University of Hawai‘i donors and friends,

Whether you are grateful alumni, proud parents, employers building an expertise pipeline, or supporters with big ideas and passion for finding solutions and changing lives, your generosity is empowering the University of Hawai‘i to provide the high-quality education our students deserve, while conducting the superb and relevant scholarship our communities require.

Thanks to you, our 20,936 donors who collectively made 25,946 gifts, we raised $180.3 million this past fiscal year to benefit UH programs and students. Of that total, $46.2 million was raised through outright gifts and pledges. This is significant for UH and represents solid support that will directly benefit UH students, research and programs in the near future.

Jay Shidler’s visionary gift led to our extraordinary total planned gifts (deferred and conditional commitments and bequest intentions) figure of $129,184,130. These gifts will bring transformational benefits to UH in the years ahead.

The UH Foundation is also experiencing change. This past year marked the end of one chapter and the beginning of a new one as we said goodbye to Donna Vuchinich, who retired from her position as our president and CEO after 15 years at the helm.

During Donna’s tenure, the UH Foundation grew from approximately $84 million in assets to more than $500 million today. We are deeply grateful for the substantial and lasting impact she has had on the lives of our students, staff, faculty and the entire state through her leadership.

Following an international search, we are excited to welcome Tim Dolan back to Hawai‘i as the University of Hawai‘i’s new vice president of advancement and UH Foundation’s CEO. We look forward to introducing him to our ‘ohana in early 2019.

Thank you for your continued support as we navigate change and embrace new opportunities, for our university, our Hawai‘i, our future. Mahalo for all you do to build a better world.

DAVID LASSNER, PHD
President
University of Hawai‘i System

CATHARINE NGO
2017-2018 Chair
UH Foundation Board of Trustees
Aloha dear donors and friends,

While I didn’t have the chance to personally say goodbye to all of you, I do want to thank each and every one of you for what you have invested in the UH Foundation and our university. We have come a long way together, and today the UH Foundation and UH play a more important role for our state than ever before.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as president and CEO of this dynamic organization. With you as our partners, we have grown the foundation’s endowment, which supports UH students and programs, from $85 million to $322.7 million. Since the UH Foundation was established, we’ve raised more than $1 billion to support our university. We have done this together, and we have much to celebrate.

In addition to our transformative work in advancing the culture of philanthropy in Hawai‘i, we have fostered relationships based on trust. I hope this, and all we’ve accomplished together over the past 15 years, sets the stage for even greater success in the UH Foundation’s future.

My sincere mahalo for your friendship and support through the years.

Aloha and a hui hou,

DONNA VUCHINICH
Dollars spent (in 000s)

2018 DISTRIBUTIONS TO UH

Program services
- Research: $12,567
- Student aid & services: $8,952
- Special programs: $7,852
- Academic support: $7,127
- Capital projects: $2,021
- Faculty & staff support: $3,881
- Athletics: $3,041
- Extension & public services: $805
- Other: $2,021
- Total program services: $48,267

Support services
- Development: $8,761
- Management & fiscal services: $5,144
- Total support services: $13,905
- TOTAL EXPENDITURES: $62,172

Balance sheet (in 000s)

June 30, 2018

ASSETS
- Cash & equivalent: $8,512
- Contributions receivable: $41,870
- Investments: $433,333
- Interest in trusts held by others: $96,782
- Property & equipment: $10,544
- Other assets: $4,919
- TOTAL ASSETS: $595,960

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS
- Liabilities
  - Liabilities under split-interest agreements: $12,567
  - Accounts payable: $10,074
  - Amounts held for others: $3,936
  - Long-term debt: $8,200
  - Other liabilities: $684
- Net assets
  - Unrestricted: ($664)
  - Temporarily restricted: $204,780
  - Permanently restricted: $356,383
- Total net assets: $560,499
- TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS: $565,960

By partnering with donors, the University of Hawai‘i Foundation has raised more than $180 million this fiscal year to benefit University of Hawai‘i students, faculty, research and programs.
Funds raised FOR THE UNIVERSITY IN 2018:
$180,260,659

BY PURPOSE
- Student aid: $99,769,337
- Research: $23,128,105
- Faculty & academic support: $16,540,116
- Special programs: $11,317,766
- Property, buildings & equipment: $8,212,813
- Chairs & professorships: $7,322,705
- Program enrichment: $6,567,304
- Athletic programs: $3,346,541
- Libraries: $1,993,833
- Other: $1,794,317
- Extension & public services: $267,824

BY SOURCE
- Alumni: $134,795,681
- Corporations: $16,710,488
- Other individuals: $15,067,302
- Foundations: $7,805,140
- Faculty & staff: $4,168,778
- Other: $1,402,943
- Parents: $290,833
- Students: $19,495
William K. “Billy” Richardson, an accomplished entrepreneur, lawyer and teacher, died in November 2017 at 62. The son of the founder and namesake of UH Mānoa’s William S. Richardson School of Law, Richardson was a consummate supporter of UH and the UH Foundation. His passing is an indelible loss for the entire community.
We are all made better when others step through newly-opened doors on their way to college, careers or competitions. A public university’s mandate is to educate anyone who desires an education. Yet obstacles abound in the form of cultural expectation, social history and economic reality.

Your support enhances our mission to provide high-quality undergraduate and graduate education. Our students are a unique population of traditional students fresh out of high school, working adults and energetic seniors.

