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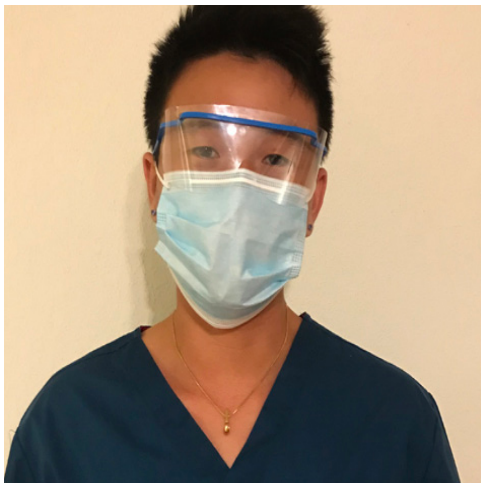
July - September 2020



Nā Lima Hana Participants Gain Employment as Health Care Professionals

Through HCAP's Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services (ECS) program, participants receive tuition assistance for a range of vocational courses, including: automotive technology, carpentry, commercial driver licensing, nurse aid training, phlebotomy, optometry assistant training, advanced pharmacy technician training, and more.

A single mom, Ruby, was working at the Aqua-Aston hotel in housekeeping until she was furloughed in April. She was receiving unemployment benefits and wanted to find a way to improve her career with a more financially stable position. She was referred to HCAP through one of our partners — Professional Healthcare Educators — as a candidate for their Nurse Aide Training Program. She was accepted into the program and requested tuition assistance from HCAP's Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services Program for the Caregiver Training School. Ruby successfully registered and obtained her Certification of Completion in August 2020.



Recent Nā Lima Hana participant, Shane Goo, first gained an interest in the medical field while volunteering as a COPE Health Scholar at Castle Hospital. His mentors at Castle encouraged him to get certified in a medical program in order to increase his chances of employment. The only thing standing in Shane's way was the tuition fee. Shane applied and was accepted into Kapi'olani Community College's Rapid Health Education Program, where he found out that he qualified to receive tuition assistance through the Nā Lima Hana program. After completing his phlebotomy courses, Shane was hired at Adventist Castle Hospital as a Medical Assistant in an outpatient surgery clinic. "The Nā Lima Hana program really opened up the medical field for me," said Goo. "I believe everyone ranging from aspiring doctors to recent graduates should apply."

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Everyone at Central District Service Center is very excited for Ruby and Shane as they continue on the path towards self-sufficiency and independence.

HCAP Prepares Windward Kupuna for Hurricane Douglas



In the early hours while our islands braced for the arrival of Hurricane Douglas this summer, HCAP's Windward District Community Service Manager, Sonny Preston, took quick and immediate action to ensure our Windward community kupuna were provided with provisions and emergency supplies so they would be safe.

In less than 24 hours, Sonny and the Windward District Service Center staff organized a supply drop-off to kupuna who were registered with HCAP's Kupuna Independent Life Series. Community Workers from the Windward District Service Center also made courtesy phone calls to kupuna to check in on their safety and well-being. They went house to house to deliver cases of water to each kupuna while socially distancing.

During these difficult and uncertain times, communities need to act fast and work together to take care of our elderly population. With the hurricane nearly impacting our islands and COVID-19 cases on the rise, it is important that everyone do their part to keep our kupuna safe.

Weatherization Assistance Program Client Receives Free Energy Efficient Devices

Rozlind applied for HCAP's Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), after being contacted by one of HCAP's Community Workers at the Kalihi-Palama District Service Center to see if she would be interested in HCAP's Weatherization Assistance Program. Rozalind was surprised to learn that the Weatherization Assistance Program provided free energy efficient devices and she quickly worked with staff to see if she could qualify.

Program eligibility is income-based, and families with at least one household member receiving TANF or SSI benefits are encouraged to apply. Rozlind's household qualified for the program and she received multiple energy-efficient devices that included energy-saving light bulbs, power-strips, and faucet and shower aerators. The household also qualified for several larger weatherization measures, which included an 80 gallon solar water heater, refrigerator, and window air conditioner at no cost. Rozlind was very grateful to receive energy efficient appliances that are designed to reduce energy costs to her household.



Please email hcpawap@hcpaweb.org if you are interested in the program.

