



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

OUR MISSION

Catholic Charities Hawai'i, rooted in the gospel of Jesus, exists to carry out the social mission of the Church by serving the people of Hawai'i.

We are a community of hope that promotes the dignity of each person by helping others empower themselves. We provide a wide range of social services with compassion and a commitment to excellence. Through our programs and our advocacy for social justice, we lovingly serve all people, especially those with the greatest need.

In the Hawaiian spirit of 'ohana we join with parishes, agencies, and community groups. We welcome all people of goodwill to share our mission.

OUR CORE VALUES

In all our services, decisions, and relationships we commit to live these values:

DIGNITY of each person calls us to reverence the God-given life and dignity of each person at every stage and condition of life.

COMPASSION calls us, as sisters and brothers, to be present with others in their suffering and need, and to serve with a caring spirit.

SOCIAL JUSTICE calls us to be a community of hope that works to achieve the common good, promotes individual rights and responsibilities, and advocates on behalf of those with the greatest need.

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE calls us to serve competently and collaboratively.

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BOARD CHAIR & CEO MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

With 76 years of service and advocacy made possible by the Maryknoll Sisters, together we carry out a legacy of caring, responding to vital needs across the state, regardless of an individual's faith or culture. We serve all with dignity, compassion, social justice and a commitment to excellence.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i continues to be there for individuals and families during difficult and vulnerable times – providing critical aid for those most vulnerable. During the COVID-19 pandemic, through disasters such as Hurricane Iniki, the flooding and landslides on Kaua'i, the Puna lava destruction on Hawai'i Island, and most recently the devastating Maui wildfires – Catholic Charities Hawai'i has responded.

At Catholic Charities Hawai'i, we are on the ground and in the community providing over 40 vital programs and services that keep children and families safe and housed, youth empowered, and seniors engaged. We bring hope and healing for those who have experienced trauma.

In 2023, your financial support helped us provide much-needed services and programs to over 113,000 local families, children, veterans, seniors, and individuals facing isolation, poverty and crisis. This also created opportunities to expand valuable services and resources, especially for gap groups, providing hope to individuals and families in great need.

We are truly grateful for your commitment to those we serve. There is strength when we work together. In the spirit of 'ohana and with your philanthropic partnership, we create a community of hope.

