

# A CUP OF COLD WATER

## 2020 ANNUAL REPORT



**ACCW is an all-volunteer organization!** That means, with no paid staff, every dime goes toward helping Maui's neediest. YOUR Support of ACCW is vital to our existence. Here's how you can help:

- **Volunteer:** We always need volunteers for all duties from Runriders to Runleaders to Supply Room to board work. Call us at 808-419-1637.
- **Donate:** Items can be donated through any Episcopal Church on Maui. Funds can be donated via our mailing address on the back page. Ask us about tax-efficient options to support ACCW, like direct IRA distributions, stock donations or planned giving.

*'Loving response to Maui's neediest'*

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT DEB LYNCH



What a year 2020 has been! First, we honored with much love and aloha our wonderful outgoing President, Paula Baldwin, for all the many, many hours of work and compassion she had for ACCW and all the volunteers. Her sweet smile and gentle words will always remain as examples of “leading with love”. In early 2020, Deb Lynch was nominated by the Board as next President and confirmed by the Diocesan Council.

Then COVID-19 entered our world! Yikes! The Board had hard decisions to make about safety for everyone. How do we continue to serve? Ideas flowed from stopping Runs completely to engineering a slide tray for sending things out the Van window (no, we didn't do that!). Yes, at times we did suspend Runs, but with masks, distance, bleach, and posts with a plastic chain barrier, we finally figured it out! But sadly, no more hugs to those dear ones served this year.

And so many thanks are needed to the Supply Team Angels who spent hours and hours sorting so many generous donations and creating snack food bags and hygiene/first aid bags! When Runs were suspended at times, the Supply Team went to task making extra hygiene and first aid to share with other ministries. Even though the Van didn't always go out, the ACCW volunteers were hard at work, determined to share God's love.

And all the wonderful donors ... there is never enough thanks for the individuals, churches, Buddhist Missions, businesses, and grant monies that flowed in like a river. Truly, ACCW is loved and supported by so many.

A proposed Bill to the County Council that would make it illegal for anyone to serve the unsheltered without wrap-around services present was defeated by ACCW volunteers and friends inundating Council Members with emails objecting. Wonderful work!

This year we have truly been a team helping each other and the community. Some volunteers wisely decided to take a leave, needing extra care staying safe for themselves and their loved ones, but all will be welcomed back when things get safe again. We do pray that God will bring better times for all in 2021.

And let us also always pray that God be in our hearts, our words, our eyes, our hands, and our actions. Being President of a ministry with such caring, compassionate people has been a true blessing for me.

**Mahalo Ke Akua!**  
**Deb**

# OUR TEAM, OUR PEOPLE, OUR FAMILY, OUR FRIENDS

"AND NOW ABIDE FAITH, HOPE, LOVE, THESE THREE; BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE"  
*1<sup>ST</sup> CORINTHIANS 13:13*

- IAO UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
- KAHULUI HONGWANJI BUDDHIST MISSION
- WAILUKU HONGWANJI BUDDHIST MISSION
- MAKAWAO HONGWANJI BUDDHIST MISSION
- MAKAWAO UNION CHURCH/SECOND HAND HEAVEN
- HONUA KAI RESORT
- HONPA HONGWANJI MISSION OF HAWAII
- ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, KULA
- HOLY INNOCENTS EPISCOPAL, LAHAINA
- TRINITY BY THE SEA EPISCOPAL/TRINITY TREASURES, KIHEI
- CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (EPISCOPAL) WAILUKU
- EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN OF GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH & THE HAWAII DIOCESE
- MEMBERS OF ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
- MARIA LANAKILA CATHOLIC CHURCH
- MEMBERS OF THE MAUI QUAKERS
- KEAWALA'I CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
- ANONYMOUS DONORS
- ROTARY CLUB OF LAHAINA SUNSET
- EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF HAWAII
- ST. ANTHONY'S THRIFT SHOP
- MAUI HUMANE SOCIETY

*Delivering the basic needs of water, nutrition, clothing and comfort to the neediest of Maui's people.*



***John & Rev Linda Decker  
provide PBJ Sandwiches***

***Special thanks to the Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich crews:  
Charlotte Wilkerson & the Kahului Hongwanji Buddhist Mission, Sandy Hirata  
& the Wailuku Hongwanji Buddhist Mission, Maui Friends Worship Group,  
Holy Innocents Episcopal Church, Trinity Episcopal Church By-the-Sea, John  
& Linda Decker***



***'No one has ever become poor by giving.'***

***- Quote from The Diary of Anne Frank***

## **Some Facts about A Cup of Cold Water.....**

***In 2020, A Cup of Cold Water conducted 61 mission Runs and completed 4,342 service contacts with people in need, despite temporary suspensions totaling four months.***

