

Organizational Summary

Hawaiian Hope is a technology based non profit organization with the objectives to address the parallel issues of homeless services and disaster management.

Hawaiian Hope is led by an Executive Director with : 27 years of experience in the field of Information Technology (IT); 7 years experience with emergency services : fire, rescue and medical; and a combined 7 years experience of life on the street from formerly being homeless.

Over the past 3 years Hawaiian Hope has experienced continuous expansion and growth do to our highly sought after and much needed technology services. Hawaiian Hope currently provides IT services to a total of 10 homeless shelters on O'ahu with several others throughout the state pending agreements. Hawaiian Hope designs web based data management software, the "Ohana Management System", for organizations to manage their facilities and day-to-day operations. **We currently manage the data of over 4,000 homeless or formerly homeless individuals.** By end of 2009 we expect to be working with 20 shelters and managing the data of over 8,500 people.

Hawaiian Hope :

- * Compiles data used to measure effectiveness of services, reports data directly to various state offices.
- * Uses donated computers and builds computer classrooms in homeless shelters.
- * Gives free computers to individuals and families when they move out of shelters and into housing.
- * Has given away more than 200 computers - including laptops, to the homeless, formerly homeless, homeless shelters and other non profit orgs.
- * Currently has over 300 computers in stock awaiting refurbishment and redistribution.
- * Recently moved into a new operations facility of over 1,200 square feet, and in this facility is building a public access computer lab and classroom.
- * Expects to receive and redistribute close to 3,000 computers during 2009
- * Owns and operates as a web hosting company and utilizes a secured data center in Texas.
- * Is Building a Mobile Computer Labs and Disaster Communication Centers from former Tour Buses
- * Is Building a Mobile Laundry Service and Disaster Water Purification Center from former Tour Buses.
- * Is an active member of PIC - Partners in Care - the Continuum of Care for Honolulu - with Mr. Curtis Kropar serving as the Chair of the IT committee.
- * Is a member of "Tech Hui" an online community of more than 700 IT People in Hawaii.
- * Was nominated for both a "Community Service Award" and a "High Tech Leaders Award" through the Pacific Technology Foundation during 2007
- * Maintains a staff of 8 volunteer technicians to work on and repair donated computers.
- * Has more than 35 volunteers eager to serve the needs of technology to the homeless.
- * Logged more than **900 (nine hundred)** volunteer hours during the month of January, 2009
- * To date has not received any money in the form of government grants.
- * Is Presently "Self Funded" and is building revenue streams for our long term sustainability.

Ask how you can get involved to make a positive difference in someone's life and the life of our community.

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