

**A CUP OF COLD WATER**  
**2015 ANNUAL REPORT**  
**Community Care-Van**  
**Outreach Ministry**  
**of the Episcopal Church of Maui and Friends**



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

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## **A CUP OF COLD WATER (ACCW) Our Mission**

Often times, we must look into our past and take a reflective journey back into time to help us remember our sacred duties and remind us what is radically important to our God. A Cup of Cold Water is a simple but sacred backyard mission. We are reminded that extreme gratitude, invigorated by the grace of God, refuels our souls and helps send us again and again into the hard reality of *going* where the need is.

One of the sacred duties of the Deacon in the Ancient Christian Church was to distribute food and to care for the poor. In 258 A.D, Laurence was one Deacon who took his assignment seriously. As a trusted Deacon of Bishop Sixtus II of Rome, Laurence was entrusted with the entire treasury of the Roman Church when Bishop Sixtus II was jailed by the Roman Emperor Valerian.

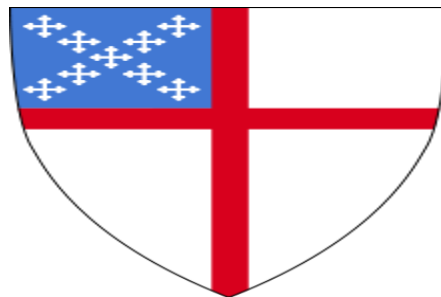
Laurence then gave the entire treasury to the poor and sick. When Emperor Valerian learned that Laurence had been given the treasury of the church, he hauled the Deacon into court and demanded he turn over the treasury,” the funds of an illegal organization”.

Laurence responded by assembling a mob of infirmed and impoverished persons and presented them to the ruler, saying, “These are the treasures of the church”! Needless to say Emperor Valerian was greatly angered and Deacon Laurence was publicly martyred.

With the help of many, we continue to take the radical love of Jesus Christ out onto the street to those who live in despair and poverty. We remain an ecumenical Christian outreach mission to the poor and destitute who live in Maui’s community. We seek to remind ourselves, our Churches and our fellow man who the true treasures of the Church are. We seek to remind ourselves what our priorities are as followers of Christ. We seek to remind ourselves that church is not only about us. We remain a spiritual mission, taking small measures to deliver the basic needs of water, nutrition, clothing and comfort directly to the true treasures of our Church. Amen.

Kekuhaupio. R. Akana  
President, A Cup of Cold Water

We are A Cup of Cold Water.



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**cover photo:** ACCW Volunteer Leo Comerton with Daniel, Sarah & son Logan as they are gifted with a Honda Scooter. The Honda Scooter was donated by prior Interim Rector of Good Shepherd Church, Rev. Rich Ressler and his wife Gayle to ACCW for sale and monetary donation. The Comerton family in-turn purchased the Scooter and gifted it to Daniel and his family just before Christmas! ACCW served Daniel’s family throughout 2015.

## **Our Team. Our People. Our Family. Our Friends**

Special Thanks to our Kahului Hongwanji Buddhist Mission Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich friends, who partner with us to faithfully carry out their mission of compassion to the poor.

- Kahului Hongwanji Buddhist Mission
- Wailuku Hongwanji Buddhist Mission
- St. John's Episcopal, Kula
- Holy Innocents Episcopal, Lahaina
- Trinity by the sea Episcopal, Kihei
- Church of the Good Shepherd ( Episcopal) Wailuku
- Episcopal Church Women of Good Shepherd Church & the Hawaii Diocese.
- St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Oahu
- St. James Episcopal Church, Waimea
- Grace Episcopal Church Moloka'i
- Members of St. Ann's Catholic Church
- St. Joseph's Catholic Church & Breaking Bread outreach ministry
- St. Theresa's Catholic Church
- Members of Pukalani Nazarene Church
- Members of Grace Church
- Members of New Hope Church
- Member of Haiku Bible Church
- Keawala'i Congregational Church
- Episcopal Diocese of Hawaii

....and many other individuals, businesses, hotels, private foundations and friends...

