



The Wai'ale'ale Project Fact Sheet

Wai'ale'ale Project Mission

The mission of the Wai'ale'ale Project is to expose students to the essential values and habits that are intrinsic to an environment of higher learning and that, over time, contributes to academic, career, and personal success.

Wai'ale'ale Project Program Description

Attending the 13th year of school changes lives. Statistically, students who attend a year of college live longer, get better jobs and lead more fulfilling lives than those who do not. Unfortunately, not all students have equal ability to attend college due to financial and other life barriers.

The Wai'ale'ale Project at Kaua'i Community College is an innovative program designed to encourage non-college bound high school students and adults to attend, and successfully complete, their first year of college. The program provides financial and other supports that reduce barriers to entering and succeeding in, college. Such services include guaranteed financial support covering tuition, books, and fees; program-specific academic supports; supplemental counseling and advising; and other informational services to encourage student achievement. This comprehensive commitment to student success makes the Wai'ale'ale Project unique among other programs which do not otherwise provide integrated support beyond their financial contribution.

Wai'ale'ale Project Successes Since 2010

- ❖ Served 1,212 students, ages 18-56.
- ❖ The Wai'ale'ale Project students return for their second year at a rate that has been, on average, 6% higher than other first year students at Kaua'i CC.
- ❖ 442 students have received bachelor, associate degrees and/or certifications.
- ❖ 884 degrees/certificates have been awarded.
- ❖ 30 students have received bachelor degrees:
- ❖ 42 students are currently pursuing baccalaureate degrees.
- ❖ 2 students are pursuing master's degrees.
- ❖ 6 students received a master's degree

Support Us

We need your help to continue this program for future students. To contribute to this groundbreaking program that has positively changed the lives of more than 1,200 individuals since 2010, visit: giving.uhfoundation.org/funds/12702704

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