



We are nearing completion on a rather aggressive undertaking to build the first of its kind – HTA FUNDED MCI statewide training for the state of Hawaii. Designed to touch all MCI sellers, whether based in the islands or on the US continent or around the world. Applicable not only for hotel and GMT use, also relevant to DMCs, activities, transportation partners as well. Once completed, this will be the only statewide MCI training in the US of its kind.

THE HAWAII DESTINATION AS THE BRAND

Before a destination brand can develop a sustainable growth strategy – they need to ensure consistency and then differentiation:

- Consistency in delivering their brand's message and consistency in visualizing a customer's final experience, and
- Then a unique differentiation of both of these from other destinations.

#### Hawaii First

Consistency in delivering the brand's message for the MCI market and to differentiate from other destinations... We will be presenting HAWAII FIRST

# THE HAWAII DESTINATION AS THE BRAND

Certification aligns a team's efforts to differentiate the destination, the culture, and the results for the MCI customer.

Post course completion, certification will be issued by HVCB "Hawaii MCI Specialist"

All leading up to the course completion and the certification of individuals as "Hawaii MCI Specialist" Important to note that this is a web based LMS training and an individuals self-paced learning.

Our goal for this certification program is simple:

- Provide a missing and valuable resource for member hotels topline revenue strategy.
- Provide consistency to Hawaii's brand selling language.
- Enhance the sales capture rate vs. other destination strategies.

- Weave the certification into onboarding programs.
  - Leverage consistently the many "only's" that
     Hawaii has over domestic destination competitors:
  - Powerful and untransferable story
  - Unique, heartfelt, and unmistakable language
  - A distinctly different and relevant culture

Combined, it will send a message to professional planners that Hawaii has serious beauty, and Hawaii MCI is serious about business.

HAWAII FIRST STATE WIDE MCI **TRAINING** 

- HAWAII FIRST
  - Sets the expectation for all sellers of the islands to first focus "Hawai'i First"
- ISLAND SPECIFIC MODULES

Cultural components

Island Introduction

Location (specifics, geography, climate, branding, etc.)

Flights

Moku

Warrior Markers

Accommodations

Meeting Venues

Things to Do

Activities

Restaurants

Local Events

- SALES MODULES
- This is a full sales process tied to Hawaii's uniqueness, including Question/qualification Value proposition Presenting Overcoming objections Closing

Before we started this journey, I met with the Director of Sales and Marketing for their input. They indicated that any training also had to include the sales 101 basics. Having all-encompassing training would allow all of their team on the same learning path at the same time; perhaps a refresher for the more senior team members and a primer for newer sales associates. On the screen is a high level overview of the modules

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NOT intended to be read ... But to give you a glimpse of how this program was built through story boards. Modules have evolved, at no additional cost, to meet a broader mission of not only just Hawaii First, but Hawaii Culture First. So, the island modules no longer are island assets only, but a reinforcement tool for culture.



A glimsp at the individual modules which include:

Intro to the island

**Island Facts** 

Transportation

Moku (districts)

And Capitalizing on Kainoa and the island chapters great work to revitalize the Warrior Markers, we present their locations and background for talk story to MCI clients Maps of the resort areas and highlights of the MCI hotels and resorts

And much much more.

# HAWAII FIRST STATE WIDE MCI TRAINING

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- Minimal costs to the individual for participation/tbd