We are grateful for your help in opening these doors to learning opportunities for UH students.
The tireless efforts of John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM) Dean Jerris Hedges, dedicated philanthropists Barry and Virginia Weinman, and generous academic teaching partners Hawai’i Pacific Health and The Queen’s Health Systems, have resulted in more than $3.66 million to fund 23 full scholarships for Hawai’i residents who started their medical education in July 2018. This represents nearly one third of the incoming Class of 2022. With their characteristic generosity and grace, the Weinmans matched the $1.8 million HPH and Queen’s donated.

Mindful of a recent national survey mentioning the economic challenges of becoming a doctor in Hawai’i, Hedges said, “These 23 future doctors will be free from worry over the expense of a medical education while they study. They will be able to graduate nearly debt-free and then choose their medical specialty based on their passion to serve, not financial constraints.

“We are tremendously grateful to Barry and Virginia Weinman, and our partners at Hawai’i Pacific Health and The Queen’s Health Systems for their multifaceted partnership over the years, and their investments in our collective future.”

The mean educational debt of a JABSOM medical student upon graduation is $169,000. Some graduates owe much more, from financing both their college undergraduate education and medical school. UH medical students also come from families of lesser financial means than those at most schools in the continental United States.

“Our mission is to create a healthier Hawai’i. This commitment includes providing high-quality health care, forming strong community partnerships and investing in the future of our industry to help accomplish our mission,” said Ray Vara, Hawai’i Pacific Health president and CEO.

“We’d like to extend a sincere thanks to the Weinmans for not only envisioning the scholarship program, but for continuing to support the education of Hawai’i’s future physicians,” Vara said.

“Investing in physician education and retention is investing in Hawai’i’s future,” added Arthur Ushijima, president and CEO of The Queen’s Health Systems.

“In order to provide the best kind of care for the people of Hawai’i, we must be proactive in giving young talent in the medical field the opportunity to succeed and thrive, right here at home.”

Virginia Weinman points out that, with so many of Hawai’i’s doctors retiring in the next five years and the cost of a medical education rising annually, Hawai’i’s well-being will remain precarious unless more doctors can afford to be educated and then practice here. These scholarships will contribute to Hawai’i’s well-being.
The Shidler College of Business received a $2 million bequest from the estate of Clifford and Blanche Hee to expand their scholarship in honor of their sons Thomas and Michael Hee, who predeceased their parents due to complications arising from hemophilia.

“Thomas and Michael Hee faced enormous challenges in life, but did not complain about their situation and instead endeavored to be the very best they could be,” said Tony Ching, estate trustee and brother of Blanche Hee.

Although their lives were cut short, their parents established scholarships to help deserving students facing challenges to complete their education and become contributing members of our community.”

The estate has committed to annually funding the endowed scholarship with $50,000 until the bequest is realized. The Hees’ endowment has already impacted 11 students with more than $19,000 in scholarship distributions since they first established it in 2002, in honor of their younger son Thomas Hee.

Thomas graduated from Shidler College in 1978 with a degree in accounting and management information systems. He then rose to vice president in the controller’s division at First Hawaiian Bank. He served the community as president of the Ala Moana Jaycees and as a staunch advocate and volunteer for the Hemophilia Foundation. He also founded and co-owned Star Computer.
REMEMBERING PAUL MATSUDA

Paul Matsuda was a friend and teacher to all, frequently reminding others that the most important thing in life is to be “two Hs: happy and healthy.”

The former UH Hilo basketball player died in August 2017, and his friends and family want people to remember his kindness and thoughtfulness.

“Paul was smart, funny and humble,” said Dr. John Uohara (MS ’72, MD ’75 Mānoa) of Hilo. “He was my best friend for more than 50 years.”

Uohara said he and Matsuda came from “modest beginnings,” but Matsuda later founded and presided over The Service Group, Inc., a food brokerage company. A devoted father, partner, businessman, friend, brother and uncle, the 1967 Hilo High School graduate is dearly missed.

His loved ones have rallied together to preserve his memory. Uohara led the effort to keep Matsuda close to the hearts and minds of the community he loved by establishing the Paul Y. Matsuda Endowed Scholarship for UH Hilo Men’s Basketball. Recipients on the Vulcan men’s basketball team will receive support for tuition, books, fees and other costs related to attendance.

“No and forever, Paul Matsuda’s legacy will live while benefiting our student-athletes and program,” said Patrick Guillen, UH Hilo athletic director. “We are incredibly grateful for Dr. Uohara’s generosity and kindness. What a wonderful testament this is to an enduring friendship.”
UH basketball teams compete Down Under

UH Mānoa student-athletes are accustomed to traveling long distances to the continental U.S. to represent UH. But in August 2018, the men’s and women’s basketball teams flew in the opposite direction, to Australia and New Zealand.

Sampling new sights and cultures as they faced professional, semi-pro and amateur teams on the court, the Rainbow Warriors visited Brisbane, Melbourne, Canberra and Sydney, while the Rainbow Wahine explored Auckland, Christchurch, Melbourne and Sydney.

Each team’s journey was a mission of goodwill and togetherness. Players, boosters and coaching staffs created new connections, strengthened existing bonds, celebrated the beauty of competition, and perhaps sowed a few seeds for future recruiting.

