Kauai Independent Food Bank

Annual Report 2020

Serving the people of Kauai & Niihau



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Presidents Message

Aloha, and I hope that all of you are healthy. We should be very proud of ourselves on Kauai as we have limited the spread of the COVID-19 virus during 2020. However, while many of us have not contracted the virus, we have been affected by the pandemic.

Many on our island have suffered from the virus indirectly through furloughs and layoffs. This devastates families and individuals because through no fault of their own, they find themselves lacking the financial resources they once had. Many are facing food insecurity for the first time.

As President of KIFB, I would like to personally thank all of our donors whose monetary gifts, both large and small, and donations of food have assisted our staff in providing nutritious food for those in need. With so many households finding themselves facing hard decisions about health or finances, Kauai came through in helping KIFB help those in need.

Like everyone on Kauai, KIFB faced an uncertain 2020, but with your support, we made it through and moved towards fulfilling our mission.

With gratitude, we thank you for your kindness and selfless giving during this past year. Mahalo nui loa.



Lloyd Kajikawa Board President

Our Mission

In 2020, Kauai independent Food Bank celebrated 28 years of service with continued the theme of "Preserving the Tradition of Kokua".

2020 showed us what it really meant to take care of one another. Household necessities were scarce and price gauged island wide. People who have never called in sick a day in their lives having been let go. Schools closed down and now children who relied on school lunch no longer had the same opportunity as they once did. Island life had returned to its undisturbed state with no visitors. As the land had its chance to heal the island people began to feel the effects of the economic downturn. Many people had felt a need that had long been fulfilled until the pandemic. The need to provide for our ohana had become more prevalent than ever. The question of how we would fill this need stumbled many. The Kauai Independent Food Bank took strides to ensure that food insecurity island wide would be crossed off peoples list of needs.

The mission of Kauai Independent Food Bank continues to be:

Educate, Provide nutritious food for the hungry, and Respond to emergencies.

Summary of Programs

Keiki Café Program

Through Keiki Cafe, Kauai Independent Food Bank (KIFB) supports students' academic

enrichment by allowing them to focus on their studies instead of their rumbly tummies! After school, a time when many keiki go hungry they are provided with healthy snacks to sustain themselves until dinner. The program has grown immensely since its foundation in 2004. Partnering with different agencies like the Boys & Girls Club of Hawaii, YWCA, Kama`aina Kids, and the Department of Education's A+ After-School Program allows for us to service a wide range of students. Every school day we



serve healthy snacks like fresh fruit, yogurt, and whole grain rich granola bars to over 800

keiki in different communities across our island.

Backpack Program

The Backpack Program stems from observing keiki stocking up on afterschool snacks and lunches on Friday afternoons as a way to guarantee food over the weekends. We saw and we acted. The program began in 2005 and continues to grow every year with the goal remaining that over the weekend kids shouldn't have to worry about going hungry without school lunch. To do this we pack ready to eat

foods as well as items for meals that can easily be cooked and stretched over the weekends. These foods are allocated to the students and put into their backpacks for an easy take home. If a family has multiple children their bag size will be increased accordingly.

Kupuna Program

KIFB in partner with RSVP and Ka Hale Pono are able to provide monthly deliveries of foods to homebound seniors. Prior to the pandemic, seniors would take group excursions around the island, going out to eat, shop, and sight see. Before returning home they would stop by

and pick up their haul of foods and other essentials we have available. They would go through the warehouse and pick and choose what ingredients



they needed based on our availability. This would help alleviate costs and allow them to put money toward things like their medicine. We work to provide the kupuna with nutritious low sodium foods that won't conflict with their medication. Offering items like whole grains, protein sources, calcium and vitamin D rich items, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Now kupuna receive a well-rounded food package. Every food item is selected with an awareness of the special dietary needs for aging to ensure the food we offer is nutritious, easy to chew, and simple to prepare

Weekly Warehouse Food Distribution

We focus a lot on the keiki and kupuna through our programs. That doesn't mean we overlook the demographic in-between. To ensure this we have weekly distributions from our warehouse every Wednesdays from 10am-1pm. We welcome anyone that may need the assistance and are happy to distribute a variety of prepackaged goods as well as fresh produce we get from local farmers.

Emergency Food Distribution

If someone happens to miss our weekly distribution, no worries! We will accommodate needs on a walk-in basis.

Partner Agencies

People of all ages are served through our food distribution to partner agencies. Over 50 agencies distribute our food bank

products throughout Kauai, stretching from Kekaha on the west side, all the way to Hanalei on the north shore.

