



# Ku'i Na Lono

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October - December 2019

## HCAP Head Start & Early Head Start Co-Host Region 9 Training



Many of HCAP Head Start & Early Head Start staff had the opportunity to attend Region 9 Head Start Association's annual Family Engagement and Cultural Effectiveness Training. The event, which HCAP Head Start & Early Head Start co-hosted, took place at the Sheraton Waikiki from October 28th to November 1st.

Staff had the opportunity to attend presentations by Head Start colleagues in the Region 9 area. Some of the topics included: father engagement, staff wellness and mental health, strategic program planning, transitioning to kindergarten, and family engagement and adverse childhood experiences in the classroom.

As co-hosts, HCAP Head Start & Early Head Start staff also helped out as volunteers, greeting conference guests, conducting set up of tables and decor, setting up arrangements, assisting with speakers during the presentations, and guiding conference attendees to presentation rooms, among other things.

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The week-long event attracted over 300 attendees from across Region 9.

Needless to say, everyone had an amazing time networking, hearing great and useful information, indulging in incredible food, and being surrounded by the most amazing scenery!



## HCAP Holds Annual Board of Directors Installation Dinner



On Thursday, October 24th, HCAP held its annual Board of Directors Installation Dinner at the Pearl Country Club. The dinner is an opportunity to recognize outgoing Board Members for their contribution to the agency, and to welcome the 2019-2020 Board of Directors and the officers of the District Advisory Councils and Head Start Policy Council.

The highlight of the evening was having several HCAP staff, who also were past HCAP program participants, share about how HCAP has positively impacted and changed their lives. The speakers talked about how HCAP programs such as Head Start & Early Head Start and Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) brought out the best in them. Several of them talked about how their journey at HCAP has come full circle: they are still at HCAP, but now providing the same services they once received to others. As one of the speakers, Raldean Souza, SCSEP Employment

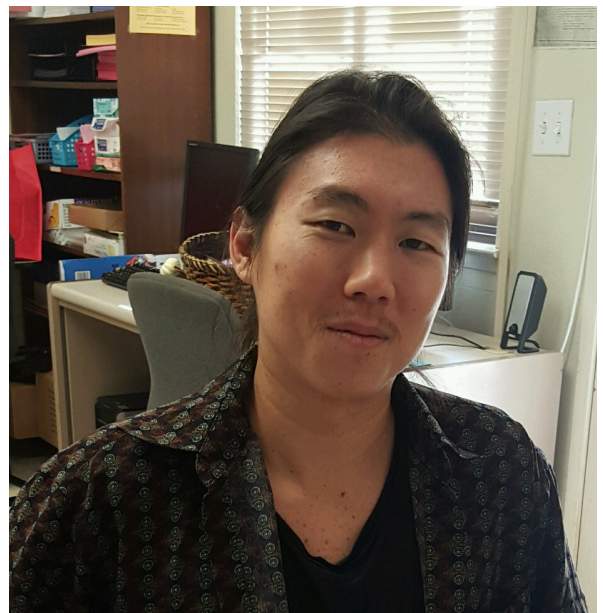
Counselor put it, “I feel them because I have been there [before].”

We would like to thank all those who attended and look forward to continuing our work to improve our community.

## Nā Lima Hana Program Provides Tuition Assistance for Vocational Training

Sean came to HCAP’s Kalihi-Palama District Service Center for vocational training assistance. Sean was at a crossroads in his career. Sean had a background in massage therapy and has been providing massage services to family and friends for a while. But without a massage therapist license, he would be unable to provide services to the wider public.

Kalihi-Palama District Service Center’s community workers referred Sean to the Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services (ECS) Program. Upon enrolling in the ECS Program, he received help developing his resume and preparing for job interviews. With the help of ECS funds, HCAP was able to help Sean fulfill his dream of attending massage school, providing direct tuition assistance. Sean is currently enrolled in the Hawaii Massage Academy and one step closer to becoming a licensed massage therapist.





