THE PĀLOLO PIPELINE PROGRAM
SERVICE LEARNING, FALL 2015

The Pālolo Pipeline Program (PPP) is a loosely constructed umbrella program involving a large number of partners in and around the urban Pālolo Valley in East Honolulu. Our goal is to improve education and quality of life for the residents of the housing areas located in the valley by continuing to sustain and develop our PIPELINE OF EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT.

The Pālolo Pipeline Program builds on dedicated work and long-established relationships between institutions, groups, and individuals, including the three institutions of higher education surrounding the valley: Kapi‘olani Community College, Chaminade University of Hawai‘i, and University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. Our key resources are community members and diverse groups of service-learning students and faculty.

With a strong emphasis on STEM disciplines and sustainability, we work to provide lifelong learning opportunities, including improving early childhood education and mentoring students through the educational system from home through pre-school and school to institutions of higher education and beyond.

The Pālolo Pipeline Program continues to serve as a model for work in similar low-income areas nationwide.

Prioritize our local community and make Pālolo part of your teaching, learning, research and community engagement

Brief descriptions of some of our sites, programs, and projects:

PĀLOLO 'OHANA LEARNING CENTER (POLC)
State-of-the-art community center with meeting, computer, tech, music, kitchen facilities. Center coordinator: Dahlia Asuega.

SITE/PROJECT COORDINATORS: Yvonne Mori, Kauhane Aipia, and Kathy Martin.

TASKS: Open daily on weekdays. Some evening and some weekend activities – for instance the Pālolo ‘Ohana Program (POP). Help mostly needed daily on weekdays 2-5 pm and Thursday evenings from 5 to 7:30pm. Numerous activities and projects. Mentoring, tutoring and assistance with special programs for all ages. Room for creativity for service-learning student-driven special activities and programs - both indoors and outdoors, particularly STEM emphasis projects.

TO GET STARTED: Follow these steps:
1. Download the application from http://servicelearning.socialsciences.hawaii.edu/pdf/POLC_SL_Application-2.pdf;
2. E-mail a request to work at the Pālolo ‘Ohana Learning Center to polcservicelearning@gmail.com (cc csssl@hawaii.edu). Attach the filled application form.
3. One of the site supervisors will call or email you to set up a time for an interview and an orientation (in groups or individually). Scheduled orientation sessions are available at POLC W 9/2, R 9/10, M 9/14, T 9/22 all 1:30-2:30 pm in the Learning Center. Once you have completed the interview and orientation, you will sign up for shifts at POLC. Criminal background check required.

PĀLOLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (PE)

SITE COORDINATOR: Henrietta Clemons.

TASKS: The school needs help tutoring daily during and after school. After-school work will primarily be with the reading club and math tutoring, mostly MTRF 2:15-3:30pm, W 1:30-2:30pm (occasionally work with Kama‘aina Kids to c. 4:30pm). Service-learning students are also needed to assist with the science and sustainability projects. Creativity welcome.

TO GET STARTED: Please attend one of the training sessions at the school’s library on R 9/10, T 9/15, M 9/14 – all 3:30-4:15 pm. If you cannot make any of the training sessions, please contact Ms. Clemons directly at Henrictta_Clemsons@notes.k12.hi.us (and cc csssl@hawaii.edu) through whom all placement will take place, and she will arrange individual training for you. Use the subject line “PPP PES” for the email application and include your name, institution, class alpha and number, and instructor's name. Note in your email why you want to work at the school and if you have any relevant special skills or interests. Attach also a brief resume. Ms. Clemons will contact you to set up your interview and match you with a position at the school based on your availability and skills. She will also be your general point of contact during your service experience. Orientation and training take place individually or in small groups.

Requirements: TB clearance, email application, interview. Dress code is casual-professional. Minimum 25 hours of service in a regular weekly schedule.

JARRETT MIDDLE SCHOOL (JMS)
ADDRESS: 1903 Pālolo Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816. Website: http://jarrett.k12.hi.us. Principal: Reid Kuba.

SITE COORDINATOR: Ms. Melissa Higa (email: Melissa_Higa@notes.k12.hi.us)
TASKS: Service-learning students will assist teachers during school hours, help with after-school programs, community outreach, and field activities year-round. The Kūlia All-Stars After-School program (www.asashawaii.org) extends support in homework completion, academic achievement, and enrichment activities, including music, art, and fitness. It is divided into three sections, of which the middle section is focused on completing homework. Days and times for the after-school program: MTRF 2:20-5:15, W 1:40-4:40. The first hour of the afternoon program is teacher-led academic help in collaboration with the “Uplink” program.