“The extra practices and competition against professional teams will pay dividends down the road,” said Warrior head coach Eran Ganot. “More importantly, it was terrific to bond as a team, visit some of the best cities in the world, bring our aloha spirit and share what makes Hawai‘i special.”

Boosters came together in private fundraising events to help with expenses, but many traveled with the teams as well. More than 70 UH supporters and staff went along to cheer for the ‘Bows and share a little bit of the Aloha State with their new friends south of the equator. The host teams raved about the fans on tour, saying they had never seen such a following as Hawai‘i’s.

Wahine head coach Laura Beeman said, “Team growth on the court will pay huge dividends as we dive deeper into our season. More important are the life-changing experiences. One player said to me after the trip that it changed her life, and she would never forget how amazing it was.

“Mahalo to everyone who played a part in changing all our lives,” Beeman said.
“Because of Dr. Terence Rogers, the courses of my life and my children’s have been remarkable … It is an honor to contribute to his legacy.”

“I wish I could have thanked him for all he did.”

These are just two of the many heartfelt comments offered by alumni about Dr. Terence Rogers, the beloved former dean of the John A. Burns School of Medicine.

The comments accompanied their contributions to an endowed scholarship established in his honor by Dr. Ben Young, JABSOM dean of students from 1972-1986. More than $150,000 has been collected so far to provide scholarships in perpetuity for medical students with the greatest financial need.

Rogers took the helm of the medical school at a critical time during the early 1970s after the death of Dr. Windsor Cutting, JABSOM’s first dean.

He finalized complex contracts with community hospitals and won the approval of the Liaison Committee for Medical Education and the State of Hawai‘i Legislature for JABSOM’s credentialing from a two-year to a four-year, MD-degree-granting institution.

Rogers completed these difficult tasks with unflinching dedication and skillfully did the job in the presence of seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

Under Rogers’ leadership, JABSOM became a venue not only for training physicians, but also for stimulating social change. He championed opportunities for nontraditional and disadvantaged students to pursue medical careers.

An enduring part of his legacy is the greater number of native Hawaiians in medicine today and improved healthcare services in American Samoa, Palau, Micronesia and the Marshall Islands.

In 1972, Rogers tapped Young to start what became the ‘Imi Ho‘o‘ola program to enable more Hawaiians and Pacific islanders to become doctors. According to Rogers, there were fewer than 10 licensed Native Hawaiian physicians in the state when the program began. By the time of Rogers’ death in 2008, there were more than 300.

Rogers was also ahead of his time as a great feminist. As one JABSOM alumna wrote, “Our med school class was 30 percent female at a time when all other schools had a much lower female percentage. He really was a visionary.”

Even in death, Rogers served JABSOM students by willing his body to the school and becoming one of their “silent teachers.”

Scholarship honors visionary JABSOM dean

Dr. Terence Rogers

JABSOM students at the 2018 White Coat Ceremony
Innovation
FOR A NEW HAWAI‘I ECONOMY

Hawai‘i’s talent, creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and natural resources mean limitless possibilities for financiers, foodies or fish farmers. Your gifts help us leverage the brilliant minds and innovation at UH to address the challenges facing Hawai‘i and the world.

With you at our side, we are at the forefront of environmental concerns about our precious coral reefs, sea-level rise, the latest Kīlauea eruption and carbon-neutral energy sources.

We seek to understand the origins of the universe with the most powerful telescopes, even as we support rediscovery and promulgation of the wisdom of the original Polynesian navigators, the greatest explorers in the world. With your support we are breaking knowledge barriers and building a future where we can thrive.
Alumnus Jay H. Shidler (Mānoa BBA ’68) donated $117 million in cash and real estate ground leases immediately after delivering the final installment of a $111 million gift announced in 2014.

In total, Shidler has given $228 million to the UH Mānoa Shidler College of Business. This latest $117 million donation will further fuel the pace of improvements and expansion facilitated by Shidler’s earlier donations.

The gift of $117 million is designed as a lasting source of capital for the college.

Centered upon the donation of land underlying 11 office buildings in the commercial business districts of major mainland cities, this gift of land and attendant ground leases is projected to produce highly certain, management-free cash flow that historically increases faster than inflation.

To ensure the long-term nature of his gift, Shidler imposed one condition: the university is prohibited from selling any of the donated ground leases prior to the end of their 99-year terms. This stipulation is critical, as Shidler estimates the ground leases will generate a minimum of $2.1 billion of contractual cash flow for the college.

At the end of the ground lease terms, the college receives full ownership of the related office buildings, which together with the land will be worth an estimated $5.1 billion. In total, this gift of land and commercial buildings will yield a minimum of $7.2 billion during the life of the current leases.

“I’m the first person in my immediate family to receive a college degree, so my being a UH grad was a big deal for my mom and dad,” said Shidler. “As an army brat, my four years at UH were the longest I’d lived anywhere. This stability made the experience significant, and the experience made Hawai‘i my home.”

“After leaving the Army Corps of Engineers, I relied on the education I received at the university, as well as the deep and lasting personal friendships with alumni and faculty, to make my initial real estate investments and start my own firm,” he said.

