

Brandee Menino, M.A.

Brandee Menino is the Chief Executive Officer of HOPE Services Hawaii, a faith-based organization working to end homelessness on Hawaii Island. HOPE Services provides a continuum of services including homeless outreach, street medicine, representative payee, and rent and mortgage assistance. It also operates 10 shelter facilities with over 200 shelter beds and provides home-based supports to an additional 225 households throughout the island.

Brandee was part of a leadership team who organized over 50 businesses, 200 volunteers, and the U.S. National Guard to build a village of 20 micro-shelters and ancillary supports in less than 30 days to help shelter medically fragile and older adults displaced by the Kilauea eruption in 2018.

As the first in her family to attend college, Brandee earned her bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Hawaii at Hilo and her master's degree in Professional Counseling with an emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy from Argosy University. Inspired by the belief that serving others is a privilege, she has dedicated more than 20 years serving our community through the nonprofit sector. Brandee also volunteers her time serving on local nonprofit boards including Bay Clinic, Inc. and the HMSA Foundation. She is an Omidyar Fellow, named to *Pacific Business News* Class of 2015 Forty Under 40, and a Weinberg Fellow.

It's Brandee's new role as "grandma," to her two-year old grandson, Zaiden, that brings the most joyful moments to her day.