

Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee (2025-2027) on 2025-04-10 9:00 AM

Meeting Time: 04-10-25 09:00

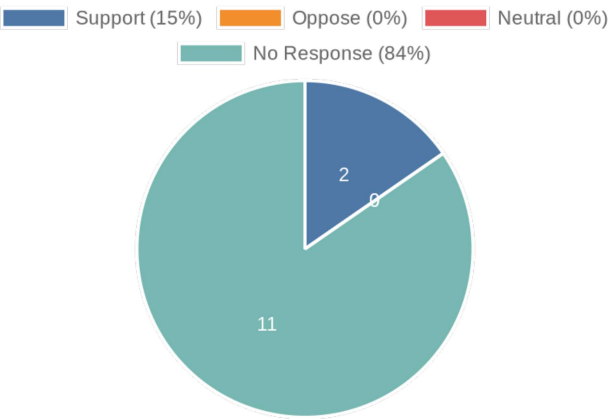
eComments Report

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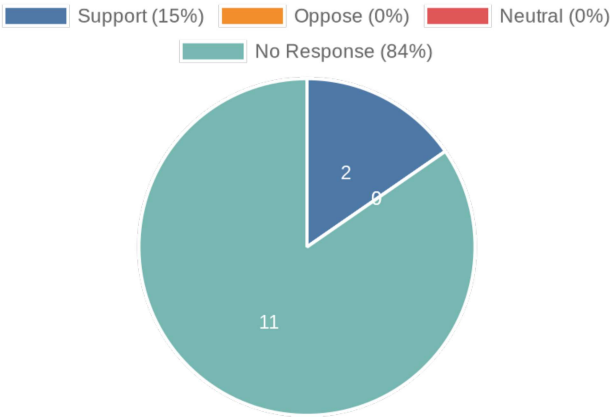
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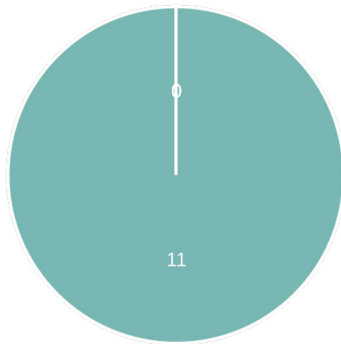
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Agenda Item: eComments for A G E N D A

Overall Sentiment

Support (0%) Oppose (0%) Neutral (0%)
No Response (100%)



BFED Committee

Location:

Submitted At: 4:53pm 04-10-25

Testimonies received from BFED Committee 04-10-2025 (3)

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 2:16pm 04-10-25

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Thanks to the subsidy, I have been able to afford safe and reliable child care for my children. This support has allowed me to work, and has relieved an incredible amount of financial stress for our family.

Without this assistance, I honestly don't know how I would be able to balance providing for my family while ensuring my children are in a nurturing, stable environment during the day. The subsidy has been a lifeline, and I hope it continues to be available to other Maui families who are doing their best to build a strong future.

Mahalo,

Rozline Benanua

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 2:16pm 04-10-25

Aloha,

MAUI family support services child care subsidy has helped our family tremendously. As you're aware, the cost in Maui keeps rising. Things are not as affordable as they used to be and it is hard even if you have a good paying

job.

Rent, insurances, childcare, credit cards, and going back to school to get an education to get a better paying job. Everything just adds up and having the county help with the subsidy makes all the difference. It makes me happy knowing that my child is able to go to preschool without us paying the full \$995 per month tuition.

Thank you for continuing to support this program and helping families.

Sincerely,

Malia

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Mahalo,

Rozline Benanua

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 12:52pm 04-10-25

Aloha,

My name is Leah Amarillo. My husband is born and raised here on Maui and I grew up on Maui during my childhood life. I currently work for the county and my husband works for the hotel industry, both full time. We are blessed to currently have daycare spots with an amazing licensed, child care provider for the past 5 years for all of our children. We are also lucky enough to currently have housing that we rent for our own family. As everyone knows the expensive costs of living in Hawaii along with the costs of childcare, we were surprised and extremely gracious for the help no matter how big or small from the Maui County childcare subsidy. We do not have any other means or qualify for any other subsidies for childcare assistance based on our two income household, which is why we appreciate any help we can get. In order to continue living in our home & Hawaii, we both have to work full-time in order to sustain our family and ensure our babies are being well taken care of by a safe, licensed childcare provider. Again, we do not qualify for any other child care subsidies available nor do we have any other child care help outside of our childcare provider. The help we receive allows us to continue working for the community, support our family, & give us hope to continue raising our children in our island home. Thank you County of Maui for the support of this program as it truly makes a difference.

Leah Amarillo

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 10:34am 04-10-25

Aloha,

My name is Janessa Keahi and I have been a recipient of MFSS Childcare Subsidy since 2019-2020, when my oldest son started attending daycare / preschool. I am truly grateful for the assistance I received and continue to

receive from this amazing program / organization as I would not be able to support my children without the help from MFSS. MFSS has allowed me to continue to work fulltime, so that I can provide a healthy stable lifestyle for my two boys, who are now 10 and 3. If it weren't for this program, I am not sure we would be living the lifestyle we are afforded today. Since securing a subsidy from MFSS, I was able to attain my own place from working and saving up money for the deposit. I am forever grateful and truly humbled by the immense support MFSS has provided me and my ohana.

Mahalo,
Janessa Keahi

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 10:33am 04-10-25

From: Maria S <maria.sedano01@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2025 10:06 AM
To: County Clerk <County.Clerk@mauicounty.us>
Subject: Subsidy testimony

Thank you Maui County subsidy program. The subsidy helped my family with inflation & the cost of living. It also helped me & my husband go to work in order to make ends meet for our family.

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 8:04am 04-10-25

Dear Members of the Maui County Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for funding to the Maui Economic Development Board (MEDB) to continue and expand its STEM programs on the islands of Lanai and Molokai. These two rural communities have long faced challenges in providing access to opportunities for their students, particularly in fields related to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). The work that MEDB has done through its various initiatives has had an immensely positive impact on these students and has contributed to the development of critical skills that will help drive the future of these communities. My involvement in STEMworks as a young middle and high school student opened many doors for me prior to attending West Point.

The STEMWorks program, in particular, has proven to be an invaluable resource, offering hands-on learning experiences and exposing students to career opportunities they may not have otherwise considered. By partnering with local schools and providing real-world, engaging projects, the program not only fosters interest in STEM fields but also prepares students for success in an increasingly technology-driven world. The impact on Lanai and Molokai students has been profound, and continuing this funding will help ensure that these students have every opportunity to thrive in these vital fields.

Investing in these programs is an investment in the future of our rural communities. It helps level the playing field for students who may not have access to the same resources as those in more urban areas. Moreover, it strengthens the long-term economic prospects for Lanai and Molokai by equipping the next generation with the skills needed to support and lead in innovative industries.

I urge you to consider the continued funding of these programs to ensure that the positive outcomes we've seen so far are expanded upon. Supporting STEM education for our young people is one of the most impactful ways to help them build a better future for themselves and for their communities.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I appreciate your commitment to supporting the educational and economic development of Maui County, particularly in our rural areas.

Sincerely,
Keona Conroy-Humphrey
Lanai High School Class of 2018
United States Military Academy at West Point Class of 2022

Guest User

Location:

Submitted At: 8:03am 04-10-25

Dear Madam/Sir,

I had the privilege of participating in most of the "Sewing Sewcial" classes organized by Jennifer Oberg. Throughout these sessions, all participants received invaluable guidance from Jennifer on how to transform or repair our favorite clothing items.

Many people are often tempted to discard their clothes simply because they lack sewing skills or don't have creative ideas for fixing them. Others may not have access to the proper tools, such as a sewing machine, to repair items properly. Jennifer's program helps address this issue by not only assisting with clothing repairs but also encouraging the repurposing of fabric-based household items.

Fabric waste is a far more significant issue than most realize. Without proper education and awareness, many people do not understand that their overconsumption can lead to problems of the same magnitude, or even greater. When I visit local thrift stores or even Goodwill, I often wonder if they can manage the volume of clothing donations they receive.

Recycling is especially crucial here on Maui, where landfill capacity is limited, and transporting fabric waste elsewhere could be both costly and inefficient.

I would like to thank the Maui Recycling Department for their continued support and encouragement of local initiatives, such as Jennifer Oberg's sewing hui, which aim to reduce waste. Community efforts, when in capable hands, can make a significant difference and create a lasting positive impact on the residents of Maui.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ildiko Kalmar

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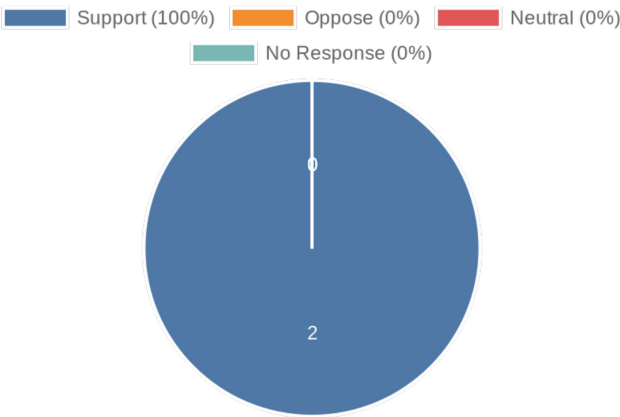
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Agenda Item: eComments for BFED-1 Bill 41 (2025) PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI (BFED-1)

Overall Sentiment



Guest User

Location:
Submitted At: 9:46am 04-10-25

April 10, 2025

Dear Chair Sugimura nd Members of the Committee,

My name is Erin O'Kief, I am the Development Director at Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center. All of us at Hui No'eau are deeply grateful for the \$75,000 allocated to Hui No'eau's Youth & Family Arts Education Outreach Programs in the proposed FY26 Budget. Hui Youth Outreach Programs are now benefitting more than 14,000 Maui County keiki annually through a wide range of FREE arts programming delivered during school, after school at seven Elementary Schools, in accessible community spaces, and through partnerships with Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Centers, Lahaina Public Library, L_ua'i Public & School Library, Moloka'i Arts Center, and many others schools and organizations across Maui County.

Engagement in the arts benefits the entire community. According to an American Academy of Arts & Sciences Report (2021), arts education programs build well-rounded individuals; broadens understanding and appreciation of other cultures and histories; supports social and emotional development; builds empathy, reduces intolerance, and generates acceptance of others; improves school engagement and culture; develops valuable life and career skills; and strengthens community and civic engagement. The report also states that art can offer ways to preserve cultural heritage by engaging marginalized populations whose histories and culture have been suppressed or forgotten. The arts also provide shared experiences in public spaces—a community connection that brings wellbeing and cohesiveness to all. According to a study by Americans for the Arts, 72% of Americans believe “the arts unify our communities regardless of age, race, and ethnicity.

We ask the Committee to please support Hui No'eau's Youth Outreach Programs in FY26. Your support will ensure continued, cost free access to these invaluable programs for Maui County keiki of all ages. I leave you with these testimonials from some of the Hui's community partners, teachers, and students who have benefitted from the program within the last year:

- Misty Bannister, Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Center Children's Services Coordinator shares: “Hui No'eau's amazing teaching artists have been the BEST with our children! They have become part of our children's lives and bring them so much joy. The children and I always look forward to our in person art days every week. Parents have also been enjoying time spent with their children in the groups as well, which promotes such healthy parents and child relationships and such precious moments of bonding.”

- A teacher from Lahaina Intermediate School shares this after a recent field trip to the Hui: "It was so much fun to see them sculpt and paint and see some of the natural talents come up! Even if they didn't feel like it's "their thing" it was a healing and fun day away from school to learn important Aina based information and art skills. We're so grateful. We're also so grateful you found and covered our transportation. It really made us feel wanted and we appreciate the opportunity after such a hard year."

- Chelsea Trevino, Branch Manager at L_ua'i Public & School Library shares: “[Hui No'eau's Art2Go Art] kits have become a mainstay for our library with parents calling and anticipating the arrival of the next kit. The partnership has been a blessing for our community at a time when prices on the island have increased substantially, especially for items such as art and craft supplies....”

A parent on L_ua'i shares: “I just wanted to ask if you could bring more arts to our L_ua'i keiki? Our keiki's love when you guys come here once a month at our L_ua'i Library and share all the ways our kids can make art. From the jewelry making, to recycled items, to modeling clay, and so much more. They love it all, as well as the 'Art to Go' Kits. Mahalo Nui for all you've done for our L_ua'i keiki.”

