



MORE CLUBS. MORE COMMUNITIES. MORE WAYS TO HELP.

What began at Nuʻuanu spread across Oʻahu.

Some clubs grew. Some changed. Some disappeared. But wherever there was a YMCA and a need, Y Service Clubs found a way to help.

All of them are part of the story.

GOLDEN MEMBERS



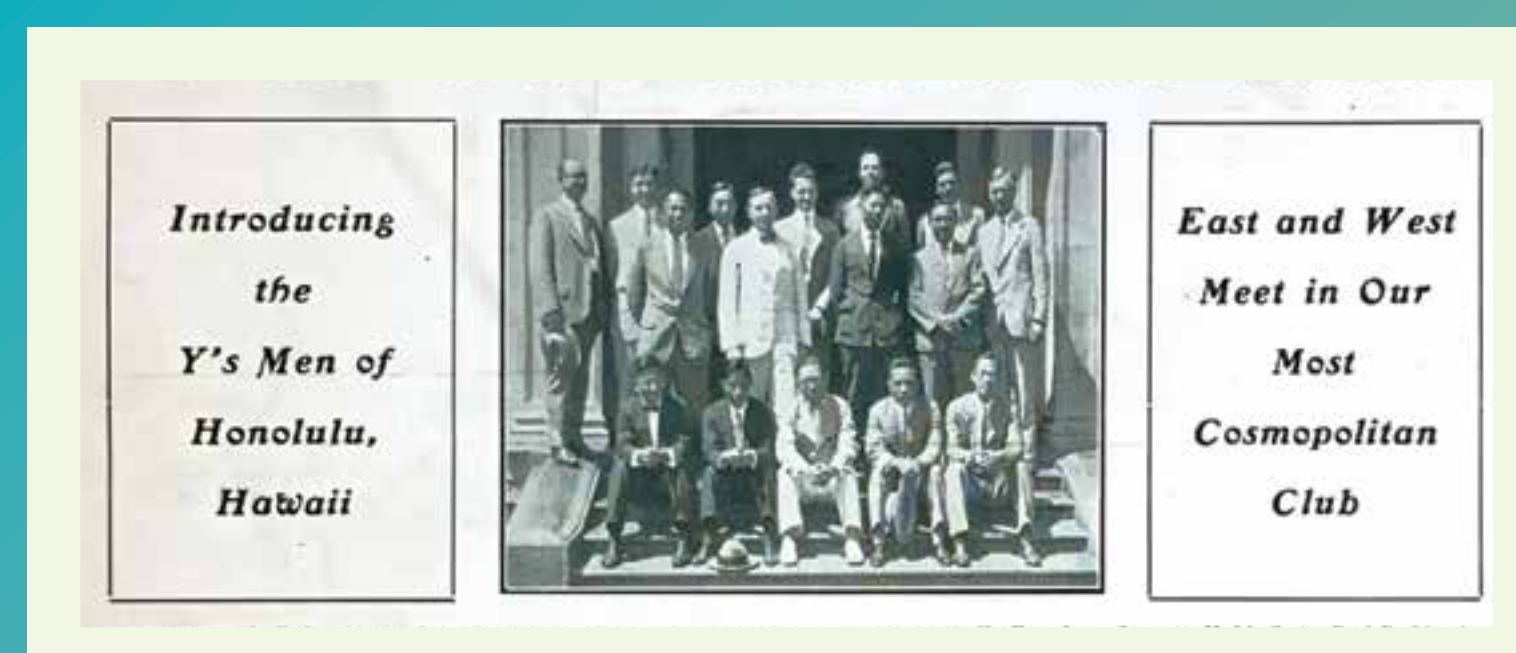
A Golden Member has given 50 years or more to Y Service.

Their stories appear throughout these club histories — showing how service, friendships, and leadership passed from one generation to the next.

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FROM ONE CLUB TO MANY

Hawaiʻi's first Y's Men's Club was organized at Nuʻuanu in 1926. From there, the idea spread into YMCA branches and communities across Oʻahu.



The original Honolulu Y's Men's Club started the story. What followed wasn't one club growing bigger—but new clubs bringing the same spirit of service to their own communities.

KAIMUKĪ Y SERVICE CLUB — ACTIVE TODAY



RAYMOND "RAY" SETO — 63 YEARS

"I have seen a lot of changes in Y's Men International from the time I first joined."

WATCH RAY'S INTERVIEW



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Ray Seto was there when the current Kaimukī club was taking shape. Ray helped organize the club to become a charter member on **April 5, 1963**, supporting the Kaimukī-Waialae YMCA and the community around it.

Over more than six decades, Ray's service reached far beyond Kaimukī. He served in regional, U.S. Area and international leadership, including as President of the Y's Men International Club and attended 24 international conventions.



More than 60 years after its charter, Kaimukī Y Service Club members are still showing up for the Y and their community.

WAHIAWĀ Y'S MEN'S CLUB — HISTORIC TODAY

The Wahiawā Y's Men's Club formed in 1947 and quickly became part of community life through youth athletics and local events.

Wahiawā Y's Men's members supported a 1948 track meet, soapbox derbies in 1950 and 1951, and Wahiawā's July 4, 1951 parade — combining YMCA service with activities that brought families together.



Wahiawā Y's Men softball squad

WAIALUA Y'S MEN'S CLUB — HISTORIC TODAY



The Waialua Y's Men's Club formed in **1948**, extending Y Service into another rural Oʻahu community.

The rural club built its own identity — and by 1952, its club bulletin had earned international recognition.

WINDWARD Y SERVICE CLUB — ACTIVE TODAY

The Y's Men's Club reached Windward in 1951, and the **Windward Y Service Club** was chartered **April 5, 1980**, and remains active today.

In 1962, Windward YMCA leaders and Y's club members were already working side by side. Windward Board of Managers and Y's Men's Club, 1962.



JAMES KANEHIRA — 69 YEARS

James Kanehira originally joined the **University Y's Men's Club** in **1957** while attending the University of Hawaiʻi. When his YMCA career began, the Y Men's Club went with him — through Wahiawā, Honolulu, and Nuʻuanu Y Men's Clubs, where he became a charter member in 1964, and eventually to the Windward Y Service Club.

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"When they first started in the Y's Men's Club, we were very young, so we got together more socially. I really enjoyed myself getting to know people... socializing and having a lot of fun."



KEN KADOMOTO — 68 YEARS

Ken Kadomoto also began with the **University Y's Men's Club** in **1957**. After moving to Kāneʻohe, he was invited into the Windward club and made it his Y Service home.



Since **2018**, Windward Y Service Club members have supported the **Windward Y Kailua Houseless Care Service Event**, a monthly effort that brings critical social services together in one place — including hot showers, meals, clothing, haircuts, toiletries, and connections to community resources.