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## Community AllStars Program Holds Winning Food Drive for Deployed Soldiers

**Maui, HI** – Community AllStars is not just the name of a local program for teaching youth lasting life and job skills, it's also a pretty good description of its participants. Sponsored by the Hawaii National Guard and the Department of Human Services, the class from Kalama Intermediate in Maui held a food drive for deployed Soldiers at the Pukalani Superette on June 23, 2007. Instructor Ryann Murray's class volunteered their time away from the classroom to hold the food drive for deployed Soldiers that netted over \$1300 in both food and cash donations.

"I am so proud of them. I do not think they realized how big of a deal it would be until they actually did it. People kept coming up to them, letting them know how much of an impact they were making. They walked away learning so much and feeling good. How do I feel? I don't know; I'm just really proud of them," stated Instructor Ryann Murray.

The drive turned out to be a huge success and the proud participants mailed out packages that included personal postcards letting the Soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan know that many people are thinking about them back home.

For more information on Community AllStars or any other programs, contact Pam Ellison, Senior Training Manager, at [pellison@paxen.com](mailto:pellison@paxen.com).



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