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**HAWAI'I COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ESTABLISHES HAWAI'I ISLAND
VOLCANO RECOVERY FUND**
Funding will support those affected by the Kilauea volcano eruption

HONOLULU, HI – The Hawai'i Community Foundation (HCF), together with Anderson-Beck Fund, Jack's Fund and the Darrin & Darien Gee Family Fund, have established the **Hawai'i Island Volcano Recovery Fund** to assist with recovery efforts in support of Hawai'i Island communities affected by the Kilauea volcano eruption.

"The greatest strength of our island communities is our innate desire to care for one another, and it's even more evident during a time of crisis," said Micah Kane, CEO and president at HCF. "We are humbled and grateful to partner with such generous donors who have stepped up to first support the people of Kaua'i, and now our neighbors on Hawai'i Island. We will continue to work with our team, nonprofits, and community leaders on Hawai'i Island to assess needs and determine where these funds can best be utilized."

To ensure that every donation achieves its maximum impact, HCF will waive administrative fees for the Hawai'i Island Volcano Recovery Fund for the first ninety days, as it did for the Kauai Relief and Recovery Fund. HCF's team on Hawai'i Island is working to evaluate where philanthropic dollars can make the greatest impact by meeting with community leaders and nonprofit organizations, including Brandee Menino of Hope Services, Kimo Alameda from the Hawai'i County Office of Aging, and Sharon Hirota of the Hawai'i County Office of Housing and Community Development. "We want to support the organizations and agencies on our island that are working together to help families and individuals recover from this devastating experience," said Diane Chadwick, HCF's Director of Community Philanthropy on Hawai'i Island.

The fund will provide grants to local organizations who are bringing relief to communities that have been impacted by the volcano eruption including assistance to residents who have been displaced from their homes.

Donations to the **Hawai'i Island Volcano Recovery Fund** can be made online at HawaiiCommunityFoundation.org/volcanorecovery or by mail at Hawai'i Community Foundation, 827 Fort Street Mall, Honolulu, HI, 96813.

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With over 100 years of community service, the [Hawai'i Community Foundation](http://HawaiiCommunityFoundation.org) (HCF) is the leading philanthropic institution in the state. HCF is a steward of more than 850 funds, including more than 250

scholarship funds, created by donors who desire to transform lives and improve communities. In 2017, HCF distributed more than \$59 million in grants and contracts statewide, including more than \$6 million in scholarships. HCF also serves as a resource on community issues and trends in the nonprofit sector.