



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

MISSION READY AND RESILIENT: STRENGTHENING THE MILITARY `OHANA



JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2024



ARMED SERVICES YMCA

Armed Service YMCA Hawai'i
*Strengthening our Military 'Ohana
in Hawai'i since 1917*

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A Message from Our Leadership

Aloha Armed Services YMCA Hawai'i 'Ohana,

As we reflect on 2024, we are filled with gratitude for the unwavering support of our community, volunteers, and partners. At the Armed Services YMCA Hawai'i, our mission is to enhance the lives of military members and their families in spirit, mind, and body through programs relevant to the unique challenges of military life. We strengthen military families through our vital programs and services. This year, we continued to adapt to the evolving needs of our service members, veterans, and their families, ensuring they have the resources and support to thrive in the unique challenges of military life. Your generosity and commitment have made it possible for us to touch countless lives across O'ahu and beyond, fostering resilience and connection within our military 'ohana.

In 2024, we expanded our signature programs serving over 10,384 military families through initiatives like Children's Waiting Room, Day Camps, Early Learning Readiness, Food for Families, Operation Hero, Operation Ride Home, Parent Participation Preschool, and much more. Our childcare and youth development programs provided safe, nurturing environments for over 4,961 children, allowing parents to focus on their duties with peace of mind. We also strengthened our partnerships with local organizations and military installations, hosting 52 community events, including family wellness workshops and holiday celebrations, which brought joy and unity to our service members and their loved ones. These accomplishments reflect our dedication to addressing both the practical and emotional needs of those who serve.

None of this would be possible without you—our supporters, advocates, and friends. Your contributions, whether through time, resources or spreading the word, have transformed lives and strengthened the fabric of our military community. We invite you to continue this journey with us, ensuring that every service member and their family feels valued, supported and connected.

On behalf of the entire ASYMCA Hawai'i team, thank you for standing with us. Together, we are building a brighter, stronger future for those who sacrifice so much for our nation. With your continued partnership, we will keep pushing forward, making a meaningful difference in the lives of our military heroes and their families.

With heartfelt gratitude,

CAPT Bill Kearns, USN (Ret.)
Board of Management Chairman

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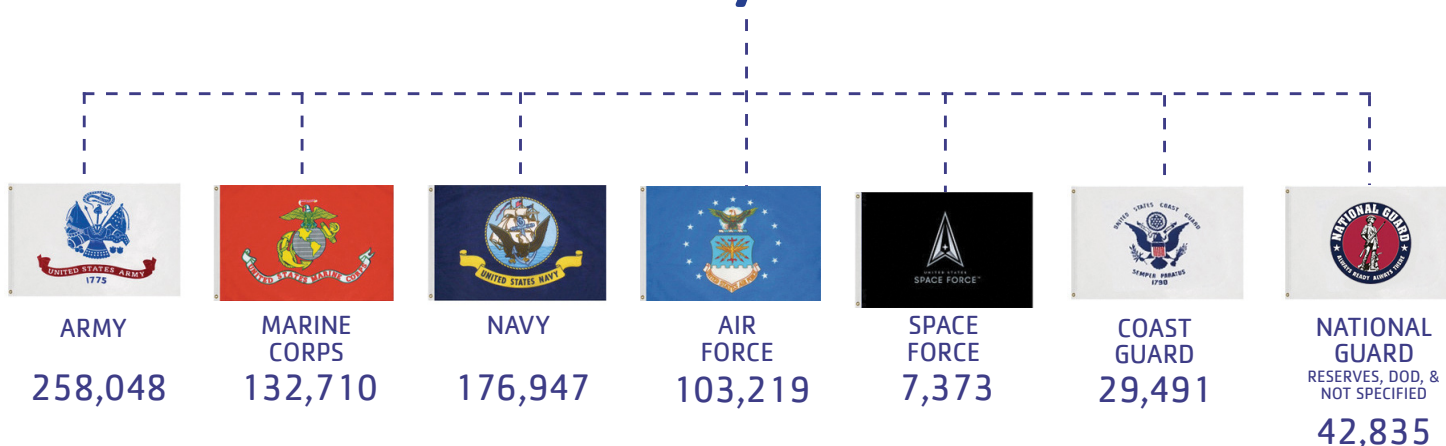
IMPACT IN NUMBERS

IN 2024, ARMED SERVICES YMCA HAWAII
SERVED 108,161 SERVICE MEMBERS AND FAMILIES THROUGH

737,279

TOTAL POINTS OF SERVICE

Points of Service by Branch of Service:



Mahalo from the Heart: One Family's Story

"Thank you, not only for myself and my wife, but all of my children who have benefitted so much from all this. I can't say thank you enough. We continue to enjoy the great services provided by the Armed Services YMCA of Hawai'i."

