

"The overall spirit at Hualālai has showed me just how important it is to care for one another. I count my blessings everyday and am so proud that the 'Ohana Foundation plays such an active role in being involved every day with the staff."

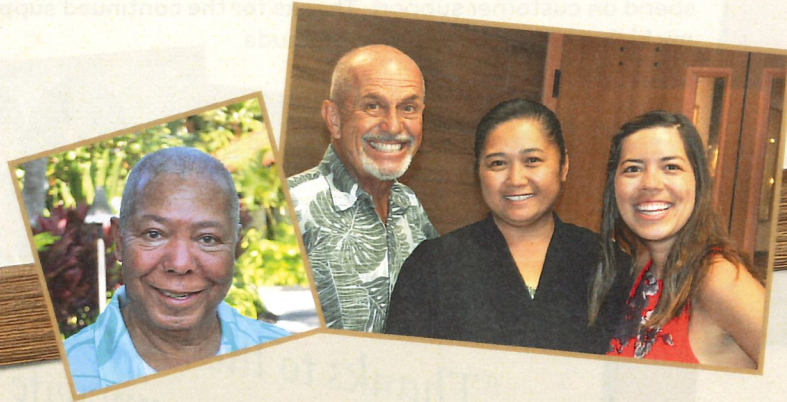
Lana kākou i ka hau'oli o ha'i.

We rise by uplifting others.



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Your donation of \$600 will...

Motivate 4 children of Hualālai employees to do well in school so they can qualify for the Honor Roll Awards and Recognition Ceremony among their family and peers at the Four Seasons Grand Ballroom.

Your donation of \$1,500 will...

Provide a matching educational award for a hardworking full-time college student to match their summer employment earnings through the Work for College program, supporting tuition, fees, room and board at their higher education institution.

Your donation of \$3,200 will...

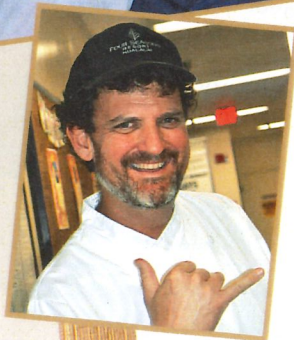
Provide urgently needed support to an employee or family member during their time of an unexpected urgent medical, surgical or dental need, making it easier for them to return to work and life at Hualālai.

Your donation of \$5,000 will...

Support a hardworking employee in achieving their dreams of achieving higher education through a scholarship award.

Your donation of \$10,000 will...

Provide 5 dental awards to an employee or immediate family member for a surgical procedure addressing disabling dental conditions.



Our 'ohana would like to say...

As the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation works to build stronger connections with our supporters and our employee 'ohana, we look forward to nurturing respectful and responsible relationships that connect us to each other and to this special place.

Whether by connecting employees to opportunities to advance education or improve their health, your support makes a difference in the lives and well-being of employees and local families who make Hualālai the special place it is.

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In the fall I will be attending Lindenwood university in Missouri, I will be pursuing a degree in Chemistry with an emphasis in Biochemistry. After I receive my Bachelor of Science degree, my dream will be to attend Med School. My hope is to be a doctor. Ever since I was nine years old, medicine has always been an interest of mine. I would like to finish my schooling on the Mainland and return to the Big Island to practice medicine.

I am the oldest of 5 siblings. My parents always reminded me of how important it is to be an example to them. My brothers and sisters constantly see all of the hard work I put into my studies and sports. **My hope is that one day they will continue the legacy and always strive to do their best. Having 5 siblings can be a struggle. My family could not afford to keep my siblings in sports and extracurricular activities the past couple of years. Living in Hawai'i, a large family is very expensive and my parents do struggle to pay the bills.** I chose Lindenwood because I could continue to play Rugby both at a collegiate level and USA women's U20 level. **I'm very grateful to the 'Ohana Foundation for the scholarship they have provided me with. Without this scholarship I don't think I would be able to attend Lindenwood University.**

In the African Proverb it says "it takes a village to raise a child". I find this proverb to be a reflection of my success. Whether it was in the classroom or field, my teachers, coaches, and church leaders have always supported me. I know it will be a difficult to live so far away from my island home, but I'm so excited to gain a higher education.

Thank you for making my dreams possible.

Mahalo,
Kapoina Bailey



"Because of you, my daughter is on her way to becoming the first person in our family history to graduate from college. My family is deeply grateful and couldn't possibly thank you enough."



My name is Natalia Ke'ale Kim, and I am looking forward to my third semester at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo. I am pursuing my bachelor's degree in Biology to build a solid educational base for my long term goals, which are to attend a school of Optometry and to one day become an eye doctor.

By attending UH Hilo I can live at home, therefore lightening the overall financial burden of pursuing my higher education. I live with my father, who works as a food



Mahalo for all your support!

Nahenahe has continued to do very well at Parker and we are so happy to have her attending a school that is pushing her academically, as well as encouraging her individuality. It is extremely important to us that Nahenahe has strong educational support, and stay enrolled at Parker School, as she has plans to enter the medical field as a Pediatrician. We are confident that keeping her enrolled in Parker will give her the best opportunity for future acceptance to a college of her choosing.

server at The Four Seasons Hualālai, and my two younger brothers, who are currently in high school and elementary school. I am constantly striving to find means to support my education so that I may graduate as debt-free as I possibly can.

I sincerely appreciate the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation for constantly providing me with award opportunities for my educational success.

Gratefully,
Natalia Ke'ale Kim

This 2018/2019 school year, our out of pocket monthly tuition, and other school fees have averaged \$1,200 per month. With the cost of living being so high in Hawai'i, and the low combined income of my wife and I, we are barely making ends meet. Having the added cost of a private school education is something that has been taking a financial strain on us.

Receiving assistance from the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation will make this wonderful opportunity less of a financial hardship on our family. We appreciate your consideration in this matter, and are so thankful for the all the support the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation has given our family over the years.

Mahalo,
Richard Rosario



My first year of University has been incredible, and this summer blew by. I can't believe I'll be starting my second year in just two weeks. I spent the core of my summer working as a software developer intern at a tech startup called Plotly. I was very fortunate to work on a wide variety of projects and got a chance to try different aspects of my field. I made an app for the sales team to showcase the usefulness of one of Plotly's closed-source products. I made a couple of internal tools, one to help the customer success team keep track of expiring customer licenses and another to visualize the time employees spend on customer support. **Thanks for the continued support of my higher education!** - Owen Matsuda



"Thanks to the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation, my wife and I can sleep at night knowing our son is going to be okay."

We consider ourselves extremely fortunate and appreciative to have been able to send our children to these academic institutions due in part to the generous financial assistance provided to us by the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation. They both continue to thrive academically, athletically, and spiritually. Maia and Micah are diligently working towards achieving success and happiness.

As the kids get older and become more involved with their activities my wife and I still make, and cherish time to spend as a family. We emphasize quality time together, and bask in every second of it.

We ask for the Foundation's continued support to help provide the opportunity for our children to proceed with their growth and personal and academic standards.

With gratitude and much Aloha, my family and I thank the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation for the valued contributions blessed upon Maia and Micah.

Mahalo nui loa,
Paul Mills