

GRANT #11

VACATION BIBLE EXPERIENCE WITH HIGH ENROLLMENT OF CHILDREN FROM THE MARSHALL ISLANDS, \$2,084

Our Savior and Waikoloa Lutheran Churches , Hawaii



The town of Waikoloa has a high percentage of recently arrived residents from the Marshall Islands. For the past 9 years, Our Savior Lutheran and Waikoloa Lutheran churches have partnered in a week-long Vacation Bible Experience (VBX) in which 75% of the enrollment is children from low income Marshallese families. This is the only time these students will hear the Gospel taught with purity as it is conveyed accurately through daily opening and closing worship, singing of hymns and praise songs, Bible study, prayer and thematic arts/crafts/recreation activities. Currently enrollment has plateaued at about 40 students due to lack of transportation and adequate publicity. To address these challenges and prepare for larger attendance the VBX is requesting funds for renting an extra van, running ads on the radio and newspaper, printing of flyers and additional arts/crafts, Bible study, etc. supplies.