“I credit the guidance of my professors and strong connections with classmates at the college with much of my success in the business world,” added Shidler. “The more students who have access to such an education, the better the business world and our community become.”
Accounting group taps into UH West O‘ahu potential

The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) Hawaii Chapter made a $25,000 gift to UH West O‘ahu to establish an endowed scholarship for students pursuing a degree in business administration with a concentration in accounting. The accounting concentration has one of the highest enrollments of all UH West O‘ahu programs with nearly 10 percent of all students. “With the rail and housing developments, we see West O‘ahu as untapped potential,” AGA Hawaii President Sean Nakamura (Mānoa MAcc ’05) said. “We’re hoping this is the start of something that will expand.”

Nakamura noted that AGA Hawaii has an endowment with UH Mānoa, but said past president Pam Young “noticed that our younger, millennial members were graduates of UH West O‘ahu.”

This is what spurred the organization to pursue an opportunity to support UH West O‘ahu students.

A passion for public service

Just before retiring, Sharon Y. Moriwaki created the Moriwaki Public Policy endowment to support the UH Mānoa College of Social Sciences Public Policy Center (PPC).

As the former co-chair and principal investigator of the Hawai‘i Energy Policy Forum and former PPC associate director, she is passionate about public service and energy policy. She was elected in 2018 to represent District 12 in the Hawai‘i Senate.

The Moriwaki Public Policy Endowment will help fund the PPC’s non-partisan policy research, professionals’ education for careers in public service, and civic engagement enhancing Hawai‘i’s overall quality of life. It will also ensure that the center’s efforts grow and sustain Hawai‘i’s renewable energy future through its Hawai‘i Energy Policy Forum, and improve public policy through its survey research program.

“I am very proud to have been affiliated with the Public Policy Center during my UH career,” said Moriwaki. “I am so pleased that my successor will now have more resources for coordinating the exemplary university/community partnership and projects of the Hawai‘i Energy Policy Forum, and for building our Survey Research Program,” she said.

“Both are vital resources to our local community.”

L-R: UH West O‘ahu professor Derrek Choy and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Judy Oliveira; AGA Hawaii’s Jennie Christman, Sean Nakamura, Shena Bocalbos and Raelynn Gaspar-Asaoka; and UH West O‘ahu Chancellor Maenette Benham and professor Franklin Kudo
NOAA’s National Ocean Service describes aquaculture as “farming in water.”

UH Hilo is home to the state’s only undergraduate aquaculture program, as well as the Pacific Aquaculture and Coastal Resources Center. The facility is dedicated to aquaculture and coastal management education, research, and outreach to the community and industry.

The team at Hilo Fish Company, an international seafood distributor, wants to support Hawai‘i’s aquaculture sector in its continued growth.

“We have been looking for ways to develop aquaculture here in Hawai‘i,” said Kerry Umamoto, Hilo Fish Company’s president and COO.

The local firm established the Hilo Fish Company, Inc. Scholarship in partnership with the PACRC to generate interest in aquaculture among local high school graduates, in hopes students will stay and work within this field to develop sustainable seafood products in Hawai‘i.

“Being a global seafood company and dealing with countries around the world, we see aquaculture as a necessity for the future in Hawai‘i,” Umamoto said.
In 2016, UH received a $4.6 million investment from Strada to launch the Building Hawai‘i’s Innovation Economy & Workforce initiative.

This year, Strada Education Network, a national nonprofit dedicated to strengthening America’s education-to-employment pathways, granted UH $3 million to continue the advancement of career pathways in Hawai‘i. In addition, the Harold K.L. Castle Foundation provided a $300,000 grant to amplify the work across the state.

The combined philanthropic partnership supports multi-pronged strategic, statewide educational and career planning. The investment targets STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) disciplines, where UH and partners hope to align educational objectives with career marketplace needs, while supporting academic success in STEM fields.

The effort will also focus on smoothing pathways so community college students majoring in science and technology more easily make the transition to four-year campuses.

“Our goal is to prepare Hawai‘i’s students and our workforce for the jobs of today and tomorrow in a manner highly informed by employers and supported by educational pathways from K-12 to college to career,” said UH President David Lassner (PhD ’98 Mānoa).

“It is gratifying and energizing to partner with national and local funders who recognize and believe in our groundbreaking work that is increasingly becoming a model for other states,” he said.

“Improving outcomes and opportunity for the students of Hawai‘i has always been a critical part of our mission as we work to strengthen pathways between education and employment for all Americans,” said Bill Hansen, president and CEO of Strada Education Network.

“UH has become a leading innovator in higher education, working alongside local and government leaders to improve student success and build the state's talent pipeline,” he said.

“We’re honored to support this work and to be joined by collaborative partners like the Harold K.L. Castle Foundation to sustain and scale these innovative programs in Hawai‘i.”

Terry George (MBA ’09 Mānoa), Harold K.L. Castle Foundation president and CEO, added, “For Hawai‘i to truly thrive, K-12 and higher educational opportunities must reflect labor market needs and lead to family-sustaining wages.

“We are pleased to partner alongside Strada Education in helping UH enroll far more students in career pathways that prepare them for in-demand jobs and obtain a degree that employers value.”
INNOVATION FOR A NEW HAWAI‘I ECONOMY

Nurturing Maui’s culinary students

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A university is not defined by buildings on a campus, but by people who occupy these buildings and activity conducted within. Still, quality facilities and expertly-curated resources can nurture healthy learning, relationship building and productive collaboration.

Our donors provide spaces for instruction, materials for learning and hatcheries for groundbreaking ideas. Your support is opening up world-class opportunities and facilities to Hawai‘i students.