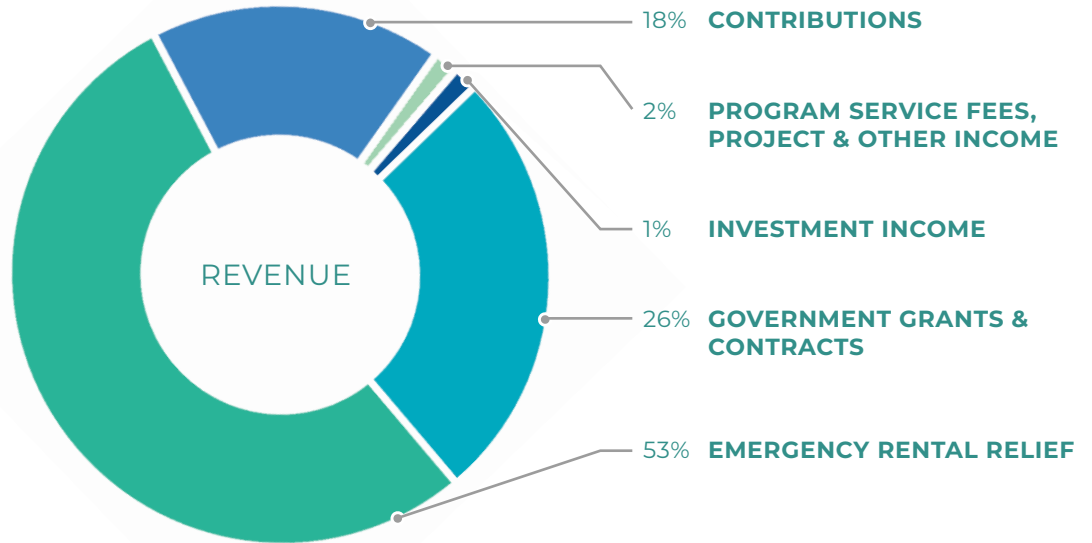
With aloha,

Vernon Wong
Chair, Board of Directors

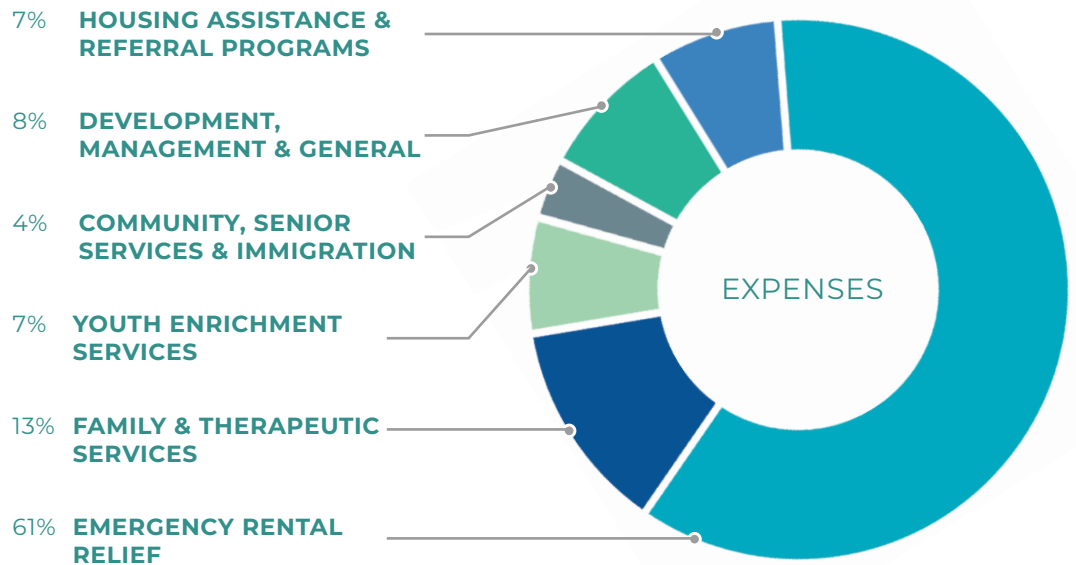
Rob Van Tassell
President & CEO

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2023 (UNAUDITED)



TOTAL REVENUE & SUPPORT: **\$82,535,436**



TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$72,654,479**

NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF FISCAL YEAR

\$33,809,883

NET ASSETS AT END OF FISCAL YEAR

\$43,780,839

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

\$9,970,956

IMPACT

In **2023**, Catholic Charities Hawai'i touched over **113,000** lives.

HOUSING STABILITY & HOMELESS ASSISTANCE



families and individuals housed & safe

HELP LINE CALLS



provided information and referrals to programs and services

IMMIGRANT SERVICES



individuals assisted with dignity



FAMILY & YOUTH ENRICHMENT

4,905

children & families strengthened



OLDER ADULT SUPPORT SERVICES

5,270

kūpuna kept connected, healthy and active

KAUA'I



3,078 resource family training, family strengthening services, housing assistance, disaster relief and community support services

MAUI COUNTY



5,445 resource family training, family strengthening services, housing assistance, disaster relief, and community services

HAWAI'I ISLAND



2,517 family strengthening services, housing assistance, foster care, counseling services, disaster relief and community support services



“GROWING” TOGETHER

Kūpuna to Kamali‘i – Kūpuna Garden Project

On a sunny, breezy day, the seniors of Hale Wai Vista – a low-income housing facility for families and individuals in Wai‘anae – gathered in a garden to chat, cultivate their plants, and plant new seeds. Our Kūpuna to Kamali‘i (senior to child) program brings seniors together to tend to a communal garden and learn new gardening skills. The program was created by our Counseling Center team with the aim to combat feelings of isolation and loneliness often experienced by seniors. The program also collaborates with a partnering nonprofit to work with area children in their own garden at another site.

During each gathering, the seniors share stories and laughter as they work together, forming friendships and connections that provide a sense of belonging and purpose. The benefits of the garden gathering go beyond just planting. Our trained therapists provide mental health support, offering

counseling sessions and group activities that help seniors cope with the challenges of aging and maintain their emotional well-being.

