



"Loving Friends"

November 2020

# Nā HOALOHA

## Compassionate Care for Independent Seniors

### Mahalo, Chef Kyle



Ever since its opening, Maui Fresh Streatery has strived to be part of the community by helping various non-profits, programs, and families in need through their Aloha Tip Jar program. To date, the Aloha Tip Jar has donated over \$150,000 to various non-profits on Maui. Na Hoaloha was a recipient of the tip jar in the beginning of 2020 when the COVID-19 pandemic struck. Shifting gears, Chef Kyle recognized the need for prepared meals for socially isolated senior citizens throughout the community.

Using a "Pay it Forward" program, customers can make donations to the Kokuia Meals Initiative which funds weekly Kupuna Meals. Meals are prepared every week-end, then distributed by volunteers such as Na Hoaloha to our at-risk seniors. As of this writing, Maui Fresh Streatery has been cooking meals for 34 consecutive weeks and provided over 3500 individual meals. Mahalo, Chef Kyle Kawakami!!

You can contribute to Kupuna Meals Initiative through Maui Fresh Streatery or Na Hoaloha.



*"The happiest day is Monday when I get the meal from Na Hoaloha".—S. from Lahaina*

*"Today is my birthday and I didn't think anyone would remember. Now, I can pretend I am out for a fancy dinner!" - M.S.*

*"I am a caregiver and this meal makes a huge difference for me and my wife. The quality is like a fine restaurant!"- J.K.*

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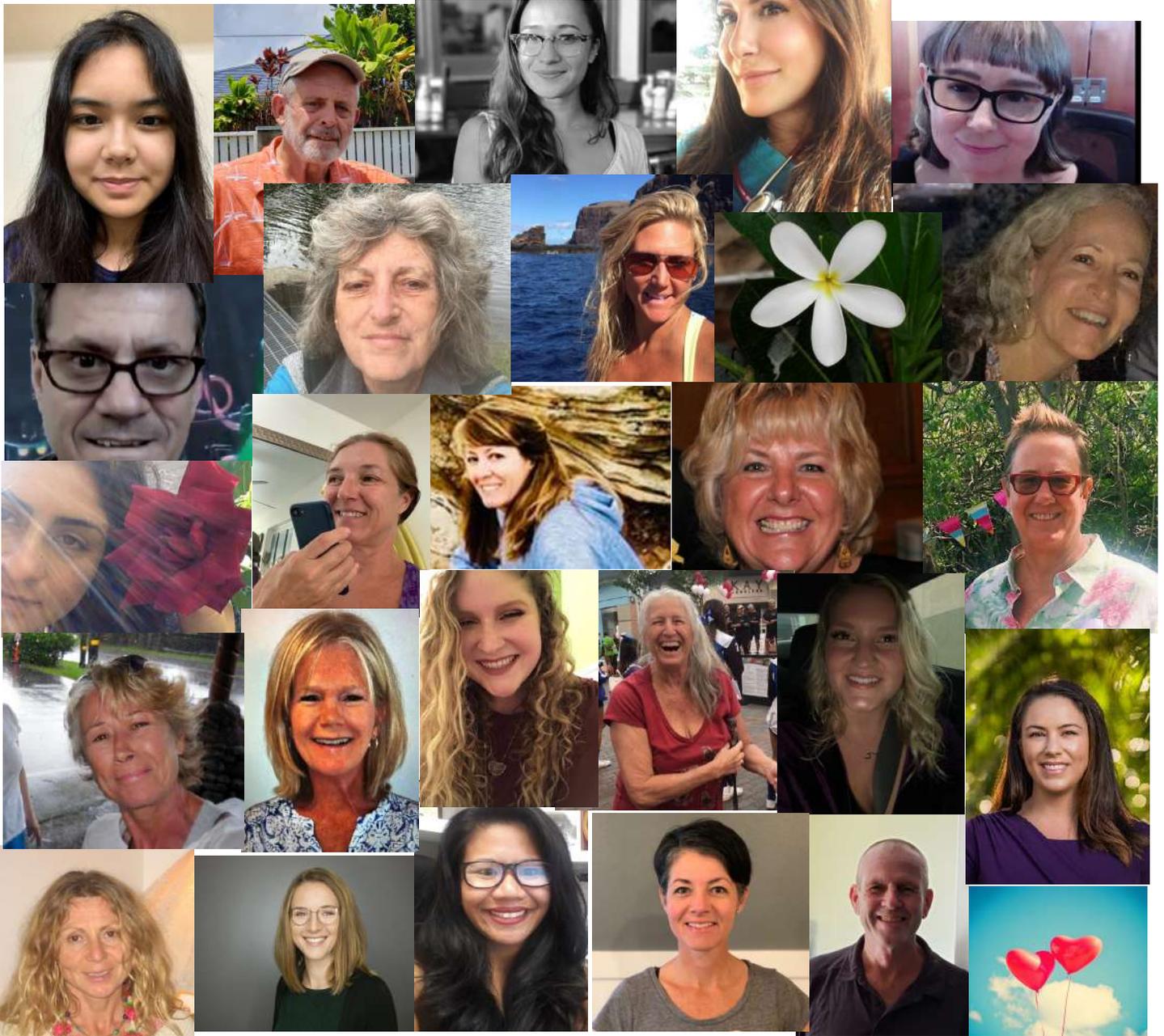
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# Welcome to the Nā Hoaloha 'Ohana



