

A CUP OF COLD WATER, A COMMUNITY CARE VAN
Outreach Ministry of the Episcopal Churches on Maui & Friends

"Thou art 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

March-April-May 2014 Newsletter

We have had a busy, busy three months! So let's get right into the quick stats and highlights. Also, the year to date totals reflect the efforts from ALL of you. Thanks be to God:

Quick Stats:	March	April	May**	2014 YTD Totals
People Served	627	582	693	2990
Mileage	474	456	507	2240
Total Runs	12	13	14	62
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Chilled water	560	444	507	2207
Food items	1398	1636	3252	6286 (individual items)
Special meals#:			125#	125
Clothing	229	406	572	1869
Towels/sheets	85	84	167	505
First Aid Packets	187	235	250	859
Hygiene Kits	95	68	n/a	340 (discontinued)
Individual Hygiene	218	166	617	1690
Toilet paper			98	98+
Feminine hygiene			16	16+
Diapers			14	14+
Razors	155	120	200	475+
Toothbrush/Paste	115	152	396	853
Dog Food	17	30	17	104 (2.5 lb bags)
Bibles/Spiritual Lit	10	8	24	96
Total Items Distributed: 3285		3411	6114	18,647

special meal: included the St. John's youth's 50 Easter Eggs and the Kiwanis Club of Kahului's 50 deli sandwiches along with 25 bags of chilled pineapple baggies...

**** Note: new loading and counting system was implemented on May 1st. We now bag individual food items in the field, to include but may not be limited to: (energy bars, fruit cups, cheese crackers, rice krispy treats, pop top pudding, variety crackers, sardines, vienna sausage & spam). Individual hygiene items include lotions, shampoo, conditioners, soaps etc.. Toothbrush & toothpaste now counted separately.**

First aid kits Include: 2 antiseptic towelettes, 4 alcohol wipes, 1 large band aid, 5 small band aids, 1 antibiotic packet.

In kind Donation's:

We continue to be blessed with donated clothing, food, water and other miscellaneous items which are the foundation to our service to the Poor....thank you Trinity by the Sea, Holy Innocents, St. Johns, Church of the Good Shepherd, Pukalani Nazarene, other church friends and the rest of our extended ACCW Ohana! Mahalo! ACCW uses the median range pricing of the Salvation Army's "in kind donation" value calculator to place a value on our donated items.

Value of Donated items:	March 2013	April 2014	May 2014
	\$9,574.00	\$5,558.00	\$10,425.00

As you can see from above, WE are blessed with Abundance. Thanks for serving the poor in *our own backyard!*

Special thanks to **Fely Guieb** and the Westin Hotel housekeeping ohana for donating hundreds upon hundreds of shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion, toilet paper and sheets to ACCW. Special thanks to **Nora Antonio** (Housekeeping Supervisor) and **Matt Stevenson** (Head of Security) of the Four Seasons Wailea for donating over 100 beach towels, hand towels and bath towels to ACCW! Special thanks to **Lucy Santiago** and the Maui Marriot Hotel and **Myrtle Kim & Louise Aloy** of Kaanapali Beach Hotel for their continued pipeline of donated supplies. **BJ Santiago** and the Ace Marmac team for their "waterfall of water bottles" and of course, **Cindy Schumacher** for her well-written Maui Weekly editorial & article about ACCW!

On- Going Needs (always):

Cases of water, non perishable food, "board" shorts or surfer shorts all sizes, Large-XXXL Tee shirts, towels, "new kine rubba" slippers, monetary donations of ANY amount, money for gas....maaaahaaalloo!

ACCW Board of Director Notes:

Our BOD has been hard at work ensuring that we take the proper steps *to root in an enduring* and sustainable mission outreach:

- Our *ONE baby step* of expansion in 2014 has been to partner with the St. Joseph Catholic Church of Makawao's monthly feeding and outreach Ministry called, "Breaking Bread". This vibrant program serves the poor in the East & Upcountry Maui area by preparing a hot meal on the Third Sunday of every month from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm, for the poor or needy. They also send their clients home with a bagful of groceries. Our ACCW Van will make the monthly trek to Upcountry and serve their clients with other needs.
- Our Volunteer Bookkeeper Lea Voss with the Help of John Decker and Mary Lou , has created a simple and clear monthly financial statement for ACCW. The financial statement will be posted monthly (after BOD approval) on the Hawaii Episcopal Church Website tab. (under Ministries).
- We continue to "seek out" a Vice President for ACCW, a person with passion for the poor, who can take the reins of leadership 2 years from now.
- Run Leader Deb Lynch will be joining our ACCW Board of Directors. She will be assisting in the task of creating our "Volunteer application form".
- We continue to work on a Larger Supply Room.
- We continue to work on ensuring that all of our volunteers have the mandatory Episcopal Church trainings completed and updated.

