

# **PAPAKOLEA NEWS**

**AUGUST 2020** 

#### Papakolea Strong

As summer winds to an end, Kula no Po'e Hawaii expresses our sincere gratitude to all the hard-working volunteers who helped us safely serve Papakolea. Beginning in March with Malama Meals to our final Altres food distribution in August—we appreciate you all. Mahalo! Mahalo! Mahalo! Together We Can. Together We Did. Eo Papakolea!

Mahalo to everyone who completed the Papakolea Strong questionnaire; your information guides our next steps. Kula staff will be following up with those seeking help with applying for SNAP, QUEST, etc. Gift cards will be mailed out this week to the winning respondents.

Many of you have asked how to support Kula's efforts. We are accepting donations on our website, <a href="www.kula-papakolea.com">www.kula-papakolea.com</a> or by cash or check. Mahalo to those who purchased "Papakolea's Finest" shirts—limited number still available. Be on the lookout for new merchandise coming soon...

Here are other ways you can kokua:

- Use smile.amazon.com and select "Kula No Na Po'e Hawaii" when you shop Amazon to donate 0.5% of your total purchases.
- Like our Facebook page, Kula no na Po'e Hawaii, for other fundraising campaign updates.

#### **Moving Forward**

Kula's new partnership with Ke Ola Mamo (KOM), will provide Papakolea kupuna with home-based medical care to promote "safely aging in place". KOM's medical director, Dr. Nicole Mahealani Lum, is a licensed Native Hawaiian Family Practitioner with a specialty in Geriatric Medicine. A complete medical authorization packet is required and available at the Papakolea Community Center. For more information, contact Puni Kekauoha at 358-6732.

#### Transitioning to the New Normal

Starting this fall, all Kula programs will be conducted in a virtual format. Staff is very busy, formatting curriculum and classes. The following articles will provide more detail to the season ahead. We encourage you to contact us by phone, email, or on our website, <a href="https://www.kula-papakolea.com">www.kula-papakolea.com</a>.

Aloha kekahi I kekahi,

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# **KŪPUNA COMMUNITY CARE NETWORK (KCCN) UPDATE**

During this pandemic, the KCCN Program for kupuna ages 55+ and their caregivers has grown by 30%. In early March, we had a total of 295 participants and now serve 390. Even though we currently cannot conduct home visits, educational & cultural workshops, or enjoy a fun excursion together, the need to stay connected & continue serving is important. KCCN's main goal during this time has been ensuring kupuna are provided healthy meals & essential supplies.

Currently, we are providing meal services through partnerships with Lunalilo Homes and the Lanakila Meals Grab & Go Program. To date, we have delivered 5,325 hot lunches through Lunalilo Homes and 1,319 seven day meal sets through Lanakila Meals. Mahalo to our partners for your continued support in serving community. We appreciate you!

For more information about joining KCCN, obtaining resources, signing up for meal programs, or to become a needed volunteer delivery driver, please contact Mahea Austin at 808-561-4011. Mahalo to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Papa Ola Lokahi, Ke Ola Mamo, private donors, and all Kula staff & volunteers who have played a role in serving our beloved kupuna and caregivers.











## **Lanakila Meals Grab & Go Program Accepting Applications**

We have partnered with Lanakila Meals to provide kūpuna ages 60 & older with 7 frozen USDA compliant meals on Wednesdays @ 10:30am. For more information or to sign up, contact Mahealani Austin @ 561-4011.

To qualify you must meet the requirements:

- KCCN Participant\*
- 60 years and older
- Complete Lanakila Meals Application & Participation Agreement Form
- Copy of photo ID
- Must pick up meals at Papakolea Community Center (upper hall) 10:30-11am *Delivery is available for kupuna without transportation*

\*New applicants 55+ years and their caregivers are welcome

## **Caregiver Support Line**

The Caregiver Support Line is a free service to help care for ohana caregivers and provides a compassionate space for caregivers to feel heard & help reduce emotional strain.

(808) 622-9004

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## LAMAKU AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM UPDATE

#### **GRADES K-5**

We're coming back...online! Lamaku goes live on Wednesday, September 9 to a Zoom screen near you! Keiki grades K-5 can join 'Anake 'Iolani and 'Anake Kawai for homework assistance, piko (grounding keiki through mo'olelo and oli), and fun handson activities enriched by Hawaiian language and culture. Keiki will receive a weekly pu'olo (activity bundle) in the mail and have access to Zoom activity days, homework assistance, and Lamaku YouTube videos.

Homework Assistance via Zoom - Monday to Thursday from 2 to 4 pm Mo'olelo Mondays and Hana Ka Lima Thursdays - 4:30 to 5:30 pm

To register, contact Iolani Ulii at 808-364-5970 or kula.iolani@gmail.com

### **GRADES 6-12**

For students in grades 6-12, Lamaku Junior Leaders are officially on Instagram! This quarter, we're connecting with students through quick and fun weekly Instagram challenges. What's the prize?? Challenge winners can receive a \$10 gift card, but prizes are limited so be ready! For more details, contact Kaapuni at 808-520-8991.

Follow us on IG @kula.lamaku.jl - Challenge #1 dropping Monday, 9/14!

# **KEIKI KITCHEN UPDATE**

Keiki lunches are available for keiki under the age of 18 through the end of the year. Effective Wednesday 9/9, meals will be delivered to keiki homes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 12:00pm-1:00pm.



Limited number of meals available. Call 808-520-8991 to register.



Papakolea Fire Academy returning soon...
Stay tuned for more details!

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# **MAHALO NUI ALTRES!**

Our final Friday grocery distribution was on August 21st. Since April, nearly 3,500 grocery sets were distributed. Mahalo to Altres, Chef Hui, Hams Produce & Seafood, Y Fukunaga Products, and the many community volunteers for their kokua!