## Windward District Service Center Collaborates with B.R.A.V.E. Hawaii for Holiday Gift Giving Program

Utilizing the resources on hand and making new connections with other organizations, Windward District Service Center Community Worker Cory Dias spearheaded the Holiday Gift Giving program for families in the community. Cory collaborated with Augie T, Kim Tulba, and Mahea Sims-Tulba, founders of B.R.A.V.E. Hawaii and Miss American Scholar Hawaii Pageant.

To plan an elaborate holiday gift drive event that would benefit the children of families who utilize the services of Windward District Service Center, flyers were created and social media was used to get the word out about the purpose of Windward District Service Center's gift drive. To ensure that even the older children were provided for, Cory reached out to Brian Cordero of LanaiScapes Hawaii and Ritche Mudd of RRS Inc. and RSI Roofing, who generously sponsored gift cards for the teens.



The event for the Windward District Service Center's Holiday Gift Giving Program, "Come Grind with Santa" took place on Sunday, December 22nd at The Beach House 604 in Waianae. Cory handed out HCAP flyers to patrons who brought in new unwrapped gifts for a 15% discount off their meal. The young ladies of Miss American Scholar and B.R.A.V.E. Hawaii hosted the brunch with a "Meet and Greet". There was entertainment, photo ops with Santa, and awesome giveaways throughout the day.

The gift drive and gift card sponsorship was a huge success! The Windward District Service Center was able to provide each child with at least two gifts and each family received a reusable gift bag full of wonderful goodies. Needless to say, the Windward District Service Center staff were deeply touched by the Windward community's outpouring of support and willingness to give from the heart!

## Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center Staff Attend Annual Statewide Homeless Awareness Conference

In December, staff from HCAP's Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center attended the annual Hawai'i 2019 Homeless Awareness Conference. This year's theme was "Hui Me Ka Mana'o" which means "Unity Through Purpose."

The conference, which was organized by Partners in Care, was a unique opportunity for the entire community of front line service providers, business owners, and landlords to come together and collaboratively address the challenges faced by those experiencing homelessness.

In between the breakout sessions, Kumuhonua Transitional Living Center staff and other attendees were provided with lunch and joined by keynote speaker Lieutenant Governor Dr. Joshua Green.

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## Head Start Holds Policy Council Elections

On September 26th, HCAP Head Start & Early Head Start held Policy Council Elections and Standing Committee sign-ups. As a result of the elections, we are happy to announce the appointment of our newly elected Executive Committee members for the 2019-2020 program year.

The newly elected Policy Council Officers for the 2019-2020 school year are:

Chairperson: Ms. Ardis Ane (Ulu Ke Kukui Head Start)  
Vice Chairperson: Ms. Kahlene King (Maunawili Head Start)  
Secretary: Ms. Christina Vier (Aiea Head Start)  
Treasurer: Ms. Angela Maiwela (Palolo Head Start)

## HCAP's Windward District Service Center Launches New Homeless Outreach Initiative

HCAP's Windward District Service Center recently launched a new homeless outreach initiative in Waimanalo. Windward District Service Center staff is engaging in ongoing, weekly outreach efforts by visiting homeless encampments at Waimanalo's beaches and getting to know the individuals and families living there.

Windward District Service Center staff will provide information about HCAP's program and services, including the Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services (ECS) Program.

In addition to Job Readiness Training, hygiene kits are also provided onsite to help clients prepare for job interviews. Head Start Family Advocates are also collaborating with Windward District Service Center staff, hoping to recruit families for the Head Start classrooms in the Windward area.



## HCAP Assists Mother and Daughter with Wraparound Services

Totha Pearl's mom Noji first came to the Central District Service Center over 14 years ago for assistance in securing employment. At that time, Noji was a single, unemployed mom, isolated from her family, not a US citizen, and unfamiliar with how to seek employment to support her daughter. Noji was introduced to HCAP through her daughter, who was enrolled in Head Start.