With your generosity, we are modernizing our campuses to serve a new generation of students who will be well-equipped to tackle the challenges of the future.
CHEF RO BRINGS business sense TO CIP

Kelvin Ro, award-winning chef and owner of Diamond Head Market and Grill, pledged $1 million to support the UH Culinary Institute of the Pacific at Diamond Head (CIP).

In recognition of this pledge, the Open Kitchen in the Signature Restaurant at CIP will be named the Kelvin Ro and Diamond Head Market & Grill Open Kitchen.

Ro was born in Wahiawā, and his family’s restaurants launched his culinary career. He graduated from Waipahu High School and earned a business degree at UH Mānoa (BBA ‘88).

Ro attributes much of his success to the education he received at UH. “I think my business education really helped me gain the skills I needed to succeed in today’s competitive food and beverage industry,” he said.

CIP will now offer a four-year baccalaureate degree that includes a restaurant management and business ownership curriculum. Ro emphasized the importance of learning business concepts that are not typically found in a two-year culinary program.

“I am thrilled that CIP is combining culinary arts with a business degree,” he said. “I wish there was a program like that when I went to school in the 1980s, but I’m glad it will become a reality for future students.”

Ro hopes his gift will inspire others to contribute.

“It feels incredible to be able to make this gift on behalf of all of us at Diamond Head Grill and the many customers who have become our extended family,” he said. “I want to give back to UH and serve as an example of someone from Hawai‘i who is giving what he can to make our university better for future generations.”
Conrad Nonaka’s passion for culinary education was legendary.

As director of the Culinary Institute of the Pacific (CIP), he readily connected with master chefs and executives in the industry, always remembering his service and commitment to students. His generosity and humility defined him, and helped him forge lasting relationships for CIP.

After earning his BEd from UH Mānoa in 1978 and receiving an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, Nonaka trained many in the hospitality industry.

A proud graduate of the culinary program at Kapi‘olani Community College (AS ’70) as well, Nonaka returned to share his knowledge and expertise with the culinary students as chef instructor. In 2016, he received a UH Distinguished Alumni Award.

Another of his many celebrated accomplishments is developing the successful Kapi‘olani CC Saturday Farmers’ Market, an educational partnership agreement between CIP and the Hawai‘i Farm Bureau Federation. The market has grown into a destination event for an average of 9,000 people every Saturday.

Before his death on June 2, 2018, Nonaka and his wife Susan (BS ’78, MPH ’81 Mānoa) made a generous gift to keep the CIP momentum going. In his honor, friends, colleagues and family made additional gifts to CIP, building further on his vision for CIP.

“He was just passionate about culinary education, passionate about what we were trying to do with the new facility at Diamond Head, and instrumental in making all of it happen,” said John Morton (PhD ’97 Mānoa), vice president for UH Community Colleges.

“We’ll miss him, and students will benefit for years to come,” Morton said.

Nonaka’s many gifts to the university he loved, combined with gifts from those who cherish his memory, ensure this will always be the case.
She was a committed patriot in Honolulu working against the occupation of her homeland. He was a craftsman of fine furniture, whose creativity was imitated far beyond the islands. Together, Hee Kyung Lee and Doin Kwon had big dreams as an immigrant couple. Their humble start in a rented one-room cottage led to a successful business in their adopted country. The country they left behind honored them posthumously as patriots of the Korean independence movement.

Now, more than 100 years after an ambitious young man and his picture bride began their story in America, their youngest child Esther Arinaga honors them with endowments in a tribute to their creativity, dedication and struggle on behalf of others.

The Hee Kyung Lee Kwon Endowment for the Enhancement of the Korean Literature Program fund supports and strengthens the Korean literature program in UH Mānoa’s Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, with a preference for scholarly endeavors focusing on modern Korean women writers and their traditions.

Dr. Laura E. Lyons, interim dean of the College of Languages, Linguistics, and Literature, said, “Esther Arinaga’s gift ensures that our students have the opportunity to appreciate and study the rich body of literature written by Korean women, and to have a greater understanding of the complex challenges and successes Korean women have so beautifully chronicled in the written word.”

The Doin Kwon Design and Innovation Endowment Fund at the UH Mānoa School of Architecture supports the UH Mānoa School of Architecture in promoting the value of design and innovation for a positive impact in the built and natural environments of Hawai‘i and beyond.

“Esther Arinaga has thoughtfully honored her father Doin Kwon, whose love of artistry and contributions to furniture design were widely celebrated,” Bill Chapman, interim dean of the UH Mānoa School of Architecture said. “Her family’s gift has provided a wonderful opportunity for our students and we are most grateful.”

“These gifts mark the completion of a long journey by the Kwon family to find the best way to honor two remarkable people,” said Arinaga.
Passionate about supporting the arts, Cooke Foundation Trustees awarded $100,000 to support the UH Mānoa Glass Art Studio renovation. The Cookes’ generosity also inspired another local family foundation to give an anonymous matching gift to the glass area renovation fund.

The glass art area, designed in 1972, is one of the nation’s first glass studios built within a university. Thousands of students have studied the delicate art in this space, with hundreds continuing as practicing artists, college instructors and teachers in art programs throughout the U.S. It remains the only college glass art studio in Hawai‘i.

Students come from all over the world, including Hawai‘i’s elementary schools, to learn glass-making in the studio. More than 60 internationally-renowned artists have visited to share their work, conduct workshops and offer their insights to our young artists.

