



Turtle Bay Foundation Awards \$110,000 in Grants and Scholarships to North Shore Nonprofits, College Students

Increases of 22% in Awardees and 30% in Financial Support from 2014

NORTH SHORE, O'AHU, HI – (December 15, 2015) – Turtle Bay Foundation, the nonprofit entity of Turtle Bay Resort, awarded \$110,000 in grants and scholarships to 78 North Shore nonprofit organizations and college-bound students.

The awardees – 47 community organizations and 31 students – were recognized during the Foundation's third annual awards presentation this evening at Turtle Bay Resort.

As part of its continuing effort to support North Shore communities and residents, the Foundation increased the number of awardees by 22% and increased its financial support by 30% compared to 2014. Since its first year of awarding grants and scholarships in 2013, the Foundation has presented nearly \$250,000 to deserving North Shore and Ko'olauloa recipients.

"Our grant and scholarship recipients represent the future of Ko'olauloa and the North Shore and we're thrilled to help them be successful," said Danna Holck, a Foundation Board Member, and Vice President and General Manager of Turtle Bay Resort. "Expanding the Turtle Bay Foundation's contribution this year to reach more nonprofit groups and college students touches more families and helps a larger segment of the community we're committed to support."

The 47 nonprofit organizations (see list below) receiving grants and support are making a significant impact in North Shore communities in the following five areas:

- Education or Job Training
- Environmental Stewardship
- Hawaiian Cultural Preservation
- Health Care
- Sports or Recreation

The 31 students earning college scholarships (see list below) were selected based on a combination of criteria, including academic performance, GPA and/or ACT/SAT test scores, extracurricular activities and community involvement.

The Turtle Bay Foundation was established in 2012 to enrich the Ko'olauloa and North Shore communities through environmental, educational and cultural opportunities. The Foundation oversees Turtle Bay Resort's numerous charitable contributions, acting as a partner in the community and supporting its mission of making one of the world's last great places even better.

Turtle Bay Resort is the only destination resort on O'ahu's fabled North Shore – Mecca of the surfing world. Situated on 852 acres, it offers outdoor enthusiasts five miles of beach and 12 miles of oceanfront hiking trails to enjoy and explore. This is in addition to 36 holes of championship golf and a wide array of ocean and land activities. All 450 guestrooms and suites offer ocean views and there are **seven restaurants and bars** to enjoy the cuisine, views and ambience of Hawai'i. www.TurtleBayResort.com

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Turtle Bay Foundation Grant Awardees

Turtle Bay Foundation awarded grants to the following 47 nonprofit organizations to support their good work in directly improving the lives of people in Ko'olauloa and the North Shore.

Education or Job Training

Clover J's 4-H Livestock Club: Support the hosting of a judge for the County Show.

Friends of Sunset Beach Elementary: Support the school's art education program.

Friends of the Library, Kahuku: Support the Ko'olauloa "Battle of the Books" after-school literacy program for elementary students.

Fund 42: Recognize student achievement and support scholarships for college-bound students.

Kahuku Community Association: Support the emergency preparedness fair.

Kahuku HIS: Support students to attend a medical terminology college course at Windward Community College.

Partners in Development Foundation: Support fundraising events and provide services to those in need.

Rainbow School: Support the purchase of air conditioning units for two Kahuku classrooms.

Saint Michael School: Support the school's programs, field trips, curriculum and technology upgrades, and tuition assistance.

Surfing The Nations: Support the completion of the Community Outreach and Training Center in Wahiawa.

Waialua HIS Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Program: Support college preparatory program designed to help students in need.

Waialua HIS Special Education Program: Support the purchase of classroom supplies.

Waialua HIS Science Department: Support the school's "Seeing Science with Students" project.

Waialua HIS PRIDE: Support program to help establish positive behavior in students.

Waialua HIS Library Learning Center: Support the purchase of computers for student learning.

Waialua HS Art Department: Support the purchase of supplies for photography students.

Waialua HS Computer Science Club: Support the purchase of computer equipment for student science projects.

Waialua HS Speech & Debate Club: Support the purchase of two tablets that will be used during tournament competitions.

Waialua Robotics Team: Support program to help students thrive in math and science.

Environmental Stewardship

ALU LIKE Maritime Stewardship Program: Support stewardship initiatives and a new, educational, hunting and fishing program.

Ho'ola 'Āina Kupono Kahana Kilo Kai Program: Support the purchase of educational and promotional materials to perpetuate a sustainable future.