- LT Sean Brennan, USN Submariner

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HEAR THEIR
FULL STORY:



CORE PROGRAMS & SERVICES:

Three Key Areas of Impact

MILITARY FAMILY RESILIENCY



PARENTS NIGHT OUT

782 military children

enjoyed a fun Friday night while their parents enjoyed a few hours reconnecting as a couple.



SPECIAL EVENTS

41,399 service members and their families took part in special events throughout the year—including Celebrating the Military Family, Kōkua Connections, Month of the Military Child, National Military Appreciation Month, and a variety of social gatherings like trivia nights, movie nights, and Trunk-or-Treats.



EARLY CHILDHOOD & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



OPERATION LITTLE LEARNERS AND PARENT PARTICIPATION PRESCHOOL

Through **57,825 service touchpoints**, we empowered military parents to be their child's first teacher via Playmorning and Early Learning Readiness programs. Military children ages 3–5 participated in ASYMCA preschool classes **181,325 times**, building a strong foundation for elementary school.



AFTERSCHOOL AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Operation Hero and Kids in the Kitchen programs had **664 participants**.

Seasonal enrichment programs, including popular summer camps, reached a total of **742 elementary-aged military children**.

FOOD SECURITY & HEALTHY LIVING

FOOD FOR FAMILIES

Through food distribution and pantry programs, ASYMCA supported **46,208 service members and their families** in strengthening food security, relieving financial strain, and sustaining their well-being with dignity and resilience.



CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM

Military parents seeking medical care at Tripler Army Medical Center turned to ASYMCA's Children's Waiting Room for drop-in childcare **3,384 times in 2024**.



OPERATION HOLIDAY JOY AND OPERATION RIDE HOME

The holidays can be especially difficult for military families facing food insecurity or separated by distance. Through Operation Holiday Joy and Operation



Ride Home, ASYMCA supports mental well-being by providing Thanksgiving meals and round-trip airfare for junior enlisted service members and their families stationed in Hawaii. **In 2024, 1,685 families received holiday food baskets, and 145 family members flew home—covering a combined 6.7 million miles.** We're honored to offer this support in gratitude for their daily service to our nation.

VISIT **HAWAII.ASYMCA.ORG** FOR A FULL LIST OF PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND UPCOMING EVENTS!

ARMED SERVICES YMCA HAWAII MISSION:

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HEAR STORIES OF STRENGTH & SUPPORT:

“Our family is incredibly grateful for the support provided by ASYMCA Hawaii’s Ohana Open Market and Marketplace. With the high cost of living in the islands, these programs have been a game changer—helping us stretch our food budget with access to nutritious groceries, a food pantry, and holiday meal baskets. Knowing these resources are available brings us comfort and stability. Thank you, ASYMCA, for serving our family so we can continue to serve.”

—Food for Families Program Recipient



“When our family moved to Oahu mid-school year, we were worried about how our two children would adjust. With no family or friends nearby, it was a tough transition. Thankfully, we found the ASYMCA’s Operation Hero program, which provided a safe, nurturing environment and exceptional support. The teachers and curriculum exceeded our expectations, and we’ve seen a real impact on our children’s confidence and growth. We’re so grateful for the ASYMCA and the difference it makes for military families like ours.”

—Operation Hero Program Parent

“We are deeply grateful for the ASYMCA Hawaii and the incredible impact their programs have had on our family. Our daughters have benefited from Operation Hero and the Children’s Waiting Room—programs that have been true lifelines during deployments and the challenges of being new to the island. We’ve also enjoyed meaningful experiences together through Kōkua Connections, which helped us feel more connected to both Hawaii and the military community. Thanks to ASYMCA, our children are thriving, and we feel supported in ways we never expected. These programs are making a real difference for military families like ours.”