Noji attended Job Readiness Training classes, developed her resume, and began looking for work. Noji eventually found work at McDonald's and enjoyed being able to support her daughter. Noji also participated in other HCAP programs and services, including Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Income Tax Services/ Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Program, and Ohana Produce.



Totha Pearl, who was first introduced to HCAP as a Head Start student, recently graduated from high school and remembered the great resources that were available to her mom throughout the years. Totha Pearl reached out to Central District Service Center for assistance with obtaining a job and was enrolled into the Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services (ECS) Program.

After completing Job Readiness Training, Totha Pearl was quickly able to secure full time employment at 7-Eleven as a cashier. Totha Pearl also received a bus voucher to help with her commute to work. Although Totha Pearl is excited about obtaining work to help with her family's monthly expenses, she is even more excited about what the future may hold for her.

## Employee Anniversaries

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

### 30 Years

Betty Akau - HS Teacher II

### 25 Years

Sammi Rafael - HS Program Manager

### 15 Years

Gina Labra - HS Assistant Teacher

### 5 Years

Deborah Coleman - Rapid Re-housing  
Housing Specialist

Taumafai Lui - Community Worker

Chloe Vidal - HS Assistant Teacher

Francis Winger - Maintenance Worker

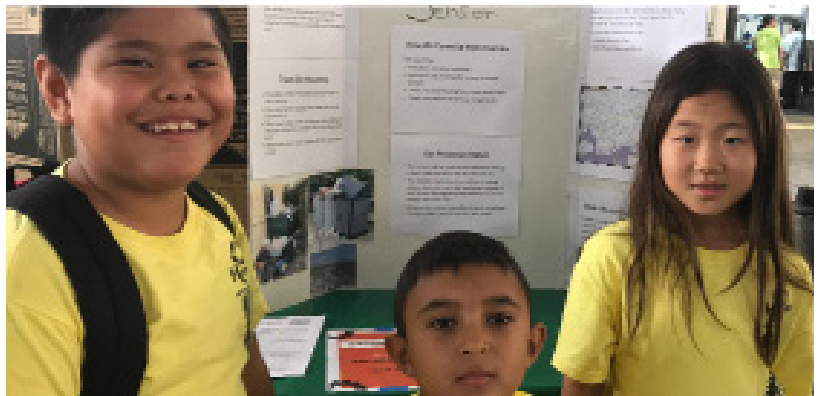


## STEM Students Participate in FIRST LEGO League Jr. Expo

On December 7th, students from the Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program, a 21st Century Community Learning Center, participated in the FIRST LEGO League Jr. (FLL Jr.) Expo. As part of the expo, the students had to come up with a FLL Jr. Innovation Project as well as a programmed LEGO robot for their display of the Innovation Project. On the big day, students from the Kalihi and Lincoln STEM Exploration Centers arrived at the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall; they registered as participants and went to their tables to set up their poster boards and Innovation Projects.

As participants, they proceeded to a scavenger hunt, which took them around to different tables to see other groups' projects and displays. They were able to ask other participants about their projects. They also spoke with FLL students, who were there for the FIRST LEGO League state championships, to ask them how it felt to be competing in the tournament.

Following the scavenger hunt, the students presented their Innovation Projects and programmed robots to the judges. After lunch, they paraded around the exhibition hall and showed off their projects. The expo closed with an awards ceremony. During the awards ceremony, each participant received a medal and each participating team received an award. Hā Initiative's STEM students had fun and learned a lot. They are looking forward to next year's FLL Jr. Expo and already have some new ideas.



