

Treasurer's Report
FY 2022 Summary
Orientation Assembly January 21-22, 2023

Thank you, West Hawaii District 8 for hosting this Area Orientation Assembly, our first meeting of the 2-year panel. To everyone who has shown up, a big thank you for being willing to be of service. Thank you to all the Group Treasurers and Individuals who have continued to send in your contributions to Hawaii Area and the General Service Office, and to your Districts and Intergroups. We are responsible to make sure Alcoholics Anonymous will continue to be available to those who will follow us.

As of December 31, 2022, the Hawai'i Area Committee Finances were as follows:

Operating Funds	\$ 49,207.60
Reserve for Computer Equipment	\$ 173.25
Reserve for International Convention	\$ 2,429.89
Prudent Reserve	\$ 5,003.73
PRAASA 2026 Funds	\$ 9,471.24
Total Cash in Bank	<u>\$ 66,285.71</u>
Fiscal Year 2022	
Contributions	\$ 30,095.45
+ Interest	\$ 1.98
- Expenses	<u>\$ 39,474.55</u>
2022 Net Income/(Loss)	(\$ 9,379.12)

Last year the Hawai'i Area Committee spent more money than we received, which we don't want to do every year, and we are still in very good shape financially. In 2021, we received \$16,320 more than we spent, so we tried to spend down some of the excess funds in 2022 - and still leave enough money for Panel 71 to meet in person instead of virtually. Panel 71 is starting off with \$49,207.60 in the checking account to pay for Area expenses, and \$5,003.73 in the Prudent Reserve savings account. There is also money set aside towards paying for computer equipment replacement and to send the Panel 73 Delegate to the International Convention in 2025. The Area is also temporarily holding \$9,471.24 from PRAASA 2022 to give to the PRAASA 2026 Committee once it is established.

Thank you for your individual and Group contributions. In 2022 we received **\$30,095.45** in contributions and also received \$1.98 interest, for total inflow of \$30,097.43. Expenses paid in 2022 were **\$39,474.55**. (35,274.07 regular expenses – the first four priorities in our Area's

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Priority of spending and \$4,202.48 in "Other" expenses – Priority 5: sending Delegate and Area Chair to Service Events outside of our Area.) We did spend \$9,379.12 more than we received, and that is OK, because we had a \$16,320.42 surplus in 2021.

Mahalo! to all the Groups that continue to contribute to the Hawaii Area. Your contributions are helping to carry the AA message of recovery. Please see the "**Group Contributions**" posted on the Hawaii Area website for a list of contributions received from each Group so far this year. Group contributions are listed under each district.

Here is how your contributions were used to carry out our Hawaii Area Committee services, listed by Priority of spending:

1) Delegate Expenses: \$10,020.03 (Budget: \$3,250)

We contributed \$1800 that the General Service Office (GSO) requests from each Area to pay for the General Service Conference (GSC) in 2022. GSO also asked for additional support since GSO had to take money out of their prudent reserve due to the COVID shutdown. We contributed an additional \$6,200. This was possible because Area spent far less money when we were not able to meet in person. Our Delegate was able to travel to the districts and present his report on what transpired at the GSC. Thanks to districts who paid half of the expense of the report backs. Our Delegate was also able to travel to GSO for a meeting with the Trustees.

2) Area Assembles and Committee Meetings: \$13,950.36 (Budget: \$ 17,925)

We were able to start meeting in person again with hybrid Committee Meetings in Hilo/Hamakua District 7 on Hawaii Island and No Ka Oi District 5 on Maui. Area hosted the hybrid Budget Assembly on Oahu. Area also help finance Honolulu District 2's in-person-only Election Assembly. The costs for food and meeting space rents have increased substantially. The cost for meals at the Election Assembly was \$5,273 for 5 meals for 80 people. Area officers and Finance Committee thought it would be better to offer hosting Districts more money when needed to meet those expenses, and keep the registration fee at the current \$25 suggested contribution rather than raise the registration fee.

3) Area Standing Service Committees: \$ 5,497.27 (Budget: \$ 5, 880)

The Standing Committee Chairs had the funding they needed to carry out their work in Archives, Annual Hawaii Convention Steering Committee, Cooperation with the Elderly Community, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Corrections, Finance, Grapevine, Mynah Bird, Public Information, Treatment & Accessibilities, and Website. Please see the Committee reports or talk to the Chair of a committee you are interested in to get information. Thank you to the Standing Committee Chairs and to all of you who participated in the work of these committees.

4) Area Operating Expenses: \$ 5,806.41 (Budget: \$ 6,435)

Hawaii Area has expenses similar to those of any business – IT, liability insurance for Area Assemblies and Committee meetings, office supplies, postage and PO Box rental. We were also able to adjust to the COVID precautions and use virtual technologies to remain in contact with each other. Besides your monetary contributions, there were a lot of people who contributed their time and talent to make our virtual meetings possible. Thank you to all who helped in any way!

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5) Service Events \$ 4,202.48 (Budget: \$ 8,904)

Hawaii Area was well represented by our Delegate and Area Chair who attended the virtual PRAASA and also the Pacific Regional Forum in person. We set aside \$100 more towards sending the Delegate to the International Convention in Vancouver in 2025.

PLEASE SEE **FY 2022 "Budget vs Actual"** posted on the Hawaii Area 17 website for detailed information.

Please note the address for contributions to the General Service Office, listed below. The reason for a separate mailing address for contributions is to streamline the processing of contributions, saving time and efficiency for the GSO staff. All other correspondence should still be sent to Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

Hawaii Area has **153,488** Hawaiian Miles available for award travel. Hawaiian Airlines' Preferred Affiliate program gives one Hawaiian mile to the HAWAIIAREA account for every dollar spent by the traveler who logs in to the Preferred Affiliate website to book a flight. The traveler will be able to purchase the lowest available HawaiianAirlines.com web fares. You can book at <https://www.hawaiianairlines.com/our-services/products-and-programs/preferred-affiliate> HAWAIIAREA Hawaii Area does not endorse or affiliate with any airlines. The name "Preferred Affiliate Program" is the name used by the airline to offer mileage awards for any business or agency that applies. We do not get any special consideration for being AA. You may of course use any airline you choose when traveling. Thank you for your continued support of Hawai'i Area and the General Service Office.

*Please note the new address for
General Service Office*

Contributions:

<https://contribution.aa.org>

or

Make check payable to the General
Service Board and mail to
General Service Office
PO Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

*(Please write your group number on
the check.)*

For all other correspondence
continue sending to
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Make check payable to and mail to

Hawaii Area Committee

PO Box 1413

Honolulu, HI 96806

Please include your Group Name and District Name or Number.

Receipts available by request.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

- Mike L.

Treasurer

Area 17, Panel 71