A teacher from a recent Kahului Elementary School Field Trip shares: "The students loved using a variety of art medias to construct the i'iwi bird habitat and the model of the bird. Most of them have experience watercoloring but most of them have not used modeling clay to construct something. This was the highlight for most students. I thought it was great that the lesson was set around a native bird and gave not only the children awareness but also the adults about how we can help and appreciate the endangered animals of Hawaii."

- Sam Zender, Hui No'eau Youth Teaching Artist shares this about weekly art lessons taught at Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Centers: “Since I have been a part of this program, I have been a witness to the resilience of kids in the face of hardship and tragedy. This program is a sanctuary from their “day-to-day” -- a place where they can come and explore making something that is their own, make a colorful mess, or just laugh because their hands are somehow covered in glitter. I have come to know the kids quite well. When conflict or misfortune happens to one family, emotions ripple throughout. Many times, I

come in and change what we are doing because the kids are responding to another family moving out. As I know they are feeling the loss of their friends, we can try and do something more lighthearted and fun. Other days, it is great to challenge them by trying a new skill. Speaking of skills, the kids have grown so much in the time I've known them! In the beginning, they would tell me, "I can't do that." "Do it for me". Now, the same kids can be counted on to share what they know with newer kids. Even when we are trying new things, I don't hear "I can't." They try it, knowing that we are there to help them figure out the hard parts. We did ribbon leis for Lei Day last year. It was such a triumph for the kids. They jumped in and asked me to demonstrate over and over and then they took off and were helping each other. One of the five year olds was sitting with one of the older kids. The younger boy was struggling to understand the rhythm of ribbon weaving and the older boy responded: "It's easy. It's just like going to the beach." I thought that was very cool so I asked him to explain what he meant. "Just like going to the beach. You watch the waves." I found this amazing as this child has often been impatient with projects that have a lot of steps or difficult details, so I loved that he found peace and quiet in ribbon weaving. I also had parents who were excited about the project so I found myself teaching adults who had never had a chance to learn even though it is a part of their culture. One mother was sharing pictures of leis created by her Tongan relatives and was inspired to want to learn how to make leis in her family's custom. When we started, a lot of these kids were struggling with basic motor skills and I am so proud of how much they have learned. Originally, we had to closely supervise when we were using scissors because the kids were unsure and awkward and often unsafe. They are now much more comfortable and proficient with scissors, markers and paint-brushes and this is sure to be of benefit in school. This self-assurance in their own abilities and a willingness to try new things is what I really hope they take with them."

Mahalo nui for your consideration.

Erin O'Kief
Development Director
Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center
erin@huinoeau.com

Lisa Paulson

Location:

Submitted At: 2:27pm 04-08-25

Testimony from Lisa Paulson with Maui Food Bank



Maui Food Bank
Nourishing Lives, Feeding Futures

April 8, 2025

Yuki Lei Sugimura, Chair
Budget and Finance Committee Chair
Maui County Council

Dear Chair Sugimura and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Maui Food Bank, I am very appreciative of the support that Maui County has provided over the years. We are incredibly appreciative of the ability to bring our funding back to \$400,000 for FY26 to support our efforts to nourish those in need.

Daily we are reminded of our important role as a safety net for our community. Just last month, a neighbor reached out to us in a desperate situation, in need of fresh produce. She suffers from acute kidney disease and relies solely on fresh fruits and vegetables for her diet. With no funds to buy groceries and unable to consume the canned goods provided by her local pantry, we stepped in to help. We assembled a box filled with locally grown, fresh produce, ensuring she had the nourishment she needed. This is a powerful example of how the County's funding can support the health and well-being of our community.

Who we are and who we serve

For 30 years, Maui Food Bank has provided daily and emergency assistance to those facing food insecurity in Maui County. Maui Food Bank distributes food to families and individuals on Maui, Molokai and Lanai through direct service programs and through our network of 170 agency partners. Last year, we served on average 44,000 people each month, distributing a total of 8.7 million pounds of nutritious food, including 2.3 million pounds of fresh produce. This includes people in need living in the rural communities of Hana, Molokai and Lanai. Of those served, 40% are children and youth.

Prior to the fires we spent \$1.5 million on food purchasing and distributed on average 250,000 pounds of food per month. Since the fires we are now spending \$6 million a year to source food and distribute an average of 700,000 pounds of food, of that 200,000 pounds is fresh produce. In relation to the above we used to only have 8-9 containers delivered a year, now we have almost eight containers a month.



Maui Food Bank

Nourishing Lives, Feeding Futures

New facility, disaster preparedness

We are currently conducting strategic planning that will include a new, expanded facility to help us with serving the Maui County community. Right now, we have three warehouse spaces that are separated by miles and are not conducive to serving the community much less the next disaster in an efficient manner. Building a new facility will allow us to be better prepared for the next disaster and allow our staff to have greater efficiency in serving the overall community.

Commitment to the community

We have added a dignified shopping space in Lahaina called “Da Market” that allows families affected by the fires to shop at no cost. Fresh produce and protein are amongst the varied offerings. By May this year we will have two mobile distribution trucks that will go into neighborhoods with the greatest needs. Lastly, we are committed to providing fresh produce and protein as well as ethnic food selections for our families by working with our local farmers, ranchers and fishermen.

We have already seen the powerful impact of partnering with local farmers. Through our Fresh 4 All program, we purchase and pick up fresh produce from local farmers, wholesalers, and farmers’ markets, reducing transportation and access barriers for families in need. Our ‘Ai Holo program works with 15 local farmers to deliver weekly boxes of fresh produce, dairy, and proteins to low-income children and families in rural areas like Hāna, Moloka‘i, and Lāna‘i.

Fresh, healthy food should not be a luxury. Yet for too many families, the rising cost of living forces impossible choices between rent, utilities, medicine, and meals.

Sincerely,

Lisa Paulson
Chief Executive Officer
Maui Food Bank
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BFED Committee

From: Abigail Bausch <abby@habitat-maui.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 4:24 PM
To: BFED Committee
Cc: Matthew Bachman; Jamie Kuia
Subject: Habitat for Humanity Maui - A Brush with Kindness Testimonials

You don't often get email from abby@habitat-maui.org. [Learn why this is important](#)

Aloha,

I hope this message finds you well. As per the Maui County Council's request, I am submitting testimonials for Habitat for Humanity Maui's A Brush with Kindness Program. Attached to this email is a PDF document that includes dozens of before-and-after photos, as well as homeowner testimonials highlighting the impact of the program.

Additionally, several individuals from Habitat for Humanity Maui will be testifying at the hearing on April 10th at 9:00 AM.

Please let me know if the documents were received and accessed without any issues. If there are any other places I should share this information, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Mahalo,

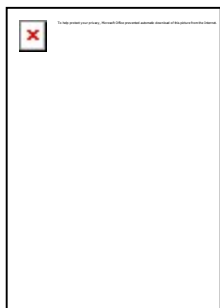
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Habitat for Humanity Maui - A Brush with Kindness Program_ Homeowner Testimonials and Project



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Habitat for Humanity Maui - A Brush with Kindness Program:

Homeowner Testimonials and Project Photos

Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina):**Safety Repairs Performed:**

One resident is scooter-bound and had difficulty accessing the cramped, inaccessible bathroom and getting in and out of the bathtub. To address this, the wall was opened up, the shower curb was lowered, grab bars were installed, and a more accessible cabinet and faucet were added. These changes benefited both individuals in the home.

Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina) Continued:

Habit for Humanity Maui

His my name is Jewette D. Kahane/Fakavai and I've developed Arthritis in my right ankle and its moved up my right leg and now in my left hip and lower back. The Dr. Says it's Sciatic Nerve pain. I've been to therapy + massages and been waiting for a while now. I've applied to Disability back in 2008 and finally got help in 2011. I've been struggling for a while now, especially in the bathroom getting in and out the tub because my legs can't really lift over to get in and out. One of my neighbors mentioned to me about Habitat of Humanity Maui to see if maybe they could help. So I called Mr. Matthew Bachman. I called him and spoke to him he's such a Sweetheart. Such a wonderful person. He told me what to do. I got my paperwork together. He told me what to do next and soon get things going I've met with him + Habitat team and notified me by phone. They came to check out the pre Renovation work. Told me he'll get things going + Notify me. And everything was ok. He'll come by eight paperwork got started. I've enjoyed preparing food + Drinks for my Habitat Renovation team + enjoyed their company.

Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina) Continued:

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Christine. I couldn't have asked for a great
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being here. I'm so grateful for the
restoration of my Bathroom. I love it so much.
Thank you so much Habitat Maui for
all that you do for our County and
of your help everywhere that needs it

Love You Habitat Maui

Matthew Beckman

Alexa

Julie

Justin

Christine

Cass

Sharon

Randy Kathleen Kekahuna

Couldn't have
done it without
you all.

Nickolo

Love DA FAKAVAI

OHANA

Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina) Continued:

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Love you Habitat Maui

Matthew Bachman

Alexa

Josie

Justin

Christina

Cass

Strainer

Aunty Katherine Kekahuana

Couldn't have done it without you all.

Mahalo,

Love Da Fakavai Ohana

Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina) Continued:

Urhaimani

Maalo special for being a part
of the Habitat team, mso Hui, and
for your hard work. And I hope you
enjoyed the food we shared & our
company. Love what you & did
with my Bathroom. And everything
out enough. I hope you're not
forget us. And stay to enjoy your
time here. Once again we grateful
to have met you, stay safe
god Bless your lives.

Love

to Maalo.

DA Fakavai

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C138:

Welcome to Hawaii and the Habitat team.
I've enjoyed your time with us in my
home during the renovation of my Bathroom.
And I hope you enjoyed working with the team in
my home. Words can't explain how I really feel. I
just want to say thank you so much for you
being part of the team. And I can say I love
that you were part of the renovation. I hope that
you've enjoyed the food & our company. I hope you
enjoy our island and stay as long as you want.

Thank You Aloha

Love: DA Fakavai

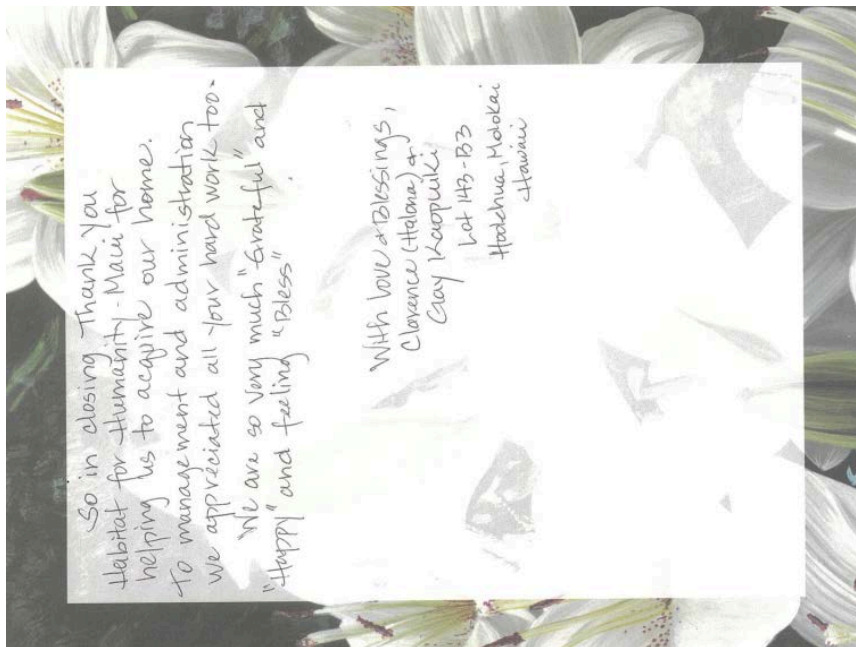
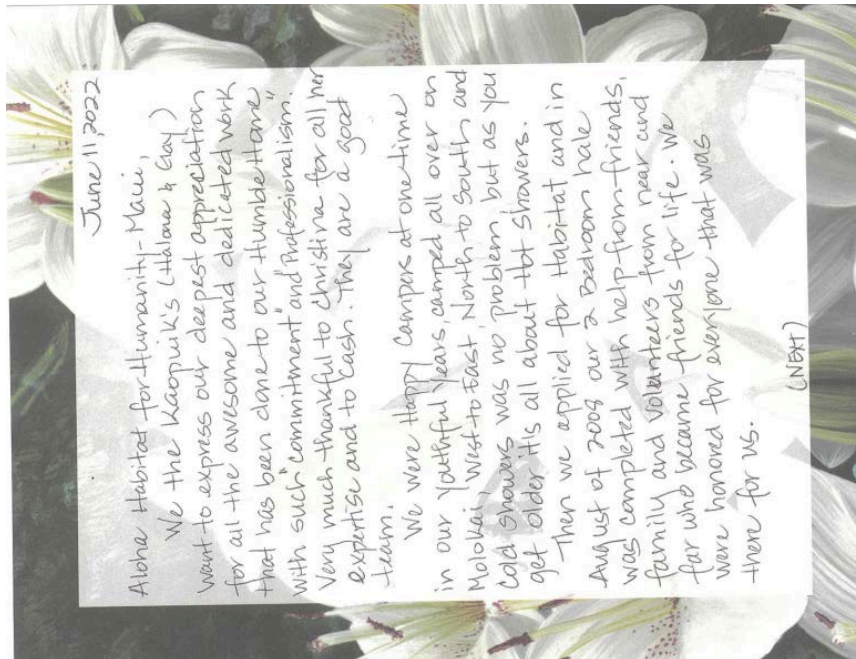
Kahahane-Fakavai (Lahaina) Continued:



Kaopuiki (Molokai):

Safety Repairs Performed:

Removed the existing shower to repair a rotted subfloor, then installed a larger tiled shower with two grab bars, a handheld showerhead, and an ADA toilet. Replaced damaged flooring, repaired a leaking kitchen sink by installing a new one and sealing the area, replaced three broken window screens, and repaired 16 feet of rotted deck handrail before repainting the entire deck. All improvements benefited two people living in the home.



