

Volunteer Stations:

HAWAII

- Hilo Coordinated Services
961-8777
- Kona Coordinated Services
322-1812

KAUAI

- Kauai Agency on Elderly Affairs
241-6411
- DHS, Adult & Community Care Services Branch
241-3360

MAUI

- Senior Outreach
270-7310

MOLOKAI

- Molokai Public Health Nursing
553-3663

LANAI

- Public Health Nursing Office
565-7114

OAHU

- Honolulu Gerontology Program
543-8497
- Hospice Hawaii
924-9225
- Kaiser Continuing Care
432-7187
- Kokua Kalihi Valley Elderly Services Program
848-0977
- Kuakini Adult Day Health Program
547-9534
- PACE Maluhia
832-6131
- St. Francis Home Care Services
547-6511
- Veterans Administration
433-7646
- Central Oahu Public Health Nursing
622-6445
- Windward Public Health Nursing
233-5450
- Ho'opono
586-5280



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SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM



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Purpose of the Program

The program's dual purpose is to create part-time stipended volunteer community service opportunities for low-income persons aged 60 and over, and to provide in-home supportive person-to-person services to the frail elderly being cared for at home. This congressionally enacted program began in 1968 and now totals over 200 SCPs nationwide.

History of the Senior Companion Program in Hawaii

In 1978 a grant was rewarded to Hawaii to establish a statewide SCP project. Since that time, the program successfully expanded its operations to Kauai, Maui and Hilo, Hawaii in 1981. As the need for services increased, it expanded to Kona in late 1986, Molokai in 1987 and finally to Lanai in 1991.

Today, approximately 170 Senior Companions serve in the program annually and provide over 110,000 hours of service to 700 clients statewide. The volunteer stations listed in this brochure provide valuable support to the program and to the Senior Companions.

Awards

Over the years the SCP has nominated its companions for many prestigious awards such as:

- The J.C. Penney "Golden Rule Award"
- The Governor's "Kilohana Award"
- The Mayor's "Outstanding Senior Volunteer Award"
- The Thomas Jefferson Award
- National Caring Award
- KFC Colonel's Way Award

The program itself was nominated for both the President's "Points of Light Award" and the National Business Roundtable's Public Service Excellence Award in 1992.

In 1993, the program was selected for the J.C. Penney's Outstanding Group Award.

Senior Companion Eligibility

Senior Citizens who:

- are age 60 and over
- have low income
- are physically able to work 20 hours per week
- are willing to accept supervision

Client Eligibility

Elderly disabled person who is 60 years of age or older and who:

- needs person-to-person assistance of a Senior Companion to maintain independent living at home; or
- is scheduled to be released from a health care facility in 2 to 4 weeks and needs a Senior Companion to help prepare them to return home and remain there.
- is assessed as needing the services of a Senior Companion by a SCP Volunteer Station and has a written care plan.

NOTE: There is no charge to clients.

Senior Companion Benefits

- Non-taxable hourly stipend
 - Meal Allowance
 - Travel Reimbursement
 - Paid Training
 - Vacation and Sick Leaves
 - Excess Accident and Liability Insurance while on Assignment
 - Free annual physical examination
 - Annual Recognition Luncheon
 - Work Supplies
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