Youth At-Risk of Homelessness Finds Job and Is Back on Track

Aukanai'i was struggling with homelessness, troubled family relationships, and finding his path in life. He was in search of employment and stable housing. Windward District's Community Workers quickly registered Aukanai'i with HCAP's Nā Lima Hana Employment Core Services (ECS) Program after meeting Aukanai'i at RYSE, a residential facility for homeless and at-risk youth. Through the ECS Program, Aukanai'i started job readiness training and created a resume that highlighted his skills and strengths.

After working hard to complete his job readiness training and send out his resume, Aukanai'i quickly gained employment at Pico Enterprises Inc, a local inventory delivery and control company. HCAP staff maintained contact with Aukanai'i and helped him reach a milestone of 180 days of employment. Aukanai'i was also presented with incentive gift cards through the ECS Program after reaching his employment milestones.



Due to the experience he gained from HCAP's ECS program and his current employment, Aukanai'i was also able to successfully obtain a second job at CVS Pharmacy. With his hard work and dedication, Aukanai'i started to re-establish his path in life. As of today, Aukanai'i has begun to repair his relationship with his parents and is living back at home. In the midst of the pandemic and company shutdowns, Aukanai'i is still employed and is currently working on finding independent housing. HCAP would like to congratulate Aukanai'i on his newfound employment opportunities and we hope that Aukanai'i continues on his path towards a brighter future.

After Long Search, Family of Ten Secures Permanent Housing

In 2019, Ward lost his job due to health issues and Kelly was a stay-at-home mother. With no one in the family employed, finances became very difficult and the family became fearful of becoming homeless. Kelly looked for community resources and connected with Alternative Structures International. The family was able to stay at ASI's Ohana Ola O Kahumana Shelter for almost a year before HCAP's Rapid Re-housing Program began searching for permanent housing. The search was very challenging and there were many declined housing applications due to the family's large household size. But HCAP's Rapid Re-housing team was determined to



find the family a home to call their own. The Rapid Re-housing team reached out to the Partners In Care's (PIC) Landlord Engagement Program and utilized Aloha United Way's partner resources to seek housing assistance for the family. In August 2020, the family of ten was finally able to secure permanent housing on the leeward side of the island with the help of HCAP's Rapid Re-housing Program and PIC's Landlord Engagement Program. Our HCAP Rapid-Rehousing team would like to extend our big mahalo to the staff of Alternative Structure International and PIC's Landlord Engagement Program for working with our team to reach a housing goal that was thought to be impossible by Kelly and her family.

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Family Impacted By COVID-19 Applies for LIHEAP Energy Crisis Intervention



Starshalynn and her family applied to receive assistance with their energy bills through LIHEAP's Energy Crisis Intervention Program. Starshalynn and her spouse Tristan have endured financial, emotional, and mental hardships due to COVID-19.

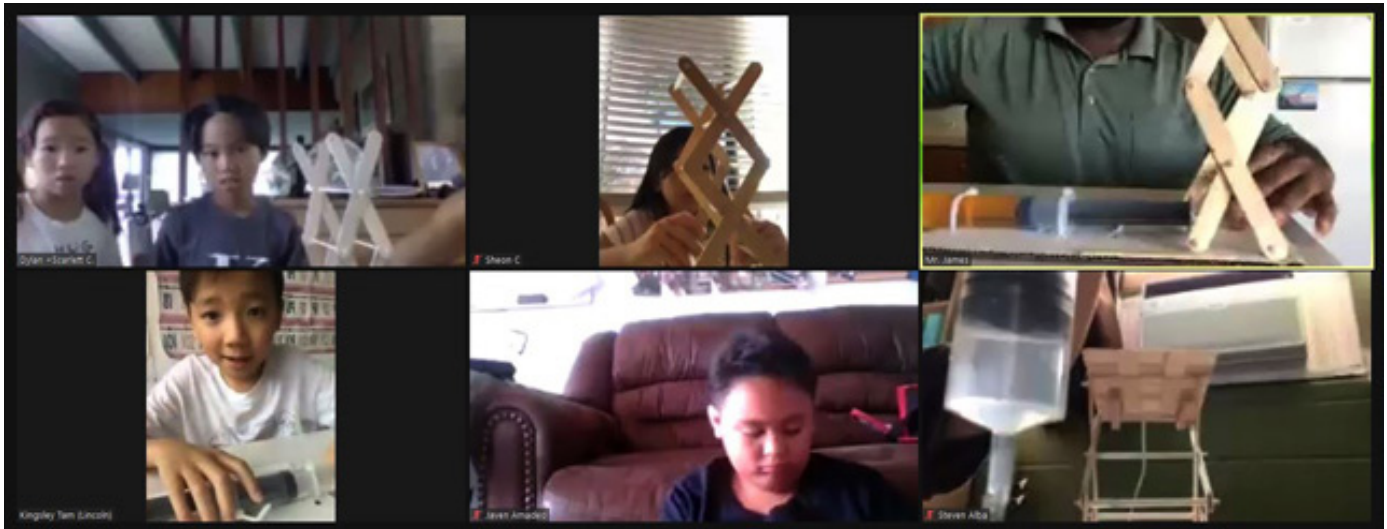
Prior to the pandemic, Tristan worked full-time at Hawaii Industrial Services. His income alone was able to provide for his family and allowed Starshalynn to stay home and look after their kids. But because of COVID-19, Tristan's hours were reduced to part-time, which greatly reduced their family's income.