Kaopuiki (Molokai) Continued:



Lono (Hana):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The home was in severe disrepair, with a leaking kitchen sink that had caused a hole in the floor and damage to the shared wall between the kitchen and bathroom. The wall was demolished and rebuilt, both sinks were repaired, and a walk-in shower was installed for Anna. The home was temporarily uninhabitable during construction, and the family arranged alternate housing during that time.

Aloha,

This is from the Lono family in Hana. Thanks again everyone for all you do.

Matt Bachman

Habitat for Humanity Maui

From: franka lono [mailto:flono2008@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 4:14 PM

To: Matthew Bachman <matt@habitat-maui.org>

Subject: Carpenter gang Hana

Aloha Matt

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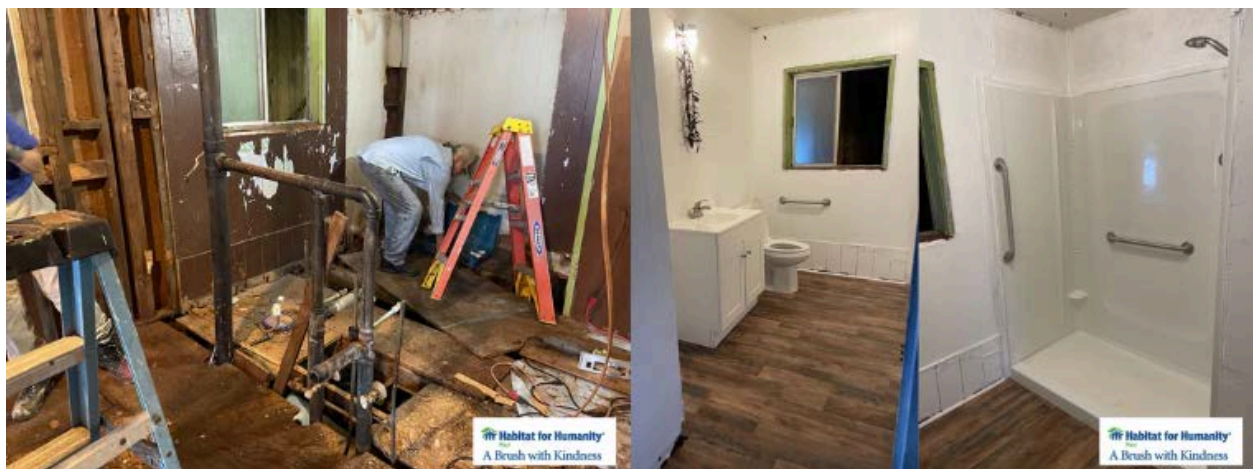
To send out a big mahalo to you and the carpenter gurlies and board member and Chris plus volunteers plus Hana ma ka 'ike
You all did a fantastic

Job making mamas house safe and solid and comfortable for her again it was quite an undertaking but they did it

The three wahine carpenters where amazing 🙌

So very thankful ❤️ Have a wonderful holiday season guyz blessing to you all!!!

The lono'ohana



Lono (Hana) Continued:



Ponce:

"My husband and I built and lived in this home since 1959 where we raised six of our children. Our home was always a home where family, grandchildren and friends could come for many gatherings and I have so many beautiful memories.

In 2019 I was forced to move out of my home due to unsafe conditions. My daughter-in-law contacted Habitat Maui who approved me for a grant to have my home renovated.

We are so grateful, thankful, and truly at a loss of words because I think we are still trying to absorb the fact that I am going to be able to move back into my home where I have been living and only place I've known for most of my life. Thank you so much for all of your time and hard work that you are giving to me and my family."

-The Ponce Ohana

Kan-Hai and Hill (Kahului):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The existing tub and surround were badly damaged, with sections duct taped to cover holes, so they were replaced with a new shower pan, shower surround, and mold-resistant drywall. A partial re-roof was completed to address two active leaks—one over the shower and one in the kitchen—and damaged drywall in those areas was also replaced. Additionally, both the bathroom and kitchen sink cabinets were replaced due to severe rot, benefiting both homeowners by preventing future pest and mold issues.

Habitat for Humanity (a Brush of Kindness)
I just wanted to thank all of you for helping my mom with her house. I have watched helplessly as my parents struggled with their house wishing that there was help for them. I could not afford & did not know how to help them until I heard about this program. Thank you for helping & teaching me how to do home repairs for my mom (& dad who passed in June). The home repairs you all did are greatly appreciated. We will forever be grateful for your kind hearts.
Blessing
Devin Kan-Hai (for FE & Martin Hill)

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Thank you for helping and teaching me how to do home repairs for my mom (and dad who passed in June). The home repairs you all did are greatly appreciated and we will forever be grateful for your kind hearts."

-Kan-Hai and Hill

Kan-Hai and Hill (Kahului) Continued:



Capcal (Kihei):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The existing 32" bathroom door was removed and the opening was expanded to at least 36" to improve wheelchair access. A sliding barn-style door was installed to maximize the usable space and allow for easier entry and exit. The fiberglass shower enclosure and pan were demolished and replaced with a new shower pan, tiled walls, and updated plumbing fixtures as needed. A built-in seating area and three grab bars were also installed in the shower to enhance safety and accessibility.

Praise the Lord, the Almighty God of mercy and grace.

My son Alberto Rodni Capcal had a stroke on Feb 28, 2022. He was hospitalized for 4 months and was sent to Hale Makua for Rehab. He was there until June 28 - 5 weeks -

But before he was discharge, the case worker there promised that they will have someone to come here in our home to take him every day to day care. But 2 days before he was discharge the case worker, Miss Thea called that the plan had change because Rodni is not vaccinated.

In June 28, my son, Rodni came home in a Meo bus. The bus driver asked me if some one came to check the place, because he said that my place is not right for disabled person, because I have 7 steps before entering the apartment.

So I started calling other organizations. One of my co-drivers from Seniorpanion mentioned to call Mami Cooney Aging, which I did.

Thank you God! A wonderful lady named Alexandria answered and told me call Habitat for Humanity. They probably can help you, she said.

I called and Mr. Matt Beckman answered my call. He told me to bring the proof of income etc. The next day I brought to him these things he asked. He is very compassionate, wonderful young man.

He said, he'll have to show to the Board. He promised, he'll call me.

On Aug. 23, Mr. Beckman came with another gentle man, Mr. Bill. Bill looked at the place and knew already what to do.

Sept. 1st Bill and this beautiful

Over-

girl appeared at my door and the job started!

I can't thank God for all the Habitat program for doing this for free.

I thank Bill, Christina and Mr. Matt for all this. They are God given to help me, a person that really needed help for my disabled son. May the good Lord multiply blessing to all of you. I will always remember your goodness and hard work you have done. I appreciate every thing. Thank you is not enough, my prayer will always be with you.

In Christ Jesus
Medie Coepel

Chun-Waipa (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

A complete re-roof was performed to address a leak in the kitchen ceiling that began during an earthquake, after insurance assistance was denied due to prior damage. Grab bars were installed in the shower to provide better stability while bathing. A small section of drywall in the kitchen, where the tape had started to lift, was repaired. Additionally, the shower was waterproofed around the bottom to prevent further damage to the walls.

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To Habitat
for Humanity I am
grateful to express
my appreciation
for the quality
of work of my
contractor.

Thank you
so very much.

David H. Chun

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Habitat for Humanity
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Chun-Waipa (Wailuku) Continued:



Higgins (Paia):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The deteriorating railing on the ramp to the home's entrance was replaced due to weather-related rot, as it was unsafe for the 71-year-old homeowner, who has increasing difficulty ambulating. While the ramp itself was in fair condition and did not require repairs, the railing was vital for stability, and its replacement ensured safer access for the homeowner and the two others with disabilities living in the home.



Roberta Higgins
to me ▾

11:45 AM (2 minutes ago) ☆ ↩ ⋮

Aloha Maui County Council Members:

I'm writing in support of Habitat for Humanity's (A Brush with Kindness Program).

I'm a disabled senior who benefited from this program. I needed to have my wheel chair ramp and railing repaired to keep me safe in using it. They had approved my request and within a month they had it repaired for my safety. They also painted the ramp and railings. The men and women who came to do the repairs were very professional and respectful.

If it wasn't for this program the ramp would not be is use for me being disabled senior.

My request to the Maui County Council Members is that the County to keep funding this wonderful program) to assist other seniors in need.

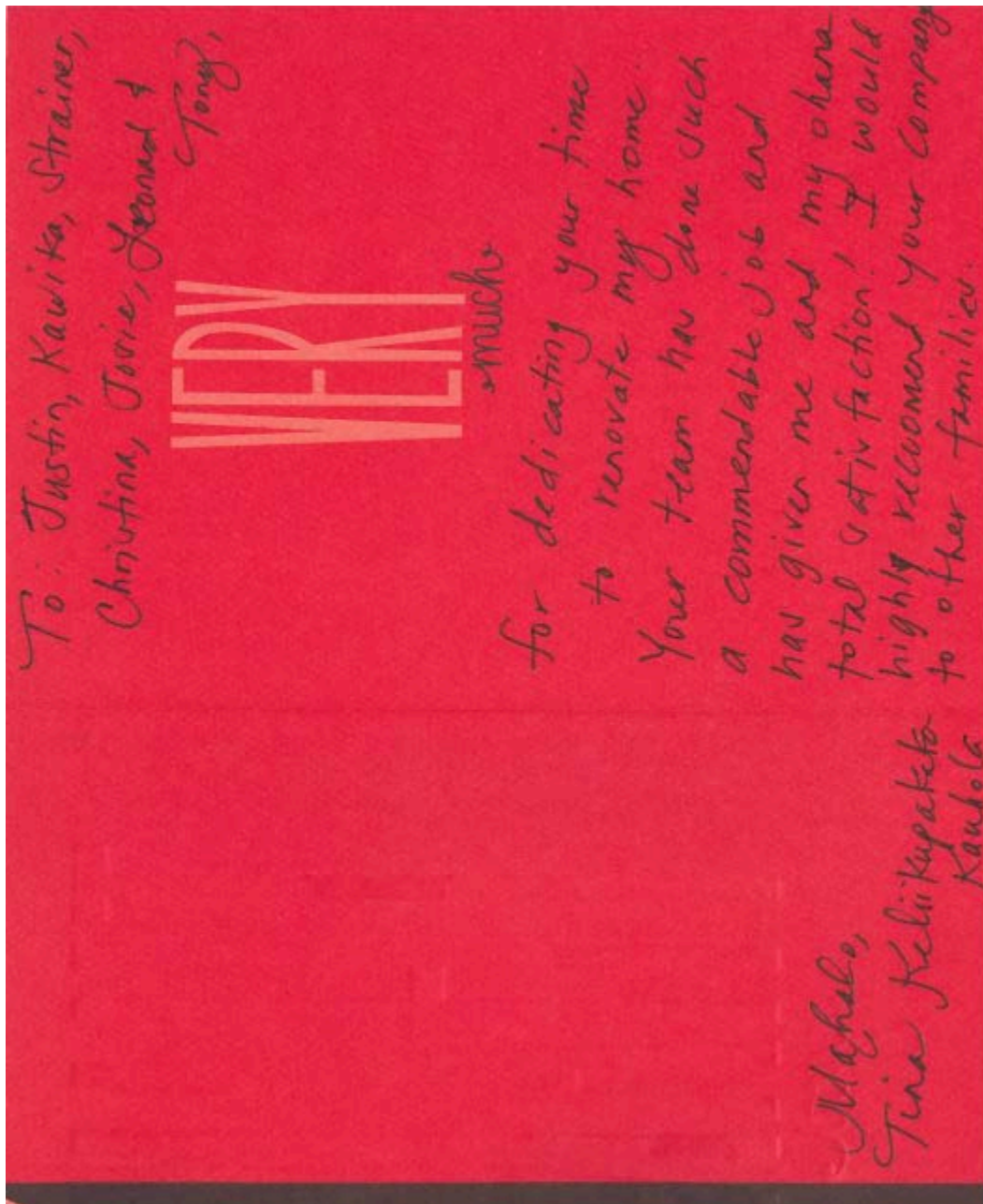
Aloha
Roberta Higgins
Paia Resident.



