



Shelee Kimura
President & CEO
Hawaiian Electric

Shelee Kimura is the president and chief executive officer of Hawaiian Electric, which serves 95% of Hawai'i's population on the islands of O'ahu, Hawai'i, Maui, Lāna'i and Moloka'i and is committed to serving communities with safe, affordable, reliable clean energy.

Shelee was appointed to her current role in January 2022 and previously served as senior vice president of Customer Service & Public Affairs and senior vice president of Business Development & Strategic Planning. She provided leadership for the company's customer care initiatives through the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn, making equity and access a top priority while improving customer satisfaction and stakeholder engagement. She led the development of Hawaiian Electric's 2015-2020 Strategic Transformation Plan. During that period, she strengthened and grew the Hawai'i market for affordable, clean energy resources and launched the electric transportation division.

Before joining Hawaiian Electric, Shelee led Investor Relations and Strategic Planning at Hawaiian Electric Industries (HEI), the parent company of Hawaiian Electric and the largest publicly traded company in Hawai'i. She previously worked as HEI's director of corporate finance and investments and prior to that was a consulting manager at Arthur Andersen and its successor firm in Honolulu, KMH LLP.

Shelee was honored in 2023 at the YWCA Honolulu Leader Luncheon which celebrates the achievements of women leaders in Hawai'i. In 2022, she was inducted into the University of Hawai'i Shidler College of Business Hall of Honor which recognizes sound leadership, unwavering integrity and steadfast service to communities. She was also selected for the American Lung Association Outstanding Mother Award, an award that honors Hawaii's most amazing moms who have made their families a priority while balancing demanding careers and community involvement. In 2020, she was honored for the Girl Scouts of Hawai'i Women of Distinction, an award that recognizes the achievements of women who demonstrate courage, confidence and character. Shelee was also recognized in Hawai'i Business Magazine's 20 for the Next 20 in 2018 and received the 2016 Clean Energy Education and Empowerment Business award by the U.S. Department of Energy, in collaboration with the Stanford Precourt Institute for Energy and the MIT Energy Initiative.

Shelee received her bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, where she was a Board of Regents Presidential Scholar, and she completed the executive education Advanced Management Program of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Shelee serves on the boards of Alexander & Baldwin (NYSE: ALEX), Mid-Pacific Institute, Nā Kama Kai, and the Parents and Children Together. She is an Omidyar Fellow and an Ambassador for the U.S. Clean Energy Education and Empowerment Women's Initiative. Shelee and her husband are proud parents of three children.