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Serving Kauai since 1992, the Hawaii Foodbank has helped families to get back on their feet and fight hunger. In 1994, the Hawaii Foodbank helped set up a 501(c)(3) so Kauai could have its own food bank. In 2010, The Kauai Food Bank changed its name to the Kauai Independent Food Bank (KIFB) and the Hawaii Foodbank established another operation on Kauai for food distribution. Today, the Hawaii Foodbank - Kauai Branch and the KIFB operate independently and serve families across the island.

In 1983, John White's vision of a local foodbank became reality in a small warehouse on Sand Island, Oahu. By the end of the year, over 380,000 pounds of food were distributed through the help of 75 member agencies. Since then, the Hawaii Foodbank has grown immensely and now distributes nearly 12 million pounds of food each year. The Hawaii Foodbank has expanded its service to the neighbor islands of Maui, Hawaii, and Kauai. Each week it provides food assistance to the low income, elderly, children, homeless, unemployed, and those experiencing temporary emergencies. In 1996, the Hawaii Foodbank was voted Hawaii's number one charity by Hawaii Business magazine, with 95% of all donations going to support programs to feed the hungry.

The Hawaii Foodbank network is comprised of four food banks: The Hawaii Foodbank on Oahu, The Food Basket on the Big Island, the Maui Food Bank and the Hawaii Foodbank – Kauai Branch. These four are the only food banks in Hawaii certified by Feeding America, the nation's food bank network. This means the Hawaii Foodbank - Kauai Branch is the only food bank on Kauai that is audited by Feeding America and is required to meet strict national guidelines for the safe handling and distribution of food, financial and administrative practices as well as donor/agency relations. The Hawaii Foodbank – Kauai Branch is a participating agency of Kauai United Way.

Kauai Agencies

The Hawaii Foodbank Kauai Branch works with the following Kauai agencies to distribute food to the hungry:

Aloha Church	Kapaa Missionary Church	St. Michael and All Angels
Church of the Pacific	Kauai Bible Church	St. Williams Church
CFS-Hale Ho'omalua	Kauai Economic Opportunity	St. Catherine Parish
CFS-Nana's House	Kauai Lighthouse Outreach	U-Turn for Christ
Kalaheo Missionary Church	Lihue Court Townhomes	

Kauai Hunger Facts

- According to the new findings reported in *Hunger in America 2010*, 11,100 different people on Kauai, nearly 18%, of our population on Kauai, is receiving emergency food assistance through the Hawaii Foodbank network.
- The 11,100 different islanders served annually by the Hawaii Foodbank network include 4,107 children and 1,110 seniors on Kauai.
- 73 percent of client households served on Kauai are food insecure, meaning they do not always know where they will find their next meal. 66 percent of these households include children.

Support Hawaii Foodbank Kauai Branch

Monetary Donations via online or by mail:

Every \$10 enables the Hawaii Foodbank and its Kauai Branch to provide food for 25 meals. To make a donation, please visit the following link and fill out a donation form: <http://www.hawaiiifoodbank.org/page28.aspx>. All donations require the donor's contact and billing information. The Hawaii Foodbank and Kauai Branch accept cash, checks, and/or credit cards.

Volunteering:

Volunteers are needed for salvage/donation sorting, special events, and our food drive. To volunteer, please contact our volunteer facilitator at (808) 482-2224 ext. 331 or email volunteer@hawaiiifoodbank.org.

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