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Alice P. Trimble was the first State Leader in Hawaii. The Cooperative Extension Service came to Hawaii in 1936 and Alice arrived in Hawaii 1936 as a 4-H leader. From her modest beginnings, Alice rose to become the supervisor of County Home Demonstration work. The Home Demonstration program helped women, particularly from rural communities made their homes attractive and efficient. Alice, along with the Director of the Cooperative Extension Service, Y. Baron Goto, was instrumental in helping the rural women form a State Organization. In 1947, Alice organized the county University Extension Councils and by 1949 the Hawaii Home Demonstration Council elected its first state president, Edith Izumi from Maui. Alice devoted her life to helping Hawaii's families help themselves.

The Alice P. Trimble Foundation was established in 1974 as a memorial to the outstanding leadership of the late Mrs. Trimble, who resigned due to illness, after 18 years with the Extension Service in Hawaii. She left a legacy to the Extension Homemakers as the largest and strongest organization in the territory of Hawaii, supporting community causes and actively participating in worthy projects to improve Hawaii's communities. Members were assessed and fundraising activities at the annual conventions helped to build the fund. From 1966, the Trimble Foundation supported the 4-H Leaders Forum and by 1972 funds were made available for Leadership Training for Extension Homemaker members. In 1974, the name was changed from Alice P. Trimble Memorial Fund to the Trimble Foundation. The state council developed a trust document with the assistance of an attorney ad the Bishop Trust Company. Two distinct committees were formed within the state organization: 1) The Trimble Foundation Committee to raise funds and 2) The Trimble Foundation Distribution Committee to distribute funds. Private and public donations continue to increase the principal. The first direct mail fundraising campaign was launched in 1991 increasing the fund to \$40,000 in the first 5 months. Grants and scholarships have been awarded annually to applicants on every island in the state.

## HAWAII ASSOCIATION FOR FAMILY AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

The Hawaii Association for Family and Community Education (FCE) was organized on January 29, 1949, under the name of "Hawaii Home Demonstration Council." In 1964, the organization changed its name to the Hawaii Extension Homemakers Council. In 1992, the organization adopted its current name "Hawaii Association for Family and Community Education."

Throughout its history and the various name changes, the purpose of the organization has remained the same, to encourage education in family living and to cooperate with other community organizations in developing home and community life and understanding toward world peace. Hawaii FCE is a member of the National Association for Family and Community Education and is affiliated with the Associated Country Women of the World.

The mission of Hawaii FCE is living the "Aloha Spirit" to strengthen individuals, families, and communities through continuing education, developing leadership and community action.

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Founded in Memory of Alice P. Trimble, First Hawaii State Leader, Cooperative Extension Service