L to R: Alyssa Riglos, Arpad Dezso, Anela Kahanaoi-Nichols, Barbara Brena, Candice Pacheco, 2nd—Jean Maushard, Judy Starbuck, Elissa Langmaid, Kai DuPonte, 3rd—Heavenly Quintero, Maria Souza, Kristen Walker, Elaine Slavinsky, Rosemary Robinson, 4th—Sharilyn Wilkerson, Lori de Crinis, Casey Sullivan, Laura Rosenthal, Samantha Derby, Stephanie Mirich, 5th—Marie Walczak-Pol, megan James, Cheryl Alcantara, Chelsea Seidman, and Ken Lee.

**Na Hoaloha volunteers contributed a vast amount of time, miles, support and compassionate care while keeping kupuna safe at home.**

- Shop & Drop Grocery Trips—1728
- Meals Delivered—2800
- Comfort Calls—6240
- Miles Driven— 15,749

Mahalo for the generous support provided by Who have graciously contributed to providing transportation to kupuna in a safe, friendly and professional way. We are grateful for your support!



Hours, activity and miles is the best way to tell our story to the people who make the decision to fund our mission. We need your help in reporting the value.

[Please send in your reports.](#)



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### Calendar of Events

- Nov. 3 - Election Day
- Nov. 11—Veterans Day
- Nov. 12—Volunteer Orientation  
2:00 to 4:00 PM
- Nov. 17—Volunteer Orientation  
10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
- Nov. 19—BOD Meeting 3:30—4:30
- Nov. 26—Thanksgiving Day

AARP- Starting November  
"Caregiver Wednesdays"

<https://aarp.cvent.com/care20-21>

### Rest in Aloha



"Aunty" Fern Crum  
Volunteer Ambassador



Lawrence Meneghin  
"Pops"  
Incredibly Caring Volunteer



### From the Heart By King Van Nostrand

Some come alone. Others come in a group. Most know the problems, but few offer fixes.

They arrive from all walks of life and all social-economic backgrounds—they show up from all ages, ethnicities, and cultures. And many see life a bit differently than most people. They strive to be interconnected with their communities and coupled with both the problem AND the solution. They also want to be associated with other human beings toward a common goal. They want to work side-by-side with others toward a common goal of good. These unique individuals believe that they can initiate change, make progress, and do good to better society. And they do not pursue any monetary prize or recognition for their efforts. These folks are total optimists, somewhat idealists, and the backbone of our neighborhoods. Their roles cannot be underestimated and are a massive piece of local communities.

Who are these folks? Just look in the mirror, it is you! A volunteer! The person that understands that even the smallest gesture or task can make a difference. Yes, you, the people that express willingness and excitement to help others less fortunate than themselves. Volunteers often give their time, their energy, and their sincere efforts to help someone else or something larger than themselves.

Whether the volunteer opportunity springs from disaster or crisis or if the calling comes from personal experiences, the primary motto remains the same: Volunteers express a willingness to undertake service to help others. Volunteers find a passion or excitement that evokes an emotional response. Successful volunteers find an organization that addresses those tugs on their heartstrings or focuses on situations that break their hearts. Volunteers seek solutions that offer everyday people support, comfort and a slight glimmer of hope that they can make a difference and that their time is well-spent.

The most valuable asset to any organization is the health and strength of its volunteer forces. It is impossible to put a price tag on volunteering, but statistics strongly show that volunteers save the economy millions and millions of dollars each year.

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## V.I.P.s (Volunteer in Pandemic—Services)

Kupuna Food Angel Squad



We found a way to continue our Kupuna yard Clean-up Program. Wearing masks, safe distance and making sure kupuna are priority!

MEO Youth Program cleared Uncle Roy's yard.

Makawao Montessori students fixed the porch to make it safe.



**Pupukahi I Holomua—Unite to move forward. We will get through this together. 2020 has been a crazy year for us all, especially our kupuna.**

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Did you know how valuable you are to Na Hoaloha? How critical your volunteering service is to Maui County? Did anyone tell you today just how meaningful your participation is to our community?

You are our gold reserves! Our long-term investment! Your warm spirit and compassion add so much value to our agency! It is your dedication and helping nature that has no price or compensation attached! It is your unwavering determination to find answers in a world wrought with problems that reveal the bright, shining star of giving to others that all volunteers bring to the table.

From my heart, I thank every volunteer for being a big part of the solution. ....kvn