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Kaiser Permanente Hawaii has announced \$20,000 in grant funding to the Food Basket and The Kohala Center to address healthy eating initiatives on the Big Island:

* The Kohala Center – A \$10,000 grant to support setup of SNAP/EBT redemption systems in six farmers markets involving 170 local vendors on the Big Island. Incentives will be offered to promote consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables by low income families.

* Food Basket – A \$10,000 grant to Hawaii Island's foodbank to extend their Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program and provide seniors with greater access to fresh produce.

Serving the Big Island since 1987, with the opening of its Kona clinic, Kaiser Permanente has since opened clinics in Hilo, Waimea, and South Kona.

Kaiser Permanente's Mobile Health Vehicle (MHV), introduced to the Big Island community in the summer of 2009, also provides the community with the nation's most technologically advanced medical vehicle on wheels, offering state-of-the-art digital mammography, basic exams and screening services, flu shots and pneumovax vaccines.

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