Growing Food Together

KIFB has fostered an innovative collaboration with three steadfast local donors with large fruit orchards with in Aliomanu Loop on the north east side of the island. These fresh fruits

are harvested by KIFB as a donation then used in programs and weekly distributions.

Gleaning

Local home gardeners, farmers, and schools are encouraged to grow a little extra, and donate the fresh and nutritious produce to the warehouse. Farms are also encouraged to donate damaged or nonsalable items. This is a great way to promote healthier eating for recipients and eliminate food waste.



Highlights of The Year

Island Wide Pandemic Assistance

With a majority of the islands hospitality industry put on pause, the Kauai Independent Food Bank focused on food security for employees both back to work and those still on furlough. Many furloughed employees unsure of when their return to work will be. The food bank not only serviced almost all of the hotels on the island but did so a few times around.

'Lot of food' at Point distribution an article written in the garden island newspaper, shares stories of staff at the hotel grateful for the foods and ready to return to work.



Photo from Dennis Fujimoto, The Garden Isle

"Recipients received a bag of groceries, including coffee left over from the Kaua'i Coffee distribution last week, assorted canned goods, and even a bag of fresh produce from a Kekaha farm that featured fresh long beans and sweet potatoes."

Community Contribution

Donations collected by different groups, businesses, individuals, and more all helped to carry the independent food bank through the pandemic. As Kelvin our Executive Director says "As fast as the food comes in, is how fast foods go out." The food bank acts as a storage unit for foods until they are ready for distributions. In 2020 there was no one specific time for a distribution, the need was in full effect and the distributions happened constantly. Food drives in 2020 showed what a small island community can do to help one another in a time so dire.

The Kapaia Foundation

Highlighting one of the many amazing food drives held throughout the year an article written in the Garden Island shares the story of Kimo St. John of the Kapaia Foundation and their food and fund drive held at the Kapaia swinging bridge. "Moniz added that an individual gave St. John a check for \$100, bringing the total contribution to \$1,100 in cash and 397 pounds of food." Community contributions like this, big or small, helped the food bank through times of uncertainty. Its people like St. John who start with the goal of wanting to give back and end up exceeding their own expectations of what one can do when backed by their community.

Photo from Dennis Fujimoto, The Garden Isle



Development

Friends of Hawaii Charities Inc.

A 501 (c)(3) that has continued to be a consistent supporter of KIFB's Keiki Café Program for over a decade now! The generous organizations principal fund-raising event is the Sony Open in the Hawaii PGA TOUR golf tournament held at Waialae Country Club each January. The Sony Open is the largest charity golf event in Hawaii and has raised nearly \$22 million dollars for over 350 local not-for-profits since 1999. Grant recipients are community-based non-profit organizations which operate programs for Hawaii's children, women, elderly and its impoverished.

2020 was no exception, with school closures and chaos abound due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Friends of Hawaii provided support to pivot our Keiki Café program to reach keiki at Boy and Girls Clubs and alternative sites island wide. Proudly, all of the snacks given through the Keiki Café program met the healthy calorie, sodium, sugar, and saturated fat recommended guidelines. We strive to mindfully select food that support healthy eating habits and academic achievement while sustaining young bodies and minds. KIFB is so grateful for the continued support of Friends of Hawai'i support.



Board of Directors

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Financial Information

Year Ended December 31, 2020

Current Assets:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,186,721.94
Accounts Receivable	44,695.60
Inventory	104,932.56
Other Current Assets	66,096.66
Total Other Current Assets	171,029.29
Total Current Assets	1,402,446.76
Fixed Assets:	
Furniture, Equipment, and Machinery	224,104.29
Vehicles	74,445.90
Leasehold Improvements	22,891.00
Total Fixed Assets	321,441.91
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(266,070.02)
Net Fixed Assets	55,371.17
Other Assets	259,582.54
Total Assets	1,717,400.47
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	19,985.37
Accrued Payroll and Related Liabilities	22,779.59
Total Current Liabilities	42,764.96
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted	595,028.26
Temporarily Restricted	157,269.04
Net Income	922,311.21
Total Equity	1,674,635.51
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	1,717,400.47

