

BF Committee

From: Joseph Vavala <vavalaj@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2016 10:54 AM
To: BF Committee
Subject: FEED MY SHEEP

Dear County council members,

This July your support for our "Feed My Sheep" operation will end unless you decide to continue it.

I volunteer every Saturday at the Kihei location at Hope Chapel. Each time i am there i witness on average, fifty people who really need our help. They are so grateful for all the basic provisions that we supply, especially the regular items like tuna, pasta and beans that are purchased with your contribution.

Please examine your hearts and consider your continued support for Feed My Sheep.

Sincerely,

Joseph Vavala

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From: Shelley Waiau <theycallmemelloshello@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 5:51 PM
To: BF Committee
Subject: BF-1 Testimony on behalf of Feed My Sheep

Sent from my iPhone

My name is Shelley Waia'u and I have lived on Maui for 30 years working with people in need of all ages, in a variety of settings. I am a wife, mother, teacher, crisis worker, and pastor. I only state this to back up my belief that Feed My Sheep Food Distribution deserves all the help they can get to better serve the hungry and needy on our island. I am in contact with people who are desperate to feed themselves and their families weekly. People who need the compassionate mercy Feed My Sheep provides. I am testifying now in hopes that this committee will consider continued support for this important organization.

Many years ago, my family fell on hard times and Feed My Sheep graciously provided for us during this humbling & difficult time. I can't adequately describe what a help it was for us as we worked to get back on our feet financially. It was a slow process & they stuck by us.

Later, I volunteered with several high school youth from our church, to deliver food on Saturday mornings. I personally saw the need and the gratefulness of so many different types of people and backgrounds. It was surprising to see the faces of Maui's needy. My stereotypes fell apart.

My daughter-in-law is now employed by Feed My Sheep and I want you to know how hard they work and the way they serve is so unselfish & loving. Joyce Kawakami has done such a great job sharing her vision & consistently walking it out over the years with much love & integrity.

As you ponder whether this non-profit should receive funding to continue its excellent and crucial services to Maui's less fortunate, please consider my testimony on their behalf. Thank you so much for supporting them in the past. What a difference it has made!!

With Great Respect & Thanks,

Shelley Waia'u

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From: Maui Wedding Cakes <mauiweddingcakes@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2016 10:48 AM
To: BF Committee
Cc: Kimokeo Kapahulehua; Lehuanani Huddleston-Hafoka
Subject: Kihei Canoe Club & the Kihei Youth Center

Dear Mr. Hokama,

On behalf of the Kihei Canoe Club Board of Directors we would like to urge you to support the Kihei Youth Center in your upcoming budget. They are an integral part of our Mission Statement to revive, develop, perpetuate and promote the Hawaiian traditions with cultural and competitive Hawaiian outrigger canoeing programs for youth and adults, in a safe, healthy and nurturing environment. The Kihei Youth Center, with its proximity to our club site, provides a safe place for the Youth of Kihei year round, and especially during the summer months when our Youth Program is in full swing. Your support is appreciated.

Mahalo!
Cheryl Logsdon
Secretary
Kihei Canoe Club

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From: Bruce Moore <ub4me2@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2016 3:59 PM
To: BF Committee
Subject: BF-1

I am writing in support of **Feed My Sheep** an outreach to needy people in Maui providing food and Christian love. I have been serving with **Feed My Sheep** on Saturdays in Kihei for the last six years and can testify about how helpful this ministry has been to homeless and low income Maui families.

Feed My Sheep brings the food to multiple locations around Maui from Lahaina to Hana so that those in need can have food to eat. A truck loaded with supplies is driven to each location, tables are erected, food is put onto the tables, and then distributed to each person or family by volunteers and staff. The **Feed My Sheep** operates on a very slim budget and gets the maximum amount of help to the people for every dollar spent.

Please help **Feed My Sheep** continue this vital ministry by financially supporting its continued existence.

