Project?  
We want to hear from you!**

Submit your questions for a chance to have them answered by an EFS team member and featured in our monthly Alaka'i newsletter.

**Submit Your Questions**