



# Hawaii Kids Count E-BULLETIN

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### [1\) New Poverty Data Now Available](#)

Kids Count and the Population Reference Bureau have released new data on poverty and unemployment from the 2006 American Community Survey (ACS). This new information is available on the Kids Count state-level data website. Poverty level is determined by the federal government based on income and family size.

Some highlights for Hawaii include:

- 11% of children in Hawai'i live in poverty, compared to 18% nationally
- 11% of Hawaii children under age 5 are in poverty, compared to 21% nationally
- 23% of single-parent families with related children are in poverty, compared with 32% nationally
- 4% of married-couple families are in poverty, compared to 6% nationally
- 7% of children in Hawaii under age 6 have no parent in the work force, compared to 9% nationally

To view all the data online, please visit: <http://www.kidscount.org/sld/profile.jsp>

### [2\) October 7<sup>th</sup> is Children and Youth Day](#)

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Children and Youth Day will be held on Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to kick off Children and Youth Month in Hawaii.

Over one hundred free fun, interactive activities for children, teens and families will take place at the State Capitol, Iolani Palace, Hawaii State Art Museum, Kalanimoku Building and Honolulu Hale Grounds, Punchbowl Street, and Department of Health Miller Street Parking Lot. Parking is free at the City and County and State parking lots in the area.

Please come and enjoy and invite your staff, family, constituents, clients and friends to participate in this event celebrating our children and youth in Hawai'i.

[3\) Nominations for Hawaii's Parent Friendly Business Awards now being accepted](#)

As part of Hawaii's Children and Youth Month, McDonald's Restaurant and Hawaii Children's Trust Fund will be honoring Hawaii's Outstanding Parent Friendly Business during the annual Hawaii's Outstanding Advocates for Children & Youth luncheon to be held on October 31, 2007 at Washington Place.

Recommendations are being sought of corporations or other organizations that have demonstrated notable achievements in parent/family inclusion during the past year.

A committee will choose the outstanding businesses from among the nominations. If you know of a corporation or organization deserving this recognition, please take the time to submit a nomination letter. Please include:

- a) A short written description of your nominee's special advocacy efforts performed (e.g., work place policies and benefits that support parents/families, especially those that are father friendly and inclusive, such as providing information and referrals to community resources; supportive child care options; flexible work hours; job sharing; family leave; paid time-off for parents to attend to children's education or health concerns, etc.) on behalf of Hawaii's parents and families.
- b) A short explanation of why this recognition is deserved.
- c) Your contact information, including your name, address, telephone number and email address; and
- d) Your nominee's name, address and telephone number. Note: Nominations may be mailed, faxed or emailed and must be received by the deadline at 4 p.m. on Friday, September 21, 2007.

Please mail, fax or email your completed nomination form and/or nomination letter to:  
Hawaii's Outstanding Parent Friendly Business  
c/o Henry Oliva, Hawaii State Commission on Fatherhood, 1390 Miller Street, Room 209, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Telephone: (808) 586-4999 • Fax: \*808) 586-4890 • Email: [henryoliva@hawaii.gov](mailto:henryoliva@hawaii.gov)  
Important: Nomination deadline is 4 p.m. on Friday, September 21, 2007.

Additional Information

Entries must be 500 words or less typed or neatly handwritten on 8 1/2" x 11" paper.

There is no cost to enter.

Contest sponsors and organizers are not responsible for lost or late entries.

Judging will be done by a panel from the Hawaii State Commission on Fatherhood.

Winner(s) will be judged on nominee's special efforts in the workplace including policies and benefits (especially those that are father friendly and inclusive) such as providing information and referrals to community resources, supportive child care options, flexible work hours, job sharing, family leave, paid time-off for parents to attend to children's educational or health concerns, etc.

Winner(s) will be presented the Outstanding Parent Friendly Business Award at the annual Hawai'i's Outstanding Advocates for Children & Youth luncheon to be held on October 31, 2007 at Washington Place in Honolulu.

#### [4\) 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 here:

[http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/hawaii\\_kids\\_count/ebsurvey.asp](http://uhfamily.hawaii.edu/hawaii_kids_count/ebsurvey.asp)

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