

HUALĀLAI 'OHANA FOUNDATION



'O ka 'olu'olu e hau'oli ia
HAPPINESS IS KINDNESS

As 2020 nears to a close, the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation would like to thank our generous donors and contributors for your support. Your kindness has brought so much happiness to the Hualālai 'Ohana.

Please enjoy reading some of the ways your support has helped change lives here at Hualālai ...

2020 *Fall Newsletter*

MAHALO FOR YOUR KINDNESS

'OHANA@HOME TECHNOLOGY FOR EDUCATION AWARD

E MĀLAMA KEKAHI I KE KAHI *Take care of each other*

Since August 2020, the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation has distributed 193 'Ohana@Home Technology for Education awards to families like Rayna's. This means 193 families can breathe a little easier knowing their children will not miss out on lessons or be intimidated by the rapid transition to remote learning.

Because of you, Hualālai Resort employees, contractors, service providers and vendors have received awards ranging from \$500-\$800 to help provide for their families' at-home remote learning through the pandemic. Thank you for pulling together to make it possible to care for others when help was needed, so we could all help families have a sense of stability amid a lot of uncertainty.

We could not do it without you.

Thank you so much for your bountiful donations not just to myself and my family but to my fellow colleagues as well. My family and I are so grateful for your generous gifts during this time of struggle and uncertainty. With our gift, we were able to get our son a laptop which will be used for school now that schools are on distance learning. Thank you again for a much-needed gift. We are very thankful for your continued giving hearts.

*– The Akau 'Ohana
Rayna, Kanoa, Duke & Zane*



Your support helped families like Rayna's. Rayna moved to Molokai after the closure of the resort in March so that she could care for her Tūtū, who needs full-time care. Adjusting to new life on Molokai in the middle of a pandemic required many changes for the family, including Rayna's son Duke who had to transition to an online classroom for school. But without a computer and router, the idea of distance learning wasn't just intimidating, it was stressful. Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, and a pledge commitment from the Hualālai Resort ownership, we were able to help make the transition to remote learning at home easier for a busy mom and her family through an 'Ohana@Home Technology for Education award.

Caring for the community is part of what makes Hualālai so special.

I've been on furlough now for over 6 months. We had no idea that we would face so many challenges and sacrifices. Our family vehicle was recently repossessed and our monthly bills are payments behind. Although we are facing financial hardships, we still find many reasons to smile. Our needs are met and our kids are well and that's all that really matters. The biggest blessing out of all of this is my 'ohana and I have a deeper appreciation for each other and the little things in life. These months of not working have given me quality time to spend with them. We are forever grateful to the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation because it has always been a huge blessing to all of us. Thank you for making our lives a little brighter.

– Chris and Shelbie

Enrolling in this program was the best decision I have made as it has already helped me create attainable goals for debt elimination. I believe when people are financially stable there is more motivation to further themselves and grow their career because anything seems possible without debt hanging over them. I am now able to teach others what I have learned and help them achieve their financial goals. Thank you for the opportunity.

– Angelica

Thank you so much Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation! You have no idea how much this means to me driving back and forth everyday to my cousins house to use their computers was super exhausting and embarrassing. But now we can finally buy our daughter her own laptop to do her schooling right at home. Mahalo nui loa. I'll be there tomorrow to pick it up. Mahaloooooooooooo!

– Kahea

Thank you for supporting my education. In order to live my life to the fullest, I am pushing myself in order to get a college education and thrive. I had to move out of the dorms without much notice because of the pandemic and I am currently going to school online. This life is so short and you won't get anywhere by sitting back and seeing where life takes you. I don't want to take out student loans because I want to move further my dreams and career path instead of being limited by debt.

– Hailey

Just this morning, I read the annual report. Through my tears, I could see how much good we're doing. I'm so proud to be a part of this Foundation.

*– Hualālai 'Ohana
Foundation Board
Member*



'Ohana Impact

When you make a tax-deductible donation to the Hualālai 'Ohana Foundation, you're supporting the well-being of those who make Hualālai such a special place to be. Your contribution is much more than charity; it's an investment in the future of Hualālai and Hawai'i Island.

The following are just a few examples of how your support can make a lasting difference. . . .

YOUR GIFT OF

- \$750** will provide the child of a Hualālai 'ohana employee to participate in an off-island learning program, tutoring or learning opportunity, enriching lives and creating a brighter future.
- \$1,500** will provide support for a meritorious college student working over the summer months with a match on their summer employment earnings, encouraging them on their academic journey so they can have more time to focus on their studies.
- \$3,000** will provide support for the unexpected serious medical situations that arise for families and individuals during times of urgent medical, dental or surgical need, making it easier for them to return to work and life at Hualālai.
- \$3,500** will provide technology for remote learning and education for 7 keiki or adult learners, defray costs of purchasing a computer, printer, router or software.
- \$7,500** will provide a bright, healthy start for Hawai'i's keiki, making it possible for the child of a Hualālai Resort employee to receive private Preschool or K12 education here in Hawai'i. Average need per year = 60 awards of \$4,000.
- \$15,000** will support 10 Academic Merit awards of \$1,500 each for a meritorious college student performing well in school and pursuing dreams of higher education achievement. Average need is 15 per year.
- \$25,000** will provide merit-based cash awards of \$150 to \$250 to 115 students who have earned a spot on the Honor Roll for the year.
- \$35,000** will help build a bright future through funding for skills/vocational training and coursework opportunities. Average need = 72 awards per year (48 adults, 24 children). Average award \$500. Common coursework includes summer art and science programs, security guard certificates, fitness and wellness, computer programming and financial literacy courses.
- \$50,000** will provide 40 scholarships for students pursuing higher education at an in-state or out-of-state college. Average need is 40 scholarships per year. Average award amount is \$1500 (in-state colleges) and \$3,500 (out-of-state colleges).

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