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Pending Grants:

Mary Leyva, our grants manager is currently working on two Grant applications for ACCW, (1) The Fred Baldwin Grant Foundation and (2) our own Hawaii Episcopal Diocese Commission on Mission beyond the Church (COMBC) annual grant opportunity. We are also still awaiting word on our Grant requests submitted to the Virginia Episcopal Theological Seminary(unknown award date) and the Mike Lyons community grant request. (awarded in June 2014)

We completed our mandatory grant assessment to the Hawaii Episcopal Diocese and COMBC for monies given to us in 2013. Due up is our 2013/14 Grant report to the Board of the United Thank Offering for their \$15,000.00 gift towards our Van purchase!

Welcome Aboard!:

Anne Kasin	Trinity by the Sea In kind donations coordinator, Ann is tenured in charity work and outreach and is a great asset to our team.
Jomar Rabara	Good Shepherd, grew up in the GSC youth group, young and curious.
Sean Folly	Grace Bible Church, likes the Wednesday mission runs (with Taskie).
Frank Wiseman	St. John's Episcopal. Calm, focused and full of Mother Theresa's wisdom.
Jon Moore	Trinity by the Sea, Young and new to the program.
Shirley Falcon	New Hope Chapel Maui Mall, Owner of Falcons Nest Furniture store, calm and professional.

Events Pau:

March 27th:	Keku spoke about ACCW at the Rotary Club in Wailuku's weekly breakfast gathering. Thanks to Mark Sitt's & John Decker for the intro and coordination. Members toured the Van which was parked just outside the restaurant following the talk.
April 12th	St. John's Episcopal Youth group prepares Easter eggs for the ACCW Sunday Easter Run in South Maui. The colored hard bolded eggs travel via from Keokea via Julenne Mounts to Run Leader BJ Santiago and the ACCW Van outreach team at Good Shepherd in Wailuku. The colorful eggs and their "personally designed bags" are then "rolled" to Kihei and into the hands of our neighbors in need on Easter Sunday, South Maui.
April 13th	ACCW Van visits Keawalai Congregational Church in Makena. Deacon in training Kalani Holokai, Cindy and Keku Akana give the large curious crowd "tours" of the van.
April 27th	ACCW team worships at Trinity by the Sea and we are all invigorated by Deacon Cris South's Homily. The ACCW van rolls in with Run Leader Taskie Hoopii, 5 minutes after the service concluded.
May 17th	Kiwanis Club of Kahului gathers at the Good Shepherd Church kitchen and makes 50+ deli sandwiches for the West Maui Run. They also donate clothing, towels, water, hygiene items and other on-going needs. The fresh sandwiches create a buzz under the Banyan Tree, where they are all given out! Shirley Falcon's first run.

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May 18th

A Cup of Cold Water (Kit Hart, Carol Kramer, Cindy Akana, Keku Akana) join St. Joseph Catholic Church of Makawao's *Breaking Bread* feeding ministry, which generally serves food on the third Sunday of each month. The ACCW van is parked just outside the Parish Kitchen/hall and we offer their clients full meals and sends them home with bags of food! *Breaking Bread* is a wonderful ministry in the Upcountry/East Maui area, where services are far and few between and many of our neighbors in need live "distances" from aide and on the poverty line in simple sheltered homes or relying on family for survival. Thanks to Arsie Anderson, the Outreach Coordinator of *Breaking Bread*, for making this team effort happen.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday June 7th, 0830 am Good Shepherd Church, Wailuku. Prevention of Adult Sexual Misconduct.

This mandatory training will be completed by the time you get this newsletter.

Saturday August 23rd 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Good Shepherd Church Parish Hall: Safeguarding Gods Children. Mandatory annual training for all ACCW volunteers. Sign up now!

Sunday August 31, 3:00 pm at St. Johns Episcopal Keokea: ACCW Summer Social. A potluck gathering for all ACCW volunteers and friends. It will conclude with the Evensong Worship @ St. John's 5:30 pm. Contact Cindy Akana 264-1242 or Paula Baldwin for more info. Details will follow.

Saturday Sept 27 0900 am to 4:00pm , 2014 Annual St. Johns Kula Festival. The ACCW Van will again be on display with volunteers present to talk about the program....Contact Keku or Mary Lou to sign up now. We still need a few Run Leaders!

Financial Gratitude:

Thank s to all of you who have committed monthly or "whenever you can" monetary donations. You have helped make our *spiritual mission* a reality for our neighbors in need.

Current ACCW Bank Balance:

As of May 26, 2014: \$14,544.44

Average monthly cost to fully operate ACCW: \$2,000.00 per month

Question of puzzlement from a outside observer: Where is the Christian Church Monday through Saturday?

Brother can I spare you a word?

Well neither can I,

The great silence is upon us

A simple smile worth a thousand words is words enough

Thank you Brother,

thank you

.....Society of St. John the Evangelist Mathew Tenney Monastic Internship Program. (a perfect poem for the outreach worker and the poor, the eyes have said enough..silence has spoken)

Aloha all, Keku