Keliikupakako- Kauhola (Kula)

Safety Repairs Performed:

The roof of the home had started to detach, and the deck had holes due to weather damage. The exterior windows and doors also had leaks, and the master bathroom leaked due to missing grout. The rotted planks on the deck were replaced, the windows and doors were sealed with caulk, and the grout in the master bathroom was removed and replaced. Finally, the outside laundry/mud room was re-roofed. These improvements benefited the woman/applicant, her estranged husband, and two children living in the home.



Kalanikau (Kihei):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The roof was repaired due to a leak, and the damaged ceiling was addressed. The sinking toilet was fixed by replacing the subfloor, and the leaking sink was repaired by replacing the supply lines. The tub was replaced with a walk-in shower to improve accessibility. These repairs greatly improved the living conditions for the homeowner.

Habitat for Humanity, Maui
Staff: Jamie Kirk &
Justin

I am so elated for the
Kokua offered & done
by you & affiliates.
I was not aware of
the amount of services
& programs available
until I inquired.

I am forever grateful for
my new roof. If it
wasn't for your help this
journey would be difficult
& probably not a complete
from the bottom of my
heart, Mahalo A Nui Loa!
May God Bless you all!

Aloha,
Paula

Montalvo (Haiku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

Auntie hired someone to convert her tub into a walk-in shower, but the job was left unfinished after the person passed away, leaving Auntie and one additional individual with an unusable shower. The team completed the shower by finishing the tiling, installing the hardware, and finishing the ceiling above the shower. Grab bars were also added for safety. Additionally, the broken bedroom and back room windows were replaced with new ones.

- Habitat for Humanity -

It's the thoughtfulness
of people like you
that makes
the world so bright.

Sincerely,
Lucille Montalvo

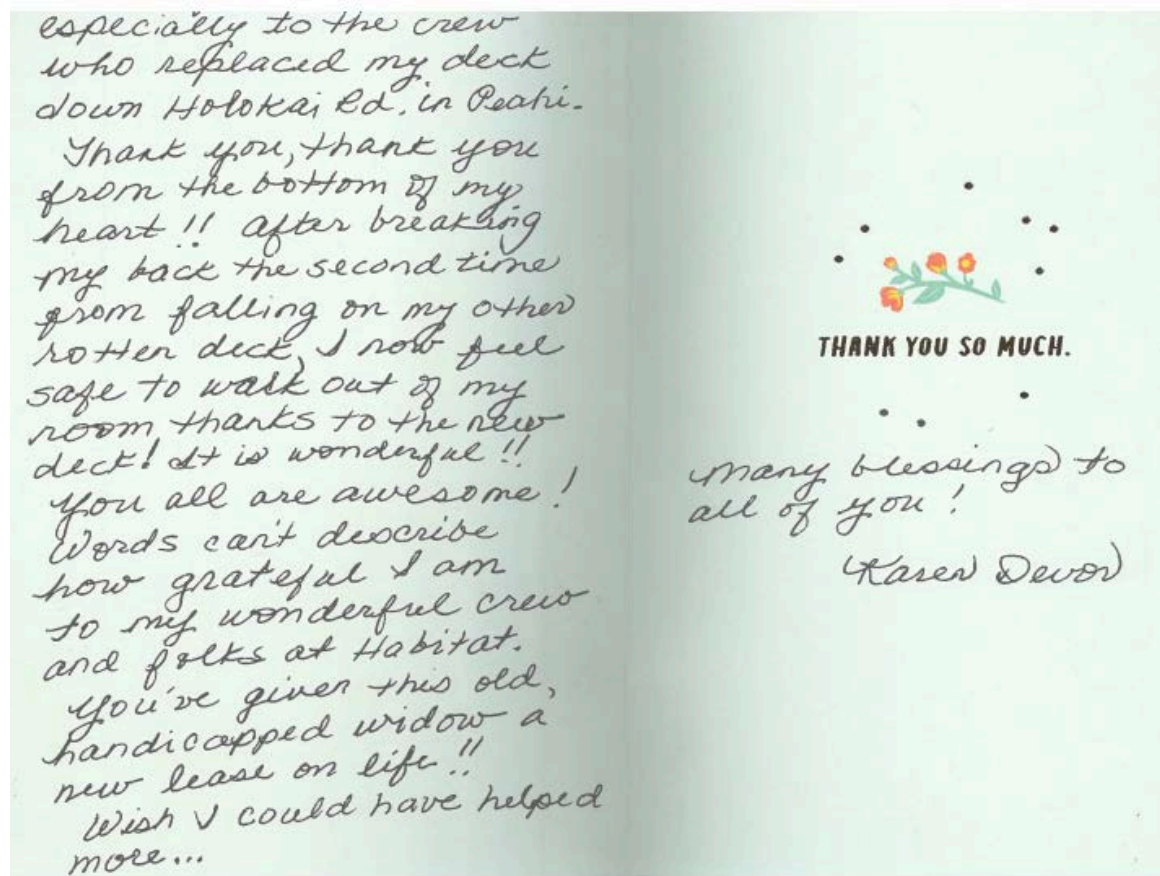
I'd like to express my gratitude
for all your help in my home
repairs. Being 83 has slowed me
that though I may feel young
pushing my body to home repairs
is not a wise thing to do.
When I heard about Habitat for
humanity I was so amazed at all
the hard work they do for the
community of men.
I cannot express enough how
thankful I am to everyone
who has helped me so much.
May god bless all of you.

Sincerely
Lucille Montalvo

Devon (Haiku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

Auntie's front and back porches were in poor condition, with loose boards on the front porch creating a safety hazard and the back porch completely gone, exposing a 5-foot drop to the ground. After attempting to fix the back porch herself, Auntie fell through and broke her back, which made it difficult for her to move around. The porches were repaired to improve safety and accessibility for her.



Iwami (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

Uncle's house was in good shape but needed modifications for safety. The rotted stairs at the entrance were replaced, and his tub was converted into a walk-in shower to improve accessibility. These changes were made to better accommodate his needs, especially after a fall last year that led to a stay at Hale Makua.

April 9, 2025

MY NAME IS MR. TSUNEO IWAMI
75 YEARS OLD - SINGLE (NEVER MARRIED)

I LIVE AT 2555 WEST MAIN ST, WAILUKU
IN A SINGLE-FAMILY, 3 BEDROOM ~~HOME~~ BUILT IN 1951

IN 1995-1999 ALL THE WIRES WERE REPLACED,
ALL THE PIPING WERE REPLACED W/ COPPER
AND ALL THE WINDOWS (23) WERE REPLACED
W/ VINYL WINDOWS.

ROOF IS ALUMINUM (1983)

LAST YEAR I CONTACTED COVID FOR A MONTH
(HOSPITAL & HALE MAKUA - WAILUKU)

IN AUGUST 2024 HABITAT WORKERS REPLACED
MY BATH TUB (OLD CAST-IRON ONE) WITH A NEW
WALK IN PLASTIC SHOWER.

REPLACED MY FRONT PORCH WOODEN RAILING AND
REPAIR LEAKS IN MY BASEMENT SHOWER.

I'M THANKFUL TO HABITAT FOR MAKING MY LIFE
EASIER.

My phone
808 633-5146

Sincerely
TSUNEO IWAMI
(Signature)

Kobayashi (Pukalani):

Safety Repairs Performed:

3/17/25

ALOHA HABITAT,

MY HUSBAND & I EXTEND A HUGE THANK YOU TO "A BRUSH OF KINDNESS" STAFF & CREW FOR THE WORK THEY DID TO OUR HOME TO MAKE IT MORE SAFE. WE ARE BOTH SENIORS WITH DISABILITY ON LIMITED INCOME SO THE REPLACEMENT OF DOORS & WINDOWS THAT WERE BROKEN GIVES US A GREAT SECURITY IN OUR HOME.

WE HAD A WONDERFUL & DEDICATED CREW WHO WORKED SO EAGERLY. WE GOT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HABITAT'S MISSION AND SPENT QUALITY TIME GETTING TO KNOW A BIT ABOUT EACH OTHER OVER LUNCH & THROUGH THE COURSE OF THE DAY. MY HUSBAND SPENT A FEW HOURS VOLUNTEERING, AND I MADE SURE WE HAD SNACKS & DRINKS FOR THE CREW, AS WELL AS PROVIDING THEM LUNCH EVERYDAY.

IT WAS A BLESSING TO HAVE LEARNED OF THIS PROGRAM & TO BE SERVICED THROUGH THEM. AGAIN, NOTHING BUT GRATITUDE FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS DONE TO OUR HOME. THANK YOU!!

SINCERELY,

CHRIS & VICKI KOBAYASHI

Vicki Kobayashi

MAKAWAO, HI. 96768

Kobayashi (Pukalani) Continued:



Vicki kobayashi

to me

Mon, Mar 31, 10:35 AM (9 days ago)



Thank you so much for the update!! Yes!! Keep me in line on the waiting list. Yay!! Thank you for putting us at the top of the list. Very grateful!!! The three windows that were installed have made a world of difference not only to our safety but the energy efficient windows have worked wonderfully for cooling down the room that I'm able to keep only a few windows open, eliminating a lot of dust!! Our next goal is to continue with replacing the remaining aged window to create a healthier living environment for my lungs. Please keep in touch and I'll continue to reach out to other homeowners who could possibly benefit from your programs.

We have a crew of friends coming up here starting the 3rd to do the interior paint. Feeling blessed! Btw, if you happen to see flooring for 2 bedrooms, Let me know, desperately needs to be done.

Aloha,
Vicki
Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 31, 2025, at 9:23 AM, Abigail Bausch <abby@habitat-maui.org> wrote:



Brooks (Haiku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The home required extensive work, with the homeowners particularly concerned about not having a functional bathroom as they were all getting older. Due to the house's location at the top of a steep, uneven road, transporting materials and debris posed a challenge. The team demoed and remodeled the bathroom to improve usability and functionality, benefiting all four individuals living in the home.

Much Aloha & Mahalo!
Debra Brooks
NEERA L. BROOKS

Mahalo for all of it! De Ann

Jamie Kuia 2/3/23
Thank you!
For all of your help!
We are truly Thankful
for all of the help to
make our home a
better place to live!
Marry Brooks
THANK
You!

Brooks (Haiku) Continued:



Burgos (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

Client had difficulty getting in and out of her tub, so the team removed it and installed a fiberglass shower pan with tiled walls to improve accessibility. Two grab bars were added in the shower—one on the right wall and one on the back wall—and handrails were installed in the hallway to help her move around the home more safely, benefiting her and others living in the household.

Thank You!

