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On Tuesday, December 1st, Hawai‘i People’s Fund is participating in
#GivingTuesday, a global generosity movement that unleashes the power of people
and organizations to transform their communities and the world.
We invite YOU to EMPOWER our grassroots warriors in Hawai‘i and help fuel the
important social change momentum that rages on, even during these heavy huli days.

**community GIVING = community DOING**

This year, #GivingTuesday falls smack dab in the middle of
**HULI 2020! Hawai‘i People’s Fund 48th Anniversary Bash**, a 20-day celebration uplifting and CELEBRATING the magic we make together ~ the loving work of our grantees, the generosity of our beloved community, and our shared vision for a just and equitable Hawai‘i.

By giving between **November 20th - December 10th**, your gift will support HPF’s work AND the work of a community partner or issue area of your choice ~ please consider designating a Spring 2020 grantee as a recipient of your generosity!

Your aloha has and will continue to make a real impact, whether you donate $500,$50, or $5 ~ every penny helps!

The HPF ‘ohana has beautifully illustrated the power of collective fundraising to support social change initiatives in Hawai‘i -
the original crowdfunders!

Your generosity today will kōkua this tradition of giving and reach visionary grassroots organizations working towards a more inclusive, sustainable, and just Hawai‘i ~ #GivingTuesday combines our superpowers with the global community to harness the collective mana of individuals to encourage philanthropy by celebrating the transformative work our homegrown heroes do everyday.

Since 1972, Hawai‘i People’s Fund has given all of us an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than ourselves ~ to connect to a growing community plugged directly into a shared vision of a just and equitable Hawai‘i. Through a unique intersectional approach to social change, this ‘ohana has been hitting injustice in Hawai‘i from all angles. HPF is the only organization in the world specifically addressing the needs of grassroots progressive movement builders by directing community-raised funds and progressive funding opportunities to those on the ground engaged in the work.

Will you join us and make a donation in honor of our beloved community?

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significance of Mauna Kea and all sacred places, and provides cultural learning opportunities to everyone from keiki to kupuna, residents, visitors and others concerned about indigenous rights and responsibilities in order to create a platform for protection of sacred places and for social justice and positive change. Summer 2019 through March 2020 positioned MKEA’s critical role in leadership and frontline non-violent ceremonial stance on the mauna, and the hui remains pivotal as a pillar and piko for the lāhui, dedicated to keeping the movement grounded in ceremony and ritual by utilizing the ‘Aha and kapu aloha guidelines to ground supporters here and around the world in continued protocol.

their right to organize to improve their conditions. With the pandemic, thousands of workers have been laid off or furloughed, and their and their families’ living situations have become dire as thousands of these workers have had great difficulty in applying for and receiving unemployment benefits. HWC is campaigning to get the state’s Unemployment Offices to open up to provide safe, accessible, in-person services and timely assistance. As part of its organizing outreach, HWC has set up a Kokua Fund to provide hardship relief monies to workers for their basic necessities.

Ke Ea Hawai‘i is an interscholastic ‘aha (council) comprised of one elected student representative from each of 15 Hawaiian-focused public charter schools. The council draws strength from the efforts of many Hawaiian charter school founders who sought to address a glaring need to engage students beyond the classroom. Their project, The Hawaiian Kingdom Weekly, brings the power of youth voice to harmonize and amplify the many voices for Hawaiian rights in the social media echo chamber, particularly during a time when everyone is highly engaging on these platforms.

Kuhialoko, located at Waiawa Kai, O‘ahu, educates and works to restore the land and the species connected to its health while bringing families together to strengthen their relationships with each other, their community, and the surrounding environment. Through the Waiawa Kai Native & Cultural Wetland Revitalization Project, the hui sees this shift in mindset to a more open and interconnected relationship with ‘āina and ‘ohana as the first step in restoring abundance and a sense of community ownership and kuleana to Pu‘u‘ūloa. Even during the crisis, Kuhialoko continues to provide, produce, and educate community, reintroducing gathering practices to families to fish from their ‘āina, distributing seed stock to community, and collaborating with other native restoration efforts around the island to ensure abundance during this uncertain time.

