

Friends of the Children's Justice Center of Maui, Inc.

# Directory of Services

Aiding Maui County's Abused Children

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**The Mission of the FCJC**  
**To provide assistance to abused and neglected children,**  
**to promote prevention of child abuse and neglect,**  
**and to support the Children's Justice Center of Maui**

The Friends of the Children's Justice Center of Maui is a private, non-profit corporation, founded in 1989 by a non-partisan group of community and business leaders concerned with the social welfare of children and families who have been traumatized by abuse.

The FCJC has identified areas of needs that are not being met by any government or private programs and our intent is to address these gaps.

The FCJC works toward accomplishing this by collaborating with the professionals who provide services for these children. Our purpose is to help children heal from the ravages of abuse.

This brochure is designed to answer some of the questions that arise when professionals consider contacting the FCJC. Titles/considerations are in bold print to provide quick access to specific areas of interest. If some information seems elementary, it is included to aid those professionals new to Hawaii and not familiar with all of the resources available.

## **Programs and Criteria**

### **Education**

Services we support include tutoring, GED preparation, partial private school tuition, school supplies and uniforms, Private school is considered for children who cannot function in public school. If the child is in private school, the school should provide extra tutorial help. Most children in Special Education qualify for extra help through the DOE. We do not have funds for gifted and talented

### **Birthday Gifts**

Requests can be made for Birthday Gifts. We usually have \$35 available for the younger children and \$50 available for the older children. Foster children may be eligible for larger limits depending on funding through the Victoria and Bradley Geist Foundation.

### **Holiday Gifts**

During the Holiday season, the FCJC contacts all of the agencies in Maui County who work with our target population. Our goal is to identify those children who will need a gift on Christmas morning or Hanukah and meet that need. Due to cost constraints, we cannot process special requests.

## **Medical**

Includes requests for medication, medication monitoring, therapy, therapy Support (i.e. gas money), dental and orthodontia. Prior to placing a request for medical or dental visits, determine if the client has insurance or is eligible for Quest. The Community Clinic of Maui is often an excellent resource as they operate on a sliding scale for payment. If the child is a victim of sex abuse, contact Child and Family Service for therapy.

Braces are usually considered a lifestyle. Before the FCJC will commit to funding, it must be determined that the child wants the treatment, is willing to embrace the necessary dental hygiene requirements, will keep the appointments and has the support and supervision of an adult. We never pay entire amount, and funders limit to \$500. per child.

## **Self Esteem/Character Building**

This area includes the activities that allow a child to have an experience that most children take for granted. Dance, hula, scouting, sports participation (including equipment), art lessons, riding lessons, music lessons, martial arts and gymnastics are some examples. Often, the eagerness to try something new becomes old quickly. To ensure that funding is not wasted, most of these requests are approved on a three-month basis in case the child discontinues the activity. Our experience is that summer is often a good time to begin a new activity as there are fewer demands being made on the child.

## **Special Needs**

Our most frequent request is for clothing, but this category also includes rent, rent deposit, utilities, furniture and food. Before the FCJC will consider a rent or utility request, you must have contacted MEO and the Salvation Army. The FCJC will require an eviction notice for rent and a shut off notice for utilities. Additionally, the FCJC will require that a plan be in place to ensure that future payments will be made by your client. A repayment plan to the FCJC for deposits is a possibility.

If a request is approved for rent utilities, it will be a one-time situation. We can only fund a limited number of rent/rent deposit requests. Therefore, please only request on behalf of children who are currently severely traumatized by the situation.

Most families can get food assistance through the food bank , food stamps and TANF (Temporary Aid for Needy Families).

## **Transportation**

First priority is for family reunification, family visits on another island, medical visits, or airfare to extricate a child from a dangerous situation.

Transportation is also utilized for a caregiver to accompany a child to the CJC for an interview from Lanai, Molokai or even Hana. This is coordinated through the Maui Police Department.

The FCJC also occasionally pays airfare for children in foster care to accompany their foster parents on vacation.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The FCJC has several sources of funding and eligibility may vary depending on the source. Generally, to qualify for consideration, a child must be age 0-17, have experienced sexual, physical, severe emotional abuse or severe neglect. Further, the fulfillment of the request must directly correlate to the child's healing, and there must be a financial need. The FCJC recognizes that there are cases where it is strongly suspected that abuse has taken place, but no formal report exists. The FCJC relies on the professional submitting the request to determine if the abuse has occurred.

