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Waikiki Health granted \$3,500 by NFL Foundation to support GED Program for homeless youth

(Honolulu, April 14, 2014) – Runaways and other homeless youth, many of whom dropped out of school, can still further their education thanks to a 2014 Community Grant Award from the **National Football League Foundation** (NFL Foundation). The Foundation's grant of \$3,500 will help sustain **Waikiki Health's** Youth Outreach (YO) GED Preparatory Program.

For the seventh year, NFL Foundation has seen merit in the YO GED Program, which offers homeless youth, age 21 and under, the opportunity to improve their math, reading and other skills in preparation for taking the GED series of exams. Those who participate in the GED classes will receive encouragement to pursue further learning, along with job training.

The NFL Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of those touched by the game of football – from players at all levels to communities across the country.

Waikiki Health provides quality medical and social services that are accessible and affordable for everyone, regardless of ability to pay. Special emphasis is placed on reaching those who are uninsured, have low incomes, are homeless or who experience other barriers to accessing care.

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