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# QUARTERLY REPORT

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**T**he Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) is dedicated to supporting each and every community we serve. Our energy is focused on: a literate Hawaii, 21st Century skills, information connections, cultural heritage, sustainability, community connections, and library access for all. We are doing this through collections, learning opportunities, and spaces for people to gather. The following report is designed to provide highlights of HSPLS news, data, programs, partnerships, and what is on the horizon.

## NEWS



### Groundbreaking for the Nanakuli Public Library

**O**n November 21, 2015, a crowd of officials and community members joined Governor David Ige and First Lady Dawn Amano Ige to celebrate the groundbreaking of the 51st branch in Nanakuli. The new library will be located at 89-070 Farrington Hwy. next to Nanaika-pono Elementary School.

Designed by architect Glenn Miura of CDS International, the \$14.8 million library will be 18,000 square feet and will serve the Nanakuli and Maili communities. The library will feature a business center, recording studio to capture the local stories for future generations, and an outdoor program space. This library is designed in a style reminiscent of a Hawaiian village and will be a place for the community to learn and gather.

### Community Meeting for New Library in Puna

**S**enator Russell Ruder-  
man helped to convene  
a community session  
with HSPLS for input on a new  
library in the Puna region.  
Stacey Aldrich, Keith Fujio,  
and Stacie Kanno led a group  
of 75 participants in a process  
to gather feedback on what  
they would like to see in a  
new library. The community

expressed many ideas, which included access to collections, technology, meeting rooms, and programs that support learning. Several expressed a desire for seed libraries and programs that support sustainable living.

There is \$800,000 in the budget for this planning phase of the library. We are currently wrapping up the contracting process for the consulting group to help identify possible locations and get more input from the community.

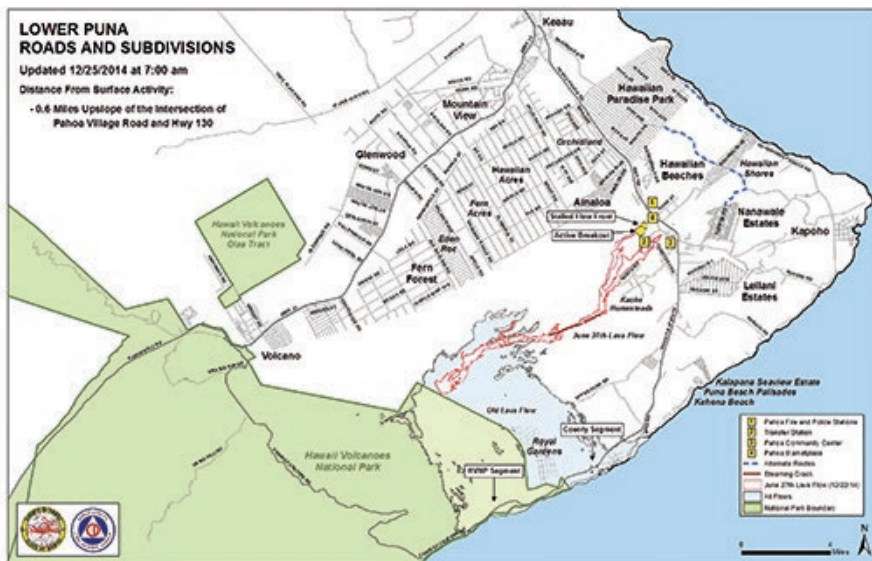
#### PUNA REGIONAL MAP

1. Keaau Public/School Library  
0.006mi (808) 982-4281  
16-571 Keaau Pahoa Rd, Keaau, HI

2. Hilo Public Library  
7.929mi (808) 933-8888  
300 Waiianuenue Ave, Hilo, HI

3. Mt View Public School/Library  
7.523mi (808) 968-2322  
1235 Volcano Hwy, Mountain View, HI

4. Pahoa Public Library  
11.039mi (808) 965-2171  
15-3070 Pahoa Kalapana Rd, Pahoa, HI



## Celebrate eBook Day

**H**SPLS participated in eBook Day, which was designed to build awareness of eBook collections. OverDrive, which is the vendor that is used by HSPLS, conducted a national contest to post photos of people reading eBooks on Instagram. Thanks to the great work of staff, HSPLS won a \$2,000 credit toward the purchase of more eBooks for Hawaii.