*On behalf of The Burgos Family,
I would like to extend our
warm thanks to The Habitat For
Humanity Organization. The crew did
an awesome job at my mom's
house in Waiehu. Special thanks
to Matt Bachman, Alexa Peickert
and the construction duo Christina
Cyr & Streaenor Treanor.*

*It was worth the wait & our
mom (Concepcion Burgos) is happy!
We are beyond grateful!*

*Sincerely,
Chona Millbauer
(daughter)*

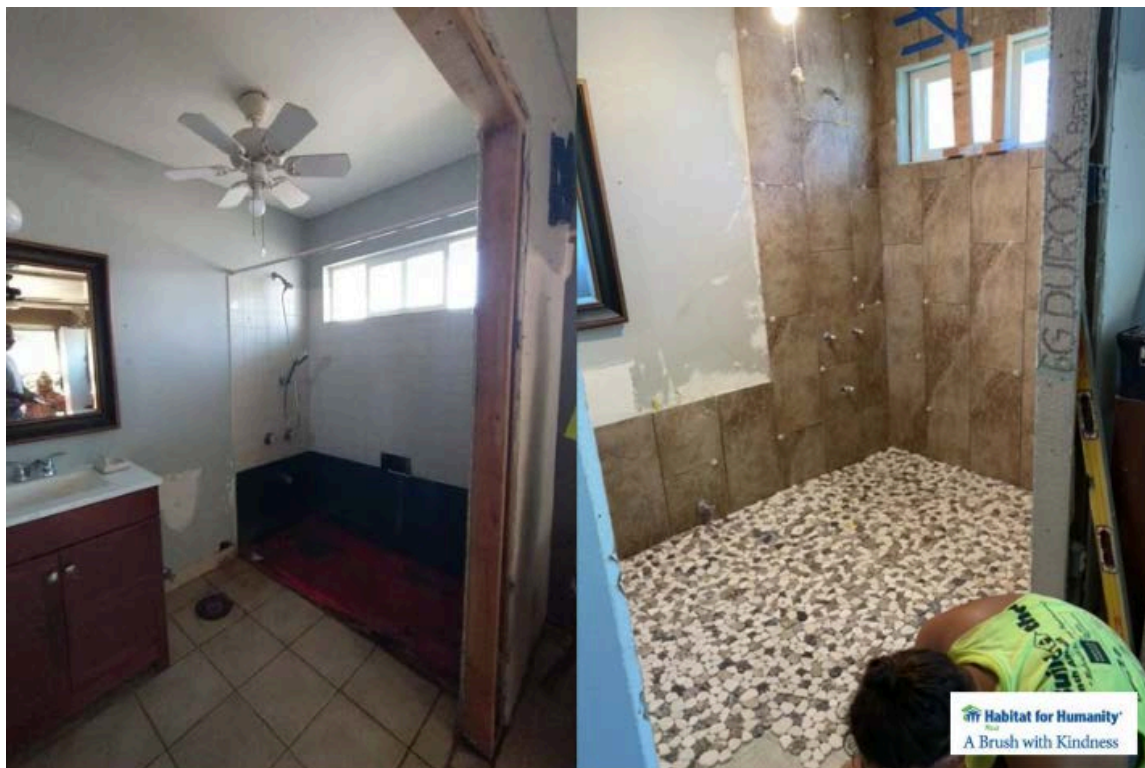
Burgos (Wailuku) Continued:



Carlson:



Rodriguez:



English (Haiku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

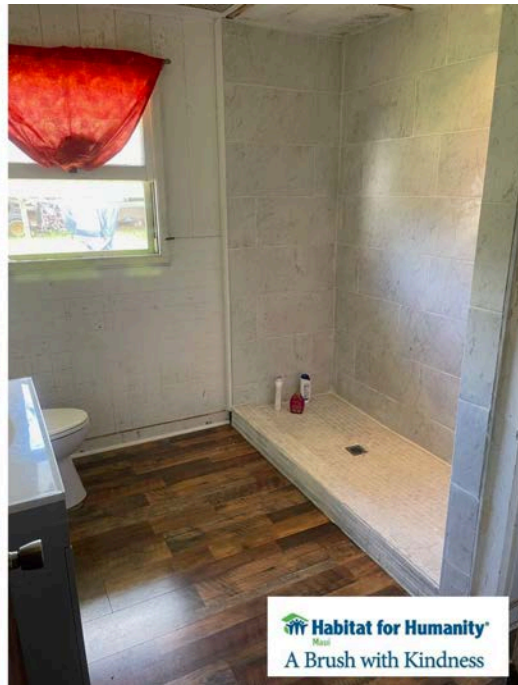
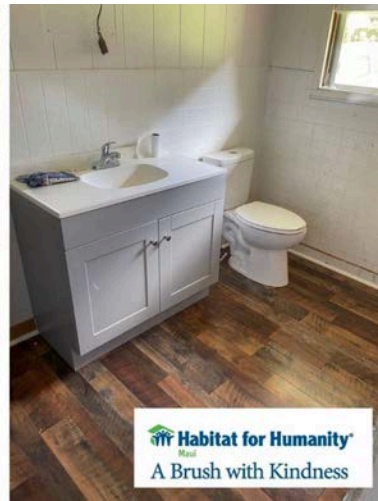
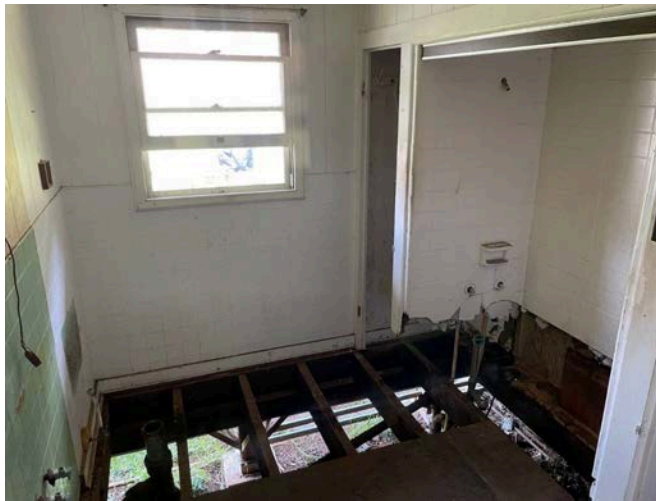
Auntie lived in her childhood home, which was over 90 years old and in much disrepair. The focus of the project was to create a usable kitchen for her, as her previous one was ripped out by her daughter and son-in-law, who took the materials and never returned. Auntie had been cooking outside in her open garage, exposed to the elements, especially the rain in Haiku. A new kitchen was built for her, providing a full, functioning space and ending her need to cook outside.



Feliciano (Makawao):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The roof over the bedroom and bathroom had significant damage and leaked, causing the ceiling to sag. The team applied tar and sealant over the holes and seams in the tin roof, and reinforced the sagging areas. The bathroom had damaged walls around the tub, a rotted subfloor, and an unstable toilet. The toilet, vanity, and tub were removed, and a new shower was tiled, along with the installation of a taller toilet and new vanity. Several broken and termite-damaged windows were replaced in the kitchen, front of the house, and back bedroom. The front exterior door was replaced with a weatherproof door to address the rotting jamb. These repairs addressed issues for uncle that had made the bathroom unusable and fixed the leaky roof and windows.



Felix (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The tub was removed and replaced with a fiberglass shower pan and tiled walls to make bathing easier. Grab bars were installed in the shower for added support, and a handrail was added in the hallway to assist with movement around the home. Damaged areas of the laminate floor were repaired and replaced to eliminate tripping hazards, ensuring safer mobility throughout the home.



Nakoa (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The leaks from the roof caused both decks to rot severely. The old set of stairs and decks were removed, and new materials were used to rebuild them, creating a safe entry.



Fox (Makawao):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The exterior of the home was deteriorating, creating a health and safety hazard. The homeowner's insurance company had stated that unless these issues were fixed, the policy would not be renewed, potentially leading to the loss of the home. Portions of the front and back decks had rotted boards and handrails, which were replaced to prevent falls or injuries. Gaps in the back deck's guardrails were also connected, and handrails were installed at all stairways, ensuring a secure and safer environment for the family.



Helekahi (Hana):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The front deck, including the roof, walkway, guardrails, and ramp, was extremely rotted and was replaced. Two broken windows were replaced, and holes in the ceiling, which were leaking, were repaired.



Kaauwai (Molokai):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The front door and steps leading up to it were replaced. Screens were added to seven windows, and the roof was patched to fix the leaks. These improvements benefited both homeowners.



Kekahuna (Lahaina):

Safety Repairs Performed:

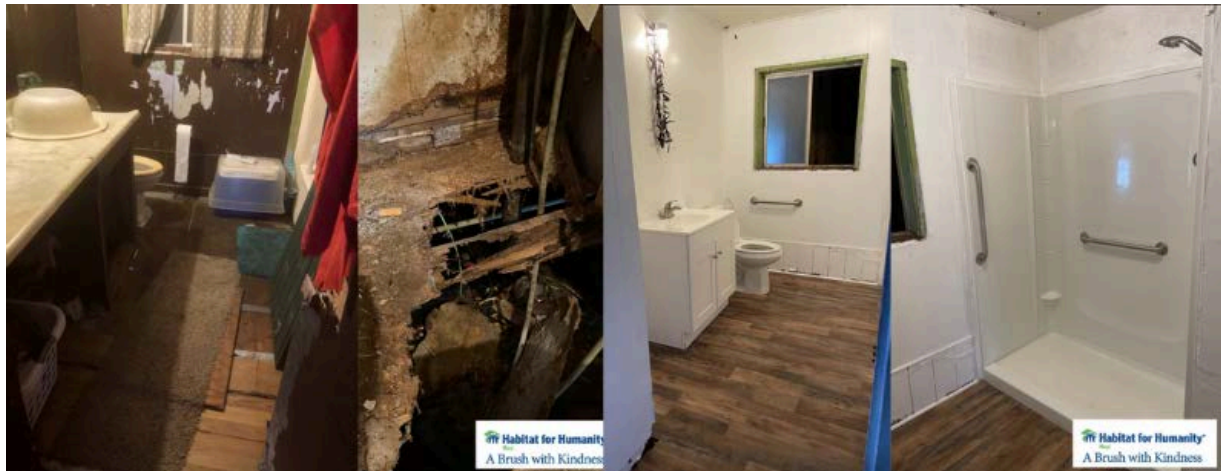
The bathtub was replaced with a stand-up shower to accommodate a resident using an ADA scooter, improving safety and accessibility. Grab bars were installed for added stability, and a section of carpet flooring was replaced to make movement easier for wheelchair access. These repairs benefited four people living in the home.



Lono (Hana):

Safety Repairs Performed:

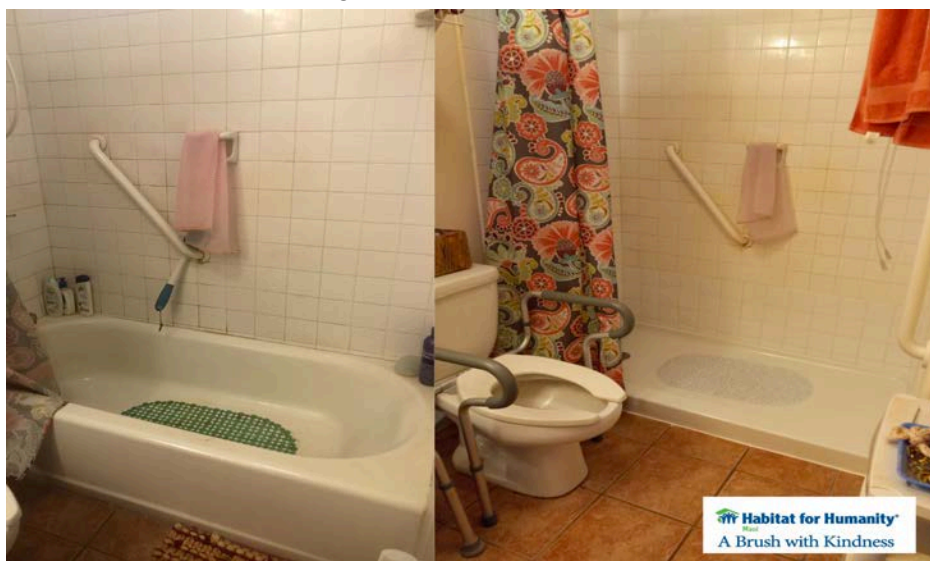
The bathroom was renovated by removing the old vanity, toilet, and shower, replacing the completely rotted subfloor that exposed the plumbing underneath, and installing new plumbing. A new bath vanity, toilet, and shower were also installed to improve functionality and safety. These repairs benefited one person living in the home.



Demello (Molokai):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The bathtub was replaced with a fiberglass shower pan and surround to make bathing easier, and grab bars along with toilet safety rails were installed for better mobility and support. These modifications were made to improve accessibility for someone in a wheelchair. The repairs benefited four people living in the home.



Marie (Napili-Honokowai):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The repairs focused on making the bedroom livable by addressing the leaking roof, replacing the damaged floor that exposed the ground underneath, and installing interior walls. These improvements were made to provide more space and mobility for Auntie, who has limited mobility and has been living in a smaller area of the home. The repairs benefited one person.