—ASYMCA HI Military Family Participants

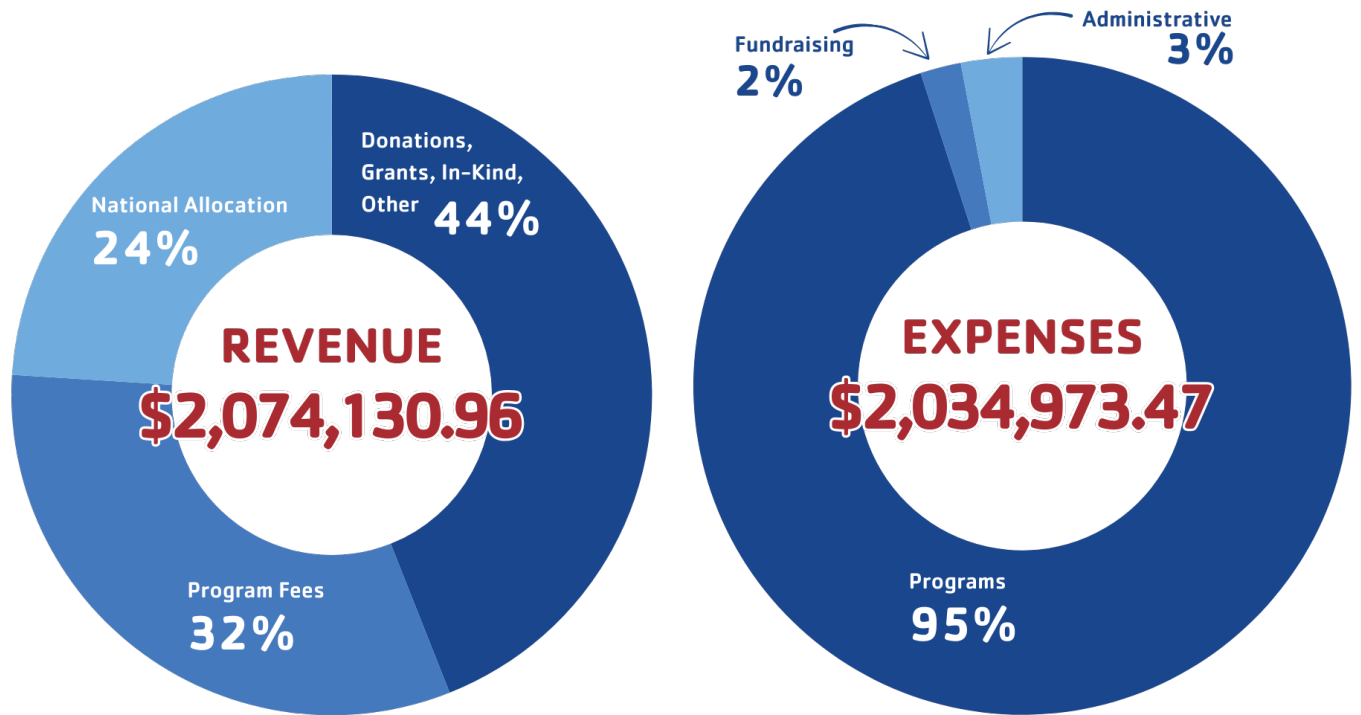


“After moving to the island, I quickly realized how limited and expensive preschool options were. Discovering the ASYMCA’s preschool program was truly a blessing. The dedicated teachers, safe environment, and affordable tuition have given my child a strong foundation for Kindergarten—and given me peace of mind. We briefly tried another preschool closer to home, but the difference was night and day. My child made more progress in one week back at ASYMCA than in a full month elsewhere. Programs like this are vital for military families, and continued support ensures they can thrive in an area where affordable, high quality early childhood education is hard to find.”

—Parent Participation Preschool Program Parent

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2024 FINANCIALS



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2024 VOLUNTEERS

TOTAL IMPACT:



3,355

TOTAL VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer count by branch location:

MCBH: 987 / JBPBH: 1,118 / WAAF: 1,250



10,065

TOTAL HOURS SERVED

Volunteer hours by branch location:

MCBH: 2,961 / JBPBH: 3,354 / WAAF: 3,750

HEAR FROM A VOLUNTEER:

"As a military spouse and mother, I've benefited from ASYMCA programs like the food pantry and Ohana Open Market during challenging times. Today, I'm proud to give back as a volunteer—helping distribute food and support to other families in need. I'm forever grateful for the compassion I received and honored to now be part of that same support system for others."

With deepest gratitude, we thank our incredible volunteers. Your selfless service and steadfast dedication are the heart of our mission and the soul of our community. We simply couldn't do it without you.

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