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**Duane Kurisu**



***aio Founder, Chairman, and CEO***

***Hawai‘i Executive Collaborative Chairman***

Duane Kurisu serves as chairman and CEO of aio, a diverse family of companies that include media, technology, sports, and food. A product of Hilo High School and the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, where he earned his BBA and MBA, Duane launched his first company in his late 20s to develop and manage commercial real estate properties in the Islands and on the mainland.

Born and raised on the Big Island, Duane’s plantation roots and local values of family and community have and continue to shape his vision in his business and philanthropic endeavors.

Duane’s compassion for the people of Hawai‘i and his collaborative nature were the driving forces behind the creation of the permanent supportive housing community for formerly homeless households, Kahauiki Village, which was developed through his leadership and key partnerships between aio Foundation, businesses, government, and other organizations.

Duane also serves as chairman of the Hawai‘i Executive Collaborative, which provides backbone support to CEOs and senior leaders to accelerate their collective impact and break new ground on community solutions in Hawai‘i and around the world.

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