## Mahalo to our Donors and Funders

HCAP would like to thank the following funders. From October 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019, HCAP received funding from the following:

[Hawaii Bowl Foundation](#)- \$750 grant award to the Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program  
[In Memory of Kiani Cockett](#)- donations made to HCAP at family's request

### Individual Donors

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# Interim Financial Update

Third Quarter FY 2020

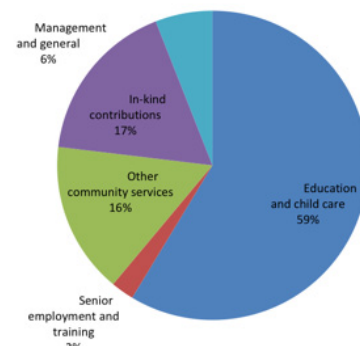
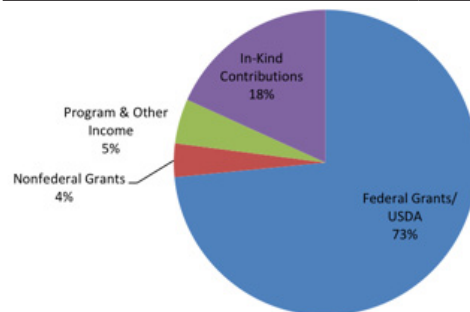
April 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

\*Unaudited, Cash Basis

CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET	CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
21st Century Community Learning Centers	07/01/18-06/30/19	350,000	Kokua Hawaii Foundation	08/30/19-06/30/20	585
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Atherton Foundation - Kupuna	06/13/17-04/30/19	10,000	Kumuhonua Shelter - Program Income	08/01/18-06/30/19	269,200
Bennett Foundation - Head Start	08/01/18-06/30/19	7,200	Kumuhonua Shelter - DHS	07/01/19-06/30/20	450,000
Central Pacific Bank Foundation - ECS	09/01/18-08/31/19	10,000	Kumuhonua Shelter - Program Income	07/01/19-06/30/20	270,545
City GIA - Ho'oumau Kūpuna	10/01/19-09/30/20	36,645	Kumuhonua Shelter - Roof Renovations	12/01/18-11/30/21	500,000
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	10/01/18-09/30/19	3,148,955	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	10/01/18-09/30/19	225,467
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	10/01/19-09/30/20	3,305,898	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	10/01/19-09/30/20	225,467
Employment Core Services - State OCS	10/01/19-09/30/20	219,000	Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	07/01/18-06/30/19	766,245
Friends of Hawaii Charities - Kupuna	05/01/19-04/30/20	3,000	Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	07/01/19-06/30/20	742,356
Gwenfread Elaine Allen Fund - Head Start	05/01/19-04/30/20	3,000	Rapid Re-Housing	06/15/18-06/14/19	488,493
Hawaii Bowl Foundation - STEM	09/13/18-09/13/19	1,000	Rapid Re-Housing	06/15/19-06/14/20	488,493
Hawaii Bowl Foundation - STEM	12/24/19-12/23/20	750	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) - STEM	01/01/19-12/31/19	100,000
Hawaii Visitor Industry Charity Walk - Early Head Start	08/01/18-07/31/19	10,000	Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)	10/01/18-09/30/19	132,827
Hawaii Visitor Industry Charity Walk - STEM	08/01/19-07/31/20	7,500	Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)	10/01/19-06/30/20	133,237
Head Start	04/01/19-03/31/20	14,280,947	WAP/LIHEAP	10/01/18-10/30/19	292,004
Head Start Full-Day Full-Year	04/01/19-03/31/20	1,382,542	WAP/LIHEAP	11/01/19-09/30/20	284,672
Kokua Hawaii Foundation	08/30/18-06/30/19	1,080			

GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT	YTD
Federal grants/USDA	13,617,720
Nonfederal grants	657,635
Program & other income	876,535
In-kind Contributions	3,382,992
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,534,882</b>

EXPENSES	YTD
Program services:	
Education & childcare	11,576,718
Senior employment & training	473,362
Other community services	3,131,138
In-kind contributions	3,382,992
Supporting services:	
Management & general	1,175,318
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,739,528</b>





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Na Lima Hana Employment Core Services Program

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Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)

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