In order to increase their household income, Starshalynn now works part-time. She is also responsible for her children's distance learning. Starshalynn and her family are utilizing all available resources to help them make ends meet. When Starshalynn learned that HCAP offered programs to help with household electric and gas bills, she immediately reached out to the Leahi District Service Center. With guidance from the Leahi District staff, Starshalynn submitted her family's LIHEAP application and recently received approval for assistance.

HCAP is dedicated to helping families affected by COVID-19.

To apply for the LIHEAP Program visit: <https://www.hcapweb.org/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/>

Hā Initiative: STEM Students Build Hydraulic Lifts



Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program students were challenged to build their own hydraulic lifts! The students enthusiastically rose to meet this challenge, many of them building their hydraulic lift before the class even started. All the materials needed for this challenge were included in their STEM kits, which were delivered safely to their homes.

The lesson featured two mechanisms. The first was hydraulics, which uses fluid to transfer force. The second was a pantograph, a system of interconnected levers, also known as a scissor lift. Along with these two mechanisms, the students learned about the forces that engineers must overcome to build a working machine such as sheer force, bending torsion, compression, tension and friction. This assignment was definitely a challenge and several of the students required some help from their parents and teachers. But in the end, everyone was very proud to show off their creations!

The Hā Initiative: Creative STEM After-School Program provides students with the opportunity to learn about STEM through fun and interactive lessons. If you are interested in the program, email: hcapstem@hcapweb.org.

Employee Anniversaries

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

5 Years

Mei Lee Ling - Head Start Teacher
Jacqueline Dabu - Head Start Teacher
Nani'ioana Akela Anela Kuahuia - Maintenance Specialist
Zanzara Kahala - Head Start Assistant Teacher
Sarah Gschweng - Head Start Teacher
Zyrah Data - Head Start Teacher

20 Years

Michielle L Fong - Head Start Assistant Teacher
Jayme Henna- Head Start Teacher

25 Years

Raynell Namu - Education Program Manager
Jayna Cassidy - Head Start Teacher
Iva Fallau - Head Start Teacher

30 Years

Doreen Kaolulo - Head Start Teacher
Sara Neves - Head Start Teacher
Sandra Malachi - Head Start Teacher
Maryvick Domingo-Tang - Secretary

40 Years

Naomi Kahikina- Teacher Mentor

HCAP Gets a ‘Head Start’ in Online Education

Our Head Start Program, the largest childcare provider on Oahu, has fully transitioned to digital learning and is finding new ways to support vulnerable children and their families during the pandemic. When in-person learning was suspended in March, the program took immediate action to assess the technological capacity and needs of families.

“HCAP Head Start and Early Head Start serves over 1,500 economically challenged children and their families each year,” said HCAP Head Start Director, Grant Kogami. “The first big challenge was finding out whether our families had access to reliable Internet and devices to allow for distance learning. We conducted surveys with families to see what devices they had access to and determine which programs we would be able to use. It was a transitional process which required us to be as proactive and adaptive as possible.” The main digital tools the program decided to utilize include Zoom web conferencing and Google Slide, which allows teachers to create customizable, digital ‘classrooms.’ Through Google Slide, teachers can create virtual avatars of themselves as well as interactive chalkboards, cubbyholes, ‘ABC’ charts, and bookshelves, all of which can be linked to other platforms such as YouTube and online learning games. In addition to digital tools, the Head Start Program staff recognized the importance of offering different hands-on mediums for learning. All families regularly receive a Family Engagement Activity Packet in the mail, which corresponds with the week’s lesson. The most recent Family Engagement Activity Packet provided the materials for families and children to establish morning and nighttime routines. Although challenging at times, teachers work hard to tailor their lessons and activities to assist families with multiple children of varying ages. The goal is to support children and their families in their continuous development.