Nearman (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

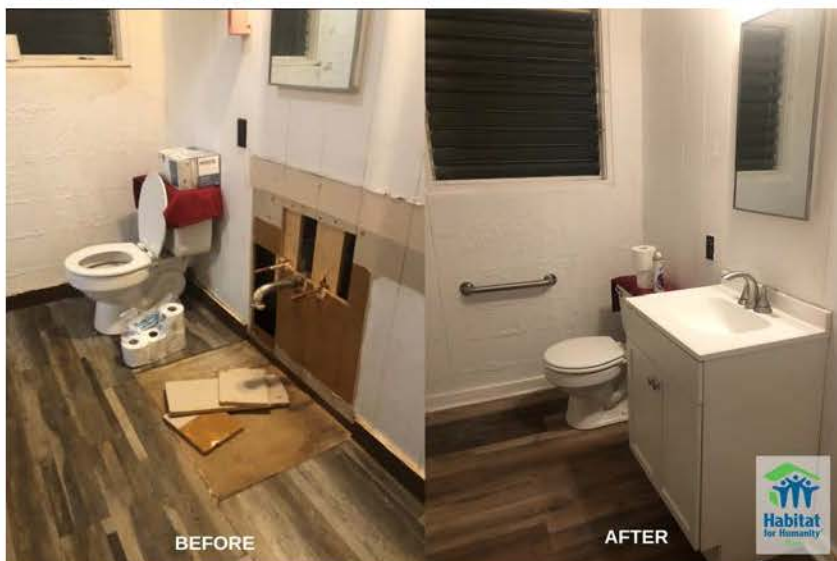
The subfloor was stabilized by removing damaged areas and replacing them with new sheathing, while the walls were cleaned, primed, and painted. Water-resistant laminate flooring and baseboards were installed to improve safety and livability. These repairs benefited one person.



Ponte:



Ponte (continued):



Sardinha (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The bathtub was replaced with a new fiberglass pan and tiled walls to make it easier to use, and grab bars were installed in the main hallway for added support and mobility. These repairs benefited one person and their family.

Acad
My Name is John Henry SARDINHA Sr + Have a 2 Acre Parcel Agriculture Farm Lot UNDER DA CHANIZEN HOME LANDS ACT DAT I HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH THRU SUCCESSION FROM ME ALONG + AMONG PROPERTY WE HAVE 12 MANGO TREES VARIOUS PLANTS + 8 ADVOCADO TREES, 1 GUAVA WITE KENE 4 KOKONUTS + TULU - BREADFRUIT COUPLE PUA PLANTS + SUM TILIAVE + 1 HUGE LYCHEE TREE, THERE USED TO BE A LOT MORE BUTT DUE TO NO MORE FENCE'S DA DEEP FEND + HAVE THERE WAY WON THINGS DRY UP PRETTY BAD + IT SETS RITE OFF MAIN ROAD JURY ABOUT 1 MILE HEADED EAST FROM DA AIRPORT

+ ALSO WAS A FEW MONTHS BACK WHEN I WAS A BROWSE'G THRU ME CELL PHONE ONE NIGHT I DONT THINK I HAD CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE THEN + AS I DECIDED OF ALL NIGHTS TO CHECK IN ON ME GOOGLE APP' SCROLL'G DOWN I CAME ACROSS ITS LAND REALSTATE TRIP I HAD HEARD ABOUT ON DA REALSTATE STATION ABOUT DIS PROPERTY ON I BELIEVE IT WAS ON DA BACK WEST SIDE MAUI + DEN RECALL MEMOR HEY DATS DA PLACE + LOW + BENOLD BRADDA JEFF BEARD WEN CHANAPUA AMZON KINE HOOK'EM UP + NOW BRADDA JEFF WEN SCORE DAT IS MAGNIFICANT LOOKING PLACE

+ BY THE WAY ITS DIS LANE I HAVE HERE DAT I WAS ABLE TO CONTINUE SCROLL'G DOWN ON DAT GOOGLE APP + READ DA PART ABOUT HOW JEFF HAD SHARED SUM OF HIS BLESSINGS BY GIVING BACK IT DID MENTIONED TO VARIOUS CULTURES + DIS HABITAT TO HUMANITY RESTORATION TING WAS TONE OF SUM SO I WAS JUS TINK'G WEN WAS KOOL MAN. DEN ONE MON TIME HUND HOS KOD + BENOLD WERE ON DA BOTTOM OF DIS ARTICLE IT ASK IF THERE IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN RECEIVING HOLD + THERE WAS AN APPLICATION FORM TING SO I DID + RECEIVED A CALL FROM MATT BACUMAN + WE KAKU KAKU TALK SURE LITTLE BIT + DEN HE ALSO ASK JURY I HEARD ABOUT DIS TING? SO I DID MENTION ABOUT ON GOOGLE I SAW + WEN APPLY + PRAYZEN DA KOD!!!

+ SENDING OVER QUALIFY'G INFO THRU G.M.A.I WEN ALEXA + MET WITH DA CREW ON JAN 28TH AFTER A FEW CANCELED APPOINTMENTS THRU DA WHOLE PROCESS TING IT WAS TRULY AWESOME FOR CHRISTIAN + STREANOR + CHANIZEN TO KNOW DUN MAKE'S DIS HAVE A MORE LIVABLE PLACE + YET AT DIS MOMENT STILL ON GOING SCHEDULE CHAIRING FILL'G + PAINT YET NEEDS TO BE APPLY'D

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+ BY ALL + AWE OF DIS ROMANCE'G DA PULAKU TO GET TO DIS LAST MOST IMPORTANT 2 GRAPHS IT IS WITHOUT ANY DOUBT + WITH UTMOST URGEZ + DESIREZ TO COMMEND THERE 2 YOUNG WADINEZ ON AN OVA DA TOP BEYOND DA CAN ALLOW KINE ACTIONZ DISPLAYED DUN THEIR WORK ETHICS SAFETY

Sardinha (Wailuku) Continued:

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Yet P.A. NOW I LIKE TO EXTEND MY FAITHFUL + TRUE COMMENDATION INN DES HERE LETTER TO DA 2 MOST IMPORTANT HUMAN BEINGS FORTHWITH DIS BLESSINGS INN DIS 'PROJECT OF RESTORATION' PERFORMED HERE ON MOLOKA'I A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE OF DIGNITY + RESPECT AT HIGHEST QUALITY ASSURANCE I HAVE SEEN INN DIS TO ME AZ AN AWESOME + GREAT EVENT EVOLVED BEFORE MY EYES ALL INN TO THE 2 WARRIORS CHRISTIAN + STRONG ALL DA WAY FROM DA EAST COAST + TO OUR BELOVED HAWAII'NEZ, MAHALO A NUZ LOA TO DA BOTH. YOU 2NN Job Well Done "SERVICE IMPECCABLE WITH ALOHA"

+ TO THOSE OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN ADMIN + STAFF + OTHER TEAM MEMBERS + ANOTHER SPECIAL MAHALOZ TO BRADDA JEFF BEATO DONATE'G ALL DAT SCRIPTS FOR DIS KINE STUFFS + THINGS TO 'WHAT'S HAPPENING' "Special Mahalos to All of You Folks AZ BETTER + WELL

+ BIG PROPS TO MY 2 NEPHEWS NATHANIEL + GABRIEL SARDINHA FOR GOING WITH DA FLOW THRU DAT UPSIDE DOWN WATERFALL INN HERE, BEST VOLUNTEER'S EFFORTS ALSO JOB WELL DONE + GET ME TO COME!!!

+ MAY OUR HEAVENLY FATHER CONTINUE TO BLESS DIS ON GOING ENDEAVOURZ OF WILDE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORATION' EFFORTS WITH DA ABILITY TO CONTINUE DA 'HEI NO' TRIPS TO MAKE OTHERS PONO KINE GRATEFUL AZ HE ARE INN + BY THY PRESENCE OF HIS HOLY REALM INN DA MIGHTY + PRECIOUS NAME OF OUR LORD + SAVIOUR JESU KRISTU AMENE

FAITHFUL + TRULY
Me Ke Aloha Puna'ohia

Pure Love + Aloha

John H. Sardinha Sr

From Ke Akua Aloha of Aloha

A HUI HOA

STILL STOKED

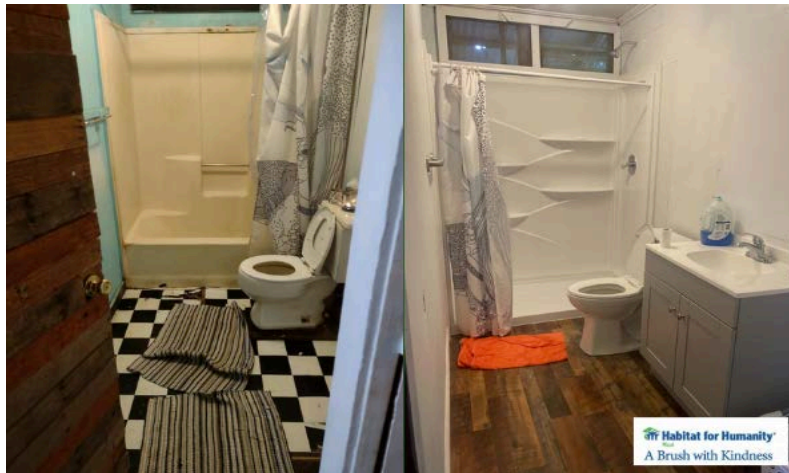
Sardinha (continued) -



Seales (Molokai):

Safety Repairs Performed:

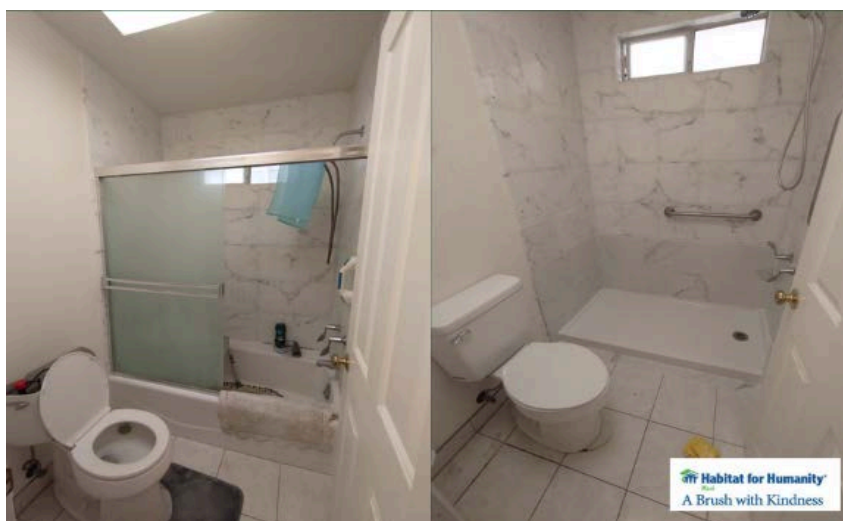
The tub was replaced with a shallow shower pan and surround walls to reduce fall risks, and the rotted subfloor was reinforced. An ADA toilet and new bath vanity were installed, and the roof leak was addressed to prevent further damage. These repairs benefited two people.



Tawata (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The tub was replaced with a fiberglass pan and tiled walls to ease bathing, and an ADA toilet was installed for better accessibility. The vanity countertop was replaced, and grab bars were installed in the shower and beside the toilet to improve mobility. These repairs benefited one person.



Waikapu Gardens:



Kaholokula (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The bathtub was replaced with a stand-up shower, and grab bars were installed around the bathroom to improve accessibility and support for bathing and using the restroom. These repairs benefited three people.



DeCambra (Makawao):**Safety Repairs Performed:**

The bathroom was renovated by converting the bathtub into a walk-in shower for safety, replacing the falling toilet, and addressing the broken windows. A professional mold removal was completed before work resumed to eliminate health hazards. These repairs benefited four people.

**Silva (Molokai):****Safety Repairs Performed:**

The bathtub was converted into a walk-in shower with grab bars to improve safety after the homeowner fell while showering and was unable to get up, remaining stuck in the shower for over 10 hours until her daughter checked on her. This repair benefited one person.



Kahalehau (Wailuku):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The construction team replaced and installed new windows, exterior doors, and ceilings in the kitchen and living room to address significant damage and improve the home's condition. These repairs benefited two people.



Kaalakea:

Safety Repairs Performed:

The kitchen was repaired by fixing the leaking plumbing, replacing the rotting cabinets and countertops, and addressing the uneven and missing flooring to improve safety and functionality. These repairs benefited three people.