**.....come join with us!**



**gratitude**

## **ACCW Mission Events 2015**

### January

- ACCW Van is displayed at the Taste of Kahului Hongwanji
- A Tasteful Benefit for ACCW and Trinity by the Sea Episcopal church, led by Trinity Senior Warden Chuck Spence, is held on the grounds of the church, and ACCW is gifted with \$2,671.00

### February

- ACCW speaks at the Maui Hotel Executive Houskeeping Association, Royal Lahaina Hotel.
- ACCW speaks at Wailuku Hongwanji Buddhist Temple

### March

- ACCW submits its 2014 Annual Report to the Diocesan Council
- ACCW, led by Paula Baldwin, begins to complete the volunteer background check process using Prasedium's background check program

### April

- ACCW speaks at the HGEA Retiree's Union Hall

### August

- ACCW 2<sup>nd</sup> annual summer social with more than 60 attendees is hosted at Trinity by the Sea Episcopal Church
- ACCW in-reach, new volunteer and training coordinator Paula Baldwin announces that 100% of our volunteer team have completed their background checks.
- Deb Lynch represents ACCW as we are gifted \$5,000.00 from the Mike Lyons Bank of Hawaii Community Grant
- Kit Hart attends 100 Caring Women gathering and ACCW is gifted with over \$4,100.00

### October

- ACCW re-establishes a shared monthly outreach with St. Joseph's Catholic Church food pantry held on the third Thursday of each month
- ACCW moves into its new and expanded Supply Room at the Church of the Good Shepherd. The ACCW Van is also moved to the Church which now centralizes all operations.

## ACCW Mission Events 2015 continued...

### November

- Holy Innocents Episcopal Church led by Rev. Amy Crowe, hosts an ACCW Sunday. Many monetary donations and in-kind donations are received.
- St. John's Episcopal Church led by Rev. Kerith Harding hosts an ACCW Sunday. Many monetary donations and in kind donations are received.
- Episcopal Church Women of Good Shepherd Church lead by Louise Aloy and Cora Brown have a "rubber slippers" drive, and many pairs of slippers are received
- ACCW Outreach Worker & Volunteer Dr. Ruth Langstraat becomes our new Master scheduler
- ACCW run leader Deb Lynch again leads our ACCW team to participate at the annual Homeless Health Fair

### December

- ACCW speaks at Munekiyo Hiraga Associates. Over \$2,000.00 is received along with boxes of in-kind donations.
- ACCW supports St. John's Episcopal Church sponsored Christmas Camp at Kanaha Parks for the homeless keiki. The three-day event is led by Rev. Kerith Harding and many St. John's church members and friend.
- Ongoing: Kahului Hongwanji Buddhist Mission Women, Leo Comerton, Takabayashi family, Kobashigawa family, Eisen family, Holy Innocents family, Good Shepherd Church Youth, St John's Youth continue to support the mission with fresh sandwiches & hard boiled eggs!
- The ACCW mission **and all of its volunteers** are selected by the Maui News as "People Who made a Difference in 2015"



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

In 2015, A Cup of Cold Water conducted **158 mission runs** and completed **8,673** service contacts with people in need. As we served, we are reminded of the exhortation by Dietrich Bonhoeffer:

*“The first duty we owe to others is to listen to them. Just as the beginning of our love for God consists in listening to his word, so the beginning of our love for our neighbor consists of learning to listen to him....”*

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<b>Street People served:</b>	<b>8,673</b>
<b>Mission runs:</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>Miles Driven:</b>	<b>5,041</b>
<b>Chilled Water distributed:</b>	<b>7,194</b>
<b>Food items distributed:</b>	<b>60,255</b>
<b>Basic first aid items</b>	<b>3,967</b>
<b>Hygiene items</b>	<b>18,175</b>
<b>Clothing</b>	<b>4016</b>
<b>Bibles/spiritual literature</b>	<b>364</b>

**A Cup of Cold Water also distributed thousands of items including: footwear, caps, blankets, towels, tarps, wash clothes, eye glasses, pet food and other miscellaneous items.**



# ACCW Mission Highlights & Data 2015

A Cup of Cold Water is driven by the servant hood spirit of Jesus Christ and it is within this spiritual context that we serve as volunteers, seeking our place with our fellow humans by serving our 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 55 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.

