



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HAWAII ISLAND NEWSLETTER JAN - FEB - MAR 2019

Happy 2019!

2018 was a great year - made possible with the generous support from our Board Members, Committee Members, volunteers, donations to our ReStores, community partnerships, fundraising events, monetary donations for our new builds, critical home repairs, Puna Relief, and Annual Ask. **MAHALO NUI LOA!** We look forward to your continued support and serving more families in 2019!

Mahalo 



ADVOCATING FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY STATEWIDE

It was opening day at the State Legislature and Habitat for Humanity Hawaii Island's Executive Director Patrick Hurney was there along with representatives from other Habitat

affiliates and the Hawaii Habitat for Humanity Association. They met face to face with members of the Legislature to advocate for affordable housing that will build stability and self-reliance in our island communities. They also asked for continued Grant-in-Aid funding, including the Puna Relief funding, to ensure more people have a safe, decent place to call home.

You can help by writing to your legislative representatives and asking for their support to fund Habitat's programs or you can invest in our community by making a donation online at www.habitahawaiiisland.org/donate.



SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS!

Lucky couple Bill and Lauren from New York couldn't believe it when they learned they were the winners of a trip to Hawaii Island to participate in Habitat's Building program for 10 days, courtesy of Marketplace Events! Marketplace Events has partnered with Habitat International to provide "sweepstakes" funding for two people once a year to learn about Habitat

for Humanity through hands-on experiences. Habitat Hawaii Island was chosen as the host site and we couldn't be happier to share our aloha with the New Yorkers and of course, our warm weather, too! They split their time between a new build in Waimea and a critical repair project in Puna. Mahalo Bill and Lauren!

shop. donate. volunteer.

RESTORE KONA

Located at 73-4161 Ulu Wini Place, Bay 1 in Kailua Kona Phone: 331-8010

Come and meet our new ReStore Manager Sheila Desimone. As our main ReStore, Sheila and her hardworking crew are constantly on the go - from picking up and receiving new donations, sorting and pricing, to coordinating distribution to our other ReStores.

FREE pick up in West Hawaii.

RESTORE WAIMEA

Located at 65-1259 Kawaihae Road in Kamuela Phone: 885-9091

Visit ReStore Manager Elizabeth Royale and her great team! It feels like home as soon as you walk through the front door.

FREE pick up in North Hawaii.

RESTORE HILO

Located at 871 Iolani St in Hilo Phone: 935-6677

Since the move to a bigger space, ReStore Manager Bridget Paulson and her crew have been instrumental in getting more donations, thus able to offer a lot more items to the public.

FREE pick up in East Hawaii.

All of our ReStores are open to the public.

PUNA RECOVERY UPDATE

Meet Adrienne Eisele our East Hawaii Family Services and Volunteer Coordinator. She has been busy assessing the many needs of the community in Puna.

As Habitat for Humanity works to secure money, manpower and materials to address these needs, we have been working with one family at a time to get their house back to livable standards. Your support of any dollar amount to the Puna Relief/Recovery Fund will help us complete the much-needed home repairs for families and individuals affected by the eruption.

Volunteers with specific skill sets are also needed. Plumbers, electricians and roofers are among the greatest need at this time. If you would like to volunteer and have a specific skill set you are willing to provide, please contact Adrienne at 808-935-6677 or at adrienne.eisele@habitat-hawaiiisland.org.





Community Partnerships!

Hawaiian Community Assets provides housing education and financial literacy for our future homeowners. There are 2 workshops - Pre Purchase Counseling and Post Purchase Counseling. Families learn how to establish savings goals, manage money, understand credit and credit reports, navigate through the home buying process, survive a financial emergency, sustain homeownership, and more!



HMSA volunteers started the year helping us at one of our builds in Puna and made a generous donation to the Puna Relief Fund! If your company would like to schedule a volunteer day for your employees, please send an email to Community Relations Manager Margo Takata at margo@habitat-hawaiiisland.org.

SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN BUILD IN PUNA SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019

Women Build is a Habitat for Humanity International annual event that encourages women to make a difference by building homes and communities. This year, we are hosting it in Puna on Saturday, March 9, 2019. Stay tuned for updates in the coming weeks.

