



Riggs Silva, Youth Hero



Shaun Toy, Military Hero



Animal HeroIndy salutes our military



Officers Marc Cobb-Adams & Christian Sahlen, In the Line of Duty Heroes



Billy Newell and Shannon Yonamine Lifesaver Heroes



Celebrating 95 Years of Service to Hawaii!

Fall 2012

To our wonderful Volunteers and Supporters,

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. As we celebrate our 95 years of service to the people of Hawaii, we want to express our sincere mahalo for your significant contribution to our humanitarian legacy.

Mahalo to our Red Cross Heroes

Two individuals who separately saved the lives of a heart attack victim and a choking victim, police officers who rescued a man from fire, a junior lifeguard teen who rescued a child in distress, a therapy dog who brings joy and comfort to Tripler hospital patients, and a young man who started a nonprofit to help wounded warriors... these are Red Cross Heroes in our community who embody the spirit of humanitarianism. And every day, 24/7, 365 days a year, our own Red Cross volunteers save lives and give hope to those in need by deploying to disasters, organizing shelter and logistics for local victims of floods and house fires every 3-4 days, teaching lifesaving skills like CPR, lifeguarding, and swimming, and helping to raise much needed funds. Our 4,000+ volunteers are the heart and soul of the Red Cross and we simply could not do without them! To read more about our community Heroes, please visit <u>www.hawaiiredcross.org</u>. More photos on page 2.

Hurricane Isaac Relief Efforts

When Hurricane Isaac caused devastating flooding and wind damage in communities from Florida to Louisiana, the Red Cross was there to provide help and comfort to people in need. The Red Cross served more than 640,000 meals and snacks, distributed over 135,000 relief items, provided 15,000 health and mental health contacts, opened 158 shelters and provided more than 18,000 overnight stays across 6 states and 2 territories. The Hawaii Red Cross deployed 24 volunteers to support relief efforts in Louisiana and Mississippi: 14 volunteers from Oahu, 4 from Maui, and 4 from the Big Island, 1 from Kauai and 1 from Molokai. Whether they were distributing supplies, staffing shelters, or providing comfort, these local volunteers shared their aloha with those in need. It is extremely critical that Hawaii volunteers have opportunities to assist in major disaster responses on the mainland so that they can bring their experience back for use when a major disaster strikes Hawaii.

One local volunteer shared that while helping a family who had lost everything, the lady gave her a hug and said, "Having y'all here makes me believe that there is still hope." It's that kind of statement that kept her going. Exhausted after working 10 hour days, another volunteer from Hawaii received these words of encouragement from his friend, "No one looks back on their life & remembers the nights they got plenty of sleep." Mahalo to these individuals for giving their time and aloha to our

neighbors in the Gulf Coast and to all of you for supporting their efforts!

Coralie Chun Matayoshi Chief Executive Officer



Oahu, Molokai and Kauai volunteers Renise Bayne, Lester Keanini and Michele Molineaux, awaiting assignment at HQ Disaster Operations Center

Red Cross Heroes

Red Cross volunteers are also our heroes. Our Volunteers of the Year are (1-r): Robert Via (Oahu), Tom Kaneo (West Hawaii), Shannan Pyland (Maui), and Laurine Carvalho (East Hawaii).

Be Red Cross Trained for Emergencies

Doug, a musician, was to perform at a wedding last year at Turtle Bay. As he walked into the lobby, he saw a group of people standing around an unconscious man. The man had no pulse so Doug, who had taken Red Cross training, started CPR and continued it for 20 minutes until the ambulance arrived. The man was taken to Queens and survived, thanks to Doug's quick actions. It turns out that the man was the father of the bride. When the wedding was rescheduled on the mainland, Doug was invited to perform and nobody was happier to see Doug than the father of the bride. Are you prepared to respond if something happened to your loved ones or even a stranger you encounter? Take a Red Cross training class and be prepared before something happens. Visit www.redcross.org/take-a-class

Donate Your HawaiianMiles to the Hawaii Red Cross

Log onto www.hawaiianair.com, sign in to your HawaiianMiles portal, and under "Manage My Account," click on "Donate to Charities." Choose the American Red Cross, Hawaii Chapter. Click on the "Donate Now" button to donate your HawaiianMiles to us. Hawaiian Airlines will take the total miles donated to the American Red Cross, Hawaii State Chapter and match the donation total up to 500,000 miles. Mahalo for your support!

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