Perhaps most importantly, HCAP Head Start strives to provide stability for Hawaii’s most vulnerable families during these uncertain times. “The most vulnerable members of our community need our support now more than ever,” said Grant Kogami. “HCAP Head Start and Early Head Start families look to us for guidance in educating their children, ensuring that their basic family needs are met, and sometimes, just to be a shoulder to lean on, listen, and empathize with what they are going through. Once the environment is safe for us to return to our classrooms, we will be ready provide all the love, care, and support that our children and families deserve.”

Mahalo to our Donors and Funders

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Interim Financial Update

Second Quarter FY 2021
April 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020
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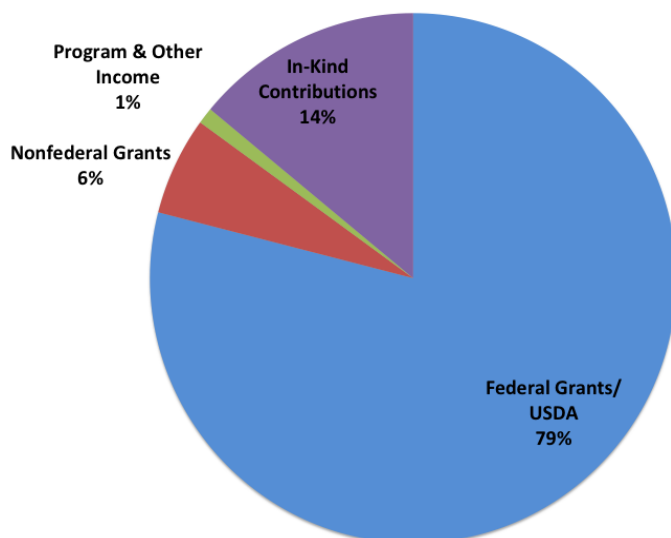
CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
21st Century Community Learning Centers	07/01/19-09/30/20	350,000
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	10/01/19-09/30/20	3,364,046
CSBG CARES Act Supplemental	03/27/20-09/30/22	2,773,513
Friends of Hawaii Charities	05/01/20-12/31/20	4,000
Gwenfread Elaine Allen Fund	01/01/20-11/16/20	3,000
Hawaii Bowl Foundation	12/24/19-12/23/20	750
Hawaii Visitor Industry Charity Walk	08/01/19-07/31/20	7,500
Head Start	04/01/19-03/31/21	14,300,391
Head Start	04/01/20-03/31/21	14,114,161
Head Start CARES Act Supplemental	04/01/20-03/31/21	1,325,242
Head Start Full-Day Full-Year	04/01/20-03/31/21	1,270,343

CURRENT PROGRAMS BY FUNDING SOURCE	PROGRAM PERIOD	BUDGET
Kumuhonua Shelter - DHS	07/01/20-06/30/21	500,000
Kumuhonua Shelter - Program Income	07/01/20-06/30/21	258,500
Kumuhonua Shelter - Roof Renovations	12/01/18-11/30/22	500,000
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	10/01/19-09/30/20	225,467
State Office of Community Services-Employment Services	10/01/19-09/30/20	259,880
Rapid Re-Housing	06/15/20-06/14/21	488,493
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	01/01/20-12/31/20	100,000
Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)	07/01/20-06/30/21	287,010
WAP/LIHEAP	11/01/19-09/30/20	249,356

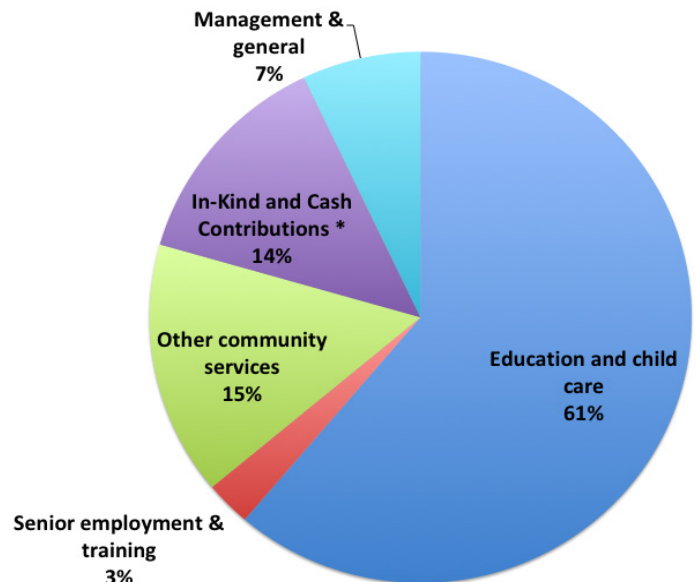
GRANTS & OTHER SUPPORT	YTD
Federal grants/USDA	8,525,130
Nonfederal grants	650,051
Program & Other Income	80,156
In-kind Contributions	1,470,140
Total	10,725,477