## Visits and Review of Branches

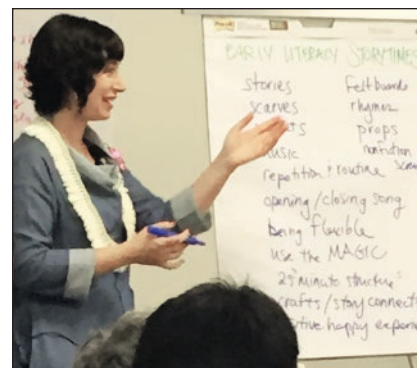
**T**he State Librarian, Special Assistant to State Librarian, and Director of the Public Libraries Branch have visited 46 of the 50 public library branches. Each visit has included a review of the building, collection, technology, staffing, and understanding the successes and challenges of each branch. The visits have been invaluable in identifying areas where HSPLS can potentially be more efficient in how we provide services and programs statewide. Once all the libraries have been visited an overview will be produced to share with all staff and the Board of Education.



## Every Child Ready to Read

Every day HSPLS supports children and their families through a variety of literacy programs and services. In order for our keiki to be successful readers and learners,

of the Library of Hawaii, HSPLS was able to purchase Every Child Ready to Read Kits for all branches, and offer a special training session for children's librarians about this new edition of Every Child Ready to Read and how they could use it to support our communities.



caregivers and use the resources in the kit.

With this training, we are beginning to build the skills of our staff to provide research based programming to support children and their caregivers and families. Each of our libraries will be reporting how they used the tools by the end of the year.



their parents and caregivers need to have basic skills to support them. Every Child Ready to Read is a fully developed program with training and resources that can be used to provide programs and services to our parents and caregivers. With support from the Friends

On November 13, 2015 children's librarians joined together for a full day training session with Christy Estrovitz from the San Francisco Public Library to learn how to effectively create programs that support parents and

## LIBRARY DATA

### FY2014-2015

Library Cards	958,223
Library Buildings	50
Total Hours Open Per Year	92,607
Library Visits	4,790,142
Questions Answered	2,144,041 (information and directional)
Total Circulation	6,445,931
Number Of Computers	759
Uses Of Computers	729,658
Uses Of Free WIFI	322,176

# PROGRAMS

***HSPLS offered over 2000 programs in the first quarter. The following are program highlights.***

## **A Place in the Middle**

In order to support cultural learning opportunities, HSPLS worked with film-makers Joe Wilson and Dean Hamer to present their local documentary “A Place in the Middle” in 8 of our branches across 5 of our 6 islands.

“A Place in the Middle” is the true story of Ho’onani, an eleven-year-old girl who dreams of leading the hula troupe at her school in Honolulu. The only trouble is that the group is just for boys. She’s fortunate that her teacher

understands first-hand what it’s like to be “in the middle” – the traditional Hawaiian embrace of those who embody both male and female spirit.



Together they set out to prove that what matters most is what’s in your heart and mind. The film has garnered several awards and features

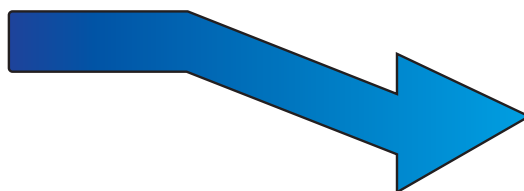
Ho’onani Kamai and Kumu Hina Wong-Kalu.

The program, which captivated a combined audience of 284, included a showing of the 25 minute film and conversation with the filmmakers and Kumu Hina Wong-Kalu. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive. One participant wrote in the evaluation “Was so good, wish it was longer.” Another wrote “A great film, should make it mandatory for all middle schoolers to watch.”

For more information about the film, please visit <http://www.APlaceintheMiddle.org/Hawaii>

## **Smart Investing @ Your Library**

In December of 2014, HSPLS received funding from the American Library Association to provide financial literacy programming and resources for our communities. In the spring, HSPLS was able to sponsor a tour of Showdown at Cash Canyon in four schools on Oahu and two schools on the Big Island with the Grant. The librarians near the six schools attended the performances and invited the children to visit them in the near future. They



also distributed a reading list and piggy bank craft to help them start saving. There were a total of 30 schools visited by the performance, which focus on the basics of money. The students enjoyed the performance, and one student mentioned that she was excited to learn where money was made. The earlier students have the knowledge and skills

to manage money, the more successful they will be in the future, and this program was a good start.

HSPLS is working on the development of more programs and resources for supporting financial literacy throughout the rest of the year.



# “Unlimited Possibilities

## National Library Week

“Unlimited Possibilities @ Your Library” was the theme of the 2015 National Library Week (April 12-18), and branches state-wide offered free educational and entertaining programs for all ages. Nearly 2,600 patrons enjoyed programs featuring a variety of artists including internationally-acclaimed Celtic harpist and storyteller Patrick Ball; four-time Grammy Award winning steel guitarist Bobby Ingano; and popular local storyteller and stilt-walker Ben Moffat.



