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HAWAI'I ISLAND UNITED WAY NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2023



Wailuku Drive, Hilo

Living on a tropical island out in the middle of the ocean, we don't really get to experience drastic changes in seasons. The only way to keep track of the seasons is to remember what month it is. But the weather is changing and sometimes nature sneaks us a glimpse of the upcoming new season. Time waits for no one as they say and before long, talk will be about how many shopping days we have left until Christmas!

Whatever time of year it is, it's never the wrong time to reach out to your community in need. Volunteer on a committee, make a donation, help out at an event, however you choose to spend your time it is always the right time!

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HILO, HAWAII 96720

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A message from our President:



Aloha Friends,
August 8th, 2023 will forever be engrained in the minds and hearts of the people of Maui as well as throughout the world. Tragic loss and enumerable suffering continue, but we have seen an immense united response from the Maui community, the entire state, nationwide and indeed, worldwide. Hawai'i Island United Way created SOS Maui in response to the Maui Fires, seeding \$10,000 to the fund to jump start the efforts. Tile Warehouse, Inc. generously matched HIUW's donation with another \$10,000 designated to our sister United Way on Maui (Maui United Way). Many other individuals have also contributed to the SOS Maui fund. We will continue to support and raise funds for those individuals on Maui impacted by this catastrophic event for as long as there is a need. We know the recovery far outlasts the disaster as we are still dealing with effects of Hurricane Iselle and the 2014 and 2018 Kilauea Volcanic eruptions. HIUW stands with the people of Maui as we equally continue to raise funds and focus our support on our Big Island community. Mahalo to all our generous donors who continue to unite for the benefit of those in great need.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen".

Karen Davis, President and CPO
Hawai'i Island United Way

Did you know...

Community Impact Partnership Program

Hawai'i Island United Way is committed to advancing the common good of all by focusing on community transformation in the areas of education, financial stability, and health. We do this by helping to fund much needed programs that are being run by 501C3 organizations within our community through our Community Impact Partnership Program.

This 2-year grant program offers eligible health and human service non-profit agencies within Hawaii Island funding for ongoing programs, as well as a partnership with HIUW.

A new cycle is coming up in the beginning of 2024, so keep an eye out in your local paper and follow us on social media for more information as we get closer.



IMPACT: Bridgehouse

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O'O 'OHANA



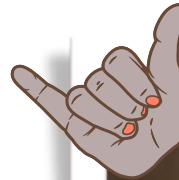
At the time of program completion client AC had complied with her probation which kept her from revocation and going to prison. She achieved a continuous 6-months abstinence, was working part-time getting care from doctors for a serious medical condition that she ignored during her times of active drug use. Most notable this client has had continuous support with a therapist for her past trauma issues. As such, she has attained a more normal sleeping pattern and has reunited with her adult son. She has safe sober housing. She is volunteering at a local non-profit and is focusing on her continued improvement of her health. She is grateful for her new life and never wants to go back to a life of illegal activity or drug use. She has created a new community support of sober friends and is focused on her new life in recovery.

Volunteer Spotlight

I VOLUNTEER FOR HAWAI'I ISLAND UNITED WAY
BECAUSE....

“Cyrus Johnson

It's an easy way to make a significant difference in our community. A few hours of our time is amplified 10-fold to deliver critical support to the myriad of partner agencies that serve our island from Ka Lae to Pololū – Kumukahi to Ka'ūpulehu.



MAKING a
difference

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON VOLUNTEERING VISIT: HIUW.ORG/VOLUNTEER/

CHECK OUT THE HIUW STORE !





WORKPLACE GIVING

Mahalo to all the generous business owners and their employees who contributed to the Hawai'i Island United Way's workplace campaign fundraising efforts in the 2022-2023 campaign year. With your help, we were able to provide \$300,000 in grant funding to more than 36 programs through our partner agencies. But the need continues to build now more than ever, Hawai'i Island needs your support.

Beginning every September, Hawai'i Island United Way runs its Annual Workplace Campaign in hopes of raising funds for local nonprofit partners. We help support these agencies with much needed funding for vital programs the community needs. Programs such as Mediation for landlords and tenants from Ku'ikahi Mediation, Pre-School education with the YWCA, After School programs with the Boys & Girls Club and Abuse Treatment Services with Child & Family Services to name just a few. If anyone in your family has benefitted from any of these services, they are a direct result of your giving.

Workplace giving is an easy and significant way to help employees make a difference and show them that their workplace actively supports our local community's critical issues.

