

PAPAKOLEA NEWS

JULY 2020

PAPAKOLEA STRONG

We are pleased to share our continued efforts in addressing the impact of COVID-19 for the community of Papakolea.

KULA is now a member of the Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander (NHPI) Hawaiii COVID-19 Response, Recovery, & Resilience Team. This coordinated effort includes more than 30 organizations that will advocate for NHPI communities when developing policies & programs related to COVID-19. We are also participating in "I Kua Na'u (Advance Care Planning for Native Hawaiian Elders)", a 5-year research project with UH-JABSOM Department of Native Hawaiian Health and Boston Medical Center. We look forward to sharing more.

KULA staff met with the principals from Roosevelt, Stevenson, Lincoln, and Pauoa to offer support for our keiki as they return to school. They asked for our assistance in updating parent contact information. While school reopening plans are still uncertain, having a current contact is very important. Forms are available at the park; please contact Meghan or Tati at 520-8991.

Recently, we held a small Mahalo Pa'ina for the various volunteers and organizations that contributed to community during the pandemic. Mahalo to Cappy & Sam Solatorio for opening their home. Attendees were gifted a "Papakolea Strong" shirt for their kokua. We will not be selling this shirt as it is intended for those who served Papakolea during this time. We do however have the "Papakolea's Finest" shirts available for purchase to support the Papakolea Pandemic Fund.

Our Papakolea Pandemic Response Team Leader, Kaapuni Kama, is stepping out soon as our new bundle of joy is on his way. In her absence, Meghan and Tatiana are trained and ready to serve. Tatiana is a former KULA employee that has returned to assist during the pandemic and Kaapuni's absence. Mahalo for your support during this transition.

We are working on plans to reopen our programs while keeping community health and safety at the forefront. We look forward to welcoming you back into our existing programs as well as new programs on the horizon.

Mahalo nui for your support and patience. It continues to be our honor to serve this beloved community.

Aloha kekahi i kekahi,

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Kula no na Po`e Hawaii

Papakolea Community
Development Corp.

Kewalo Hawaiian Homestead Community Assn.

Kalawahine Streamside Assn. PAGE 2 PAPAKOLEA NEWS

COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE

In partnership with Altres, grocery boxes (milk, eggs, bread, produce, etc.) are available for pick-up on Fridays from 11am-12pm. Supplies are limited and groceries vary. Starting on July 10, boxes will be available every other week.

Due to a limited supply and increased need, Kula staff must confirm your registration per distribution. You may be placed on a waitlist and we will do our best to accommodate everyone. Mahalo for your understanding.

Call 520-8991 to sign-up.







In partnership with Lanakila Meals on Wheels, we would like to offer KCCN kupuna another meal opportunity. Every Wednesday, they will provide 6 frozen USDA compliant meals, a ready-to-eat meal, and other fresh items. This program is funded for the next few months. To qualify, you must meet the following requirements:

- Registered KCCN Participant
- 60 years and older
- Complete Lanakila Meals on Wheels Application
- Copy of photo ID
- Complete Kupuna Wellness Center Participant Agreement Form
- Must pick up meals at Papakolea Community Center (upper hall) 10:30am on Wednesdays.

If you are interested in the Lanakila Meals on Wheels program or KCCN services, please contact Mahealani Austin at (808) 561-4011.

Friendly Reminder: The last day of Kamehameha Schools
Meal Distribution Program 'Apo-a-Ai is July 16.

Mahalo nui KS for providing 'ono lunch pans to community families!

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COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

Mahalo to the many Oahu Paddling Clubs & Punahou families that collected non-perishables for our Community Food Drive on Sunday June 14th.

Over 200 boxes were created to feed 1,500 residents. We greatly appreciate all who donated & volunteered to make this distribution a success!

A special mahalo to Donna Kahakui for championing this effort!











REQUEST FROM COMMUNITY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Please update your child's parent/guardian contact information for the upcoming school year. Contact information forms are available at the park; please contact Meghan or Tati at 520-8991.

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