# NATIONAL PACIFIC ISLANDER EDUCATOR NETWORK Annual Conference 2012 Davis Middle School, Compton, CA \*\*Executive Summary\*\*



Marshall Islands

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

237 participated in the conference on November 10<sup>th</sup>, including 109 students, 30 teachers, and 52 parents and 46 community members

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**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** First Generation Film produced a documentary about the challenges facing first generation college students



Film Producers Adam & Jaye Fenderson & Film Star Keresoma Leio

#### WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

- Uncle Henry Kamae, Ukulele Expert
- Dance Workshop by Miss Willy
- Dr. Joseph De Torres, Contra Costa College
- Nancy Martinsen, CSU East Bay



Hawaii

#### **CAREER & COLLEGE FAIR**

- Cerritos College
- CSU East Bay
- CSU Fullerton
- CSU Los Angeles
- Los Angeles Police Department
- Professional Tutors of America
- Southwest Carpenters Training Fund

#### AWARDS CEREMONY

- ❖ Twenty four students were Christina Diaz Student Scholar Awards recipients
- Three Sevia Ma'ae Educator Awardees were Elizabeth Sanches Martin, Saili Tuitasi and Stephanie Swick
- **❖ Three** Dr. Alofa Tanuvasa Community Awards were presented:
- Amaris Leiataua, Inyssa Perez, Chelsee Sauni, Shawn Mauinatu, Keanuenue Durham, Halley Stillians received the Christina Diaz Scholarships sponsored by Gateway Business Bank, the Anita Barrios Memorial Fund, the Sarah Tanimoto Memorial Fund, Linda Vaca Memorial Fund, Professional Tutors of America, Melaleuca/Thompson Family Scholarship.

#### **PERFORMING GROUPS**

Walton Middle School Cadet Corps, Compton Unified School District (USD), Davis Middle School, Compton USD, Roosevelt Middle School, Compton USD, Lakewood High School, Long Beach USD, Dominguez High School, Compton USD



Samoa

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Office of Samoan Affairs, Deviously Delicious, Hope's Flowers, Pacific Island Ethnic Art Museum (PIEAM), College Funding Solutions, First Investors Corp, Hawaiians in Los Angeles, Fetutasi's Island Souvenirs, Universal Care Medical Group, Los Angeles County Office of Education Healthy Families Program

Tonga

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Guam

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Northern Mariana Islands – Saipan



Uncle Henry Kamae leads the ukulele class in the Closing

Canaman



Dominguez High School Pacific Islander Club

## Join us for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on November 2, 2013!!!



American Samoa



Walton Middle School Cadet Corps Present the Island Nation Flags

#### PARTICIPANT COMMENTS

 The discussion on land by the Hawaiians in Los Angeles Speakers was important for all Pacific Islanders

- We could relate very well to the story in the film. We need to help all of our first generation students and parents
- Great entertainment. Very proud of all the students and their preparation: Dominguez, Lakewood, Roosevelt, Davis, Walton
- The Hawaiians in Los Angeles speakers spoke from the heart – we felt their aloha and ohana
- We look forward to 2013!



**Lennox Middle School Students with First Generation Film Stars** 



NPIEN Staff Members Lopaka Faria & Judy Ann Sanchez



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# Closing Keynote Speakers: The Authors of Hawaiians in Los Angeles