Kamaka'ala 'Ohana Kahana Bay Pāpio Tournament: Support a program that promotes sustainability of ocean resources and educational outreach.

Mālama Loko Ea Foundation: Support new public program to remove invasive fish species from Loko Ea fishpond.

Sunset Beach Elementary: Support project to grow native plants at Kahuku Point.

West O'ahu Soil & Water Conservation District: Support programs that help promote stewardship and sustainable farming practices on the North Shore.

Hawaiian Cultural Preservation

Hawaiian Hiking Company: Support the maintenance and preservation of historical and cultural sites at Pu'u O Mahuka heiau.

Hui O Hau'ula: Support the creation of an educational center at Maunawila heiau for the enjoyment of students, community members and visitors.

Ka'a'awa Elementary School: Support the Ko'olauloa Makahiki Festival through cultural learning experiences and interactive activities.

Na Leo Kako'o O Ko'olauloa: Support the teachings of Papakū Makawalu and Hawaiian knowledge for future generations.

Health Care

Bobby Benson Center: Support maintenance projects at the youth facility.

Ho'ōla Nā Pua: Support facility renovation and assistance provided to victims of sexual exploitation.

The Private Sector Hawaii: Support the food distribution program to North Shore families, senior citizens and individuals in need.

Sports or Recreation

CHANCE'EM: Support participation of Kahuku and Waialua High School surf teams in programs that benefit keiki throughout the state.

Hawaii Youth Rugby: Support Kahuku Rugby sports club athletes and team-building program.

Kahuku Competitive Club Soccer: Support team league and registration fees, as well as the purchase of uniforms and equipment.

Kahuku HS Girls Basketball: Support transportation for preseason games.

Kahuku HS Boys Basketball: Support the purchase of varsity warm-up uniforms.

Kahuku HS: Support funds to help subsidize pool rental fees for water polo athletes.

Kahuku HS Athletic Awards: Support the annual Scholar-Athlete Awards that are presented to athletes who have excelled in academics.

Waialua Bullpups: Support team expenses for the Pop Warner football league, including uniforms, equipment, transportation, insurance and officiating fees.

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Waialua Elementary Special Olympics Team: Support team expenses for competitions and a training camp for all students.

Waialua HS Boys Volleyball: Support the funding of uniforms and equipment.

Waialua HS Girls Volleyball: Support the funding of uniforms and equipment.

Waialua HS Softball: Support the purchase of uniforms, equipment, team materials and supplies.

Waialua HS Bowling: Support bowling fees, as well as the purchase of uniforms and equipment.

Waialua HS Girls Soccer: Support the funding of uniforms and warm-up attire.

Waialua Sugah Softball: Support the purchase of equipment and club fees to prepare athletes for the high school level.

Turtle Bay Foundation Scholarship Awardees

Turtle Bay Foundation awarded one-year college scholarships to the following 31 students in recognition of their outstanding academics and service to Ko'olauloa and the North Shore.

<u>Awardee</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>College</u>
Jaclyn Ah You	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Provo
Aisina Farley	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Provo
Ivan Garo	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i at Hilo
Camille Gurion	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
Kaedy Hatchett	Waialua	Honolulu Community College
Ilihia Herrod	KS Kapālama	Whitworth University
Paul Hutchinson	Waialua	Undecided
Siave Iafeta	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Hawai'i
Richmond Jenkins	Leilehua	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
Leah Kaaua-Acorda	Waialua	Leeward Community College
Jess Kanongataa	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Provo
Amanda Lapenes	Kahuku	Oregon State University
Kameleonalani Latu	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Hawai'i
Brigham Martin	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Hawai'i
Onawi Mataira	Kahuku	Stanford University
Kalanipuni Moses-Bryant	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu
Ashley Nakoa-Kawahakui	Waialua	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
Jasmine Niutupuivaha	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Hawai'i
Kai Phung	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Hawai'i
Jasmin Piena	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i at Hilo
Alia Pirrone	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

Tuiluaalofa Roberts	Kahuku	University of Hawai'i at Hilo
Yara Rose	Kahuku	Rochester Institute of Technology
Louis Santiago, Jr.	Kahuku	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Peninataua Sao	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Provo
Brittany Scott	Kahuku	Brigham Young University – Provo
Zoe Sher	Kahuku	New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts
Laken Te'o	Kahuku	Southern Utah University
Rose Thomson	Waialua	Utah Valley University
Elyssa Turnbull	Christian Education Institute	Oklahoma City University
Manulua Vakapuna	Kahuku	University of Southern California

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