



A Summer Internship to Remember

Some people just have the gift of being able to write as they speak. When you read their words you begin to feel that you know them. **Megan Kaleipumehana Cabral** is one of those people. You can't read Megan's **blog post** about her summer internship with Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation without feeling like you're getting to know her a little. Megan is the sixth summer intern to work at Hau'oli Mau Loa Foundation.

We like to hire summer interns as we think it is a good way for us to expose young professionals to our work, but equally important, it has been a powerful way for us to hear what young professionals are thinking and how our work appears to them. Megan's contributions to our learning did not disappoint us. She has headed back to the **University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Myron B. Thompson School of Social Work** to complete her master's degree in social work. We wish her the very best in the coming year and as she begins this next phase of her career.

Read Megan's blog here: <http://hauolimauloa.org/blog-summer-internship-reflections-by-megan-kaleipumehana-cabral-august-2016/>



Reflections - Hope for Kids 'Ekahi

When the Foundation was completing its first phase ('**Ekahi**) of its work under the **Hope for Kids Initiative** with 10 Partners throughout Hawai'i, there was a lot of discussion between the Partners and the Foundation about what we had learned by working together and how we might share the most important lessons we had learned. We approached that opportunity in several ways. We have **11 videos**, one for each of the Hope for Kids 'Ekahi Partners showcasing their work and one for the Foundation. We conducted two years of evaluation and have the findings documented in **reports prepared by the evaluator**, Pacific Resource for Education and Learning (PREL).



Hope for Kids 'Ekahi Reflections

Five Key Insights Into Our Work With and Among Partners

The Partners also offered their thoughts and urged us to reflect on and share some of the key insights we collectively learned about working together over the six years; we thought it would be useful to reflect on the relationships that developed between the Foundation and the Partners and among the Partners. Funding relationships are notoriously complicated and often rocky. The relationship with our **Hope for Kids 'Ekahi** partners seemed less so to most of us and we thought there might be value in reflecting on why. These lessons are captured in the *Reflections* document just released by the Foundation. We invite you to read it. If it stimulates any thoughts on your part, we hope you will share them with us.

Download the full PDF - **Hope for Kids 'Ekahi Reflections**