



HCAP Weekly

A weekly e-newsletter of Honolulu Community Action Program, Inc.
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"Providing Opportunities and Inspiration since 1965"

HCAP extends its aloha and sympathies to the residents of Japan as the nation recovers from the recent natural disasters.

Head Start on OC16 television show rescheduled for Wednesday



Watch or listen to **OC16's Radio Tiny** this **Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 am**. HCAP Head Start Director Lynn Cabato and Teacher Pua Kea will share about Head Start's impact on the Waianae coast during "Peace of the Rainbow." The show will be broadcast live on OC16 television, Morning Drive on K108 Radio AM 1080 and online at oc16.tv

Tax clinic helps students apply for financial aid

Kapiolani Community College invited HCAP to offer a free tax help clinic at KCC. For many students, not having their tax returns filed was a barrier to applying for financial aid. At the same event, students who filed their taxes were assisted with their financial aid applications. HCAP's clinic was a success and this was a positive partnership with KCC's Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) program.



Georgette Aki helps a KCC student file her taxes

HCAP hosts resources booth at 96744 Fair



A Kaneohe girl enjoys the games at the 96744 Fair

HCAP staff attended this year's **96744 Fair: 5R's Festival of Fun** at King Intermediate School. Staff braved the rainy weather to share about the many services HCAP offers to Windward families. The staff also promoted the **Malama Pono Youth Mentoring Program**. Children who visited the booth got to play games and win prizes; their parents left with a greater knowledge of HCAP's programs.

Foundation laid for new Leeward Center

Construction moves forward on HCAP's new community center in Waianae. This week, MJ Construction's crew poured concrete for the building's foundation. At the site were HCAP Director of Community Services **Robert Naniolo**; MJ Construction President **Joon Ho Son**; Assistant Project Manager **Nicole Shiraishi**; and Planner **Randy Goto**.

Department of Health provides food safety training

HCAP's district managers from the Windward, Leeward and Central districts attended a food handling and preparation safety training. The training was organized by Sandee Walker from the **Hawaii FoodBank** and the presenter was Dennis Loo from the **State of Hawaii Department of Health**. The training was pertinent to HCAP because of the food distributions offered regularly at each district center. Also, HCAP's new Leeward community center will have a fully-functional certified kitchen, and food safety protocols will be key to ensuring safety and health.



Leeward District manager Val Tawai



Left: Robert Naniolo (HCAP), Randy Goto (City & County), Nicole Shiraishi (CM&D)
Right & Below: Laying concrete for the foundation of the community center

HCAP welcomes the newest member of our staff `ohana!

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Malama Pono Youth Mentoring Program



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