



Ku`i Na Lono

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SUMMER 2013

Over 5,500 Households Apply for LIHEAP



LIHEAP Intake Aides assist clients in filling out LIHEAP applications

This year, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helped over 5,500 households apply for financial assistance to offset the cost of utility bills. The program assists families in paying their electric or gas bills through energy credits or energy crisis intervention. LIHEAP is especially valuable to senior citizens who live on a fixed income. Applications were accepted on weekday mornings throughout the month of June. HCAP hired 29 temporary staff to work as Intake Aides for the 2013 LIHEAP program. Following a comprehensive training, staff were placed at HCAP's Windward, Leeward, Leahi, Kalihi-Palama, and Central District Service Centers. HCAP LIHEAP staff also visited the homes of elderly and handicapped, senior sites, and community centers to assist 2,788 seniors in completing their applications. To inform the public about LIHEAP, flyers, and newsletters announcing the program were displayed at the five District Service Centers, in public housing common areas, in elderly housing facilities, and at other community facilities.

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LIHEAP Intake Aides attending training at HCAP's Main Office

Honolulu Community Action Program is a non-profit community action agency serving low-income Oahu residents. In 2012, HCAP assisted over 18,000 seniors, adults, youth & children with employment, education, housing & basic needs.



Parent Leadership In Action

At the Head Start Maunawili classroom, each month a classroom theme is chosen by parents and teachers. A parent suggested plants and flowers as the following month's theme and graciously volunteered to bring in soil and seeds. Teachers then organized a parent/child workshop on planting a garden and everyone was excited to plant their seeds. The children learned about what a plant needs to

grow and put their knowledge into action. The garden flourished with marigold flowers, cherry tomatoes, and Manoa lettuce. The children's artwork and plants were displayed at the Maunawili Curriculum Fair. The children received many compliments and words of encouragement from the school staff including the principal Mr. Amine, as well as other children from the school.



Students and parents work together to plant flowers and vegetables

Mel's Story

Mel grew up on the east side of Oahu and vividly remembers her life as a young child. Mel came from a two-parent family; both parents worked and also participated in a sports league. Life was different back then, and it was not uncommon for children to be left home alone. Mel and her sibling were often left at home while their parents were at work; they were responsible for getting themselves ready for school. There were occasions where they over slept and had to rush out the door to make it to school. In doing so, sometimes they didn't have slippers on their feet, they didn't have breakfast, and sometimes didn't get the chance to wash the sleep out of their eyes. At school events like open-house, parent teacher conferences, or ohana night,



Mel's parents were often unable to make it or didn't want to go. Mel does not recall many times where her parents expressed encouragement or affection. Years went by and eventually Mel had a family of her own. Mel does not want her child to grow up as she did. She wants her daughter to know that she loves her and will be there for her and support her through every dream and aspiration she has. Because of that wish, Mel has been actively involved in the Head Start program. She attends monthly parent meetings, she's the parent representative for her center's Policy Council, and is a member of multiple standing committees. It is due to parents like Mel, who want what is best for their children, that Head Start as a program is able to encourage and

promote parent engagement with their children, teachers, and their community!

Youth Services Class of 2013



HCAP Youth Services Class of 2013

In June, the HCAP Youth Services C-Base program graduated 49 students at its annual graduation ceremony held at the Neil S. Blaisdell Center. Graduates received an Adult Community School Diploma from the State Department of Education. During its thirteenth successful year of operation, from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, HCAP Youth Services serviced 84 C-Base students, 49 Individualized Tutoring students, 13 Work Readiness/Placement participants, and 3 Youth Leadership Development/Driver's Education participants. Loreal, one of the emcees at the graduation shared, "Coming to HCAP was probably the best decision I made after dropping out of school. As I went through

the program I found it very useful, I learned things about life that I would not have learned in a public school. The teachers and staff gave us a lot of one-on-one time. The teacher explained things in ways that made it easier for us to understand and they brought in interesting speakers to make learning fun and exciting for us. It made us want to come to school and learn."