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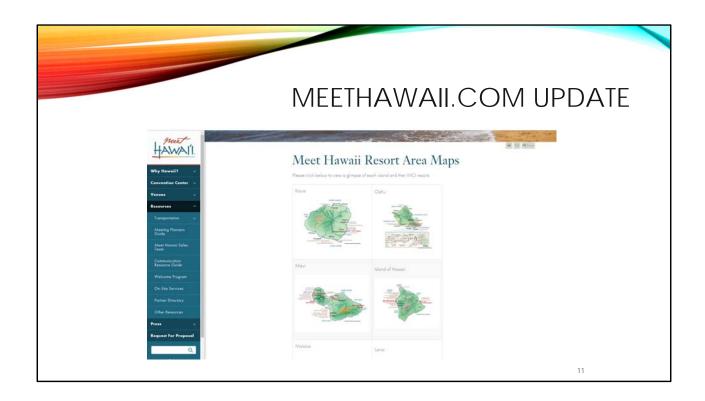
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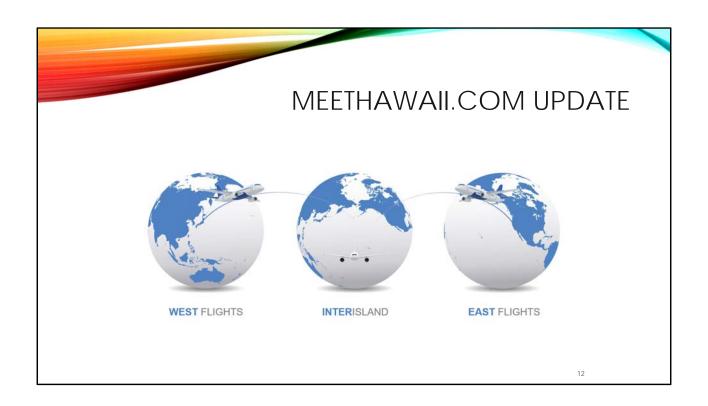
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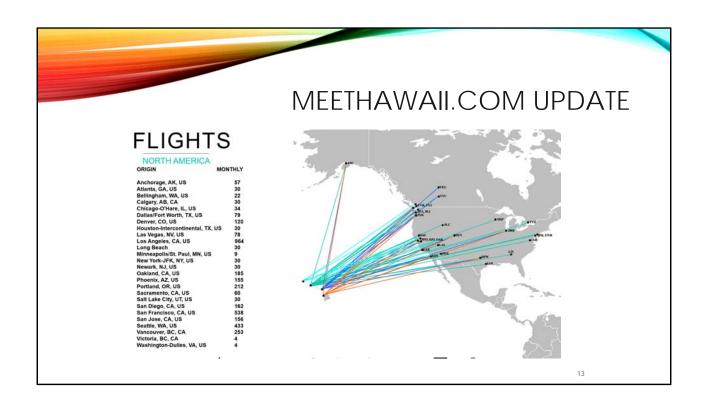
The ability for out team to utilize QR codes at trade shows ... While not considered cutting edge anymore, it certainly gives us the ability to put our message right onto the customer's smart phone and bookmark for those who will not accept a paper copy of the planner guide for example.



Resort area maps highlighting our MCI resort partners



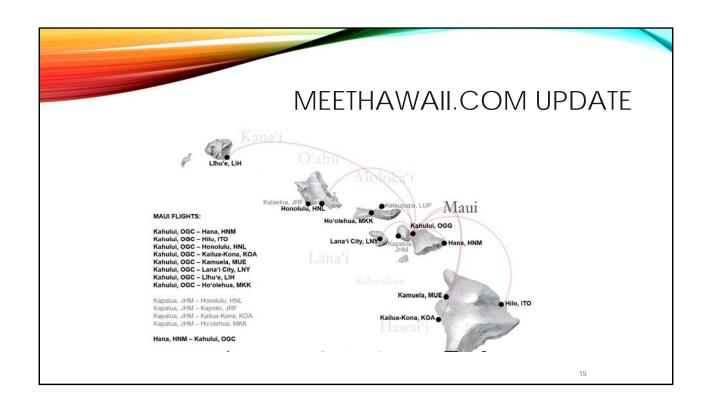
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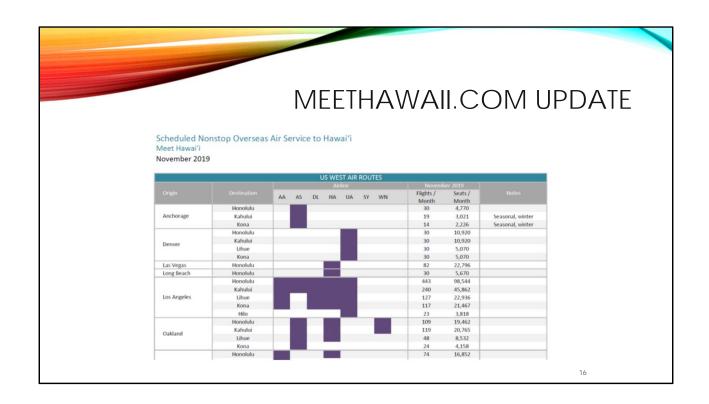
## To include seat count



And visuals from around the globe



## As well as interisland



And finally we will also be including the non-stop air service grids that Jeffrey's team updates monthly.

#### MEETHAWAII.COM UPDATE

### Long term plan

- Bring in alignment with global strategy
- Keep up with technology
- Photography
- Involves GMT's
  - What you need to assist your efforts

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- Bring in alignment with global strategy
- Keep up with technology
- Photography ... <u>Requesting partners to provide us</u> <u>approval to use (and recognize) your MCI</u> <u>photography!</u>
- Involves GMT's
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