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SUMMER 2015

Celebrating 50 Years of Head Start with Family Fun

On May 18th, 1965, in the White House Rose Garden, President Lyndon B. Johnson announced to the nation the creation of Project Head Start. In the 50 years since its humble beginning, Head Start has committed to giving children and their families the opportunity to succeed in school and in life. During the past fifty years, over 32 million lives have been transformed by Head Start's comprehensive approach to early learning by promoting school readiness for young children from low-income families.



In joining the country to commemorate Head Start's

50th anniversary, HCAP Head Start celebrated by hosting a Family Fair on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at the Neal S. Blaisdell Arena for Head Start children and their families, staff, alumni, and invited guests. The 2-hour fun-filled event consisted of interactive hands on activities relating to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) initiated by our very own HCAP Head Start Teaching Staff and Family Advocates. Other activities included a music demonstration by a Jefferson II Head Start parent, face painting by Halawa Head Start parent, a roaming magician, a nutritious snack activity, games by HCAP Community Service programs, obstacle courses, hula-hoops, family photo booths, make-n-take luggage tags, and community partners and their resources. Families from Laie and Palolo I Head Start classrooms also took stage and showcased their talents with song and dances from their family cultures.

In front of nearly 1,300 attendees, Senator Michelle Kidani and HCAP Board Chair, Representative Isaac W. Choy, presented HCAP Executive Director, Robert N.E. Piper, and HCAP Head Start Director, Lynn Cabato,

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with Senate and House of Representative proclamations, commemorating the 50th anniversary. U.S. Senator Mazie Hirono, who was not able to attend, sent a special congratulatory message.

HCAP Head Start looks forward to continuing to carry out its mission, "Enriching the Lives of Children; Engaging Families; and Strengthening Communities" as a premier model of quality, comprehensive early learning services to children and their families for many years to come. Annually, HCAP Head Start serves over 1,659 children and their families.

Honolulu Community Action Program, Inc. is a non-profit community action agency serving low-income Oahu residents. In 2014, HCAP assisted over 20,000 seniors, adults, youth & children with employment, education, housing & basic needs.



LIHEAP Assists over 4,900 Households in Applying for Utility Assistance

On June 1, 2015, HCAP's five District Service Centers began taking applications for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Applications were taken at the District Service Centers from 9:00am until 12:00pm each weekday until June 30, 2015. The District Service Centers strive to service as many applicants as possible, interviewing anywhere from 20 to 70 applicants each morning. In the afternoons, staff would go to various housing complexes that serve the elderly, disabled persons, and low-income individuals and families. Some clients face various barriers, such as mobility and transportation, so staff aimed to make access to the LIHEAP application process as easy as possible.



Many households benefit from the assistance this program provides to help meet their basic expenses throughout the year. In addition, clients may receive follow-up calls as the staff screens the applications for other services that might help individuals or families to become more self-sufficient.

As an agency, HCAP helped more than 4,900 households apply for assistance with paying their electric or gas bill.

Hā Initiative Students Roast Marshmallows with Solar Energy

The last week of June 2015 was perhaps the hottest, and definitely the sunniest week of the year due to the summer solstice. To make the most of the plentiful sunlight, the Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program's Kalihi STEM Exploration Center had a week of solar energy science. The students explored the

various uses of solar energy, from solar thermal for water heating to solar photovoltaic for generating electricity, and created their own solar grill and solar oven. The solar grill consisted of an upturned umbrella, which the kids lined with highly reflective tinfoil, creating a parabolic mirror, similar to a satellite dish. Except, instead of concentrating radio waves, the dish acted to concentrate the sun's light and heat to a single point. Students then placed skewered, or foil-wrapped marshmallows and chocolate bars at the center of the "heat laser" as they called it, and cooked up yummy gooey s'mores using the sun's light.

With a marshmallowly gooey hand, Shelly showed empirical proof that her solar oven is serious culinary business. The marshmallow was thoroughly melted to the consistency of pudding, and thoroughly tasty. "This is the best day of science ever!" Shelly exclaimed.







Youth Services Students Celebrate their Accomplishments at Graduation Ceremony

On June 18, 2015, HCAP Youth Services (HYS) held the Class of 2015 Graduation Ceremony at the Mc-Coy Pavilion at Ala Moana Beach Park. Of the 33 students who obtained their Hawaii Adult Community School Diploma, 27 of the graduates joined their friends and family to celebrate this special day.