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The Maybir Family of Palolo IS Community Action



Dan Cooke from Hawaii News Now, preparing for an interview with the Maybir family for HCAP's partnering program with Helping Hands Hawaii Adopt A Family

In an interview with Hawaii News Now, the Maybir family of Palolo discussed the importance of community outreach, demonstrating their humility and willingness to serve their community. The Maybirs are a multi-generation family with 8 people living in the Palolo Valley Homes LP Subsidized Housing, where Stephen Maybir is the tenant association president. The Maybirs are active not only in their immediate community, but the community at-large. Stephen currently sits on HCAP's Leahi District Advisory Council. An intelligent and motivated young man, with the goal of being a leader in public service, he volunteers in the HCAP office on a regular basis. He is also active with the Palolo Neighborhood Board and the Palolo Elementary School Community Council. When asked where his inspiration comes from, Stephen says he is "inspired by the work of those before him and next to him." As a teenager living in Palolo Homes, he was part of the process as Palolo Homes transferred from the State to a private non-profit ten years ago. That experience changed Steven's focus from his family to helping others. Although the Maybir family experiences their own challenges, they continue to serve their neighbors and community. "They rarely ask for anything for themselves. Stephen has been an asset to HCAP's Leahi District Service Center by bridging the gap between two housing complexes that share one street," says former HCAP Community Worker Kapiolani Silva.

HCAP Serves the local community through its mission of
POI: Providing Opportunities and Inspiration to enable low-income individuals or families to achieve self-reliance.

Hā Initiative Summer Extension Program

In June, the Hā Initiative: A Creative STEM After-School Program began its summer extension program which emphasized enrichment activities, such as field trips to local institutions, such as Sea Life Park, where students enjoyed learning about sea turtle eating habits, marine life, and the effects of pollution on the ocean's ecosystem and inhabitants. Back in the classroom, students spent time improving their computer, math, and science skills. Students also began learning how to build and program robots to complete courses and tasks.

CALL TO ACTION

The Hā Initiative offers a free STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) after-school program for elementary and middle school students living on Oahu. As the program continues to expand, the need for volunteers increases as well. Volunteers support the students in various STEM-related activities, help them with homework, and assist the teacher in various activities, such as snack time. The program runs from 2:30-5:30 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, and from 1:30-5:30 on Wednesdays. If you are interested in volunteering with the Hā Initiative, please visit www.hcapweb.org/hainitiative and sign-up to become a Jr. Leader (under 18) or a Community Mentor (18 and older).



Employee Anniversaries!

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

35 YEARS

Barbara Campbell- Head Start
Administrative Secretary

20 YEARS

Delia Nakano- Head Start Teacher

15 YEARS

Patricia Dison- Employment Counselor

10 YEARS

Kimberly Itagaki- Head Start
Teacher/ Mentor

Philrobinson Sales- Head Start Bus Driver

5 YEARS

Mary Jane Rasay- Head Start
Family Advocate

Ermenia Teasdale- Head Start Teacher

Your Helping Hand

Keiki Country Aunties



Since meeting at Kamehameha Schools, Head Start teacher Cynthia Suzuki and classmates have given back to the community through their work with the Head Start students in Cynthia's class.

Mahalo to all our volunteers!

Aldora Kahele



Board Member, District Council President, robotics judge, community advocate, grandmother... Aldora has worn all these hats, and more. She currently volunteers at the Hā Initiative: A Creative STEM After-School Program in her home community of Kalihi. Aldora enjoys helping students with their homework and seeing them learn and grow.

