



Persons in Need (PIN) Funds Available For Seniors

Project Dana continues to announce a special fund for seniors (65 years and older) that are available through the Gwenread Elaine Allen Fund administered by the Hawaii Community Foundation. This PIN Grant supports Hawaii's frail elderly to "age in place" at home and in the community.

The PIN grant at Project Dana is in its 5th year. Assistance is offered through services which are already being offered in three specific areas: transportation, respite and de-cluttering. Applications are being accepted through October 2013.

A brief explanation of services are:

Transportation:

Transportation assistance is available to frail elders for medical appointments, shopping requests and legal services such as banking, federal, state, city and county offices. Your safety and well-being are of concern regarding transportation needs. Funds for taxi fares maybe offered for special medical appointments.

Respite:

Assistance to family caregivers whose elders attend adult day care/ day health centers or pay for respite care from a home health agency that goes beyond the two (2) hours provided by a Project Dana volunteer. A onetime only, up to \$600 stipend per family caregiver may be considered.

A new component is assistance for family caregivers for overnight respite. A onetime only, up to \$150 stipend per family may be considered.

De-cluttering:

A free home safety /fall prevention assessment is offered and Project Dana will assist with de-cluttering through volunteer efforts and professional services specializing in personal organizing.

The Persons in Need (PIN) funds provides quality benefits to frail seniors and family caregivers. Please call Project Dana at 945-3736 and ask for information as you may qualify for these services.