

**TREASURER'S REPORT
HAWAII AREA 17
Committee Meeting
May 21, 2016**

Aloha Panel 65 trusted servants,

As of May 15, 2016 the Hawaii Area funds are as follows:

Operating Funds	\$18,215.60
Prudent Reserve	\$4997.88
Reserve for Computer Equipment	\$864.61
Reserve for International Convention	\$779.89
Total Cash in Bank	\$24857.77

**Hawaii Area Committee
1253 S. Beretania Street #2107
Honolulu, HI 96814-1822**

As of May 15, 2016

Total Contributions and Income	\$9349.03
Total Expenditures	\$17764.01
Net Income/Loss	(\$8415.83)

As I have been saying -- First of all -- do not panic!! As is always the case, we have a lot of expenses the first part of the year. We have paid air fare for several future assemblies because some of our officers were able to take advantage of fare sales. We have also paid the PRAASA expenses for both our Chair and Delegate. Another expense that we have paid is the registration fee for officers for future assemblies. I have paid the \$1600 payment to GSO for the General Service Conference. Again -- it is normal for us to be in the red the first part of the year.

Mahalo to those of you who have taken advantage of airline specials when booking your travel. Also mahalo to those who ask me to make reservations for planning early and providing me with options for your travel. Air travel is our biggest expense and by being mindful, we can keep that expense as low as possible.

The proposed budget for 2017 will be presented at this committee meeting. Again, this budget is our best guess about what expenses will be for next year. More information at the budget presentation at the committee meeting today. I and other finance committee members will be visiting the districts in the area to present the budget for 2017 and to answer any questions.

Just a reminder that our Hawaiian Airlines Affiliate code is **HAWAIIAREA**. The term "Affiliate Program" does not imply that we are affiliated or endorsing Hawaiian Airlines. The name is their choice, not ours, and this is not something special they are offering us because we are Alcoholics Anonymous. Any group can become an affiliate group. Airline programs are used for many A.A. events, including the International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous. We hope to bring our Pacific Region Trustee to our January 2017 Orientation Assembly -- we may use some of our Hawaiian Airlines miles to make that possible -- thus saving the Area a substantial amount of money. In general, the earlier we book, the cheaper the tickets are. *In the spirit of financial prudence and responsibility.* More information regarding Air Travel can be found on the Area website, <http://www.area17aa.org/air-travel/>.

Please continue to spread the word to ensure all home groups to use the current Area mailing address. I am still getting some checks with incorrect addresses -- usually with the wrong P.O. box or the street address transposed. The forwarding order for the old mailing address has expired. Mail being sent to the old address will be returned to the sender. We want to thank all groups and the fellowship for their continued support through your 7th tradition contributions. I want to thank all the members who sent in checks -- they all have had group names on them so I have not had to play any guessing games. I would like to ask those of you sending in checks to add the district number on the check. I can look them up, but it speeds up my process if I don't have to do that. Thank you very much to those who have enclosed self-addressed envelopes when requesting a receipt -- it really speeds up the deposit process and I am much less likely to forget to send a receipt when I can get a receipt ready for mailing at the same time as entering deposits. Mahalo in advance!!!

Should you need any assistance and/or treasurer support, please feel free to contact me through the Area email at treasurer@area17aa.org.

Again, Mahalo for the privilege of service and recovery.

In love and service,

Karen N.
Area Treasurer, Panel 65