

# **Hawaiian Hope**

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### Services Overview

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

### Data Management Software:

Hawaiian Hope designs web based data management tools for organizations to manage their facilities and day-to-day operations. We currently manage the data of 6 of the states largest homeless shelters and the personal data of over 3,800 individuals. By the end of 2009, we expect to be working with 20 shelters and managing the data of over 8,500 people.

We compile data that is used to secure grant funding, report data directly to various state offices and form solid relationships with these and other organizations in order to strengthen the lives of the people in our communities.

## Classrooms and Free / Recycled Computers:

Now days, school children are routinely assigned homework with the assumption they have a computer at "home" and internet access whenever they want. If you were not aware, Hawaii has over 700 children living in homeless shelters and according to the DOE's own records, Hawaii has over 2,400 children enrolled in schools that are known to be homeless.

Using donated computers we build computer classrooms in homeless shelters. These computers are used by children to complete schoolwork and by adults to fill out job applications, communicate through email and even order documents. In addition, we also give free computers to individuals and families when they move out of the shelters and back into housing.

### **Mobile Computer Labs - Disaster Communications Center:**

As most of us are well aware, many of the jobs now available can only be applied for by using the internet. As an example, Wal-Mart, Home Depot and many hotel chains no longer accept paper applications but instead REQUIRE job applicants to apply for jobs through their company's website. And as mentioned above, children's schoolwork is often required online.

Using former tour buses we are building mobile computer classrooms and disaster communications centers. In doing this we take computer education and technology where it is needed most, directly to the people. In the unfortunate event of a disaster, we can still communicate with the outside world through the use of mobile internet access while generators, battery backups and solar energy maintain power so we can run the equipment uninterrupted for weeks at a time.

#### **Mobile Laundry Service - Disaster Water Purification Center:**

Imagine for many homeless how it is so expensive to do laundry, or so difficult to transport it, that it is often cheaper or less of a hassle for many to simply throw out their dirty clothes and just go get new clothes. Hawaiian Hope is building a number of mobile laundry units where we can get the much needed laundry service right to the people where they are.

Water is the foundation of life. Having clean water and clean linens in a disaster are two of the highest priorities. But how can you justify using drinking water to do laundry? The Hawaiian Hope Mobile Laundry Service buses will also function as Disaster Water Purification Centers. Using the technology of Reverse Osmosis, we will pump water directly from the ocean and convert it into clean drinking water at the rate of **25 Gallons PER MINUTE**.

These fully mobile units will provide services where they are needed by being loaded onto transport ships and moved throughout the entire state of Hawaii, to other pacific islands or even transported to the mainland. During a disaster each unit should be capable of functioning for 21 days, 3 weeks, uninterrupted.

The Mobile Laundry Service will serve to build 2 active prototypes of a planned fleet of units. These Units will be managed as pay per use for laundry service plus contracted out to other organizations. Likewise, we plan to build and sell additional units to other organizations, communities and states in an effort to generate capitol for our long term projects.