Children who are in foster care automatically qualify for consideration.

If there is a possible funding source elsewhere, that source must be contacted first. Our intent is to be the agency of last resort.

All requests are processed by the FCJC Programs Committee. Each request is considered on a case-by-case basis, as funding permits, with the requirement that the fulfillment of the request directly correlates to the child's healing. This is NOT an entitlement program.

All requests must be submitted on the most recent "Needs Request Form" being used. A copy of the current form is in this booklet, but you are encouraged to make sure it is current by calling the FCJC. You may make copies of this form for future use. Please carefully read the following instructions for submitting a request.

## **SUBMITTING A REQUEST**

All requests and phone calls to the FCJC must come from a Professional (social worker, counselor, psychologist, etc). The one exception to this rule, is that we will take requests from foster parents for the enhancement program of the Victoria and Bradley Geist Foundation. Those requests are then verified with the social worker involved with the client. The FCJC does not deal directly with children or families, so please do not refer any clients to us directly (with the exception of foster parents).

The "Needs Request Form" can either be faxed to us at 243-8688; mailed to 1773-A Wili Pa Loop, Wailuku, HI 96793; or emailed to [randy@mauicjc.org](mailto:randy@mauicjc.org). This form should be filled out by the professional and not the client. Please type or print legibly, as faxing distorts printing. Please use this form only. It will provide us with all of the info we need.

Please understand that the FCJC Programs Committee members are volunteers. A realistic timeframe of one week is suggested to handle your request. Requests received by Friday at 8:30 am will be reviewed that day and funded the following Monday. Please plan ahead!

Thank you notes, written in the child's handwriting when possible, are greatly appreciated by our Board of Directors. They are read at each Board meeting, and allow the Board Members to feel that their fundraising efforts are paying off. We also share these letters (minus the child's name) with our various funding sources.

## FUNDING

The FCJC receives donations from individual members of our community, both residents and visitors. Additionally, many local businesses offer financial support.

### Hawaii Community Foundation (HCF)

The FCJC has been chosen to distribute PIN (persons in need) funds which are received in the form of block grants. Each of these grants carries strict criteria as to the eligibility of a child and stipulates categories of usage.

#### **Bradley & Victoria Geist Foundation:**

Eligibility is limited to those children who are currently in foster care. Abuse or neglect are Not necessary requirements for recipients of these funds. Funds are available for Enhancements and NOT basic needs. Children must be under 18 unless currently enrolled In school. The categories of assistance are:

- Extracurricular school expenses (athletic uniforms, field trip fees, etc)
- Social activity expenses (prom attire, graduation cap and gown)
- After-school activities and hobby expenses (hula lessons, soccer registration)
- Intersession school activities (summer camp)
- Other quality of life enhancements (birthday present, books, toys, computers, Ipods, etc)
- Facilitation of transition to adulthood (copy of birth cert, drivers ed, etc)

#### **Teresa Hughes Trust:**

This trust addresses the needs of victims of child abuse and or neglect. The child must be under the age of 17 unless currently enrolled in school, and there must be a financial need. The categories for assistance are:

- Private Hire
- Clothing Infant to 3—\$75, 4 to 6—\$100, 7 to 9—\$150, 10 to 11—\$175, 12 to 17 \$200
- Food
- Furniture
- Preschool/Childcare
- Medicine
- School Related Tutoring
- Housing
- Transportation
- Utilities
- Therapy/Counseling
- School Supplies
- Recreation

Additionally, we receive financial support from the **County of Maui, Kapalua Charities**, and other statewide foundations and local family foundations. We could not fund as many requests as we do without the financial assistance from dedicated firms and individuals who have a passion for helping abused and neglected children.

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**NEEDS REQUEST FORM -- One Form Per Child Required**

**Please Print or Type**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_  M  F Date \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ Town child lives in now: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional (or foster parent) requesting funds: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_  
(your name)

Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # where we can reach you: \_\_\_\_\_

**Child's History:**

- Sexual Abuse**
- Physical Abuse**
- Severe Emotional Abuse**
- Severe Neglect**

**Placement:**

- Bio or adopted mom or dad
- Extended family (hanai or relative)
- Foster placement
- Group/residential home: Please indicate either DHS \_\_\_ or DOH \_\_\_

**Income:**

- Level I \$0 - \$15,000
- Level II \$15,001 - \$30,000
- Level III \$30,001 - \$50,000
- Level IV \$50,001+

**Please describe the abuse and explain how the fulfillment of this request will directly correlate to the child's healing (REQUIRED). Use additional paper if necessary.** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What are you requesting? \_\_\_\_\_

How much will it cost? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Have you tried elsewhere for the funds? What was the outcome? \_\_\_\_\_

We can provide purchase orders for K-Mart, Ross and Savers. Can your request be accommodated by one of these stores? \_\_\_\_\_ Which one? \_\_\_\_\_.