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Mahalo,
Bruce Moore
Feed My Sheep Volunteer
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From: Craig Englert <craig@hopechapelmaui.com>
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 10:20 AM
To: BF Committee
Cc: Rick Farnham
Subject: Written Testimony (ref: BF-1) in support of continuing funding of "Feed My Sheep"

Statement in support of continuing to fund "Feed My Sheep"

I want to put in a brief word regarding the county's continued support toward the "Feed My Sheep" food distribution program. Each Saturday here on our church campus they have faithfully reached out to our community here in Kihei distributing food to the needy. Joyce, the director of this ministry, has a wonderful heart, trustworthy, and is a diligent worker among those who are financially challenged in these times. Please continue your support toward "Feed My Sheep" because so many needy people in Maui will benefit.

Craig Englert
Senior Pastor of Hope Chapel in Kihei, Maui

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From: Kramp, Maggie - NRCS-CD, Kahului, HI <Maggie.Kramp@hi.nacdnet.net>
Sent: Friday, April 01, 2016 11:07 AM
To: BF Committee
Subject: FY 2017 Budget (BF-1) - Central Maui SWCD Watershed Coordinator for the Southwest Maui Watershed Plan
Attachments: County BF-1, Southwest Maui Watershed.pdf

To the Maui County Budget and Finance Committee:

Please see attached request from the Central Maui Soil and Water Conservation District regarding a watershed coordinator position for the Southwest Maui Watershed Plan.

Thank you,
Maggie Kramp
Maui Soil & Water Conservation Districts
871-5500 ext. 101

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Central Maui Soil & Water Conservation District
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TO: Riki Hokama, Maui County Budget and Finance Committee Chair
Mike White, Maui County Budget and Finance Committee Vice-Chair

From: Michael Reyes, Associate Director
Central Maui Soil and Water Conservation District

CC: Council Member Gladys Baisa
Council Member Robert Carroll
Council Member Elle Cochran
Council Member Don Couch
Council Member Stacy Crivello
Council Member Don S. Guzman
Council Member Mike Victorino

Date: April 1, 2016

Subject: County of Maui Proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Budget (BF-1)
Watershed Coordinator for the Southwest Maui Watershed Plan

Stated Position: The Central Maui Soil and Water Conservation District is formally requesting an amendment to the 2017 Fiscal Year Mayor's Budget proposal to include an additional **\$50,000** for the creation of a Watershed Coordinator. This position is needed to ensure the Southwest Maui Watershed Plan developed in 2013 is elevated to priority status by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) Clean Water Branch (CWB) so that we may become eligible for Federal 319 Grant Program funding in 2017.

Amount of Funds Requested: \$50,000 to be used in Fiscal Year 2017 (separate from the \$139,000 allotted to the four Soil and Water Conservation Districts as stated in the Mayor's budget proposal)

Purpose for the additional funding to the CMSWCD: The Southwest Maui Watershed Plan (Plan) was developed for the Central Maui County Soil and Water Conservation District (CMSWCD) in 2013 to provide sediment reduction measures for the 49,688 acre planning area extending from the summit of Haleakalā to the coastal areas of Kihei, Wailea, and Makena. Implementation projects developed by the Plan were meant to improve water quality throughout the watershed. The Plan is not currently recognized as a priority watershed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) Clean Water Branch (CWB) and is therefore not eligible for federal 319 Grant Program funds. The various projects for improving water quality within the watershed are not able to be implemented.

The DOH CWB has given the CMSWCD four specific points to address in order to elevate the Southwest Maui Watershed Plan's status. These four points include:

1. Submit load reduction estimates for each implementation project listed in the watershed plan.
2. Develop a robust monitoring and assessment plan to capture the effects of the watershed plan implementation projects.
3. Create maps showing the specific locations where water quality measurements will be taken.
4. Develop a project timeline with milestones for determining project progression.

Additional funding will become available for the Plan via the federal 319 Grant Program as a result of the Watershed Coordinator successfully addressing the four topics listed above.

Economic Impact for Maui County: The project will help Maui County government, residents, visitors and businesses in various ways. For the County, less erosion will mean less property and road damage during heavy rain storm events. Local residents will benefit from clean waters, sustainable fisheries, safe roads, and a robust economy. Clear coastal waters promote tourism and the fishing industry. On March 17, 2016 the MauiTime published an article highlighting a study on water quality in Kihei coastal waters, showing public interest on this issue.