Glass melting furnaces last an average of six to eight years, but thanks to excellent care, the UH equipment has lasted 13 years. After nearly continuous duty, the furnaces have only one year left before they become unsafe. Thanks to the Cooke Foundation, the department is on track to completely renovate the lab with new energy-efficient furnaces, equipment, ventilation and a 540-square-foot classroom.

These changes will set the studio on pace to achieve the “net zero goal” mandated by the State of Hawai‘i for 100 percent renewable energy before the year 2045.

“We are grateful for these gifts, which will enable us to create a more sustainable glass studio space on par with our benchmark and peer institutions,” said Rick Mills, art professor and chair of the glass area.
A $1.125 million gift to UH Mānoa Library will fund eight initiatives that focus on some of its most celebrated collections.

“This gift is one of the largest single donations to the library in many years,” said Monica Ghosh (BA ’84, MLIS ’88, MA ’99, PhD ’13 Mānoa), interim university librarian.

“It allows a tremendous amount of flexibility to support the important and varied work at the library, where our special collections are a priority,” Ghosh said.

The gift will create three endowments: the Janet Bell Endowment, the Japan Collection Endowment, and the Hawai‘i Artists and Architects Collections Endowment.

The Janet Bell Endowment honors the work of the Hawaiian Collection’s curator from 1936 to 1970. Bell (BA ’32 Mānoa) was instrumental in building the renowned collection and was a driving force in establishing the separate Pacific Collection in 1968. The new fund will support professional development for Pacific-region librarians and students to engage with the contents of the Hawaiian and Pacific collections, and promote interest in the field of special collections librarianship.

The Japan Collection Endowment will support the acquisition of unique and rare materials, fund researchers to visit the library and use its materials, support digital projects to make unusual material easily accessible online, and fuel other projects to catalog materials requiring special handling.

The Hawai‘i Artists and Architects Collections Endowment will provide funds for staff to assist in processing architectural plans and artist papers. The collection includes materials from artist Jean Charlot and architect Vladimir Ossipoff.

Engraving of Elizabeth Kina‘u (Ka‘ahumanu II) returning home from church by Louis-Jules Masselot, ca. 1837. Hawaiian and Pacific Images Collection, UH Mānoa Library.
With solid partners like you, global recognition of UH’s excellence grows as our rankings climb in the most important indices.

We address health disparities facing Hawai‘i’s unique multi-ethnic population, a set of challenges few others in the world can study. We engage students in these endeavors to create the next generation of engineers, doctors, teachers, scientists and citizens, ensuring the vibrancy of our islands and planet.

Ten campuses. One ‘ohana. Limitless possibilities for shared resources, seamless integration and classrooms unbound by walls or shorelines.
Nearly half of 2012’s incoming kindergarten students did not attend pre-kindergarten programs, according to the Hawaiʻi State School Readiness Assessment.

Three years later, fewer than half of the students in this class had reached reading proficiency for third-graders, marking the second of three consecutive years below 50 percent.

It doesn’t have to be this way. It shouldn’t be this way.

A child’s early years are critical in establishing a strong foundation, and early childhood education is the basis for lifelong learning and success. High-quality early programs narrow achievement gaps, decrease the need for special education, and increase high school graduation and college attendance rates.

With a grant from the Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation, the Hawaiʻi P-20 Partnerships for Education – a collaboration of UH, the state Department of Education and the Executive Office on Early Learning – provided a free, three-week bridge program for incoming kindergartners.

This summer enrichment gave 4-year-old children with no early learning experiences a smooth transition to formal schooling. Focusing on student behaviors, school routines and increasing students’ confidence, the program instilled in students a sense of independence for the first day of school and throughout the year.

Teachers also engaged parents by giving them advice for supporting learning at home and connecting them with school services.

One parent said, “The program made my son feel comfortable in the classroom and on school grounds. He also has a jump start on what is expected of him in kindergarten.”

“During the first couple of days, students needed help with learning routines such as putting away their backpacks and getting their name tags,” a teacher in the program said.

“Students needed help with rules and routines. By the end of the program, most children were very independent, walking into the classroom without their parents and completing routines on their own.”

Since 2006, the Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation has provided hundreds of thousands of dollars for scholarships that support and encourage early childhood education students throughout the UH System. Its mission is to produce qualified early teachers in preschools throughout the state.

With its funding for the 2018 pilot Summer Start Kindergarten Transition Program, these far-seeing partners highlight the importance of support for teachers, students, parents and schools in public education.
The UH Uehiro Academy for Philosophy and Ethics in Education supports the development of intellectually safe communities of inquiry in classrooms and schools.

The Uehiro Foundation on Ethics and Education, which established the academy in 2012 with a $1.25 million gift, has pledged another $1.35 million in continued support.

The academy’s research serves students and teachers from Hawai‘i, the U.S., Japan and other international locations as they endeavor to respond to ethical problems in the modern world.

Located in the UH Mānoa College of Arts & Humanities and the College of Education, the Uehiro Academy for Philosophy and Ethics in Education is the home of philosophy for children Hawai‘i (p4c Hawai‘i).

p4c Hawai‘i is an innovative approach to education that is transforming the schooling experience by engaging people in the activity of philosophy.

Together, students develop their ability to think for themselves in responsible ways by exploring “big questions” that arise from their interests, experiences and learning contexts.