Dukes (Lahaina):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The Client's home was damaged during the wildfires, specifically the kitchen including the floors, cabinets and countertops. The home also required smoke remediation in order to return to the home. Smoke remediation was completed and the kitchen and flooring repaired. This project benefited two people within the home.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Yolanda Dukes <yolanda4@me.com>
Date: April 10, 2025 at 6:01:09AM HST
To: Jamie Kula <sarah@habitat-maui.org>
Subject: Testimony

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the staff and the A Brush with Kindness Program affiliated with Habitat for Humanity for providing me with the opportunity to relocate back into my renovated home after over a year since the fire. Upon discovering their availability in Leialii, I contacted Matt, who facilitated a connection with Jamie and S.Treanor. From that initial meeting, the process unfolded swiftly.

Following the completion of the cleanup, removal of toxic substances, debris, and soft goods, and the storage of personal belongings, the home underwent a fresh coat of paint. Now Jamie and Justin stepped in and took the initiative to measure the floor space, kitchen, and attic. Jamie promptly ordered all necessary materials and coordinated the delivery of the goods. Contract work commenced immediately, with insulation replacement, flooring installation, and cabinet installation taking place. Jamie kept me informed of each day's progress from January 3rd to February 22nd, until the project was fully completed. I am in my home now and that couldn't have happened without their help.

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Santiago (Molokai - Currently In Progress):

Safety Repairs Performed:

The rotted subfloor in the kitchen was replaced, new lighting was installed in the bedroom, the rotted deck was replaced, a ramp was added, and gutters were installed above the deck to prevent further rotting. The bathroom is currently being worked on, specifically to address the high shower lip for safety. These repairs benefited two people.



BFED Committee

From: Valerie Janikowski <vjanikowski@LanaiKinaole.org>
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2025 12:05 PM
To: BFED Committee
Subject: Written testimony for todays meeting
Attachments: Written Testimony from Valeire Janikowski RN Lāna.docx

Categories: Processed - Testimony

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I apologize but I was not able to stay and provide the testimony verbally. I had to leave to attend to client services. Please accept the attached as my written Testimony. Thank you all for the support for our home health and for the upcoming adult day care services with the CIP. Sincerely, Val

Valerie Janikowski RN, BSN
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Kinā`ole: Doing the right thing, in the right way, at the right time, in the right place, for the right individual, for the right reason, with the right feeling the first time. AKA – “Flawlessness”

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Written Testimony from Valeire Janikowski RN Lānaʻi Kinaole

1. Introduction & Mission

- Aloha Chair and Council Members. My name is Valerie Janikowski and I'm the only fulltime RN and Program Administrator for **Lānaʻi Kinaole**.
- Our mission is to provide **compassionate, quality in home and community based health care services** to homebound and medically fragile individuals on Lānaʻi.
- We serve clients who would otherwise face **significant barriers to care** due to geographic isolation and medical needs.

2. Unique Services for a Unique Community

- Lānaʻi Kinaole is the only home grown licensed Home Health provider offering **in-home skilled nursing and supportive services** on Lānaʻi.
- Many of our clients are not eligible for services under **Kupuna Care or Title III** due to age, income, or the type of medical insurance i.e. Medicaid or medical services required i.e. specialty wound care, in home long term (6 weeks or greater) IV medications, etc.
- This program ensures that **no one is left behind**—regardless of eligibility status.

3. Critical County Support

- The County's line-item grant has been **instrumental in sustaining our services** over the past several years, ensuring funding some of the labor costs of staff to ensure we are able to provide services to a segment of the population – we cannot admit everyone that would like to enroll (many seniors).
- This grant was initially provided to **help us launch and stabilize our home health program**, with the hope that we could pursue additional grants and funding over time.
- We've continued to **maximize the County's investment** while seeking other funding streams to grow and strengthen our program.

4. Impact on the Lānaʻi Community

- Our services help clients **age in place with dignity**, avoid unnecessary ER visits, hospitalizations, and lengthy hospitalizations off island inpatient while being able to return to their home and stay connected to their families and culture.

- By providing care at home, we also **reduce strain on caregivers** and help prevent early institutionalization.
- We've been able to reach **some of the most medically vulnerable individuals** in our community, thanks to this funding.

5. Importance of Continued Funding

- Continued County support is **essential** to maintain this lifeline of care.
- Without it, many clients would be forced to **travel off-island for services**, which can be physically, emotionally, and financially draining.
- Sustaining this program ensures that **residents of Lānaʻi receive equitable access** to health care.
- We have also developed in collaboration with Maui college, a nursing assistant class on Lanai. This has helped nearly 20 students pass over the past few years. Not all work with our team, but some have and some still do.

Thank you so much for your past support and for recognizing the unique challenges our small rural community faces. We humbly ask for your **continued investment** in this critical service so we can continue to care for our elderly neighbors in need. Please call me with any questions or concerns (760)362-2750 or (808)-565-8001

Valerie Janikowski RN

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From: Lauren Amano <lauren.amano@meoinc.org>
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2025 1:09 PM
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Subject: Testimonies for MEO Transportation
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Aloha,

Please accept these testimonies in support of the MEO Transportation program.

Mahalo,

Lauren Amano

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MEO's mission is to strengthen the community while helping people in need restore their hope, reach their potential, and enrich their lives.



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Hedy Udarbe

Lahaina Honolua Senior Club

Re: Funding for MEO Bus Transportation

Aloha,

My name is Hedy Udarbe President of the Lahaina-Honolua Senior Citizens Club. I am here to ask you to support all programs that impact the lives of our senior citizens. With the wild fire behind us, the seniors are slowly getting back to normal. They were devastated when the Kaunoa West Maui Center where they held their club's monthly meeting was engulfed in fire. Arleen Gerbig diligently looked for a location and with Debbie Cabebe 's help they found one. Debbie is MEO's CEO.

MEO opened their door and found a room to conduct our monthly meetings. 70% of our members lost their houses to wildfire and 10% whose houses were not burned but uninhabitable. They were relocated all over Maui - most have to move several times. You never saw so many happy faces when they were informed that MEO will accommodate us and provide transportation to and from the meeting. Seeing their fellow members, catching up with each other, sharing their losses and comforting each other. Together they slowly heal.

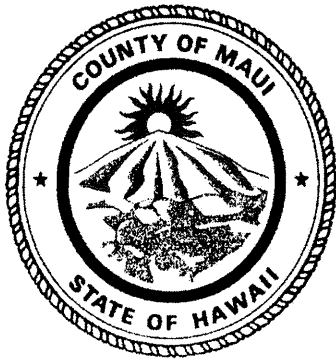
Please continue to fund the MEO Transportation. There are many seniors who can no longer drive. Soon, I will be one of them. They depend on the MEO bus to take them to the Ocean View Day Care Center, grocery shopping, post office, shopping at Queen Kaahumanu Center, Maui Mall, Target and Walmart, to the bank, to their doctor's appointment and to the excursions sponsored by MEO. Transportation also allows our seniors to participate in many activities and events at the Senior Centers throughout the community. Activities like aerobics, tai chi, oil painting and computer classes where our seniors learn new skills.

Many of the seniors live alone. Attending these activities helps them make new friends. Interact with other seniors keeps their minds alert and bodies strong.

MEO drivers are very patient with the seniors. They remained calm in a stressful situation. They bond with the Kupunas.

I would like to share a case where a dialysis patient from Rainbow Dialysis was being driven home at 8:45pm. On the way home, the MEO driver noticed that the patient's arm where the fistula was in place was bleeding and blood dripping. The patient was not aware that he was bleeding. The MEO driver made a quick decision, called dispatch that she was driving patient to Liberty Dialysis where it's closer than Rainbow. Dispatch called Liberty Dialysis, informed them of the situation and upon arrival a nurse was waiting, came on board the MEO bus and assist the patient.

Thank you for listening.



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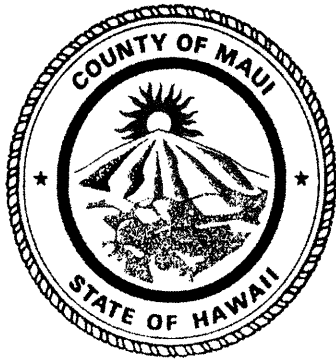
Request/Issue: _____

Hana MEO is a great organization that helps with transportation throughout all of east Maui. The Drivers are amazing with assisting us Kupuna to get on and off the bus and also helping me with my walker. I catch the bus Mon-Friday and can't thank them enough for great service.

Continue helping MEO.

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Responsible County Department: _____



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Mailing Address: _____ City/Zip: Kipahulu 96735

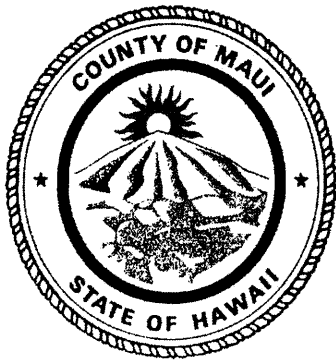
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Request/Issue: I reside in Kipahulu, Maui.

The recent Shuttle has been a blessing
to me and my son. I am a Single Mom
and this service has helped me BIG TIME!
I have been using it to get to Hana DMV
to work on getting my drivers license.
Without this I'd never obtain this goal.
I am a Full Supporter of this program.

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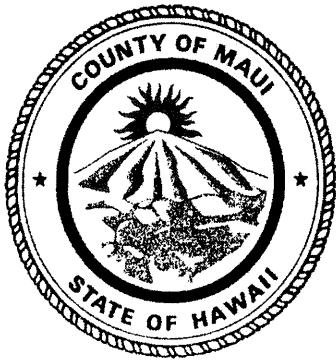
Maui Economic Opportunity Hana

Request/Issue:

I have worked for MED Hana for 8 months and has it not only impacted the community but also myself. MED has provided me with many opportunity by being more involved with our community, Kupuna and youth. MED Hana provides transportation throughout Hana + Kahului for shopping, doctors, laundry, and Kupuna assistance. It has shown me that being more involved and helping others through transportation can "Help People, Change Lives." Please continue funding this organization and MAHALO for all the support

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Phone: (808) 868-9185

Mailing Address: _____

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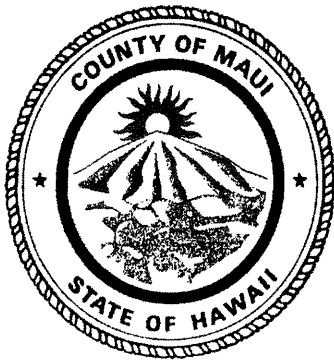
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Request/Issue: _____

O MALIA SHERICE CHURCH aka BODIN KOU INOA.
O AIALELE MAI AU. ARRIVE ALIVE. MEO IS A
SPECIAL PLACE. IT HELPS ME GO TO HANA
HEALTH FOR HELP & TAKES ME TO THE STORE.
IT ALSO CALLS ME BACK & IS VERY GOOD
WITH RESPONDING TO MY KELEPONA. KANE
IS GREAT.
KEEP SUPPORTING MEO. WE NEED IT
HERE IN HANA MAI AU.

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Dawn Hart

Email Address:

Phone:

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KIPAHU 96713

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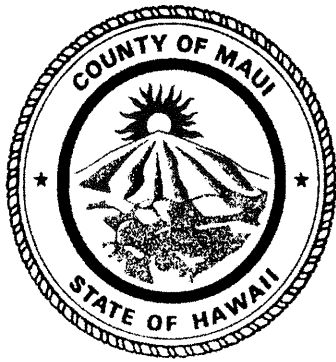
Organization

Request/Issue:

for the first time in years
MO has finally started a Kipahuk
shuttle into Hana. I have requested
this for over 5 years and under
leadership of Kane it has flourished.
Please support this amazing cause
as its services help me monthly
to get to Hana to collect my
food bank / store run/ doctors appt. etc...

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MARY MARTIN

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City/Zip:

HANA 96713

I Represent:

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Organization

Request/Issue:

I RECENTLY MOVED TO HANA

AND STARTED USING MEO'S TRANSPORTATION
SERVICES. I UTILIZE ITS SERVICE TO

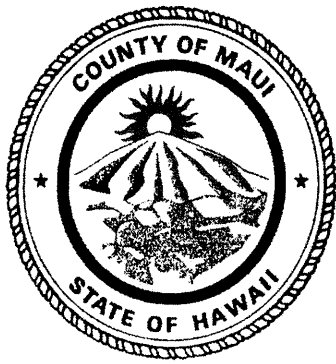
TOWN TO PURCHASE GOODS TO MAKE PRODUCTS
TO SELL AT HANA FARMERS MARKET.

THIS HELPS ME MAKE MONEY AND

SUPPORT ME. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS
GRAND NON PROFIT SO IT CAN CONTINUE
TO HELP ME GET AHEAD. MAHALO.

