

Children's Action Network

Building a unified voice for Hawaii's children



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WHAT'S NEW





A year of re-invention, we developed the building blocks for a new early childhood movement in Hawaii

1. new brand

From Good Beginnings Alliance to Hawaii Children's Action Network, reflecting a new emphasis on advocacy and coalition building.

2. new mission

Building a unified voice educating and advocating for Hawaii's children.

3. new vision

All children from birth to age 8 are healthy, safe and ready to learn.

4. new sister organization

Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks!, a 501c(4) and the vehicle used to endorse pro-keiki political candidates and lobby for policy and systems change.

Setting up our kids for success by 2021

improve kindergarten readiness

Increase the number of children in kindergarten who have access to early learning programs from 50% to 60%.

Increase the number of children in public preschool from 500 to 1,500.

Increase the number of children who receive childcare and preschool subsidies from 1,700 to 4,000.

Developmental screening and early intervention services available to all children from birth to age 5.

protecting vulnerable families

Explore innovative solutions to child and family issues, such as homelessness and paid leave.

OUR GOALS



OUR WORK

6 HAWAII CHILDREN'S POLICY AGENDA

We ANALYZE, ENGAGE and ADVOCATE for Hawaii's children



2016 Hawaii Children's Policy Agenda

42 non-profits participated



62 ideas proposed, 24 bills drafted

12 bills passed into law



Established the Community Champions Membership Plan, unifying non-profits & providing them with advocacy tools.

19 new members

For the first time ever, 42 non-profit organizations that serve children united to create the 2016 Hawaii Children's Policy Agenda. The policy agenda was presented to the State Legislature ahead of the 2016 Legislative Session, and served as the ground work for change.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS: Big Wins for Kids

\$482,727 Budget



2 Staff Positions

for the Executive Office of Early Learning to expand early childhood programs \$10,000,000

in childcare and preschool subsidies for 1,800 lowincome children \$12,000,000

for Housing First, Rapid Rehousing, and outreach for the homeless, affecting approx. 2,000 children

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Imua Family Services
The Learning Coalition
Parents And Children Together (PACT)
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