



HAWAII FOODBANK SEEKS DONATIONS FOR INAUGURAL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

HONOLULU (November 27, 2018) – On Saturday, December 22, Hawaii Foodbank staff and volunteers will collect canned and non-perishable food and monetary donations at its Mapunapuna warehouse from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the Hawaii Foodbank Holiday Food Drive.

“It’s been a challenging year for Hawaii with the epic April storm, several hurricane scares and Kilauea’s devastating eruption, said Ron Mizutani, President and CEO of Hawaii Foodbank. “There are many businesses, organizations, schools, clubs and individuals who want to give during the holidays but don’t know where, when or how to do so. The holiday food drive will provide our community with a convenient option.”

Hawaii Foodbank is asking the public to consider organizing food drives of any size and delivering their donated items to the Mapunapuna warehouse at 2611 Kilihau Street on December 22. Vehicles of all sizes are welcome. Santa will also be on hand to take pictures with families.

“We appreciate the generous hearts of the many people who are looking for ways to donate to Hawaii Foodbank during the holidays and make a real difference in people’s lives,” added Mizutani. “We are hopeful our warehouse will be busy with activity on December 22. Every pound and every dollar helps. The needs are great, but together we can make sure no one is ever hungry in Hawaii.”

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 or call (808) 836-3600.