



**HAWAII FOODBANK RECEIVES 179,000 POUNDS OF EMERGENCY DONATIONS**  
*Oahu Warehouse Up to 11-Days-Worth of Food in Stock and Still Accepting Donations*

HONOLULU (August 13, 2018) – Hawaii Foodbank asked and the community responded in a very generous and positive way. Residents and businesses across Hawaii answered the call for emergency food donations to help feed more than 287,000 local residents.

Hawaii Foodbank aims to collect one million pounds of food each month but a decrease in summer donations, providing emergency relief following two natural disasters and an approaching hurricane had left the Oahu warehouse with less than 10-days worth of food in stock. But with the local community's tremendous support, Hawaii Foodbank received more than 128,000 pounds of food, more than 51,000 pounds of water and drinks and monetary donations equivalent to 60,257 meals.

"We are so grateful for the community's incredible response and generosity in providing food and monetary donations," said Ron Mizutani, President and CEO of Hawaii Foodbank. "Hawaii Foodbank distributes more than 46,000 pounds of food a day and we can't do what we do without our community's kokua. Thank you very much."

Hawaii Foodbank is still accepting monetary donations and non-perishable food items. Donations of canned proteins, canned meals, canned vegetables, canned fruits and rice are in high demand and residents are encouraged to drop their donations at Hawaii Foodbank.

For more information on Hawaii Foodbank or to make a donation, please call (808) 954-7869 or visit [www.hawaiifoodbank.org](http://www.hawaiifoodbank.org).

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**About the Hawaii Foodbank**

The Hawaii Foodbank, in partnership with the food industry and community, serves as a link between charities and those in need of food assistance including the elderly, families, children and those facing financial crises each week. Last year, the Hawaii

Foodbank distributed over 13.7 million pounds of food in Oahu and Kauai, including 3.6 million pounds of fresh produce. The Hawaii Foodbank is a certified member of Feeding America and operates as the official food bank in the State of Hawaii. For more information, visit [www.hawaiifoodbank.org](http://www.hawaiifoodbank.org) or call (808) 836-3600.

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