



*In March-April we launched a campaign to raise \$10,000 for Spring grantmaking. We came close!
Over \$8,300 was donated and matched dollar-for-dollar.*

***Thanks to you, and awesome donors like you,
more than \$33,000 was re-distributed to the following groups.***

RECENT GRANTS

Lanai Heritage Subsistence Program

Bringing increased awareness and community voices to situations facing the shoreline and waters of the island.

808Truth2Youth

A collaboration between grassroots counter-military recruitment on Maui, Oahu, Kauai and Hawaii Island.

Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii

Educating about drug issues in Hawaii, advocating for sensible and humane policies, creating resources.

Hui Malama I ke Ala Ulili

Transforming and elevating the cultural and political consciousness in Eastern Hamakua on Hawaii Island.

Kuaana Project

Led by transgender mahu wahine to educate, empower and build awareness among a larger community.

Hawaii Women in Filmmaking

Creating local access and opportunities for empowerment, training and self-expression within the medium of film.

World Can't Wait Hawaii

Building resistance, educating, organizing, and collaborating to counter empire, oppression, brutality, and more.

Hoopae Pono Peace Project

A collaborative vision for peace, demilitarization and independence for Hawaii as well as the healing of all of Mother Earth.

Chuuk Catholic Community of Honolulu

Supporting cultural integration for Micronesians/Chuuk migrants in Hawaii society, recognizing that barriers to navigating a new host culture can lead to social injustices.

Hawaii SEED

Promoting food sovereignty and security throughout the broader Aloha Aina movement through education and nonviolent direct action.

Aloha DREAM Team

Youth led initiative educating, engaging, empowering and organizing the local immigrant community, with a focus on those under 35.

Thank You.

YOU made this possible!

Your support is distributed as grants, technical assistance, capacity building and collaborative opportunities to Hawaii grassroots groups working at the root causes of injustice, at the creative edges of proactive social change.



<http://www.ainamomona.org>

E-mail received on May 5, 2015:

*Aloha Kakou,
Several years ago, Hawaii People's Fund funded Hui Aloha Aina Momona with a grant to buy equipment and to provide training funds. This week, we are on Maui to help make papa ku'i'ai, taro pounding boards.*

The vision that you helped fund is alive and well. In partnership with others in the Maui community, we have the potential to put up to 40 new family heirlooms into homes on Maui.

Mahalo for partnering with us to see our vision come to life!

Taking care of the land, is taking care of the ancestors. The land feeds the people. This mutual nourishment is the relationship that the Hawaiians have to kalo. **Your donations enable this project to bring cultural continuity, health and life to families throughout the islands.**



Listen Up!

Pacific Tongues/Youth Speaks Hawaii

Pacific Tongues is a non-profit organization that cultivates an active artistic Oceanic community of writers, spoken word artists, rappers, and educators.

Check out their amazing poetry on YouTube.com

Our influence will be best measured in 7 generations...

*Our education system is clearly broken, and perhaps the greatest consequence is that the spirit of our youth is broken too. In its second year, **Ke Ea Hawaii** is cultivating youth leaders at each Hawaiian charter school, inspiring their student body to pay attention, take action, and assume control over Hawaii's future.*



*We are seeing shifts in how principals view students... And we are seeing a group of young people set their goals higher than we've seen since the inception of charter schools in 1999. **Hawaii Peoples Fund** is the water that sprouted this seed and the emergency grant saved us in a time of drought.*

YOUR support is transformative!



Several members of Ko'olau Clubhouse dropped by Hawaii People's Fund office in May.

<https://www.facebook.com/koolauclubhouse>

A Place for those Seeking Mental Wellness

Friends of Ko'olau Clubhouse provides a safe and supportive environment that fosters meaningful community, opportunities to develop interpersonal skills and find gainful employment.

Last year, they started a Book Club which includes journaling. Recently, a dozen members published their personal stories and advice on life.

From Onofre's story: *I want people to understand that for people like me everyday is a struggle.*

Your donation is an investment in hope!

ROI: Return on Your Investment

A 2010 grant to La'a Kea Foundation on Maui assisted the first phase of an ambitious project: the establishment of a farm community for adults with developmental disabilities. They had secured land, but little else.

Fast forward to 2015. La'a Kea Foundation is now a licensed provider offering meaningful and productive training and work opportunities. Adults with autism and intellectual disabilities help to preserve the land while growing independence and skills and establishing relationships with the Maui community. More than 4,000 tourists and locals visit the farm stand annually. Just this spring, La'a Kea received USDA certification as an organic farm! <http://laakea.org>



Early photo of La'a Kea above. Vibrant participants shown below.



artwork: Haley Kailichu

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, October 17, 2015

Celebrating Generational Connections

Rooted in the Past
Navigating the Present
Nourishing the Future

Hawaii People's Fund ANNUAL DINNER

YOU should be there!



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And a very sad aloha at the passing of these friends of Hawaii People's Fund:

Shirley Naomi Garcia
Josette Rosof
Pete Thompson

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like the groups described in this newsletter.**

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