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<b>People served</b>	<b>4,342</b>
<b>Mission Runs</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>Miles Driven</b>	<b>1,430</b>
<b>Chilled Water distributed</b>	<b>4,342</b>
<b>Food items distributed</b>	<b>28,252</b>
<b>Peanut Butter &amp; Jelly Sandwiches</b>	<b>2,000+</b>
<b>Basic first aid items</b>	<b>4,036</b>
<b>Clothing items</b>	<b>6,548</b>
<b>Hygiene</b>	<b>13,337</b>
<b>Bibles/Spiritual Literature</b>	<b>225</b>
<b>Masks</b>	<b>400</b>

**A Cup of Cold Water also distributed thousands of other items including footwear, caps, blankets, towels, tarps, rain ponchos, backpacks, washcloths, eyeglasses, nail clippers, pet food and other miscellaneous items.**

**Also in 2020:**

**300 hygiene packs to the Kahului Salvation Army**

**196 sheets, towels, bedding linens to Ka Hale a Ke Ola Shelter**

**120 shirts, caps, towels to the Kahului Salvation Army**

**46 large bags of dog food to the Kahului Salvation Army**

**36 cases of water to Good Shepherd's Ka Ohana Kitchen**

**518 snacks to Maui Community Correctional Center Inmate community program**



# ACCW Supply Room “Magic”

## 2020 Intake Report

*(Items Processed by Supply Room Volunteers)*

Category	Number	Estimated Value
Men and Women's Clothing	2,775	\$7,094
Accessories	1,066	\$2,541
Household Goods	2,558	\$3,868
Hygiene Products	13,168	\$30,497
Food	293	\$1,149
Miscellaneous	169	\$580
<b>2020 Totals</b>	<b>20,029</b>	<b>\$45,729</b>



*Susie Davis (L) & Marilyn Hirashima (R)  
Supply Room Angels*

The ministry of keeping all the needed supplies on hand and organized to enable the ACCW runs to have what our houseless friends need, has gone thru a lot of changes throughout the life of ACCW. Initially Jeanne Abe was Supply Chairperson and Susie Davis has been key from the beginning. Various other people have lent a hand over the years. After getting everything well organized, Jeanne decided that it was time for her to retire a couple of years ago. Marilyn Hirashima went from the Costco purchasing supply to Supply Chair with invaluable assistance from Susie Davis. Recently, Debbie Takahashi took over the weekly Costco run, and Judy Thomson comes in once a week to help sort and record donations. I keep my eyes open for sales like at Long's, for needed items or order them online in bulk to keep the shelves full. We get donations continuously from many different sources. Mainly just individuals donating those things that they know we always need like tee shirts, shorts, rubber slippers, towels, hygiene & first aid items etc. Whenever we run short on some items, we put out a call to the Maui Episcopal churches and our other friends in the community and are answered with many bags of these and other items. Sometimes we are blessed with large amounts of goods from hotels or condos which are usually soaps, shampoos, lotions, towels, and such. We have had some special donations such as a young man working towards his Eagle Scout level who made up a whole bunch of hygiene/first aid packages and a young girl who was doing a senior class project who made up cute Christmasy little bags with assorted items after collecting from the rest of her class. You can easily see that making these donations makes them feel good as well as helping our houseless friends. I know that as I watch or read the news, I often feel sad or discouraged but this twice weekly ministry at the ACCW Supply Room helps me to feel that at least I am doing some small actions to help rather than be apathetic or feel helpless. Thank you ACCW! The oft quoted golden rule to do unto others that we would like them to do unto us keeps the Supply Room flowing along.

**Marilynn Hirashima**



## **ACCW Mission Highlights in 2020**

A Cup of Cold Water is driven by the servant spirit-hood of Jesus Christ and it is within this spiritual context that we serve as volunteers, seeking our place with our fellow humans by serving Maui's destitute at their point of need. We desire to experience God through loving service with our neighbors on Maui.

Our Team currently consists of over 60 servants and many friends. All are volunteers. It includes our Board of Directors who are also assigned administrative tasks, Mission Run Leaders, Mission Riders, and a Supply Team which handles intake, sorting, purchasing, organizing, and counting. All these ensure we are mission ready every day, every week, and every month. But in the midst of a pandemic, things change.

### **Operating in a Pandemic Throughout 2020 Portends a Frightening Trend**

The Covid-19 pandemic presented some real challenges for ACCW. While we are blessed to be a 100% all-volunteer organization (no paid employees), it presented problems as most of our volunteers are retired and in the most vulnerable demographic of the pandemic. To protect our volunteers and the very clients we serve, ACCW reduced the number of Runs from three per week down to one per week with full suspension of Runs during times of peak infection. This was primarily to reduce exposure and protect the most vulnerable.