The ceremony began with a live performance of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Hawai'i Pono'i" by HYS graduating student Beauty and her father Via. Following the opening songs, HCAP Board Chair, Representative Isaac W. Choy, proceded with the Chairman's Address and Robert N. E. Piper, HCAP Executive Director, shared his aloha with the students. Both speeches aimed to teach and motivate the young adults to stay focused despite their struggles and to continue working hard for a brighter future.



HCAP Youth Services Class of 2015

HYS Youth Trainer Cristal Garan then delivered "A

Word to the Class," which elicited an uproar of applause from students who favored her as a mentor and a teacher. Graduating students Geoffrey and Natalya also shared their personal stories of hardships that brought them to HCAP Youth Services, and praised the program for the opportunities it gave them. After students received their Hawaii Adult Community School Diploma, the crowd joined together exuberantly to close with the class song "World's Greatest" by R. Kelly.

Employee Anniversaries

Mahalo to our staff who reached these milestones of service this Summer

25 Years

Vaitia Tauala - Teacher I

10 Years

Lynn Bolkeim - Assistant Teacher

5 Years

Davilyn Chang - Kumuhonua Program Manager Melissa Grado - Teacher I



Every Word Counts: Head Start and Legislators Read Together

HCAP Head Start invited Oahu's Legislators to visit Head Start classrooms and participate in a National Head Start Association (NHSA) event called, "Every Word Counts: Head Start and Legislators Read Together." Legislators were invited to read a book to a Head Start classroom in their district. The NHSA event is about closing the word gap and teaching children that reading can be fun. Head Start encourages reading not only at school, but also at home. The NHSA invited congress or legislators to go to Head Start classrooms and read a story to the children as part of the Head Start 50th Anniversary Celebration.











Senator Michelle Kidani read to the Waikele Head Start children on May 12, 2015. She enjoys reading to her grandchildren and chose to read books that her grandchildren love. Senator Kidani read "Click, Clack, Moo" and "Cat in the Hat." The children listened to the stories and sang "click, clack, moo" along with her. Senator Kidani represents District 18, which includes Mililani Town, a portion of Waipi'o Gentry, Waikele, Village Park, and Royal Kunia.

Senator Gil Riviere read to the Kunia Head Start children, along with two parents. The teaching staff picked three of the children's favorite books, "Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Seuss, "The Hungry Caterpillar" and

"Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What do you Hear?" by Eric Carle. Senator Riviere represents District 23, which includes Kunia, Schofield Barracks, Mokulēʻia, Waialua, Haleʻiwa, Kawailoa, Waimea, Pūpūkea, Kawela, Kahuku, Laʻie, Hauʻula, Punaluʻu, Kaʻaʻawa, Kualoa, Waikane, Waiahole, and Kāneʻohe.

Senator Laura Thielen read to the Maunawili Head Start children. Senator Thielen had the children choose their favorite books from the classroom. The children chose "Pete the Cat & the New Guy," "The Napping House," and "King Bidgood's in the Bathtub." Senator Thielen represents District 25, which includes Kailua, Lanikai, Enchanted Lake, Keolu Hills, Maunawili, Waimanalo, Hawai'i Kai, and Portlock.

Senator Jill Tokuda read to the children at Kaneohe Head Start. She read her children's favorite book, "The Day Crayon Quit." She and her children enjoy reading that book together. Senator Tokuda also read "Five Little Monkeys" to the class. Senator Tokuda represents District 24, which includes Kane'ohe, Kane'ohe Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kailua, He'eia, and 'Ahuimanu.



Representative Henry Aquino from House District 38 read to the August Ahrens Head Start classrooms on April 17, 2015. Representative Aquino read "Ella the Elegant Elephant" and "Thump, Quack, Moo a Wacky Adventure." The children were very engaged. His son currently attends the August Ahrens preschool. Representative Aquino reads to his son nightly. Representative Henry Aquino represents House District 38, which includes Waipahu.

Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang visited the Kipapa Elementary School Head Start classroom and read the book, "The Little Mouse, the Ripe Strawberry, and the Big Hungry Bear" by Audrey Wood. After she read the story, the children sang a song for her. Representative Fukumoto Chang selected the book because her niece loved it when she was in preschool. Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang represents House District 36, which includes Mililani and Mililani Mauka.

Representative Mark Hashem read to the children at Koko Head Head Start. He brought books of his own and let the children choose from his collection. He read "The Color Book," "How Does a Dinosaur Eat?" and "Where's Spot." As he read "The Color Book," the children had to find something in the classroom as he called out each color. The children enjoyed having Representative Hashem read to them.

Representative Mark Hashem represents House District 18, which includes Hahaione, Kuliouou, Niu Valley, Aina Haina, Waialae, and Kahala.











Representative Marcus R. Oshiro

read to the Kaala Head Start children on May 15, 2015. He brought three books of his own, "The Crayon Box that Talked" and "The Big Orange Splot.' The children enjoyed their story time with Representative Oshiro. They sang the Aloha song and he joined in with them. Representative Marcus R. Oshiro represents District 46, which includes Wahiawa and Whitmore Village.

Representative Feki Pouha read to the children of Waialua Head Start. He brought two stories, "Llama Llama Misses Mama" and "Tiger Can't Sleep," which are his sons' favorite books. Representative Pouha represents District 47, which includes Waialua, Hale'iwa, Pupukea, Kahuku, La'ie, Hau'ula, Waiahole, Waikane, Sunset Beach, Punalu'u, and Ka'a'awa.

Representative Gregg Takayama read to the children at Waiau Head Start on June 10, 2015. He read "Llama Red Pajama," which he graciously donated to the classroom. He also read "Hawaii is a Rainbow," which was his youngest daughter's favorite book when she was child. Representative Takayama represents District 34, which includes Pearl City, Waimalu, and Pacific Palisades.



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HCAP In The News

- On April 4, 2015, HCAP Head Start was featured in Pacific Business News discussing the \$12.5 grant received by the program.
 The full article is available here: http://www.bizjournals.com/pacific/news/2015/04/01/honolulu-early-childhood-program-receives-12-5m.html?ana=fbk
- On April 12, 2015, HCAP Head Start was featured in the Honolulu Star Advertiser discussing the Federal Grant the program received. The full article is available here: http://www.staradvertiser.com/newspremium/20150412 Head Start receives critical federal aid.html
- On May 19, 2015, KHON Channel 2 featured HCAP Head Start's 50th Anniversary Celebration. The story is available for viewing here: http://khon2.com/2015/05/19/head-start-program-cele-brates-50-years-in-hawaii/
- On May 19, 2015, KITV Channel 4 featured HCAP Head Start as the program celebrated its 50th anniversary. The story is available for viewing here: http://www.kitv.com/news/oahus-head-start-program-celebrates-its-50th-anniversary/33114988
- On June 3, 2015, Senator Michelle Kidani mentioned HCAP
 Head Start's Milestone Day in the Midweek- Kidani's Korner. The
 article is available for viewing here: http://www.midweek.com/kidanis-korner-mililani-high-attracts-national-attention/





Mahalo to our Donors and Funders

HCAP would like to thank the following donors and funders. In the Summer Quarter, April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015, HCAP received donations or funding from the following:

Atherton Family Foundation- \$10,000 grant award to the Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program

Anonymous- \$6,000 donation to HCAP Head Start

City & County of Honolulu Grant-In-Aid- \$40,135.17 grant award to Na Lima Hana- Employment Core Services

City & County of Honolulu Grant-In-Aid- \$49,999.98 grant award to the Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program

Colleen Minami- \$200 donation to HCAP in celebration of HCAP's 50th Anniversary

Friends of Hawaii Charities- \$3,325 grant award to the Kupuna Independent Life Series

Horizons Foundation - \$500 donation to Stepping Stones: Homeless Health Project

Johnson Controls, Blue Sky Involve-\$1,000 donation to HCAP

Starbucks Foundation - \$3,000 donation to Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center

Starbucks Foundation - \$25,000 grant award to Youth Services

State of Hawaii, Department of Labor, Workforce Development Division (WDD)- \$853,410 grant award to Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)

State of Hawaii Grant-In-Aid- \$222,974 grant award to the Residential Energy Solutions Initiative (RESI)

