

Camp Erdman builds

more than memories.



1946 Kauai Boys at Camp



For ninety-three years, Camp Erdman has been creating adventure and confidence — building experiences for thousands of youth each year. Here, the experience goes beyond s'mores and campfires.



1920 Counselor with Campers



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Nicole Molina, a 5th grade teacher at Aiea Elementary, remembers the life changing impact the annual three-night camp has had on many of her students. She's especially grateful for the financial assistance.



"A lot of kids in my class don't have the funds to attend camp — their parents are struggling just to put food on the table. Many of these kids have never experienced anything beyond their Aiea neighborhoods. And for others, it's the first time they get to sleep in a bed and eat three meals a day. At camp, they learn who they are outside of the classroom and what they are capable of. They learn valuable life lessons — how to get along, work together, and appreciate and accept each other's differences and views. We see cliques melt away. Shy kids break out of their shells."

"One very shy student climbed to the top of the 40-foot alpine tower, a feat he never thought he could accomplish. He said he wanted to quit many times along the way, but it was the cheering of his classmates that drove him to the top. It was a chicken skin moment — this student realized he had people he could count on. He had a community."

"As a teacher, that's why I do what I do — I want our students to grow into the respectful and supportive citizens that will make our communities stronger."