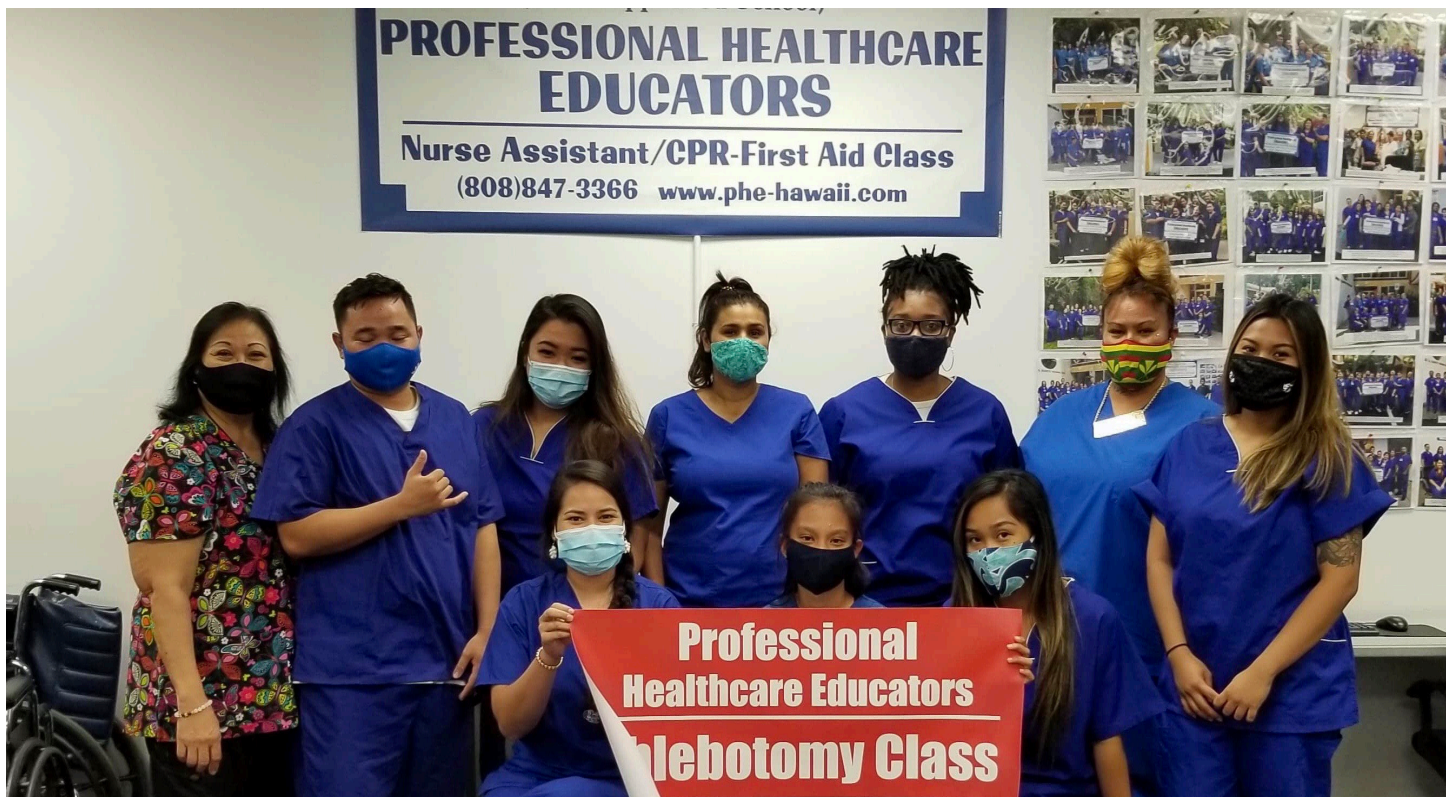
EXPENSES	YTD
Program services:	
Education & childcare	6,673,833
Senior employment & training	297,914
Other community services	1,685,156
In-kind contributions	1,470,140
Supporting services:	
Management & general	772,262
Total	10,899,305

GRANTS AND OTHER SUPPORT



EXPENSES





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