\*Please do not have your clients call us. We talk with you--you talk to your clients.\*

**\*\*THANK YOU LETTERS**, especially from children in their own handwriting, **are appreciated!\*\***

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**Friends of CJC use only:**      CASE # \_\_\_\_\_ PURCHASE ORDER # \_\_\_\_\_

Not funded- reason \_\_\_\_\_

Funded \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Assistance category \_\_\_\_\_ Grant: \_\_\_\_\_

Check payable to: \_\_\_\_\_ Comments/details: \_\_\_\_\_

## Resources for Information and Assistance

**Child and Family Service—Domestic violence intervention/parenting/sex abuse treatment Maui 877-6888. Molokai 808-567-6100. 24 Hour Hotline 873-8624**

**Department of Human Services (CPS) - Maui 243-5143, Molokai 808-553-1703, Lanai 808-565-7102, INTAKE 800-494-3991**

**Maui Police Department 244-6400 or 911**

Aloha United Way—24 hour information & referrals Phone: 211

ATV (Molokai) - TRO's/anger management all ages 808-553-3202

Aloha House—Outpatient substance abuse treatment & mental health services 579-9584

Big Brothers/Big Sisters—Provides 1 on 1 mentoring 242-9754

Catholic Charities 873-4673

Community Clinit of Maui—Medical outreach services 871-7772

HI Foster Parent Association 877-775-4400

DOH—Family Guidance Center—Mental health services for children 243-1252

DOH Family Health Services 984-2136

DOH Public Health Nursing 984-8206  
Hale Ho'omalua—24 hour hot line & women's shelter on Molokai 808-567-6888

DHS—Income Maintenance—Financial, medical, and food stamps 984-8300

Hui Malama Learning Center—Tutoring, GED programs and youth services center 244-5911

Imua Family Services—Children with developmental delays 244-74-67

Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Center 242-7600

Lanai Human Service Alliance—Crises intervention 808-565-9566

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii—Civil (not criminal) legal assistance to low income persons 244-3731

Malama Family Recovery Center—Substance abuse education & treatment—Women 877-7117

Maui AHEC Child Sexual Abuse Crises Response—Molokai 808-553-3623

Maui County Catholic Social Ministry 244-8106

Maui Economic Opportunity—possible rent-utility help & child day care program 249-2990

Maui Family Support Services—In home family strengthening services, teen pregnancy prevention and support program, early head start and fatherhood initiative program 242-0900

Maui Food Bank 877-4357

Maui Humane Society 877-3680

Maui Youth & Family Services—Adolescent programs 579-8414 Molokai 808-553-3907

Mediation Services of Maui—Custody/dispute resolution 244-5744

Molokai Community Services Council 553-3244

Molokai Family Support Services—Family strengthening services 808-553-3276

Na Hale O'Wainee (Lahaina Homeless Resource Center) 667-0076

Neighborhood Place of Wailuku—family strengthening programs, child maltreatment prevention 986-0700

Ohana Makamae 248-8538

PACT—Violence intervention services (men, women & adolescents), mental health services for public school students 244-2330

PATCH—Child Care provider referrals 242-9232

Parents, Inc.—parenting services 249-8471

Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center—Services for children of Hawaiian ancestry 242-8888 Molokai 808-553-5989

Salvation Army—Possible rent/utility help for homeless 871-6270

Victim Witness Program—Court related services for victims 270-7695

Women Helping Women—Shelter & help for women victims of domestic violence and their children 242-6600

### **Nationwide Resources**

Child Help National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-422-4453

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children 1-800-843-5678

National Center for Victims of Crime 1-800-394-2255

National Childrens Alliance 1-800-239-9950

National Organization for Victim Assistance 1-800-879-6682

National Runaway Switchboard 1-800-621-4000

Office for Victims of Crime Resource Center 1-800-851-3420

Children's Defense Fund 1-800-233-1200

Darkness to Light 1-866-367-5444



