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## *Leading the Way Toward Modernization*

### *Welcome to the EFS Project's*

# Monthly Newsletter!

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## EFS Launched BYOB Lunch Sessions on Feb. 11



On Tuesday, February 11, the EFS team hosted its first ***EFS Bring Your Own Bento (BYOB) Lunch Session*** at the Kalanimoku Building. During this initial session, State of Hawaii personnel from across the executive branch enjoyed their lunch while listening to project updates from **Keith Regan**, Comptroller of DAGS, and **Greg Dalin**, HIMOD Program Manager.

Attendees were then invited to ask questions and engage in discussions regarding the following topics:

- How additional staffing needs will be addressed
- Overview of the project timeline and phase-specific activities
- Ongoing training and support for departmental staff
- Opportunities for testing the new system
- Refining job roles and responsibilities to align with the new EFS

Additional EFS BYOB Lunch Sessions will be held monthly throughout the year, offering all State personnel the opportunity to receive important information and engage with the EFS Project team.

For more information regarding the EFS Project, please email efs@hawaii.gov.

# Gartner Begins Stakeholder Interviews for EFS Readiness Assessment



On Thursday, February 13, 2025, the EFS Project team officially kicked-off the **EFS Readiness Assessment** with **Gartner** as the selected vendor. As an initial step, Gartner has begun interviewing stakeholders at various levels within the State of Hawaii to gain further insights into existing needs, processes, and challenges.

The EFS Readiness Assessment aims to evaluate the State of Hawaii's organizational, infrastructure, and data environments to identify potential gaps and risks ahead of implementing the new Enterprise Financial System (EFS). The findings will aid in developing a strategic plan to strengthen the State's readiness for a smooth transition.

For more information on the EFS Readiness Assessment, email efs@hawaii.gov.



*Money Talks* is a recurring series that breaks down the basics of public sector accounting, finance, and their real-world impact on the EFS Project and the State of Hawaii. In this session, we'll discuss "purchase orders."

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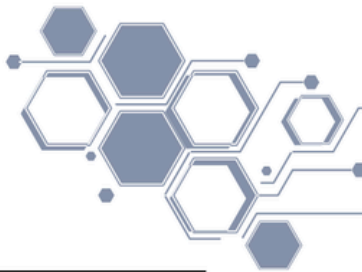# EFS DEPARTMENT ENGAGEMENT SPOTLIGHT

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**Office of Enterprise Technology Services, DAGS
Client Services Branch**

***The EFS Department Engagement Spotlight*** is a recurring newsletter feature showcasing the various departments that the EFS team regularly engages with. This month, we are proud to highlight staff members from the **Client Services Branch of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services (ETS)**, a division of the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS).

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# EFS TEAM SPOTLIGHT

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**Ingrid Adams**
Business Analyst
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"As a proud Rainbow Warrior and beneficiary of public education, I believe in the essential need for accessible, quality public services for all. The EFS Project will positively impact public services, and I'm committed to helping the State of Hawai'i successfully complete this initiative."

***The EFS Team Spotlight*** is a recurring newsletter feature that highlights members of the EFS Project team. This month, we are proud to feature **Ingrid Adams**.

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

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

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