TO GET STARTED: Please email us at csssl@hawaii.edu and we will connect you with Melisa Higa, who will set up an interview and match you with a position at the school based on your availability and skills. Use the subject line “PPP JMS” for the email application and include your name, institution, class alpha and number, and instructor's name. Note in your email why you want to work at the school and if you have any relevant special skills or interests. Attach also a brief resume. We will contact you. Orientation and training take place individually or in small groups. Requirements: TB clearance, email application, interview. Criminal background check will be done. Dress code is casual-professional. Minimum 25 hours of service over the semester – distributed through a regular weekly schedule.

KAʻIMUKI HIGH SCHOOL (KHS)
SITE COORDINATOR: Lisa Shimokawa.
TASKS: The school needs help throughout the school year tutoring daily during and after school (until c. 4 pm, depending on day of week). This semester, we have a number of special programs relating to STEM disciplines and hospitality. Creativity welcome.

TO GET STARTED: Please email Lisa Shimokawa (Lisa_Shimokawa@notes.k12.hi.us) through whom all placement will take place (must cc csssl@hawaii.edu). Use the subject line “PPP KHS” for the email application and include your name, institution, class alpha and number, and instructor’s name. Note in your email why you want to work at the school and if you have any relevant special skills or interests. Attach also a brief resume. Ms. Shimokawa will contact you to set up your interview and match you with a position at the school based on your availability and skills. She will also be your general point of contact during your service experience. Orientation and training take place individually or in small groups.

Requirements: TB clearance, email application, interview. Dress code is casual-professional. Minimum 25 hours of service in a regular weekly schedule.

PARTNERS AND WORK SITES LINKED TO THE PĀʻOLO PIPELINE PROGRAM
Aliʻiōlani Elementary School, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Financial Literacy & College Preparedness projects, HCAP - Honolulu Community Action Program, Health Promotion Projects, Ke Kula Kaipuni ‘O ʻĀnuenue, Keiki o ka ʻĀina Preschool-Pāʻolo, Mālama I Nā Ahupua’a Cultural-Environmental SL program, ʻŌlelo Community Media located at Kaimuki High School, Pacific Connections Program’s numerous initiatives dealing with Pacific Islanders, including Native Hawaiians, Pāʻolo Chinese Home for elderly, Pāʻolo Preschool located at Pāʻolo Elementary School, Pāʻolo Valley District Park Gym, Project Dana program for elderly, … and more

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- STUDENTS: Please email csssl@hawaii.edu, visit us at the student HUB, UHM Dean Hall rooms 5-7, or visit our website at http://servicelearning.socsci.hawaii.edu/pages/pipeline.html. From the website, you can also download this fact sheet.
- COMMUNITY PARTNERS and FACULTY in higher education: Contact PCE Director, Dr. Ulla Hasager at ulla@hawaii.edu, regarding service-learning planning, site integration, community research, curriculum integration, and assessment.

CENTRAL LEADERSHIP GROUP: Wade Araki (Principal, KHS); Dahlia Asuega (Resident Services Manager, POLC, MHAH); Robert Franco (Resource Development, KCC); Ulla Hasager (PPP Director, Dir. of Civic Engagement for the UHM CSS); Judi Kirkpatrick (Resource Development, KCC/POLC); Reid Kuba (Principal, JMS); Kat Lobendahn (PPP student coordinator), the current chair person of the Pāʻolo Tenants Association; Veronica Ogata (Education Coordinator, KCC); Melissa Orozco-Vargas (Service-Learning Outreach Coordinator, KCC); Candice Sakuda (Service-Learning Director, CUH); Ruth Silberstein (Complex Area Superintendent - Kaimuki-Mckinley-Roosevelt), and Holly Kiyonaga (Principal, PE).

ABBREVIATION KEY: CUH: Chaminade University of Hawai‘i; HIPICC: Hawai‘i Pacific Islands Campus Compact; HUD: US Dept. of Housing & Urban Development; JMS: Jarrett Middle School; KCC: Kapiʻolani Community College; KHS: Kaimuki High School; MHAH: Mutual Housing Association Hawai‘i; PE: Pāʻolo Elementary School; POLC: Pāʻolo ‘Ohanal Learning Center; PTA: Pāʻolo Tenants Association; SL: Service Learning; PPP: The Pāʻolo Pipeline Program; UHM: University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, including the College of Social Sciences (CSS) and its Program of Civic Engagement (PCE); College of Education (CE); Center for Pacific Islands Studies (CPIS), and Department of Ethnic Studies (ESD).

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