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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: THE HEART OF HOSPICE HAWAII

HONOLULU (DRAFT) – Volunteers play an extremely important role in Hospice Hawaii. They are an integral part of the caring and comfort provided to patients and their families. Hospice Hawaii will be holding its first training session of the year beginning February 17.

Hospice Hawaii offers volunteers and services to help the patient and their family focus on living during the final journey of their life. Volunteers visit with patients, and even provide respite for family members.

“The impact of volunteer service on the patient and family is immeasurable,” said Ken Zeri, president of Hospice Hawaii. “Whether its running errands, helping to prepare meals or writing letters, what our volunteers are really providing is friendship and compassion.”

Hospice Hawaii offers a 20-hour volunteer training program, which is a basic course on how to care for and accompany someone during the final phase of life’s journey. Dates for the sessions are:

Wednesday, February 17 from 5 – 9 p.m.

Saturday, February 20 from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24 from 5 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3 from 5 - 9 p.m.

For volunteer registration information, call Jennifer Mann, volunteer coordinator at Hospice Hawaii, at 791-8015.

[About Hospice Hawaii](#)

Hospice Hawaii was founded in 1979 to serve terminally ill persons and their families. Hospice is a philosophy of care and approach, which emphasizes palliative and supportive services. Hospice Hawaii strives to meet the physical, emotional, psychosocial and spiritual needs of patients by offering quality end of life care. For more information about Hospice Hawaii, visit www.hospicehawaii.org.

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