



HO'OLA NĀ PUA

January 2024 Newsletter

Spotlight of the Month: Sign Waving for Human Trafficking Awareness Day

January 11 was Human Trafficking Awareness Day. HNP hosted sign waving events on four islands and we have to say - we are truly grateful and inspired by how many activated community members showed up to add their energy and voices to the message that Hawai'i stands against the trafficking and exploitation of all people, and especially our keiki.

Shout out to our partners who showed up and showed out!

O'ahu

- Habilitat
- O'ahu Intertribal Council
- Pouhana O Nā Wāhine
- Honolulu Police Department
- Governor Josh Green & First Lady Jaime Green
- Prosecuting Attorney Steve Alm
- HCHTTF (Honolulu City Human Trafficking Task Force)
- Papa Ola Lōkahi
- Hina Mauka
- Homeland Security Investigations

Maui

- Child and Family Services
- PACT

Hawai'i Island

- HI County Presecutor's Office
- Commission on the Status on Women
- Going Home Hawai'i
- Child and Family Services
- Zonta

Kaua'i

- YWCA
- Children's Justice Center of Kauai

And wonderful volunteers, mentors and friends across the whole state!





Community Engagement



Coming Soon: Red Sand Project

To commemorate the lives that have fallen "through the cracks" in our society, Ho'ōla Nā Pua will be participating in the Red Sand Project and we invite you to do the same, bringing the conversation into your own communities. Details coming soon!



Starfish Mentoring

"I enjoy being able to leave a positive impact. Whether it's a listening ear, providing some requested advice, or just being present. I enjoy seeing my mentee grow; stronger & w/ confidence. I enjoy seeing her enjoy having fun & laughing during our outings; just enjoy being a youth. I am blessed to be her mentor.♥"

~ A Starfish Mentor

To learn about becoming a mentor with the Starfish program on O'ahu or Hawai'i Island, join our interest meeting via Zoom on February 6, 2024. Contact starfish@hoolanapua.org and [CLICK HERE](#) To register.

★ *Become a Mentor!*



Hoku Programs

Mahalo to our wonderful team of Hoku facilitators!



Hökū Facilitators: Brittany, Cecily, Corey, Marissa, Nikki, Sky, Tammy
(Hökū facilitators not pictured): Jeanell, Kate, Kerrigan, Kristin, Michael, Mary Kay, Noelani, Shari

Mahalo to our amazing facilitators for helping to develop resilience and empowerment in our youth! And mahalo to all those who donated supplies via our Amazon gift registry link!

Interested in becoming a Hökū volunteer? Or donating supplies to help support our Hökū groups? Check out our website at www.hoolanapua.org

✦ Support Hoku!



Education + Training

Our webinars are switching to Fridays!

Our MythBusters series on Instagram has been very popular which tells us that there is a true desire to understand what exactly Sex Trafficking is and how it happens in our community. Check out the list of upcoming events where we will host live, free,

February 2, 12:00pm-1:00pm

Webinar | CSEC: An Overview – Myth vs reality, trafficking in Hawaii, Risk vs Protective Factors, identification and response.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/commercial-sexual-exploitation-of-children-an-overview-tickets-793666827847?aff=oddtcreator>

February 9, 12:00pm- 1:00pm

Webinar | CSEC: Trauma Informed Response – Checklists and hotlines serve a purpose, but trafficking and trauma go hand-in-hand. Our response needs to meet survivors where they are – whether they choose to disclose or not.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trauma-informed-response-to-csec-tickets-793673758577?aff=oddtcreator>

February 10, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm 2/10 9-4 pm.

Volunteer & Direct Service Training - This training is required for direct service providers and volunteers. Please contact education@hoolanapua.org to register. These training sessions are held every other month.

February 16, 12:00-1:00pm

Webinar | Online Safety- There are 4.66 billion people online right now creating 2.5 quintillion bytes of data a day. Not all of them have good intentions. We'll take a look at some of the dangers of the internet and some tips and considerations to stay safe online.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/commercial-sexual-exploitation-of-children-an-overview-tickets-793666827847?aff=oddtcreator>

February 23, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Webinar | Practical Ways to Fight Sex Trafficking Today- Got 20 minutes? A free afternoon? You might not be able to end trafficking today, but you can do something to fight it! Here are some ideas.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/practical-ways-to-fight-sex-trafficking-today-tickets-793696476527?aff=oddtcreator>

Sponsorships available for our upcoming 2024 fundraising event!



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Saturday, April 27, 2024



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