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### Awareness & Communications Meeting Minutes

DATE: January 2, 2024 TIME: 10:00am to 11:30am

LOCATION: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

| Agenda Topic               | Discussion  | Outcome/Action   |
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| Intro                      | Welcome everyone  | N/A              |
| I. Call to Order           | The meeting was called to order by Laura Thielen at 10:03am   | N/A              |
| II. Approval of<br>Minutes | December Minutes Review   | Minutes approved |
| IV. Continuing Business    | A. 2024 CONFERENCE  Discussion: If PIC will be running the entire conference, do we still want it to be a 2-day?  HIHAC will help with putting together a couple sessions, Gavin to help personally with obtaining sponsorships for event, but there won't be the same level of partnership as 2023.  Don't want to alienate the 2023 attendees of the second day by cutting out some of the program they're interested in by making it one day.  Would also love to get more legislators in attendance.  Need to make both days enticing to a range of community members.  To make the work of planning a 2-day more manageable, we can form a subcommittee within Awareness. Sara will also be the main PIC person working on conference planning.  The plan for a 2-day would be to focus one day on Outreach, one day on Housing.  \$23,000 currently available to put towards the conference. If we get enough sponsorships, we can reduce ticket prices as much as possible to ensure all agencies can attend both days.  Agencies also need to discuss internally if they can afford to have staff at a conference for two workdays.  Option to have a half day on Thursday, full day on Friday, or vice versa. Can play around with arrangement.  Voting: No one opposed to having a 2-day conference in 2024 (Thursday & Friday).  Can reassess the situation down the line, but we will move forward with planning a 2-day for now. | ,                |

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- Aunty Lynette Paglinawan
  - Native Hawaiian MSW with lived experience. Works with children & families.
  - Would be great to have her come for day 1, the Outreach day.
  - Maile would like to have her as a keynote speaker, but also have her available to answer questions in a session immediately after the keynote, especially regarding engaging Native Hawaiians experiencing homelessness.
  - No one opposed to Aunty Lynette as keynote speaker & session leader. Maile to reach out.

#### - Theme

- Maile may have theme suggestion based on lecture she heard from Aunty Lynette. Will get back to us.
- Aura suggesting A'o Mai. A'o Aku "to teach me and to teach you".

#### B. 2024 BLUE CHRISTMAS

- Do we want to plan a Blue Christmas event, and do we have anyone interested in participating in a subcommittee for a Blue Christmas event?
  - No interest from the committee members currently present, but it will be kept as an item on our agenda.

#### - Ideas

- Christmas Tree at Honolulu Hale
  - More visibility.
- Candlelight Vigil
  - CoC has done this before as well; can be combined with other ideas on our list.
- Central Union Service (Potluck)
  - CoC has done this before; had Christmas tree with names of those who passed away on ornaments.
- Hygiene Kit Distribution

#### C. 2024 SERVICE FAIRS

- Quarterly
  - Five service fairs planned for this year.
  - PIC will not be involved in the upcoming service fair in January due to PITC conflict.

#### Subcommittee

 No interest from the committee members currently present, but it will be kept as an item on our agenda.

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|                          | D. 2024 PITC  - Trainings: Starting today, ongoing for the next couple of weeks.  - Publicity: PIC requesting that the committee get the word out that more volunteers are always needed.  • Windward side is lacking coverage.  • Some differences in start times, number of outreach sessions (some regions having a morning and afternoon outreach planned, dependent on how many volunteers they get).  - Report: Would like to gather info about what data people would like to see in the PITC Report released in the spring.  - Coverage: Regions 3 & 5 (formerly AZ regions) will be picked up by other region leads. |                   |  |
| IV. Next                 | Tuesday, February 6th   | Meeting adjourned |  |
| Meeting                  | 10:00am - 11:30am   | at 11:06am.       |  |
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#### Attendance:

Aura Reyes – KpoK/Hawaii Appleseed Jere Kalima – Steadfast Rhea Nuguid – Alohacare

 $Maile\ Daniel-Steadfast$ 

Dani Gella – CCH

Jenny Neal – CORE

Mae'ole Quanan

Eric Madden – Ho'ola Na Pua

Jasmine Jin – LASH

### PIC:

Laura Thielen Sara Ironhill Berta Maldonado Jennifer Higashi Jillian Canova