



Hawaii Kids Count E-BULLETIN

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[1\) Homeless Service Utilization Report: Hawaii 2006](#)

The Center on the Family at the University of Hawai'i, in collaboration with the Homeless Programs Branch of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA), released the Homeless Service Utilization Report: Hawai'i 2006 today. Authored by Michael Ullman, Marika Ripke, Sylvia Yuen, and Sarah Yuan, this report provides state- and county-level data about the demographic characteristics of individuals, families, and households who accessed homeless support services during the 2005 fiscal year from agencies that enter data in the Homeless Management and Information System (HMIS). Information from both Shelter Stipend Programs (i.e., emergency and transitional shelter services) and Outreach Programs (i.e., mobile street outreach and drop-in centers) are included in the report. Seventeen providers, representing 35 programs, provided the data used.

Some highlights of the report:

- More males than females accessed homeless services.
- Military veterans accounted for slightly over 10% of all adults who received homeless services.
- Approximately 80% of adults reported having at least a high school diploma or GED, including about 7% who earned a college degree or more.
- Children ages 17 years and younger constituted nearly one-third of the persons served by Shelter Stipend Programs and one-fifth of those served by Outreach Programs.
- Over a quarter of the adults who received Shelter Stipend Program services reported being employed, while 14% of adults served by Outreach Programs were employed.

The full report is available online at:

uhfamily.hawaii.edu/publications/brochures/HomelessServiceUtilization2006.pdf.

To request a hard copy, please send an email to Marika Ripke at marika@hawaii.edu.

[2\) Homeless Awareness Week \(November 12th-18th\) Activities](#)

The Hawaii Statewide Continuum of Care is sponsoring a series of events to raise awareness of homelessness in our communities. Please join them in celebrating the stories of successful transition out of homelessness, and the work that providers, community members, and the state and city do to help end homelessness.

Oahu Events

Wednesday November 15th, 7:30am – 5:00pm

Hawaii Statewide Homeless Forum, “Unlocking the Door: The Key to Ending Homelessness”. Waikiki Beach Marriott, Honolulu

Sponsored by Rural Community Assistance Corporation with major funding from HUD’s Honolulu office, the conference will address ways to alleviate the homeless crisis in Hawaii. More than 200 attendees are expected and will include representatives from nonprofit and for-profit groups and government agencies as well as legislators.

Contact: Bruce Newman (541) 332-0703 or BNewman@rcac.org

Thursday November 16th, 8:30am – 4:00pm

“Bridges Out of Poverty” Workshop

Catholic Charities Hawaii Community Center, 1822 Keeaumoku (corner of Nehoa)

Jodi Pfarr is an inspirational speaker who will give the audience an opportunity to analyze poverty through the hidden rules of class, resources, family structure and language.

Contact: Laura Thielen to register at (808) 497-4175 or lthielen@hawaii.rr.com

Friday November 17th, 2:00pm

Mayor Hanneman’s Proclamation Signing Ceremony, Honolulu Hale

Friday November 17th, 4:30pm – 7:00pm

Annual Candlelight Vigil

Hawaii Sate Capitol by Father Damien Statue

Free, open to the public

Candlelight Ceremony, special live entertainment, stories of survival from people who are homeless and formerly homeless. The Hale Aloha Award Ceremony awards special individuals who have shown outstanding commitment to helping end homelessness.

Contact Laura Thielen (808) 497-4175

Maui Events

Friday November 17th

6th Annual Health Fair for the Homeless

The Salvation Army, 45 W. Kamehameha Ave.

Contact Ed Gazmes (808) 877-5818

Friday November 17th

Mayor Arakawa's Proclamation Signing Ceremony

Contact Maude Cumming for more information at (808) 877-0880

Kauai Events

Friday November 17th, 4:00pm – 6:30pm

Candlelight Vigil, Historic County Building
Sign waving, turkey dinner and more

Contact Stephanie Fernandez (808) 245-4075

Hawaii Events

November 1st – 14th

Youth Led Service Learning Food Drive

Opportunities for businesses and schools to kokua organizations serving people who are hungry and homeless

Contact Thelma Tayamen (808) 326-7778

November 12 – 18th

East Hawaii School Drives

Urging schools to hold drives to assist programs serving people who are homeless

Contact Hether Bowlan (808) 933-6002

November 17th – 19th

“Truly Dually” A musical performance about homelessness
Aloha Theater, Kona

Contact Brandee Menino (808) 933-6013

Friday November 24th, 10:00am

Blessing for the Friendly Place with Bishop Clarence Silva
74-5593 Pawai Place, Kailua-Kona

Contact Brandee Menino (808) 933-6013

[3\) Feedback Wanted: Hawaii Kids Count E-bulletin Feedback Survey](#)

Hawaii Kids Count is collecting feedback to help ensure that our products and services meet the needs of our users. Please take a moment to follow the link below and complete a quick, online survey. All responses will remain confidential. We appreciate your participation.

You may access the survey at: http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/hawaii_kids_count/ebsurvey.asp

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