

*A Cup of Cold Water, A Community Care Van
Outreach Ministry of the Episcopal Churches on Maui & Friends*

"Thou are the God of the Humble, the help of the poor, the support of the weak, the protector of the desperate, the deliverer of the helpless..." Judith 9:10

*St. Johns * Holy Innocents * Trinity by the Sea* Church of the Good Shepherd * & friends*

January-February 2014 Newsletter

Aloha everyone! We have moved into the new year smoothly and continue our local mission work to engage the poor and needy on the streets of Maui. The Lenten season is now upon us, as we ponder the recent Lenten message from our Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Shori: " *so as you enter Lent, consider how you will live in solidarity with those who are hungry, or broken, or ill in one way or another.*" Through the efforts of everyone of you, we extend the love of Christ and offer a cup of cold water to all of our poor, here on Maui, right now.....

Quik Stats:

	January 2014	February 2014
People Served:	605	483
Miles Driven:	380	423
Total Runs:	12	11
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Chilled Water:	312	384
Food Snack Paks	491	542
Clothing:	339	323
Towels/sheets	81	85
eye glasses	50	10
First aid paks	107	80
Hygiene kits	94	83
Razor kits	65	157
Toilet paper	80	100
Toothbrush	85	105
dog food	27	13
Bibles	12	5
Spiritual Lit.	17	20
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Total items distributed:	2672	3162

One run cancelled (weather)

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On-going needs:

Popular items requested: Shorts, surfer type shorts, tee shirts, jackets, towels, blankets, dog food, tarps, small sized deodorants, and ALL non perishable food items!

We also deeply appreciate your continued financial support.

ACCW Website:

Don't forget to *peruse the Hawaii Episcopal Diocese website for any updated information.*

The " A Cup of Cold Water" Tab is located under the "Ministries" tab and the "Mission Beyond the Church" link. We post our upcoming events, newsletters, informational brochures, a updated on-going needs list, & our inaugural report. We will soon be posting the minutes from our Board of Directors meetings and a monthly financial statement -- to ensure that all of our churches, teams, volunteers, supporters & friends have an open view of our mission!

Board Notes:

Our BOD met via phone conference on February 27th. **Areas of focus for the first 1/2 of 2014 include:**

- Creating a clear and concise financial statement, which will show generally how our donations come in (grant, individual, church, other) and our exact expense profile to include insurance fees, background check fees, cost of supply items (food, medical, water, hygiene etc), fuel, vehicle maintenance, uniform fees, office expenses (brochures, mailings etc), phone expenses (our 800 line)
- Place a Vice President in ACCW's Board of Directors, and begin to structure for future leadership and growth. Consider having Deacons (Episcopal, Catholic or otherwise) be an intragal part of the ACCW Ministry, to include leadership roles and to help ensure the longevity of the outreach mission.
- Supply Room focus. Seek ways to have accountability of the in-kind donations (primarily clothing, and some food items). Seek out bigger and better storage and supply room. Add to our supply team a "rummage crew" , that only handles the clothing, bedding, towels & misc items.
- Grow our Run Leader pool.
- Ensure that our volunteers have completed their mandatory church trainings and proper background checks. Develop a short & concise training program for our rider volunteers.

It is our desire accomplish the above goals *before we expand any run routes or increase our presence at location based areas.*

Mary Leywa (our grants manager) with the assistance of Mary Lou Mellinger submitted a \$3,000 grant application to the Virginia Theological Seminary (missionary fund) which was signed by Bishop Fitzpatrick. Please pray.

Mark Sitts (training coordinator) has created a computerized matrix to track church-mandated training and background checks completed by our volunteers.

Welcome Aboard!

Great News for our "backyard missionary" ACCW team! We welcome:

Paul Javier	Ride Volunteer	Pukalani Nazarene
Roxanne Whitelight	Ride Volunteer	Trinity by the Sea
Ruth Langstraat	Ride volunteer	Trinity by the Sea
Joan Villa	Ride volunteer	Trinity by the Sea
Deb Lynch	Ride volunteer	St. John's

Roxanne & Ruth are part-timers on Maui and express their love & aloha for our less fortunate. Ruth is a retired Doctor and Roxanne an ordained priest with the Free Catholic Church. They have already been on several runs and fill in when we need last minute replacements. Deb Lynch is an artist and a former victims' services helper; she has worked in the outreach arena and we are lucky to have her. Paul Javier of "Puka Naz" is a retired State Crash rescue firefighter and spirit filled leader of his church. Joan Villa is an active "Trinity by the Sea" disciple.....

Duke Casper our favorite snapshot writer and faithful outreach worker will become a Run Leader effective May 1st! This gives us 8 Run Leaders.... our goal is to have one or two more drivers! Interested? God calling you? 1st wahine?

Mahalo Time! Very Grateful!

Larry Brown who took action and built some nice shelves in our shed to help us keep the clothing, rubber slippers and other items organized and easy to access!
Ace Marmac, who thru BJ Santiago continues to supply us with cases of water,
Lucy Santiago who thru her hotel supplies us with small-sized hand lotions and soaps,
Louise Aloy who continues to load the supply team with all kine items,
Cora Brown, who patiently assists us at the GSC hub;
and of course our supply team George & Jean Abe, Susie Davis, and all of the faithful folks who make sure we are organized before our runs;
Lea Voss our volunteer bookkeeper;
our wonderful "purchaser" Gayle Ressler, who jumped right in for the ACCW team, has been battling the throngs of humans at Costco to ensure that our food supply & other needs remains stocked. Yes, we will need to replace her someday as she is the wife of Father Rich, interim Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Recent and regular Financial gratitude: (mahalo 70 times 7)

Dan Bissler

Jean Fiddes

Bill & Nancy Davies

Duke & Susie Casper

Aileen Rolaff

Keawalai Church

Dutch & Michelle Akana

Lynne Takara

Teli and Andres Corpuz

any of you who we may have forgotten, and all of the anonymous donors from the streets.....

Events:

Keku gave a short presentation about the ACCW mission to Kahului Kiwanis chapter on February 13th. This chapter has committed to hosting the meal for one of our weekend runs this year.

Fifteen ACCW team members worshipped at the Pukalani Nazarene Church (Taskie & Paul's church) on Feb 23rd; we rocked and rolled and sang praise music. Mark Sitts and Mary Leywa had the Van onsite prior to the service beginning. It was a wonderful worship experience! Duke Casper and his wife drove the farthest – from Lahaina – to join us.

Upcoming:

Next ACCW team worship will be back to Trinity on Sunday April 27th @ 9:00 am.

Run leaders and Supply Team gather (date/time/location to be determined)

ACCW Team social (date/time/location to be determined)

St. Ann's Catholic ACCW worship (date/time/location to be determined)

Van visit Keawalai Church, Makena

Van visit St. Theresa's Kihei

Speaking engagement: Keku @ Rotary Club of Wailuku, Thursday March 27 @ 7:00 am

Prevention of Adult Sexual Misconduct mandatory training, Saturday June 7th, 0830 am, Church of the Good Shepherd Parish Hall, Wailuku.

**** The May/June/July/August 2014 Run Leader/Ride Volunteer schedule will be released by mid April. Please contact Keku or Paula Baldwin asap if you have preferred days/dates or will not be available on certain dates.**

Till we meet again, Peace,
Keku