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**Maui Non Profit Directors Announces a Maui Winner
Congratulations Roy Yamaguchi
2011 Humanitarian Award Recipient**



Chef Roy Yamaguchi

**Honorary Board Member of Imua Family Services
Humanitarian of the Year**

Wailuku, Hawaii – October 10, 2011 – At the Annual Maui Non Profit Directors Pau Hana Celebration held this past Friday at the Kahili Room at Kamehameha Golf Course, Maui’s nonprofit Executive Directors, Board Members and political supporters gathered to recognize their own, for their commitment and services to Maui’s community. Among the awards given this evening was the Humanitarian of the Year Award recognizing Roy Yamaguchi for his commitment and ongoing support of Imua Family Services.

Dean Wong, Imua Family Services Executive Director at Imua was happy to accept the prestigious award for Roy who was on the Mainland during the event. “We see this award also as a reflection of Roy’s progressive thinking as a businessman and as a humanitarian, Maui nonprofit organizations are only as strong and vigilant as our community is and how it gives back to our nonprofit organizations, we are blessed to live in a community that believes in community service, believes in our children, and believes in family. Roy’s Restaurants of Hawaii is a role model business for its community support and this is a reflection of its recognized humanitarian Chef Roy Yamaguchi” says Wong.

It has been an unprecedented year for Imua Family Services as the nonprofit that works so diligently with children from birth to age 6 who have developmental delays, disabilities and special needs have been recognized for several awards in just the past few months. Just the evening before Imua Family Services was on Oahu where it was recognized as a finalist for The Cades Foundation Nonprofit Leadership Award of Business Leadership Hawaii 2011, Program Director Christie Masters was a recipient in the Pacific Business News 40 Under 40 awards in June of this year, Board Member Debbie Southerland was nominated for the Mike Lyons Palaka Award for her Volunteerism with Imua Family Services and Imua was given the Agency Partner of the Year award by Maui United Way in July.

Imua Family Services provides comprehensive early childhood development services to children and their families with the support and resources needed to achieve their full potential in life. Imua's programs include Newborn Hearing Screening, Infant Child Development Services, Early Childhood Development Services and Camp Imua. Services combine professional therapies including Occupational Therapy, Speech Language Pathology, Physical Therapy, Special Education Instruction, Evaluation and support services for the families.

If you would like more information about Imua Family Services, please visit our website at www.imuafamilyservices.org or call 244-7467.