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**CHAN ZUCKERBERG KAUA'I COMMUNITY FUND AT HAWAI'I COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
AWARDS \$1 MILLION TO 26 KAUA'I ORGANIZATIONS**

*These grants support education and youth, health and wellbeing, workforce development, affordable housing, and 'āina and culture on the Garden Isle*

**LIHUE, KAUA'I, HI** – Priscilla Chan and Mark Zuckerberg through the Chan Zuckerberg Kaua'i Community Fund recently awarded a total of \$1 million to benefit 26 nonprofits as part of their ongoing support for organizations across the Garden Isle.

On Kaua'i, Priscilla's and Mark's giving is driven and informed by conversations with local residents, leaders, and service organizations. As such, the fund's priority areas for 2024 are: education and youth, health and wellbeing, workforce development, affordable housing, and 'āina and culture.

“We have seen firsthand how the Chan Zuckerberg Kaua'i Community Fund at HCF has positively supported communities across Kaua'i—and in the focus areas that they care about most,” said Micah Kāne, Hawai'i Community Foundation's President and CEO. “We are grateful for Priscilla's and Mark's generosity and their commitment to supporting the incredible work of local organizations serving Kaua'i.”

The grants will support general operating needs, which allows the nonprofits to use the funds in the ways they best see fit to reach maximum impact for their programs and services.

“Our family is grateful for these organizations that uplift so many people and efforts on Kaua'i. We are inspired by their hard work and dedication,” said Chan and Zuckerberg.

The 26 organizations awarded grants by the Chan Zuckerberg Kaua'i Community Fund are:

- 'Āina Ho'okupu O Kīlauea
- Aloha Angels
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Catholic Charities
- Child & Family Service
- Hawaiian Community Assets
- Ho'ākeolapono Trades Academy & Institute

- Hui Hana Pa‘akai o Hanapēpē
- Iwikua
- Kaua‘i Economic Development Board
- Kaua‘i Forest Bird Recovery Project
- Kaua‘i Habitat for Humanity
- Kaulu I Ka Pono Academy
- Kaua‘i Independent Food Bank
- Kaua‘i North Shore Food Pantry
- Kaua‘i Planning and Action Alliance
- Keala Foundation
- Kīpuka Kuleana
- Kumano I Ke Ala
- Kupu
- Mālama Kaua‘i
- Nā Maka Onaona
- Permanently Affordable Living Hawai‘i
- The Hanalei Initiative
- UH Foundation – Kaua‘i Community College
- Women in Need

“We are grateful for the award from the Chan Zuckerberg Kaua‘i Community Fund. Through the vital support of dedicated funders like Priscilla and Mark we are galvanized in our continued mission to nurture the next generation’s connection to our land, ensuring that our cultural heritage and sustainable farming methods rooted in Aloha ‘Āina remain strong and vibrant for years to come.”

**Kaina Makua, Executive Director of Kumano I Ke Ala**

“The support from the Chan Zuckerberg Kaua‘i Community Fund empowers our team to expand our reach and deepen our impact. With these funds, we’ve been able to offer more Kaua‘i families the financial tools and affordable housing resources they need to achieve stability and security. This grant fuels our commitment to building a resilient and thriving Kaua‘i community.”

**Cheyne Bargayo, Kaua‘i Program Manager, Hawaiian Community Assets**

“This grant provides much needed funds for our efforts to protect some of Hawai‘i’s rarest forest birds, like the ‘akikiki, ‘akeke‘e, and ‘anianiau. With this funding, we will be able to work towards preventing their extinction and restoring upland forests to make them a safe place for these species.”

**Dr. Lisa "Cali" Crampton, Program Manager for the Kaua‘i Forest Bird Recovery Project**

The Chan Zuckerberg Kaua‘i Community Fund at Hawai‘i Community Foundation was established in 2019. To date, the fund has supported over 75 organizations across the island.

### **About the Hawai‘i Community Foundation**

The vision of the Hawai‘i Community Foundation is to create an equitable and vibrant Hawai‘i in which all our Island communities thrive. With our more-than-107-year history, our trusted expertise, and the generous support of donors, we are working to address the root causes of our state’s most

difficult challenges, including expanding access to affordable housing, conserving fresh water resources, and ensuring the healthy development of Hawai'i's young children. HCF works in communities across Hawai'i, with offices and staff located statewide. For more information about HCF, please visit [hawaiicommunityfoundation.org](http://hawaiicommunityfoundation.org) and follow our social media channels on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#).