Despite the number of Runs being reduced to a third of those in previous years, the number of people served, and the distribution of goods was over half of the previous years' amounts!

The story and frightening trend told through the above paragraph is Maui's unsheltered population grew substantially in 2020 and more individuals were served on every Run as a result.

This is a clear demonstration of our need to help the unsheltered population even more in 2021, particularly when eviction laws and property repossession suspensions are ultimately lifted.

### **Looking Forward to 2021**

Thanks to the classification of ACCW as an essential service to the community by Hawaii's Lieutenant Governor, Josh Green, many ACCW volunteers started receiving vaccinations in early 2021. This means ACCW volunteers will be ready for Runs once they have achieved maximum immunity. ACCW plans to resume its usual three Runs per week as soon as possible. The anticipated growth of unsheltered people will be a drain on ACCW's financial resources but with reduced Runs in 2020 came reduced expenditures, allowing ACCW to build a financial buffer for the upcoming increase in service Runs.

The Board of ACCW asks all members of the community for more compassion for the unsheltered with increased donations to charities, like ACCW, that service Maui's neediest.

# ACCW Mission Financials 2020

## 2020 Balance Sheet (as of 12/31/20)

### Assets

Cash	\$72,364
Reserve for Van Replacement (Restricted)	\$39,872
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$112,236</b>

### Liabilities & Equity

Opening Balance Equity	\$72,010
Retained Earnings	\$15,845
Investment/Interest Income	\$4,871
Net Income	\$19,510
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>\$112,236</b>

## 2020 Revenue & Expenses

### Revenue

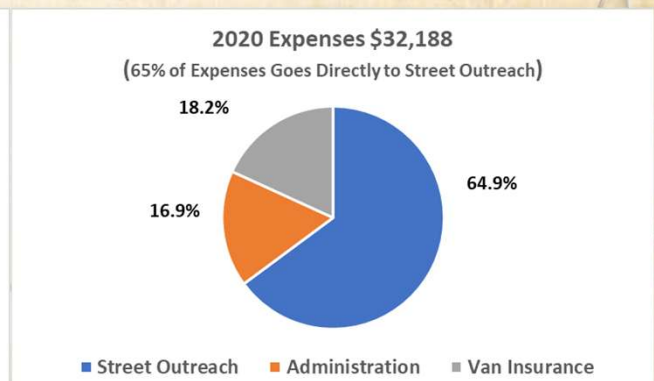
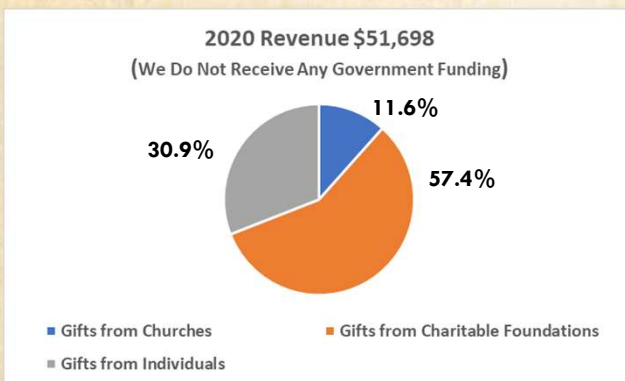
Gifts from individuals	\$15,991
Gifts from Churches	\$6,007
Gifts from Charitable/Private Trusts & Grants	\$29,700
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$51,698</b>

### Expenses

Street Outreach	\$20,884
Van Insurance	\$5,856
Administration	\$5,448
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$32,188</b>

### Net Income

**\$19,510**





## 2020 ACCW Board of Directors

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Mahalo nui loa to.....Wailuku McDonald's for always supplying ice for our cold water, Cora Brown and the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church office team for always supporting and helping, Good Shepherd for providing storage and parking space, Lea Voss for her bookkeeping services, Keku Akana for keeping our statistics, Trinity by the Sea and Tasteful Benefit committee, Diocese of Hawaii for towels, slippers, hats and website, Ruth Langstraat master scheduler, Mark Haley and Coconut Condominiums for continuing supply of towels and sheets, Jim Urbanski for water donations, Louise Aloy for hotel donations and tee shirts, Jean Fiddes and Toni Paul for accurate financial reporting, all peanut butter and jelly sandwich makers, and all others who helped make sure the van was clean, stocked, gassed and ready to roll. Mahalo to John Patrick Murphy for his past service on the Board of Directors. Special Mahalo to Rev. Richard Tennes of Kahului Hongwanji for donations and support as well as Elleanna Moore for her project donation to ACCW.

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