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HGEA announces 50th year of Charles R. Kendall Scholarship

HONOLULU – Hawaii Government Employees Association launches the 50th year of the Charles R. Kendall Scholarship. The scholarship is open to more than 42,000 HGEA members or dependents who are attending or plan to attend a college, university, or vocational or trade school on a full-time basis. Since its inception, HGEA has awarded more than 2,000 scholarships. This school year 37 Hawaii students are receiving a total of \$63,500.

The application process is open now through January 15, 2016. Recipients of the HGEA Charles R. Kendall and Russell K. Okata Scholarships will be selected based on financial need, academic ability, personal letter and recommendations. Awards will be announced in July 2016.

HGEA's scholarships are named in honor of former HGEA executive directors Charles R. Kendall and Russell K. Okata, who both worked tirelessly to improve the lives of public employees. Throughout the year, volunteer HGEA members raise funds through a variety of events and activities on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and the Big Island. For more information and a list and photos of current and former scholarship recipients please visit www.hgea.org/KendallScholarship.

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About HGEA

HGEA was founded in 1934 to ensure fair and equitable representation for government employees. HGEA is the largest labor union in Hawaii, with more than 42,000 members. HGEA represents state and county employees in eight bargaining units. HGEA also serves a large associate membership composed primarily of retirees, other state and county employees and officials, and federal and private sector employees.