Hawaii: A Future Without Homelessness

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One of the biggest problems in Hawaii is that there are so many homeless people living on the streets and in parks. There are even children living on the streets without any shelter from the rain, clean clothes and food to eat. Hawaii needs a solution to this problem, not only to clean up Hawaii to make it safer for everyone, but also to give homeless people a future without homelessness.

A solution to one of the biggest problems facing Hawaii is for the government to work hand and hand with other organizations to create homes, jobs, and a future for homeless people and their families. The partnership could use agricultural land in Kunia to build tiny homes for homeless families with children to live in. A central community center can be built within the tiny home city in order for children to have a place to do their homework and play, and for the parents to receive job training. The training that the parents would receive would be skills that would allow them to provide a better life for their families. The parents can be trained in agriculture, farming and business.

A certain portion of the land would be set aside for agricultural development that the parents could put their newfound skills in agriculture, farming and business into practice. The parents would be provided with farming supplies and seeds to grow fruit, vegetables and other plants that would provide food for their own table, but also fresh fruit and vegetables that could be sold at farmers' markets, to local supermarkets and restaurants as well as plants and flowers that can be sold to florists to make leis. The money that is earned would be used to pay back the partnership for their tiny home and

for farming supplies as well as to save money for the future. The money that was paid back could then be used to build more tiny homes for more homeless families.

In addition, a portion of the land could be dedicated to livestock, specifically cows and chickens that would provide fresh milk and eggs for their families. The livestock could continue to grow, and provide enough milk and eggs to be sold for additional money. All of this would provide a way for families to provide for themselves

Hawaii's problem of homelessness needs a solution. Too many children are without homes, without food, and without places to do their homework and play safely. I would make Hawaii a better place by building a tiny home city on agricultural land for homeless families to live, train and develop the land in order to be able to provide food for their families and to also sell the food that they grow to earn money to save for the future. I believe that this is one step towards a future without homelessness.