Steven Lindmeier- \$1,100 donation to HCAP

TJX Foundation - \$5,000 grant award to Youth Services

William Shiroma- \$100 donation for the Youth Services Graduation



Youth Services Continues to Grow Valuable Partnership with Starbucks

HCAP Youth Services' relationship with Starbucks began about five years ago when HCAP Youth Services (HYS) was gearing up for another career fair. Twice a year, during the Community Resource unit, HYS staff would reach out to employers and college/vocational schools in the community to invite them to a career fair. At the career fair, HYS students were able to visit the various employers and post-secondary schools booths to apply for employment and/or college. Starbucks was one of the first employers to participate in the HYS career fairs and wanted to know how they could do more with the students on an on-going basis. Since then, Starbucks has assisted HYS students with mock interviews, resume development, and work readiness workshops. Ms. Nita Camaganacan, Senior Partner Resources Associate – U.S., has been an exemplary representative of what Starbucks represents and valuable partner to the youth program.

In April, Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center was fortunate to be the recipient of Starbucks Global Month of Service, community workday. Youth Services Program Manager, Krystal Ikeda in a collaborative partnership with Starbucks, arranged a workday for approximately 90 volunteers at Kumuhonua. The volunteers dedicated hours of sweat equity as part of Starbucks giving back to community. Everyone was extremely enthusiastic and worked very hard in beautifying and cleaning up the property both inside and outside. Starbucks volunteers, HYS students, Kumuhonua staff and residents enjoyed working together.

During the Starbucks community workday at Kumuhonua, HCAP Youth Services participants were fortunate to participate in mock interviews conducted by Starbucks Managers. Each youth met individually with a manager and was able to simulate a real interview. After the interview, the youth gained valuable one-on-one feedback on things they did well and things to work on. Some of the youth did such an awesome job that they were invited to fill out a Starbucks on-line application if they were interested. Starbucks graciously rewarded each youth with a Starbucks gift card.

HCAP Youth Services was recently awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Starbucks Foundation. HYS is extremely grateful for the support the program has received from Starbucks and values its ongoing relationship with the company.





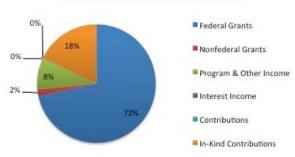
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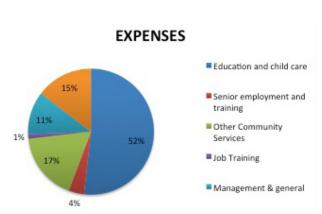
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GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT





CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	10/01/14 - 09/30/15	1,857,685
Friends of Hawaii Charities - Kupuna Independent Life Series	N/A	3,325
Hawaiian Electric - WAP	N/A	25,000
Hawaiian Electric - STEM	N/A	15,000
Head Start	04/01/15 - 03/31/16	12,515,192
Head Start Full-Day Full-Year	04/01/15 - 03/31/16	1,080,000
Horizon Foundation - Stepping Stones Homeless Health Project	N/A	500
Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center - DHS Stipend	08/01/14 - 07/31/15	360,000
Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center- Program Income	08/01/14 - 07/31/15	283,400

GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT	YTD
Federal grants	2,931,125
Nonfederal grants	72,699
Program & other income	352,001
Interest Income	101
Fee for service	5,505
In-kind contributions	731,397
Total	4,092,837

EXPENSES	YTD
Program services:	
Education & childcare	2,590,119
Senior employment & training	198,160
Job training	59,782
Other community services	873,167
Supporting services:	
Management & general	547,857
In-kind contributions	731,397
Total	5,000,482

CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	05/01/15 - 09/30/16	280,000
Saltchuk Hawaii - Youth Services	N/A	10,000
Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	07/01/14 - 06/30/15	853,410
Starbucks Foundation - Youth Services	N/A	25,000
Department of Human Services- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)- STEM	01/01/15 - 12//31/15	100,000
TJX Foundation - Youth Services	N/A	5,000
Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)	10/01/14 - 09/30/15	87,061
Youth Services	07/01/14 - 06/30/15	372,500
Youth Services (Creating Employment Opportunities)	03/01/13 - 11/30/15	189,000







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