

# Kapaia Foundation

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### **Kapaia Foundation Scholarship 2021**

Kapaia Foundation is pleased to announce its 2021 scholarship offer to a qualifying high school senior from Kaua'i. Application for the \$1000 scholarship award is attached at the bottom of

this newsletter or may be obtained from any high school counselor or request by email <a href="mailto:kapaiafoundation@gmail.com">kapaiafoundation@gmail.com</a> In addition, we invite applicants to use our new online application at scholarsapp.com. Application submission deadline is April 9. Email, text or call 808 639-3606 for more information.

Last year's recipient, Brent Torres, is working towards a degree in electrical engineering at the University of Portland through a virtual setting because of the COVID-19 pandemic. If the world health crisis eases as it seems to be, Brent plans to start his sophomore year in Portland this fall.



University of Portland

## Kapaia Foundation launches new Website

Our new website address is, **www.kapaiafoundation.com**. Visit it to find our latest news, archived newsletters, announcements, projects, photos and contact information. It is, and always will be a work in progress so we welcome suggestions to make it an amazing site!

#### Kapaia Foundation receives County Grant for Koinobori Kaua'i 2021

Kapaia Foundation's koinobori display will look fresher and brighter in 2021, thanks to a generous \$1000 grant from the County of Kaua'i. Each year, approximately 100 koi windsocks need to be repaired or replaced because of wear and tear from the tropical tradewinds that sweep across our islands. The grant gift will be used to purchase new windsocks and for other expenses related to the koinobori display next month.

Marking the 9<sup>th</sup> year of Koinobori Kaua'i, 600 flying carp windsocks will once again dance in the wind throughout Kapaia Valley from April 20- May 22. Kapaia Foundation displays a koinobori for each person who, by simply living in Kapaia Village during its heyday in the 1930's, contributed to its rich history. These hardworking immigrants from China, Germany, Portugal, Japan, Austria, Korea, Puerto Rico and the Philippines came with a dream for a better life. With Koinobori Kaua'i, we celebrate their contribution to Hawaii's unique multicultural society and highlight the legacy that fulfilled their dream, the beautiful children of Hawaii.



Koinobori Kaua'i 2020 was postponed from the traditional event in May to July because of the unprecedented coronavirus pandemic. Practicing the same safety precautions as last year, our community will be able to once again enjoy Koinobori Kaua'i in 2021.

Two work days are planned to prepare for the happy display. Dates and details will be available soon.

### Mahalo to all Kapaia Foundation members and supporters.

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