“As a foundation committed to the happiness and well-being of children around the world, we are grateful to the University of Hawai‘i for its ongoing work promoting philosophy and ethics in classrooms,” said Goro Takaguchi, Uehiro Foundation managing director.

“We are inspired by the impact the Uehiro Academy has made so far, and we’re excited about our continued partnership.”
DUNLAPS DEDICATED TO HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL RESEARCH

Dunlap worked tirelessly researching and protecting Hawaiian monk seals on O’ahu.

His wife Marilyn Dunlap (MS ’70, PhD ’75, MA ’06 Mānoa) has created a fund in his honor to support Hawaiian monk seal research at the School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST).

The DB and Marilyn Dunlap Hawaiian Monk Seal Research Fund will support SOEST’s Joint Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research (JIMAR), particularly in its collaborative monk seal work with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Marilyn Dunlap made the gift in the same spirit with which DB approached his work.

“When DB saw his first Hawai‘i monk seal and realized the need for community involvement, protecting and preserving the seals became his passion,” said Dunlap, who is associate director of the Pacific Biosciences Research Center (PBRC) and director of the Biological Electron Microscope Facility. “He never did anything in moderation. He did everything full-tilt,” she said. “He saw a need, and rather than expecting someone else to do it, he jumped in.”

Danny Brooks (known to friends as “DB”) Dunlap saw his first monk seal on Sandy Beach in 2001. Soon thereafter he was spending every day searching O’ahu’s coastlines or peering at Rabbit Island from Makai Pier, gathering the voluminous details of Hawaiian monk seal activity that now form a core of knowledge about local monk seal behavior.

He also responded to monk seal sightings and beachings, to observe and protect the seals. From 2003 to 2017, he recorded almost 20,000 monk seal sightings on O’ahu, sending his daily reports to NOAA.

Marilyn Dunlap has been at UH Mānoa for almost 50 years, beginning as a graduate student in zoology in 1968. Knowing the challenges of funding in the sciences, she wanted her gift to be flexible, allowing JIMAR to use the funds according to the needs and opportunities of monk seal efforts each year.

This fund will continue DB’s work so that Hawai‘i’s official state mammal might someday no longer be endangered.
Dr. Edward and Stephanie Laws established the Global Environmental Science Endowed Scholarship to support undergraduate students in the Global Environmental Science program (GES) in the Department of Oceanography.

“It’s all about opportunity. If we don’t give someone an opportunity, nothing is going to happen,” said Ed Laws. “The founding fathers didn’t say we were entitled to education, but how can we pursue happiness in this day and age without education?”

The first scholarship recipient, Noah Howins, is a junior in GES with plans to pursue graduate studies and coral reef research once he graduates.

“The scholarship has already allowed me to focus more on my studies and on becoming the best scientist and person I can be,” said Howins (pictured above). “I hope I make Ed and Stephanie proud.”

After spending 30 years as a faculty member in SOEST’s oceanography department, Ed is now a professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences at Louisiana State University. Stephanie works for the City and County of Honolulu and is also active in the community, serving as member of ARCS Honolulu.
UNIQUE UH SYSTEM BENEFITS OUR COMMUNITY

Mānoa alumni Dennet (BS '74), Eric (BS '65), Kenneth (BA '63) and Edwin (BBA '68) Azuma presented a hui gift on behalf of their family to honor their late sister Velina Azuma.

Velina had been their parents' primary caregiver. She was also a fighter throughout her battle with cancer. So it seemed a fitting tribute to honor her memory at the UH Cancer Center, where a space along the memorial arcade now is named for her.

“We really wanted to do something for her,” said Dennet. “She did all these things for us.”

The Azumas wanted their support to stay in Hawai‘i, Dennet said. “The UH Cancer Center uniquely serves people in Hawai‘i because of its ethnic population, and because it’s close to home.”

It doesn't take a hui gift like the Azumas’ to make a difference, as Peyton Espiritu proved while in sixth grade at Nimitz Elementary School.

When Espiritu was assigned to do a project that would make impact in the community, he decided to focus his efforts on cancer research.

“My grandma was diagnosed with breast cancer, so I wanted to help people with cancer,” he explained. His efforts yielded a $543.08 donation.

“I was proud of him and excited, especially because it’s my mom who was diagnosed,” Peyton’s mother said. “He thought of a way to help out.”

Espiritu’s idea to create and sell bracelets to support cancer research paid off monetarily, but it also sent a powerful message that the entire community can be involved in supporting this critical research.

Thanks to generous donors like the Azuma and Espiritu families, the UH Cancer Center can provide access to clinical trials, accelerating cures and prevention and through research.
Sangik Jung and his wife Kyungsin Lee donated $50,000 to support the International Program at UH West O‘ahu.

“Fostering a global perspective and appreciation of cultural diversity is essential to 21st century leadership development,” UH West O‘ahu Chancellor Maenette Benham said.

“Mr. Jung’s generosity will help us to grow and strengthen our study abroad programs, as well as bring international students and scholars to our campus.”

Jung is executive director and head of the real estate financing and investment division at KB Securities in Seoul, Korea.

“I love Hawai‘i. My children go to school here,” said Jung. “Asian people all over the world want to study in Hawai‘i, especially at UH. It’s a very good environment, with good people.”

Jung wants to help students in Korea study in Hawai‘i, while also providing UH West O‘ahu students with an opportunity to study abroad.

