



UNIVERSITY of HAWAII
KAUAI COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Ke Kulanui Kaiāulu 'o Kaua'i

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KAUA'I COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT BASIC NEEDS GOAL

To make the food security and human needs of our Kaua'i CC students a priority through holistic, consistent and accessible support services which will increase their perpetual self-sufficiency and academic success.

CAMPUS PILLARS

LEADERSHIP

Leadership- Collective engagement of stakeholders. Buy-in to the importance of this initiative, taking an active role in paving the way for sustainable implementation across campus and from the top-down.

CULTURE OF CARE

Culture of Care based on Pilina (cultural connections/relationships)- Our students are Humans first and their needs are more than Basic. When we connect w/ our students, faculty, staff, COB, etc...that it is with grace, love, and humility. That we consider who we are as an entity and who we are serving. Includes trauma- and poverty-informed approaches of support that creates space for increased coordination of services.

Values:

1. **Dignity** - the state or quality of being worthy of respect; a sense of pride in oneself; self-respect
2. **"Interactions of Aloha"** - Act with compassion and kindness. Welcome with warmth.
3. **Empower** - to make stronger and more confident in controlling their life and claiming their rights.

SUSTAINABILITY

UH system, campus, and program levels to allow for fluid support in time, space, access, funds, etc.

PARTNERSHIPS

Our internal programs and CBO partnerships of support are integral to providing the casual and/or case management style of our relationship with our island community.



CURRENT PROGRAMS

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EMERGENCY AID FUND

Student experiencing an unanticipated emergency that negatively impacts their financial ability to afford to stay in school can apply to receive additional financial assistance.

HO'AI FOOD AND GOODS PANTRY

Through partnerships with community organizations, the Pantry provides non-perishable groceries, snacks, coffee and tea, hygiene and household items, clothing, baby diapers . Services are open to all UH students, staff, and faculty located on our campus.

MĀLAMA MEALS

Supplemental hot food service, approximately once a month, to increase direct outreach to students, and hot meal access on campus.

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE FUND

To reduce the burden of child care expenses for students, the fund exists as a supplemental funding source to support student parents.

MENSTRUAL PRODUCT ACCESS

Free menstrual products are regularly stocked in all bathrooms on campus, as well as the Ho'ai Food and Goods Pantry.

POP-UP FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

A partnership with the Hawai'i Foodbank and Waikīkī Community Center to provide primarily fresh produce to those in need within our community.

MEAL VOUCHERS

To improve access to affordable and ready to eat food on campus, Kaua'i CC homebase students may sign up for 2 meal vouchers per week that will cover the cost of a meal. Food brought in through vendors to our campus Bookstore, is available on a first come first serve basis. The meal voucher covers up to \$13.

COMMUNITY AND CAMPUS RESOURCE REFERRALS

By housing our human needs program under Hale Mālama, referrals for mental health and case management are timely. Through cross department collaborations, other referrals and introductions are also easily made for disability and veterans support, financial aid, academic and career counseling, among others. For services that we don't offer, like SNAP application assistance, we rely on our network of community organization partnerships.

KUI LIMA (FORMERLY: CARES PACKAGE)

Program to provide non-PELL eligible students that still demonstrate need with supportive financial services and resources addressing the true cost of attendance in order to increase college affordability and academic success. Eligible students can request help purchasing books, course materials, necessary technology, among other items necessary for academic success.

PRIORITIES & BEST PRACTICES

BEST PRACTICES	DESCRIPTION
Measuring Impact	Measuring the efficacy of human needs programming
Staffing	Adjusting and/or increasing human needs staffing
Direct Service Implementation Plan	Campus plan outlining the implementation and maintenance of provisioning programs that will directly support human needs security
Education for Faculty & Staff	Providing faculty and staff with educational opportunities to better understand human needs insecurity and how to best connect students to campus and community resources
Outreach to Students	Communications and programming directed toward UH System students who are Kaua'i residents to raise awareness and align human services

Implementation Plan

PRIORITY 1: MEASURING IMPACT

SPRING 2024	FALL 2024	SPRING 2025	FALL 2025	SPRING 2026	FALL 2026
Re-evaluating use of Mālama Matrix	Restructuring of Mālama Matrix	Restructuring of Mālama Matrix	Implementation of updated Mālama Matrix into new student orientation and academic advising	Fine-tuning of Mālama Matrix	Re-implementation with necessary changes
Conceptualize best practices for measuring impact of programs	Meet with campus IR regarding Student/Community Needs Assessment Survey	Finalize Student/Community Needs Assessment Survey	Conduct Student support/Basic Needs Community Assessment Survey	Analyze and assess data from survey	

PRIORITY 2: STAFFING

SPRING 2024	FALL 2024	SPRING 2025	FALL 2025	SPRING 2026	FALL 2026
Campus approval to institutionalize Human Needs Coordinator position	Securing grant and/or additional funding for staffing of current programs	Advocate for additional mental health position and case management position from state and federal funding	Needs assessment on staffing	Needs assessment on staffing continued	Pushing the institutionalization of positions through system and legislature funding
Create Operating Procedures for Pantry services	Hiring of Student Workers	Hiring of Student Workers	Additional staffing for Pantry + Bookstore		
	Permanent hiring of human needs coordinator				

PRIORITY 3: DIRECT SERVICES IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

SPRING 2024	FALL 2024	SPRING 2025	FALL 2025	SPRING 2026	FALL 2026
Grant spending and procurement for current programs	Update of Pantry space and services. Seek extension of grant funds	Procurement for Ohana Study Space	Ohana Study Space opening		
Hire a consultant to perform and in depth housing needs assessment and preliminary plans	College Conversation on houselessness and housing insecurity to include alternatives to traditional student dorms	Advocate for commitment from Legislature for construction of student housing on campus	Anticipated commitment from Legislature for On-campus Student Housing development	Anticipate final construction plans and permits acquired	Anticipate beginning of construction
	Formulate "Transition support strategy to community resources for exiting students"	Integrate transition support strategy with case management			
	Re-evaluation of criteria and dispersal of supplemental aid for child-care and emergencies	Community input on direction of programs	Revisit on-campus food access options		
		Expand access to fresh produce			