

## Scholarships Go To Windward Women

### BY WINDWARD O‘AHU VOICE STAFF

The Windward O‘ahu Branch of AAUW (formerly American Association of University Women) awarded 13 scholarships for the 2024-25 academic year at its annual luncheon June 1 at Windward Community College. The AAUW branch, in collaboration with the Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund, annually supports selected Windward women in their pursuit of undergraduate degrees at Hawai‘i colleges and universities.

- Danielle “Pōmai” Akiona of Kāne‘ohe, a four-year AAUW scholarship student, is scheduled to complete a bachelor’s degree in community public health from Chaminade University this fall. Akiona receives a Pat Snipes Memorial Scholarship. Snipes was a longtime public school teacher in Windward O‘ahu.
- Anna Barley of Kailua has completed an associate degree in nursing and will begin working toward her bachelor’s of science in nursing at University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. She receives the Mary Ann Knerr Memo-

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rial Scholarship. Knerr was a past librarian at Kainalu Elementary School.

- Kyla Castro from Kāne‘ohe is studying business administration and sports/event management at Chaminade University. Castro receives a Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund Endowment grant. This fund was established in 2003 by AAUW members and continues to grow each year.
- Alice Colby of Hau‘ula attends UH Mānoa in pursuit of degrees in sociology and anthropology. She receives a Windward O‘ahu Branch Grant funded by contributions from members and participation in local fundraising opportunities.
- Shawna Davis of Kāne‘ohe is at Windward Community College working on an Associate of Arts degree and mental health technician certificate. Davis receives the Alta Bento Scholarship. Bento was a longtime AAUW member and supporter of women’s education.
- Breanna Deluca from Kāne‘ohe is also at Windward CC with plans to later transfer to Kapi‘olani Community College’s nursing program. She receives the Maly Scholarship in memory of Ted Maly, husband of Dr. Jacquie Maly, a retired Windward CC faculty member.
- Stacey Dawn Goodhue- Souza-Kaululaau of Kāne‘ohe is a third-year AAUW awardee, pursuing a bachelor’s of science in social work at UH Mānoa. Goodhue-Souza-Kaululaau receives a Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund Endowment grant.

- Naupaka Hoapili of Kāne‘ohe, a four-year awardee, attends Windward CC majoring in Hawaiian studies and ahupua‘a systems indigenous resource management and food production. She also works at the college as a cultural education specialist. Hoapili receives a Miriam Deisseroth Scholarship. Deisseroth taught English at Castle High School.
- Jennifer Inouye from Kāne‘ohe graduates from Windward CC this year and moves to UH Mānoa to double major in psychology and Hawaiian studies. Inouye receives the Jacklyn Dame Memorial Scholarship. Dame taught in the speech departments at UH Mānoa and Chaminade University and at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.
- Dustee Kahale of Kailua is pursuing a bachelor’s in psychology at UH Mānoa with a goal of becoming a mental health counselor. Kahale receives a Miriam Deisseroth Scholarship.
- Alohiliani Macariola from Kāne‘ohe graduates Windward CC and moves to UH Mānoa to work on a bachelor’s in fine arts to support her career as a professional photographer. She also receives a Deisseroth Scholarship.
- Iyiana-Alyssa Ogo of Kāne‘ohe attends UH West O‘ahu majoring in public administration with a concentration in health care administration. She receives the Windward Branch Memory Grant honoring AAUW members Sherry Butler, Becky Dodini and Mary Jo Morrow.
- Marie Richter from Kāne‘ohe is a third-year AAUW awardee and Windward CC grad who is now at UH Mānoa to earn a bachelor’s degree in English. She receives a Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund Endowment grant.

The Windward AAUW branch generates funds to support the scholarship program and legacy scholarships are often created to honor deceased AAUW members or their loved ones. The Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund, a 501(c) (3) charitable organization, manages the donations and conducts an endowment fund drive each fall by mail. Donations are used to create scholarships in future years. Donations to the endowment fund can be mailed at any time to Windward O‘ahu Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1683, Kailua, HI, 96734. The application process for scholarships begins each November. Details and application materials can be found at [windward-hi.aauw.net/scholarships](http://windward-hi.aauw.net/scholarships).

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