As a scholarship recipient himself, Jung understands the importance and life-changing aspects of scholarships. He received a scholarship to study in Kyoto, Japan, and this experience opened up a wealth of opportunities.

Tim Park, UH West O‘ahu International Relations and Programs director, said that Mr. Jung’s donation “will help to grow our international programs, research and provide scholarship opportunities for our students.”

L-R: Dr. Judy Oliveira, Tim Park, Dr. Eun Ahn, Kyungsin Lee, Sangik Jung, Momoe Ishida, Dr. Maenette Benham and Dr. Jeff Moniz
UH alumni ENGAGEMENT

Our alumni, whether they live in the 50th state or thousands of miles away, remain connected to 10 campuses on four islands in the middle of the Pacific, a place they call home. They wear school colors on game day, offer jobs to recent alumni standing where they once stood, and give generously of their time, expertise and resources. They number 310,000 around the world, a growing family of ambassadors who are our pride and proof of the value of a UH education.

UH Hilo pharmacy students write to thank DKICP alumni

The UH Hilo Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy (DKICP) celebrated “Love My DKICP Alumni Week” from Feb. 26 through March 2 as part of an annual philanthropy education initiative. Students came together to thank alumni, donors and volunteers for paving the way for the future of DKICP as the college prepares to celebrate the opening of its permanent home on the UH Hilo campus. Around 60 DKICP students helped to sign 600 heartfelt cards thanking alumni for paving the way for the college’s success and growth, and for serving as an inspiration to current and future pharmacy students.

New UH alumni welcomed

On June 7, UH alumni and friends from across the UH System gathered to celebrate the newest members of our UH alumni ‘ohana – spring 2018 graduates! Guests had the opportunity to network with fellow alumni from across the UH System, reconnect with old friends and enjoy a tasty spread by one of Honolulu’s most buzzworthy gastropubs, The Brilliant Ox.

Sweet evening of Bitters & Bites

Alumni from across the UH system gathered for a special evening of modern cuisine and contemporary cocktails on May 3 at the Andaz Maui. UH Maui College alumnus Jon Pasion, Chef de Cuisine at the Andaz Maui, offered a cooking demonstration of a three-course menu specifically created for this event. The meal was paired with a special cocktail crafted by the Andaz Maui mixology team.
Spring 2018 California alumni tour

The alumni team had a wonderful time connecting with our UH ‘ohana in California in the spring.

The Networking Pau Hana event was held March 22 in partnership with the Hawai‘i Chamber of Commerce of Northern California. Guests gathered at the Salesforce Tower in San Francisco for an evening of networking, entertainment and giveaways.

On April 8, alumni and friends in the Pasadena area gathered at The Mixx for good food and friendship (see image above). Rainbow Warrior fans met up at Naples Rib Company on April 18 to show their support for the men’s volleyball team, as they prepared to play in the Big West Tournament. Later that month, alumni and friends connected at The Smoking Gun in San Diego.

Finally, mahalo to the many alumni who helped at receptions throughout California for students accepted to UH!

2018 We Love Alumni mixer

UH alumni and friends on Hawai‘i Island were treated to a special evening highlighting a Taste & Tour of the Culinary Program at Hawai‘i CC as part of an effort to continue to build stronger connections with the community and alumni of the campus.

Nearly 80 people gathered Feb. 18 for an evening that included a showcase of the culinary and agriculture programs, tours of kitchens and an educational food and wine pairing led by guest instructor Ryan Kadota of Kadota Liquor in Hilo. The Hawai‘i CC Alumni & Friends also awarded their 2018 Alumni of the Year Award to Lacy Deniz (AA ’12 Hawai‘i; BA ’15 Mānoa) of Hawaii News Now Sunrise.
Roberta and Newton (BA ’77 Mānoa) Chu donated $35,000 to establish an endowed scholarship in honor of Dr. Paul H. I. Coleman for his contributions to the astronomy field.

Coleman, the first Native Hawaiian with a doctorate in physics, spent 16 years with the UH Mānoa Institute for Astronomy (IfA), where he was instrumental in its educational and outreach efforts.

“Roberta and I are honored to establish this endowed scholarship in the name of an inspirational Hawaiian astrophysicist,” Chu said.

“Paul was a role model for many young people, including our son, who have chosen the path of studying the heavens to seek answers to some of humankind’s most complicated questions.”

Dedicated to sharing astronomy’s importance to Hawai‘i, Coleman was a strong advocate for increasing Hawaiian participation in the sciences. He worked tirelessly to bridge the astronomy and Hawaiian communities.

“Paul was taken from us too soon. We hope this scholarship will spawn more explorers like Paul,” said Chu. “May this scholarship assist students at both UH Mānoa and UH Hilo to study astronomy and navigate the heavens, finding the answers we seek.”

Coleman graduated from Saint Louis School in Honolulu, earned his BS in physics at the University of Notre Dame and received his PhD in physics at the University of Pittsburgh.

For nearly a decade he led IfA’s National Science Foundation-funded Research Experiences for Undergraduates. Coleman’s friends remember him as a supportive mentor, a special man proud to carry on the legacy of Hawaiians who study the stars.

“The quest for knowledge is humankind’s noblest endeavor,” said Roberta Chu, “and we hope this scholarship will enable Hawai‘i’s children to continue this quest for generations to come.”
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