On this particular day they are learning to make their own micro herb gardens in recycled soda bottles. As they carefully select their seeds, Aunty Lei chooses cilantro – it’s her favorite she shares. The group then goes on to talk about all the ways they use the herb in their cooking.

Through the simple act of gardening and socializing, our localized approach to mental health has a meaningful impact on the well-being of our seniors. The seniors are proud of their garden and continue to foster connections and support of one another. The program helps our kūpuna thrive in mind, body, and spirit.



ALOHA FOR MAUI

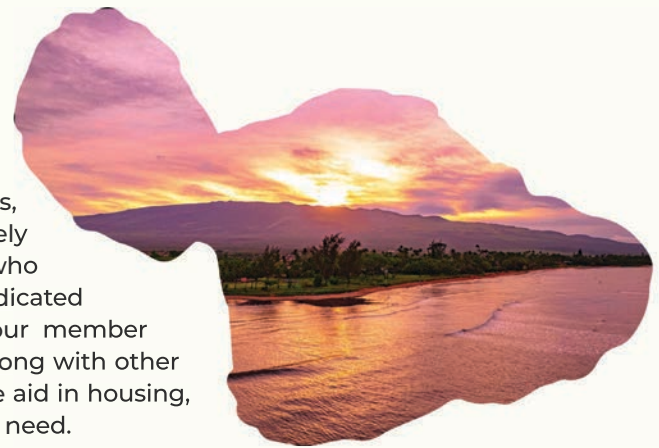
In response to last year’s Maui wildfires, Catholic Charities Hawai‘i immediately assisted families and individuals who were impacted by the tragedy. Our dedicated team worked in collaboration with our member organization Catholic Charities USA, along with other local social service agencies, to provide aid in housing, basic needs and counseling to those in need.

Our organization has a strong history of offering urgent relief services following natural disasters, including hurricanes and flooding on Kaua‘i, lava flows on Hawai‘i Island, storms on O‘ahu, and recent wildfires on Maui.

“Catholic Charities Hawai‘i will continue to walk with the people on Maui as they recover and rebuild,” shares Rob Van Tassell, CCH President and CEO. “We are in it for the long haul, no matter how long it takes.”

We are fully committed to continuing our work on Maui into the foreseeable future, as we strive to assist with the ongoing recovery efforts of the community and address the unique needs of those affected by the wildfires.

We invite you to join us in our efforts and thank you for your support.



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RESILIENT TRANSFORMATION Mary Jane Program

Candice's life took an unexpected turn when she found herself in a dire situation. Pregnant, homeless and living in a car with her boyfriend, the feeling of instability was overwhelming and Candice knew a change was needed to give her child a chance for a good future. Through a friend, she discovered a special program designed to assist pregnant young women in crisis.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i's Mary Jane Program provided Candice with a safe place to stay, supportive services, access to childcare and life skills education, and so much more. With the assistance and guidance of the program staff, she was able to access necessary supportive services and develop a plan to support herself and her child.

Through hard work and determination, Candice's efforts paid off. Today, she is a proud mother of a healthy and happy son. She has created a safe and stable environment for her family and is an inspiring example of the power of resilience.

Despite the obstacles she faced, she never gave up on her dreams, and is now pursuing a career in the healthcare field. Candice's journey is proof that with a bit of help and determination, anything is possible.



LEGACY GIVING CIRCLE OF HOPE SOCIETY

The Catholic Charities Hawai'i Circle of Hope Society recognizes friends who support the mission of Catholic Charities Hawai'i in their estate plans. When you include Catholic Charities Hawai'i in your estate plan, your generosity makes a difference in the lives of people in need well into the future.

- **Will or Trust** – You can include language in your will or trust specifying a gift be made to family or Catholic Charities Hawai'i as part of your estate plan.
- **Beneficiary Designations** – Life insurance policies, IRAs and retirement plans, donor advised funds, and bank accounts are a few examples of assets that may be contributed to Catholic Charities Hawai'i by including us as a beneficiary.

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WAYS TO GIVE

When you give to Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH), you are helping people in need to help themselves, regardless of their faith or culture. Here are ways you can make your gift:



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