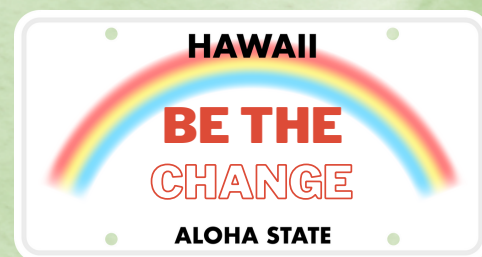
Did you know that Hawaii Island United Way is the only charitable organization on the island that helps employees of a company support their community, allowing them the option of donating a portion of their paycheck through payroll. Many people want to give over time and this solution allows you to do so. Of course, you can also contribute through cash, check, or even online via credit card.

Whether a small business, major corporation, or nonprofit, you can join the thousands of local companies and organizations that run workplace giving campaigns each year.

Every dollar makes a difference in our community!

Consider giving today.

Go to <https://hiuw.org/our-impact/hiuw-general-campaign/>





From July through September of 2023, a portion of all sales made at Ohana Fuels outlets on Hawaii Island was given to Hawai'i Island United Way. The donation will be used to support our 36 partner agencies' programs serving the community of Hawaii Island. This means that the Hawaii Island community is getting much-needed health, education, and income support.

Ohana Fuels is a retail fuel brand for Hawai'i Petroleum that provides quality fuel for Hawai'i Island and Maui residents. Ohana Fuels has eight clean, convenient, and safe locations on Maui and Hawai'i Island. Hawai'i Petroleum is proud to support organizations and missions important to their communities. Through "Fuel Up. Do Good." program, you can feel good about helping your community whenever you fuel up.

Oh,
baby!

WELCOME ✨
to the TEAM

We would like you to meet some upcoming volunteers....

Congratulations to Helen Tien, Jessica Carriaga & Chelsy Walport.



MAX MILLER
BORN JUNE 28, 2023
7LBS 11 OZ,



BENNETT CARRIAGA
BORN JUNE 30, 2023
6LBS 12 OZ



MALIA JOY WALPORT
BORN AUG. 11, 2023
6LBS 10.7 OZ

To all of our donors & volunteers, we can't tell you enough that your generosity means everything to us and to the community we serve!



Here is what's coming up...



GIVE ALOHA!

SUPPORT HAWAII'S NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Shop at Foodland and make a donation to
HAWAII ISLAND UNITED WAY

77343

Foodland will match a portion of your gift!
Please provide your Maika'i Member number when making your donation.

Now through September 30.

Give Aloha is an annual program through which Foodland directs its charitable giving to the organizations that are important to its customers. The program honors Maurice J. "Sully" Sullivan, founder of Foodland Super Market, Ltd., and continues his legacy of giving back to the community.

How Does Give Aloha Work?

Give Aloha runs throughout the month of September at all Foodland, Sack N Save and Foodland Farms stores statewide. Customers will be encouraged to make donations at checkout to their favorite participating Hawaii non-profit organizations. A code is assigned to each organization for donation tracking at checkout. Foodland and Western Union will match a portion of all donations made by customers with a Maika'i account.

HIUW CODE: 77343

HIUW Participating in Community Events...



HIAC
HAWAII ISLAND ADULT CARE, INC.

FREE EVENT!

FOOD PROVIDED!

HAWAII ISLAND ADULT CARE

FAMILY CAREGIVER RESOURCE FAIR

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 16, 2023
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
561 KUHUNA PLACE
HILO, HI 96720

CONNECT WITH OVER 20 OF OUR PARTNER AGENCIES WHO SERVE CAREGIVERS AND THEIR LOVED ONES ON HAWAII ISLAND!

9:00 AM Attendee Check In, Coffee and Continental Breakfast
9:30 AM Welcome / HIAC Introduction
9:45 AM Opening Speakers
9:00 AM Group Activity - Qigong with Courtney Zajicek
10:15 AM Resource Round-up - 5 Minute Presentations for Family Caregivers
11:00 AM Group Activity - Samba for Beginners with Lisa Dixon
11:15 AM Lunch/Networking - Visit The Booths
1:00 PM Happy

Scan this code to RSVP to this event or email Acacia at development@hawaiiislandadultcare.org or call (808) 480-3733

WAIAKEA
HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY CENTER
MAKING US OUR NEIGHBORS

This program has been made possible through Federal Older Americans Act Title III and State funding from the Hawaii County Office of Aging and the State Executive Office of Aging.




23rd annual

Hui Malama Ola Na 'O'iwi

Ladies' Night Out

Promoting health awareness and appreciation for the women of Hawai'i Island!

Health Care Resources
Make and Take Crafts

Entertainment Prizes
Free Food And More!

Friday, September 22
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Edith Kanaka'ole Stadium
350 Kalanikoa St., Hilo, HI 96720
ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY

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Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023

Friday Sept. 22, 2023