Hawai‘i Women in Filmmaking is a feminist nonprofit organization committed to achieving intersectional gender equity in filmmaking. They are a creative and safe space where film and media-makers connect, create, mentor, and inspire current and future generations of women to explore and pursue careers in the field of filmmaking.

Making Media That Matters is filmmaking for civic engagement and social justice. The program provides a platform for young women to tell their stories and be agents of social change through film.
LAING Hawai‘i perpetuates, promotes, preserves, and introduces the various heritage languages and cultures of the immigrant population of Hawai‘i and the United States, and uses them as vehicles for community empowerment, heritage education, social services, and language and cultural access. Starting with the many languages of the Philippines, their goal is to expand to include classes in languages of the Pacific. In response to the pandemic, LAING offered up an online series of Mental Health & Resilience Workshops to the community.

‘Aha Kāne’s mission is to strengthen the Native Hawaiian community through nurturing and perpetuating the traditional male roles and responsibilities that contribute to the physical, mental, spiritual, and social well-being of Native Hawaiian males, their families, and communities to increase awareness and empower Native Hawaiian males to fulfill their roles and responsibilities amongst each other, as well as within our families and respective communities. The hui’s Kapahikaua Program is the expansion and restoration of traditional Ho‘oponopono practitioners. Ho‘oponopono is a Hawaiian healing practice that addresses the overall well-being of families – the Kapahikaua Program focuses on families involved in or affected by the Criminal Justice System.

Aha Wāhine Kūhinapapa gathers wahine to inspire, inquire, invest, and invigorate each other with ‘ike, aloha, and kuleana. Formed in 2011 in response to numerous inquiries from Hawaiian women seeking knowledge and opportunities for personal and professional development, they partner with indigenous businesses and organizations that elevate the status of wāhine, have environmentally friendly policies and practices, and are fair and charitable within their communities. In response to the pandemic and the inability to gather physically, the hui launched a webinar series featuring generations of women to share about their chosen path in life, what inspires them, and how they are preparing future generations during this unprecedented time.

Nā Mahi‘ai ‘o Keanae supports farmers and families from the small farming community of Keanae. With little resources, no health center, and multi-generational families and living conditions, Keanae and the rest of East Maui were ordered to be protected by the National Guard to prevent tourists and non-local East Maui residents from entering the area due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The lock down had a devastating impact on the farmers and families of Keanae that depend heavily on farming and selling goods to the market. Covid-19 has pushed many families to start thinking about and planning to start growing crops, open land for more

The Pōpolo Project’s mission is to redefine what it means to be Black in Hawai‘i and in the world through cultivating radical reconnection to community, our ancestors, and the land. Their work highlights the vivid, complex diversity of Blackness in our region, creating opportunities for people of the African diaspora and Native Pacific Islanders marked as Black to build solidarity through education and cultural learning and exchange. They envision that as the Black community in Hawai‘i is nourished, it will contribute to making a free Hawai‘i a reality again, drawing on histories and cultural technologies of resilience.

Kā‘ū Women’s Health Collective was founded in 2019 by a hui of moms to address reproductive justice issues impacting the health of Pāhala residents, from teen pregnancy to childbirth trauma to high rates of cancer and diabetes. Their mission to empower the women of Ka‘ū to improve the health of their community by holding space for active listening, knowledge exchange, and collective action begins with Pilina, the first of a 3-tiered effort to restore the power of women – the childbearers, the caregivers, and the workhorses – as a first step in realizing reproductive justice in their community.
Hālau o Huluena leads a lā‘au lapa‘au Master Class that restores authentic traditional herbal healing practice in the community by creating and implementing a structure for active learning, immersing students in a tradition-based process of obtaining cultural competency. The hui engages in na‘au-based, ‘āina-based curriculum and approaches that convey traditional knowledge in the context of the present-day. While the current global health crisis threatened to put a stop to the learning, the hui has pivoted to multiple online meetings per week and limited in-person gatherings to continue the dissemination of valuable ‘ike kūpuna (ancestral knowledge).