Leahi District— Volunteers, Staff, District Council, and Head Start



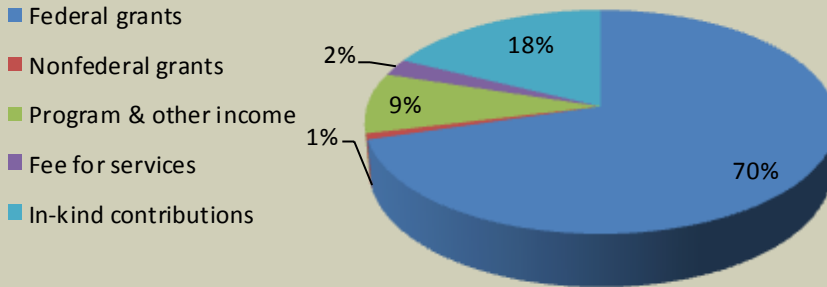
Keith Nakano, Edleen Terry, HCAP Board Member Karen Iwamoto, Mariabina Deleon Guerrero, Kapiolani Silva, District Council Chair Phyllis Vea and District Council Member Stephen Maybir at the HCAP Leahi District Kupuna Luncheon in Palolo, Oahu

HCAP Leahi District Service Center staff, volunteers, HCAP Head Start, City and County, and community members came together to provide a "Kupuna Luncheon" for the grandparents and families in the community. The children of the 3 Palolo Head Start classes sang and danced for their families and kupunas. The children also made little gifts that they gave to each kupuna. It was a great opportunity for HCAP to build and strengthen its relationship with the families and therefore strengthening the community. It was also a good time for the children to acknowledge the kupunas and start new relationships. The kupunas enjoyed this treat, and the children although quite shy enjoyed their time and sharing their gifts. This event was a great example of community action!

Interim Financial Update

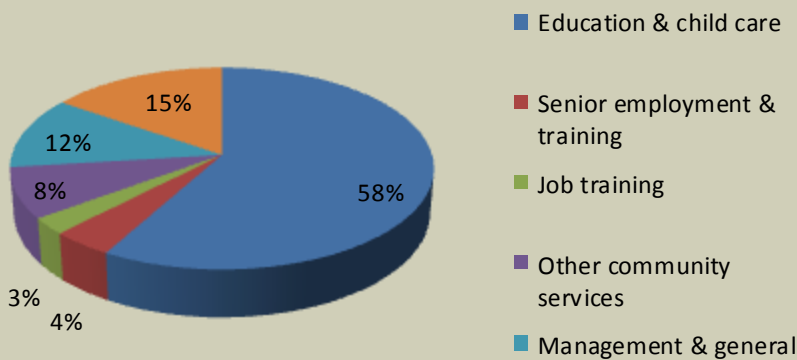
First Quarter FY 2014
April 1, 2013 — June 30, 2013

GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT



GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT	YTD
Federal grants	3,220,220
Nonfederal grants	38,442
Program & other income	400,072
Fee for services	110,910
In-kind contributions	809,013
Total	4,578,657