Food Distribution Sites

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Aloha Church American Red Cross Boys & Girls Club-Kapaa Boys & Girls Club-Lihue Boys & Girls Club-Kekaha *Calvary Chapel Lihue Child and Family Service-DVSF Child and Family Service-E Ala Hou Child and Family Service-Head Start Child and Family Service-VCM Church of the Pacific **Crossroads Christian Fellowship** *Hale Ho'omalu Hale Kipa Hawaii Health & Harm Reduction Center Hawaiian Sustainability Ka Hale Pono, Inc. Kapaa Missionary Church Kapaa Seventh Day Adventist Kauai Baptist Church *Kauai Bible Church

Kauai Bible College Kauai Christian Fellowship *Kauai Economic Opportunity Kauai Health Career Training Kauai Hospice Kauai North Shore Food Pantry Koloa Missionary Church *Lihue Courts Townhomes Mental Health Kokua *Nana's House *Puuwai Canoe Club *St. William Church Supporting the Language of Kauai, Inc. *The Salvation Army-Hanapepe *The Salvation Army Lihue **US Veterans Initiative** *West Kauai United Methodist Church YMCA YWCA Sex Abuse Treatment Program YWCA Women's Shelter

* Designated Emergency Distribution or Food Pantry Site



In addition to our major Food Donors, we thank the thousands of individual and anonymous donors who generously support and contribute to our community.

Hokuala Golf Club

Ae Kamalii Preschool Aloha Church AOG American Savings Bank Anahola Granola Aqua Engineers Bali Hai Villas Bayada Home Health Care **Bill Badua** Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School Church of Jesus Christ of LDS Coca Cola Cost-U-Less County of Kauai Fire Stations County of Kauai-Food Drive Cub Scouts LCC Pack 148 D. Otani Produce DHS - Vocational Rehabilitation Dollar/Thrifty Car Rental Durga Farms East Kauai Lions Club Father's Day Car Show -Kukui Grove Feds Feed Families Garden Island Courier Garden Island FCU Garden Island Hogs Gather Federal Credit Unions Get Fit Kauai Girls Scouts Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort & Spa Great Harvest Bread Great Vacation Retreats Halau Ka Lei Mokihana O Leinaala Halelani Village Haloalaunuiakea Early Learning Center Hanalei Bay Resort Hanalei Dolphin Hanalei Strings Hansen Haole Girl Sweets Hartung Brothers Hawaii Children Theater Hertz Hilton Garden Inn HMS Host Hoku Foods

Hunting for the Next Generation Immaculate Conception Ishihara Market Island Art & Screen Printing Island Glass & Mirror Island School Jamba Juice Kae'o Kai (Wyndham) Kaha Lani Kalaheo Elementary School Kanuikapono Kapaa High School Kapaa Middle School Kapaa Shore Kauai Air Conditioning Kauai Bakery Kauai Beach Villas (Grand Pacific Resorts) Kauai Coffee Co. Kauai Fresh Farms Kauai Government Employee Federal Credit Union Kauai High School Kauai High School-Key Club Kauai High School-Tennis Kauai Lions Club Kauai Marriott Kauai Roots Farm Co-Op Kauai Soccer Association Kauai Teachers Federal Credit Union Kauai Veterans Center Kawamura Farms Kekaha Federal Credit Union Keoki's Paradise **Kiahuna** Plantation Kilauea Bakery Kilauea Elementary School King Kaumuali'i Elementary School Koloa Elementary School Kukui'ula Kukui'ula Clubhouse Kupa'a Cleaning **KVMH** Lapperts Hawaii

Last Orchard Lawai Beach Resort M&K MA's Mud Designs Macy's Malama Kauai Manu Kai Marriott Vacations Club-Kauai Lagoons Marriott Waiohai McBryde Federal Credit Union Menehune Food Mart-Kapahi Menehune Food Mart-Kekaha Menehune Food Mart-Kilauea Mielke Estate National Tropical Botanical Gardens Nawiliwili Yacht Club O'Rourke Orchard Olelo Christian Academy **Outfitters Kauai** Papayas Natural Foods Pepsi Cola Company Poipu Beach Athletic Club **Poipu Shores** Postcards Café Postmaster Pyramid Insurance Safeway Shell Sheraton Kauai Resort Signature Flight Support Skyline Eco Adventures St. Catherine School St. Regis Starbucks - Kukui Grove Sueoka Store Territorial Savings Bank The Point Poipu The Shops at Kukui'ula **Trees Lounge** Vision Hawaii Voice Telco Waimea High School Walmart Weil Orchard Westin Princeville Wilcox Health Y. Hata

Mahalo For Your Kokua Kauai!

28 Years of Continued Service to Kauai



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