Ko‘olau Cooperative Community Hub, empowered by farmers market farmers, believes that FOOD IS MEDICINE, and that communities are strengthened in well being, health, and prosperity. In the current crisis, KCCH has taken their vision “on the road,” bringing fresh food and products normally sold at the market to multiple locations and hubs around O‘ahu on a weekly basis.

Kūkulu Kumuhana o Anahola’s genesis sprang forth from the collective grief over a number of youth/young adult suicides and suicide attempts in the Hawaiian Homelands community of Anahola. KKO works to assist its young people in developing life skills that will strengthen their identity through Hawaiian values, build self-esteem, and offer support in successfully managing their futures as a community. The hui has expanded its Ulupono Anahola Project during the crisis to include home deliveries of food and essential items to families in Anahola and surrounding communities.

Hui o Kuapā strives to build experiences that connect Kanaka Maoli to the pillars of their identity that may otherwise be missing in their lives through educational, cultural, and community engagement. Pōhāhā i ka Lani builds upon nearly two decades of the organization’s land stewardship and revitalization efforts in Waipiʻo Valley, imagining and co-creating just futures that honor all of our ancestors and our generations yet to come. They offer programming that includes community building and education throughout the year, with intensive programming in February for Black Futures Month and in the summer with Black August. TPP offered 15 online programming in August that featured theatrical performances, weekly movement sessions, reading circles, organizing around the Black Lives Matter movement, educational panels and workshops, and successfully expanded their reach to those unable to engage in person.

Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea Honolulu’s mission is to provide safe spaces to celebrate Lā Hoʻihoʻi Ea through educational, cultural, and community activities that provide opportunities for self-exploration, healing, and community building.
family life. They accomplish this through the teaching of Hawaiian values, language, mo'olelo, oli, Aloha 'āina, and other cultural traditions that strengthen family practices by applying ancient answers into modern times, planting indigenous seeds that will grow leaders firmly rooted in purpose, thereby ending legacies of oppression and poverty, bringing forth a new generation of guardians and storytellers. Hui o Kuapa’s serves Molokai’s K-12 students with Hawaiian cultural content-based educational activities and experiences, helping to ensure that the wahi pana will thrive with native plants and deepen the relationship between residents and visitors helping to mālama 'āina. The hui is currently developing a culturally-based community stewardship program to address and mālama the culturally rich Mahiki area, where trespassing into fragile ecosystems, illegal dumping, and illicit activities threaten the delicate balance in Waipiʻo. With Hawai‘i County limiting policing of the area (including illegal dumping and trespassing), PIKL is proactively addressing the root causes of the situation, Fōhāhā i ka Lani is taking a holistic and collaborative approach through a long-term, community-focused stewardship effort by collaborating with the County of Hawai‘i, building local support and participation, and installing signage to physically deter trespassers and set the tone of the sacred area.

Native Stories is a non-profit audio content platform and production house focused on providing access to authentic stories and experiences – of its people, place, perspective, history and culture – in service to those that came before us and the understanding of life that should be passed down through generations and around the world. It provides access to outside and in-house produced content through a mobile app and website. Their work in spreading the good news about indigenous solutions far and wide has been a beacon for native resilience and empowerment in this unprecedented moment in history.

As a social-change philanthropy, the act of giving is an action equally as powerful as the work itself. Fundraising provides capital for our programs, and building our donor base is equally about growing a movement for progressive change and social justice. Our annual Spring Grant Awards are only possible because of the generosity and aloha of the HPF ‘ohana.

Your choice to contribute is a commitment to the vision of a more equitable and just Hawai‘i just as much as is the work of grassroots organizations receiving grants.

Mahalo for your generosity and support!

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every past, present, and future HPF Grantee, Leadership, Staff,
and everyone who calls Hawaiʻi home

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