EXPENSES

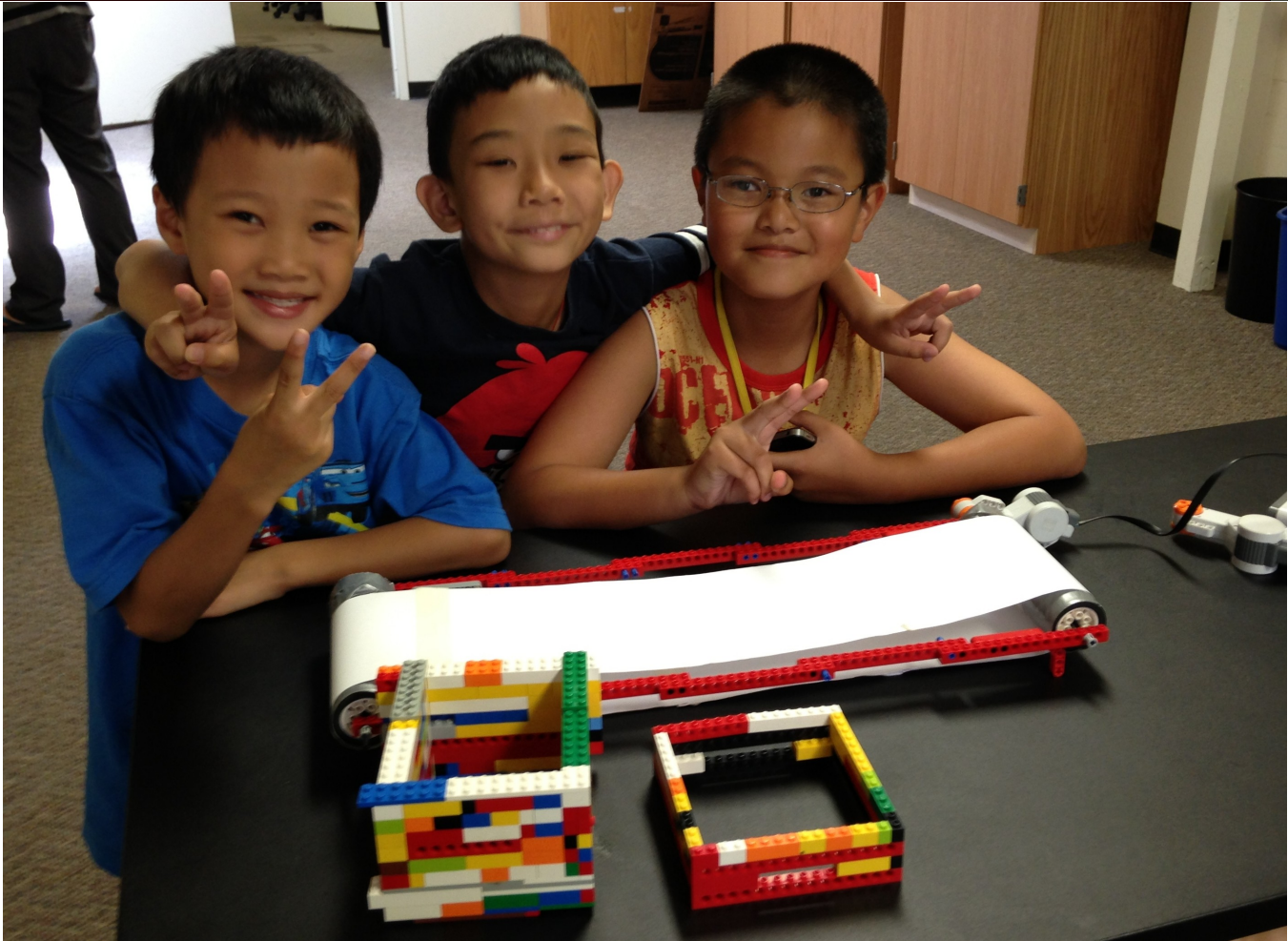


EXPENSES	YTD
Program services:	
Education & child care	3,057,249
Senior employment & training	220,706
Job training	137,774
Other community services	428,839
Supporting services:	
Management & general	608,548
In-kind contributions	809,013
Total	5,262,129

PROGRAMS

CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	10/01/12 - 09/30/13	1,944,141
Head Start	04/01/13 - 03/31/14	11,697,739
Head Start Full-Day Full-Year	04/01/13 - 03/31/14	1,269,000
Ho'o Kahua Project	09/01/11 - 07/31/13	219,953
Early Reading First (Research Corp. University of Hawaii)	07/01/10 - 09/30/13	466,040
Youth Services	07/01/12 - 06/30/13	521,868
Youth Services (Oahu WorkLinks)	09/01/12 - 12/31/12	67,250
Youth Services (Creating Employment Opportunities)	03/01/13 - 11/30/14	189,000
STEM After-School Program (Hawaii P-20 Partnership)	08/14/12 - 08/13/13	2,650

CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
STEM After-School Program (Friends of Hawaii Charities)	07/01/12 - 06/30/13	5,000
STEM After-School Program (Rev. Takie Okumura Foundation)	08/29/12 - 08/28/13	4,988
STEM After-School Program (Atherton Family Foundation)	11/27/12 - 11/26/13	10,000
Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	07/01/12 - 06/30/13	863,117
Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)	10/01/12 - 09/30/13	106,226
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	05/01/12 - 04/30/13	118,008
Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center (DHS Stipend)	08/01/12 - 07/31/13	360,000
Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center (Program Income)	08/01/12 - 07/31/13	244,627



Students from the Hā Initiative: A Creative STEM After-School Program in Kalihi demonstrating how their LEGO robot moves



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