## @ Your Library”

## Fall Programs for Children and Teens

Irish storyteller Niall de Burca, Hawaiian slack key guitarist Jeff Peterson, and Korean dancer Bonnie Kim were among the many wonderful artists that captivated youth audiences in libraries this Fall. The Fall and Spring programs were generously funded by the Friends of the Library of Hawaii.



# PARTNERSHIPS

## MakerSpace Summit

**T**he design and creation of spaces where people can access tools and connect with other people interested in making things for pleasure or profit is popular across the U.S. Public libraries are collecting tools and resources to support their communities. This past summer we had the opportunity to meet with Senator Chun Oakland and Councilwoman Fukunaga and a few great folks who are working with makerspaces locally. We met to discuss what is happening in Hawaii around makerspaces and how libraries could support and be a part of the creative ecosystem. We thought it would be good

to bring everyone together to meet and find out what everyone is doing, and then think about how our Hawaii State Public Library System can work with everyone.

On October 30, 2015, HSPLS convened members of the maker community in Hawaii. There were 19 participants from Oahu, Maui and Kauai. The group shared what they do, challenges, and how libraries could support the community. The group decided on the following next steps:

1. Build awareness: Create a map of all of the makerspaces – physical and virtual (HSPLS to lead)
2. Build an information piece about what

resources public libraries have to offer: meeting room space and display capabilities (HSPLS)

3. Begin to form an organization of Hawaii Makerspaces – Hawaii Makerspace Community (Stacey to facilitate future meetings of group and build Google Group)
4. Investigate model for creating a match.com for makers (All)
5. Start conversation online about content, curriculum, programs, and curation of information (All)

The partnering of all of these groups will create more opportunities for our communities.





## Self-Help Interactive Legal Forms



**H**SPLS partnered with the Hawaii State Judiciary, State Justice Institute and Legal Aid Society of Hawaii to increase access and awareness of legal resources for the public. Library reference staff received training from the Legal Aid Society of Hawaii in how to access civil legal forms online. Staff from the Hawaii State Judiciary, State Justice Institute and Legal Aid Society of Hawaii also provided 10 Know Your Legal Rights programs statewide.

## Honolulu Police Department's "Smart 9-1-1"

**T**o increase awareness on Oahu of the Honolulu Police Department's SMART911 program, HSPLS partnered to provide posters and awareness for the public in all 24 branches across the island. The program is designed to enable Oahu residents the opportunity to provide more information for emergency responders via the Smart 9-1-1 portal.

## Schools of the Future Conference

**S**tacey Aldrich and Ann Fujioka met with Joanna Dunn and Faith Ishihara from the Hawaii Department of Education to discuss how we can work together to support students, school librarians, and teachers. One outcome was that Stacey and Ann gave a presentation at the Schools of the Future Conference on November 4th. The presentation was entitled "Next Generation Libraries: Balancing the Future: Paper vs. Digital Literacy." It included a discussion of the need for continuous literacy skills to



navigate multiple formats of information and an introduction to resources that are available for students at HSPLS. Participants overwhelming reported that they had learned something new and of resources that they would use.



# ON THE HORIZON

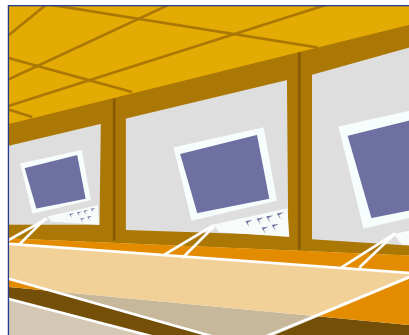


## Online Calendar of HSPLS Events and Programs

In order to create more accessibility to the schedule of events and programs available at all of our 50 branches, an online calendar system will be implemented in coming months. Patrons will be able to easily find information by branch and island. For programs that require registration, patrons will be able to register online.

**REGISTER  
ONLINE**

## Online Meeting Room Reservations



HSPLS will also implement an online meeting room reservation system for library meeting spaces, which will make it easier for patrons to find available meeting rooms and request use.

## Resources and Learning Opportunities for Patients and their Families

HSPLS partnered with the Kapiolani Clinic to write a grant to the National Network of Library of Medicine Pacific Southwest Region to help support the health of immigrant Micronesian families by creating a simple library card program that starts at the clinic and informs families of library services available to them. The grant has passed the first review. We should know by spring if we have received the grant.