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4590 HANA HWY

City/Zip:

HANA 96713

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Organization

Request/Issue:

I WORK FOR HANA HEALTH

AND IM A TRAINEE FROM AFRICA. I

UTILIZE MEO TO DO MY MONTHLY

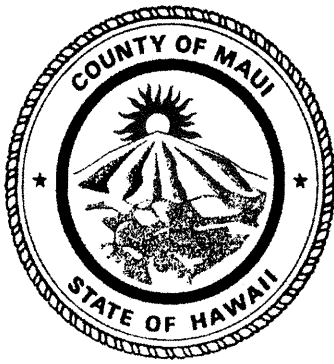
SHOPPING IN KAHULUI. IT HAS BEEN

NOTHING BUT HELP. PLEASE CONTINUE

FUNDING THIS GREAT SERVICE.

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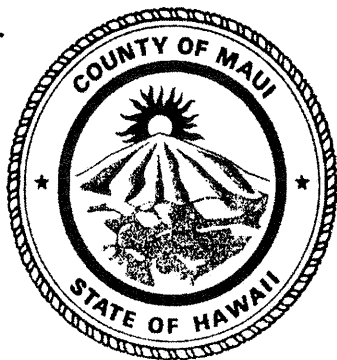
Mailing Address: _____ City/Zip: Hana 96713

I Represent: ☒ Myself
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Request/Issue: I would like to give my full
support to MEO for providing great service
within Hana. I utilize its services weekly
to get to work and it has been the
biggest help. Aloha

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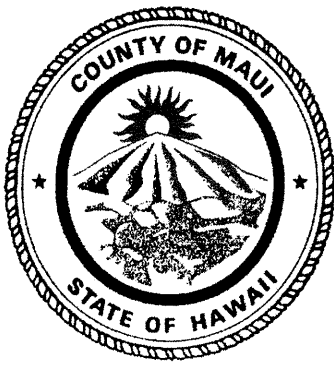
Request/Issue:

Mahalo for supporting MED transportation services in Hana. We are thankful that they provide transportation for our Kupuna to and from Hale Hula Mamo Monday-Friday. They also provide transportation for my 3 mtequna home from the Youth Center Monday-Friday. I also appreciate their transportation for me to and from work every day, Dr. appointments in Kahului, and different events in Hana. I don't drive so I really appreciate their services; the staff is incredible and they are very accomodating to our community and our need\$.

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need\$.

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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 923 City/Zip: 96713

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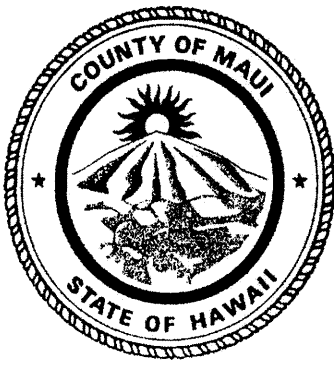
M.E.O. PAT DRIVER

Request/Issue: FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT. IF SEE THAT

WE MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY.
HELPING OTHERS TO GET ON THEIR FEET, AND
TO HELP THOSE WHOSE LEGS CAN'T DO WHAT THEY
USED TO. OUR LIFT HELPS TO PICK UP WHEELCHAIR
CLIENTS AND THOSE THAT USE WALKERS ALSO. WE PROVIDE
TRANSPORTATION TO AND BACK FROM KAHULUI TO SHOP OR
DO BUSINESS OR TO SEE DOCTORS, EVEN DIALYSIS. HANA
IS GETTING BIGGER AND WE NEED TO BE THERE FOR OUR
KUPUNA'S + KEIKI'S. AGAIN MAHAO FOR ALL YOU DO.
MAUI COUNTY. WHATEVER YOU GIVE WILL BE PUT TO GOOD
USE!

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Phone: _____

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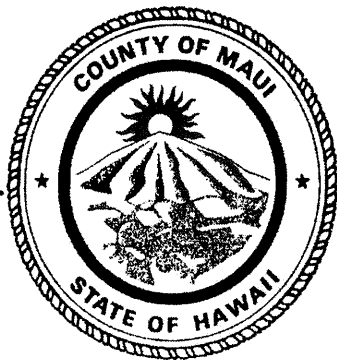
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Request/Issue: _____

I frequently use the the MEO transportation services in Hana to attend my
doctors appointments in central Maui. It is a great benefit to me as I barely drive
and don't have family to rely on for rides to town. Mahalo and please continue
to support and fund this great service for senior citizens like me.

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Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: 13660 Hana Hwy City/Zip: 96708

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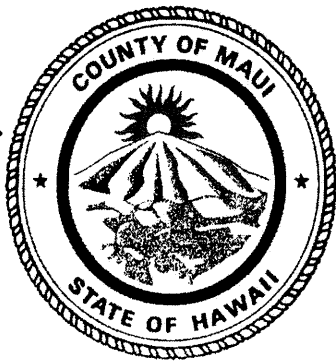
Request/Issue: _____

MEO helps me get to and from practice in the evenings for basketball and volleyball. Because of MEO I am able to play high school sports. During spring break they also worked around a pick up schedule so I was able to attend practice.

I would like to MAHALO MEO Hana for all that they do for the Eastside community and would hope it continues for generations to come.

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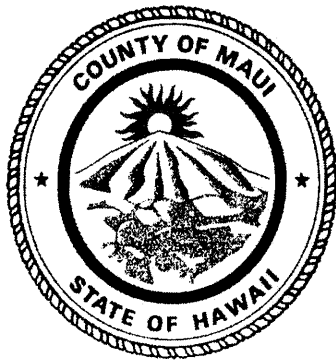
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Request/Issue: _____

Hana MEO is a great asset to the community especially for the Kupuna who
aren't able to drive or have a way of transportation. MEO is very reliable when I
call. Please continue funding Hana MEO because without them I wouldn't be
able to do my laundry, Kahului shopping or go doctors.

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City/Zip: 96713

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☐ Organization _____

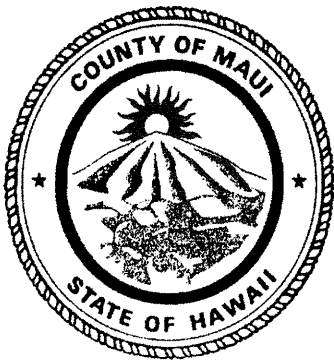
Request/Issue: _____

MEO here in Hana has been a reliable support system . Moving here to such a rural
place has had its doubts especially because my family relies on one vehicle
to travel. The MEO family is very supportive and has made it comfortable for me
to use its services. I use MEO services Monday through Friday to get to work.
Monday through Wednesday as a one way and Thursday and Friday roundtrip.
They are very consistent with pick up times and never forgets.

Mahalo for bring this amazing opportunity to Hana. I hope you continue funding
and supporting Hana MEO services.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: _____



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Name:

Michael Behrens

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I Represent:



Myself



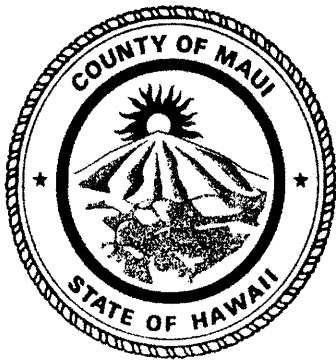
Organization

Request/Issue:

Just like to say I am 81 year old
and the EMO Bus makes a huge
difference in my life. Thank you
very much Michael Behrens

Funding Request (if known): \$

Responsible County Department:



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Name: Lilly Pulito

Email Address: _____

Phone: 8082810203

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: Haiku/96708

I Represent: ☒ Myself
☐ Organization _____

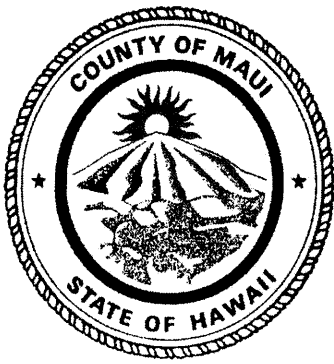
Request/Issue: _____

My name is Lilly Pulito. I utilized MEO's services in high school to get home after sports practice here in Hana. I then graduated and moved to Keanae.

MEO has been my only way of transportation to and from work and has let me hold my job with its reliable service which is allowing me to save up to soon purchase my own car. Its services like this that help people like me get the extra help that we need to get ahead in life and make my situation better. With that being said I give full support in MEO to continue to get funded so they are able to help people like me get ahead in life.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: _____



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Name: Paula Kualaaau

Email Address: _____

Phone: 8082689146

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: Haiku/96708

I Represent: ☒ Myself
☐ Organization _____

Request/Issue: _____

MEO transportation services has been nothing but a blessing to me and my family.

I utilize its service 5 days a week to get from Keanae to Hana to get to work

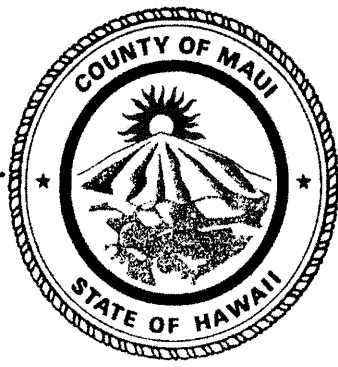
and back. Its service is reliable and will update us if theres any changes to

its schedule. Without them I would not be able to get to work and support my

family. Please continue funding this amazing service in East Maui.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: _____



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Name: Josie Diego

Email Address: _____

Phone: 8082688561

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: Hana/96713

I Represent: ☒ Myself

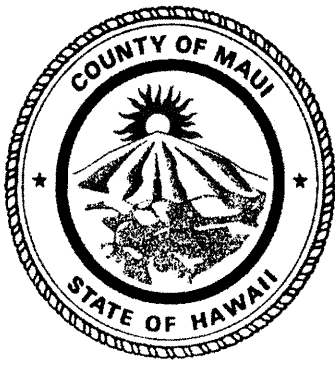
☒ Organization Hale Pomaika'i Dialysis Home- Hana/ MEO Hana

Request/Issue: _____

I use MEO's services weekly in Hana to attend dialysis treatments at
Hale Pomaika'i dialysis home. Please continue to fund this service.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: _____



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Name: Duke Kahuila Jr.

Email Address: _____

Phone: 8082644770

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: Hana/96713

I Represent: ☒ Myself
☐ Organization _____

Request/Issue: _____

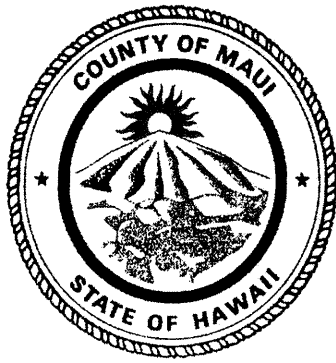
MEO's services in Hana help me get to my dialysis treatments 3x's a week.

Without them I would not be able to get the care and treatment I need.

Please continue to support Maui Economic Opportunity as it is a life line
service for may of us here in Hana.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: _____



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Name: Joyce Phillips

Email Address: _____

Phone: 8082648002

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip: Hana/96713

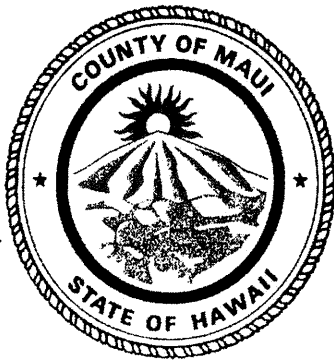
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☐ Organization _____

Request/Issue: _____

MEO helps me get to Kahului weekly to go to doctors visits, shopping and my
weekly laundry day. I am always satisfied with this service and with the drivers
and in full support of them. Please continue to fund MEO especially here in Hana
because it gives kupuna like me the help we need to be more self reliant.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: DEPT. Transportation



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Name: Naomi Kuunani Ching

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Mailing Address: 114 Kamilo Road City/Zip: Haiku 96708

I Represent: ☒ Myself
☒ Organization Kaunoa

Request/Issue: _____

MEO Hana transportation helps transport me from Keanāe, Maui to Hana to attend
Kaunoa services 2x a week. I am truly blessed to be able to use this service
because with out it I would not be able to be amongst other kupuna and get out
of the house to mingle with with friends.

I also use its service weekly to get out to Kahului for doctor appointments, shopping
and to go to the laundromat. It is a essential service that helps kupuna.

I support MEO and hope they can continue to get funding to continue its
services here in East Maui.

Funding Request (if known): \$ _____

Responsible County Department: DEPT. Transportation