



Hurricane Relief for Kaua'i Farms

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Hurricane Lowell recovery • Information as of September 12, 2026

Start with the contacts below to report losses and request help. Assistance depends on your losses, eligibility and available funding. Call before visiting because storm damage may affect office hours.

1 Assistance and services to access now

These organizations can help now or assess claims under existing programs. A contact or application does not guarantee a payment.

Mālama Kaua'i | Local farm relief

Kaua'i farmers and ranchers affected by Lowell can ask about emergency resources for damaged infrastructure, equipment, crops and livestock. Agricultural recovery funding has been announced; ask what assistance is available and how to request it.

Call (808) 828-0685 | malamakauai.org

USDA Farm Service Agency | Crop and livestock losses

Report farm losses to the Līhu'e office now. NAP may cover eligible crop losses if coverage was in place before the storm. LIP may cover qualifying livestock deaths or injured animals sold at reduced prices. ELAP may cover eligible livestock, honeybee and farm-raised fish losses. Ask FSA about documentation and deadlines.

Call (808) 975-9529 | fsa.usda.gov — [disaster recovery](#)

Orchards and tree assistance | USDA Tree Assistance Program

Commercial orchardists and eligible nursery tree growers may receive help to replant or rehabilitate damaged trees, bushes and vines that produce annual crops. For 2026 losses, the former 15% mortality threshold has been removed; qualifying losses must exceed normal mortality. TAP generally shares up to 65% of eligible costs, or up to 75% for certain qualifying producers.

Contact FSA immediately. The published filing rule is generally within 90 days of the disaster or when the loss becomes apparent. Ask before removing trees or starting reimbursable work. TAP addresses the plants; fruit-crop losses are assessed separately under NAP or crop insurance.

Call (808) 975-9529 | fsa.usda.gov — [Tree Assistance Program](#)

Kaua'i County Agriculture | Local coordination

Kaua'i producers can report needs and request referrals to government and community resources. This is a coordination service; the county's ordinary agricultural grants do not go directly to individual farms.

Call (808) 241-4951 | kauai.gov — [Agricultural Programs](#)



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UH Cooperative Extension | Crop and plant recovery

Farmers can request technical guidance and specialist referrals for crop, soil and plant-health questions, including evaluating damaged plantings. This service does not provide relief payments.

Call (808) 274-3471 | [Kaua'i Extension contacts](#)

County of Kaua'i

The County of Kaua'i is actively working to support residents as they clean up and recover from the impacts of Hurricane Lowell. County departments and partner agencies are collaborating to assess damage, address safety concerns, and connect Kaua'i and Ni'ihau residents with available assistance.

Call (808) 726-0702 | [Kaua'i Recovers](#)

2 Potential assistance to watch

The options below require a disaster designation, a local program opening, funding, or confirmation of application details. As of this handout's review, Lowell-specific availability was not confirmed for these programs. A presidential declaration does not automatically open every program, and some USDA programs do not require one.

USDA Emergency Farm Loans

Potential loans for qualifying production and property losses. Availability depends on an eligible federal disaster designation and the farm's loss, credit and repayment qualifications.

Call (808) 861-8538 ext. 106 | [FSA emergency farm loans](#)

USDA Emergency Conservation Program

Potential cost-sharing for debris removal and restoration of eligible farmland, fencing and conservation structures. Ask FSA whether Kaua'i enrollment for Lowell has opened; local authorization and funding apply.

Call (808) 975-9529 | [FSA Emergency Conservation Program](#)

Hawai'i Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity

Ask about Lowell emergency agricultural loans. Special terms were not verified; regular agricultural financing may be available now to qualifying farmers and aquaculture operators. Loans must be repaid.

Call (808) 973-9460 | dab.hawaii.gov/ag/

Hawai'i Farmers Union Foundation

Mobilizing farmer and rancher relief after Lowell. Ask whether a Kaua'i application round is open, what losses qualify, and whether membership is required.

Call (808) 651-2244 | [Farmer Disaster Relief Initiative](#)

Office of Hawaiian Affairs

Lowell aid has been authorized for verified Native Hawaiian households and affected communities. Ask about applications. This may help eligible farm households with immediate needs; farm-loss reimbursement is not confirmed.

Call (808) 241-3390 | oha.org — offices and relief updates

Additional help

For food, supplies and household referrals, call 211 or visit auw.org/211. For agricultural referrals, call Hawai'i Farm Bureau at (808) 848-2074 or visit hfbf.org.

No Lowell-specific commercial farm relief offer was verified. Existing borrowers can ask their lenders about individual payment accommodations. Earlier Kona low grants should not be assumed open for Lowell.