

When Life Gave Us Lemons We Made Lemonade ... for 100 Families!

Innovation has always been the hallmark of the Kukui Center, so we quickly jumped at the chance to think creatively when the pandemic hit.

Staff from all of our 7 programs created a fun, family friendly "drive through fair" in our parking lot and provided fresh fruits and vegetables, food, school supplies, books, hygiene products, and diapers.



And the support didn't end

there! Families also received reusable bags filled with information on urgently needed services with contact information and comfort care such as stuffed animals from Kids Hurt Too.

"So many families are experiencing lower incomes, food insecurity, housing instability, and homelessness because of the pandemic. We wanted to assure that our families had the basic needs met before the start of school," says Family Promise of Hawaii Executive Director Sam Church.

This event included the Kukui family of nonprofit partners - Family Promise of Hawaii, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii, Hawaii Literacy, Hale Kipa, Kids Hurt Too Hawaii, Hawaii Immigrant Justice Center, Leadership in Disabilities and Achievement of Hawaii (LDAH), along with community programs

Aloha Diaper Bank, Aloha Harvest

and We Are Oceania.

"Unfortunately, we're seeing unprecedented need as a result of the pandemic." says Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii Executive Director Sunny Chen. "It's great to come together as a community to support each other."

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RESOURCE FAIR

"Necessity is the mother of invention and it is exciting to see such collaboration and creativity in using Kukui Center resources " adds Kukui Children's Foundation Executive Director Judy Lind.



Great news! Plans are in place to make this a monthly event organized by Family Promise of Hawaii.



A gathering place for those who serve vulnerable children and families

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MothersCare Line

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Resources for homeless families with children (808) 548-7478 www.familypromisehawaii

Hawaii Immigrant Justice Center at LASH

Legal services for immigrant victims of abuse and domestic violence (808) 536-4302 www.hijcenter.org

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Outreach services for child abuse victims in, or transitioning out of, foster care to become independent (808)853-4660 info@halekipa.org

Leadership in Disabilities & Achievement of Hawaii

Training center for parents of children with disabilities (808) 536-9684 www.ldahawaii.org

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Support for grieving children who have lost a parent (808) 545-5683 or (808) 256-3176 www.kidshurttoo.org