### In Kind Volunteer Hours:

<b>Mission Runs</b>	<b>2,370 hours</b>
<b>Supply Team</b>	<b>2016 hours</b>
<b>Administrative</b>	<b>1,500 hours</b>
<b>Total Value of In-Kind Hours:</b>	<b>\$45,616.50*</b>

\*based on the current State of Hawaii  
Minimum hourly wage of \$7.75

*“Life has much more meaning when we have hope. Life has much more meaning when we understand that we are builders of something much larger than our own lives and concerns, if we know our place in the long trajectory into Gods future. Life has so much more meaning if we know we are on God’s construction team....even if we don’t quite know what it is we are building” ....Brother Mark Brown Society of St. John the Evangelist (SSJE)*

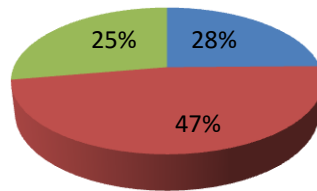


## ACCW Mission Financials 2015

A Cup of Cold Water is a spiritual mission. In actuality, 100% of our monetary donations and in kind donations go towards the Outreach Mission. Whether it is administrative work, operational duties, insurance fees, fuel & maintenance, or food and supply purchases, *it is all used for street mission and outreach on Maui.*

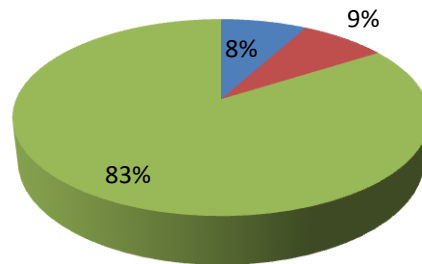
### 2015 Revenue: \$54,097.75

■ Gifts from Churches   ■ Gifts from Charitable Foundations   ■ Gifts from Individuals



### 2015 Expenses: \$35,949.15

■ Insurance   ■ Administration   ■ Street Outreach





# ACCW Mission Financials 2015

## Revenue

<b>Gifts from Individuals</b>	<b>\$14,160.75</b>
<b>Gifts from Churches</b>	<b>\$15,337.00</b>
<b>Gifts from Charitable Trusts</b>	<b>\$24,600.00</b>
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$54,097.75</b>

## Expenses

<b>• Street Outreach</b>	<b>\$29,487.47</b>
<b>• Van Insurance</b>	<b>\$2,892.00</b>
<b>• Administration</b>	<b>\$3,569.68</b>
<b>• Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$35,949.15</b>

Street outreach expenses include the purchase of water, food, hygiene, first aid, clothing, fuel, van maintenance & van miscellaneous supply and van annual registration fees.

**Available Balance as of 12/15/2015: \$46,926.26**

A Cup of Cold Water strives to maintain a minimum balance (cash reserve) of \$10,000.00 equivalent to approximately 4-6 months of our operating costs. This is a responsibility we owe to our donors and the neighbors we serve.

**2015 In Kind Item Donations Total: \$88,020.00**

Based on the 2015 Salvation Army In-kind value calculator

In kind items included bottled water, clothing, headwear, towels, blankets, sheets, footwear, hygiene items, non-perishable food items, tarps, first aid, eyeglasses and other miscellaneous items.

Monthly average of \$7,355.00 in valued items is received from the Four Episcopal Churches of Maui, along with other churches, businesses, hotels, civic clubs & friends.

**FOR EVERY DOLLAR DONATED TO ACCW**

**83 cents street outreach      8 cents for Insurance      9 cents Admin**

## ACCW Board of Directors

Robert L. Fitzpatrick  
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Hawai'i  
Kekuhaupio Akana, Director & President  
Leah Sarne, Director & Treasurer  
John Decker, Director  
Mary Lou Mellinger, Director & Secretary  
Jeanne Abe, Director & Supply Team Leader  
The Rev. Deacon Cris South, Director & Public Relations  
Deb Lynch, Director & Run Leader Assist/Scheduling Assist  
Kit Hart, Director & Scheduling Assist/Stats  
Paula Baldwin, Director & In-Reach Coordinator, New Volunteers, training & background checks  
Jean Fiddes, Director  
The Rev. Linda McCullough Decker, Director & Spiritual Support  
Peter Lee, Director & Bishops Representative  
The Rev. Amy Crowe, Director & Clergy Representative  
Erin Lowenthal, Director & Grants

Aloha O'E:

Father Austin Murray, Clergy Advisor, retiring April of 2016



We wish to acknowledge all of our churches, run leaders, outreach riders, supply team, individual donors and business partners **with a very special thanks to our dedicated Supply Team, our new Master Scheduler Ruth Langstraat, BJ & Lucy Santiago with Marmac Ace Hardware, Bookkeeper Lea Voss and outgoing Treasurer Dr. John Decker!**

**In memory of Margaret "Margo" Cruse, a loving Volunteer**

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