University of Hawai'i Master Gardener Program



Hilo Extended Care Beautification

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East Hawaii Master Gardeners have been adding hanging baskets and potted plants to enhance the environment at the Hilo Extended Care Facility. Along with checking on the care of the plants, they have from time to time offered planting experiences to the patients.

Recently Master Gardeners Diana Glynn and Jethelyn Gregory led a project with dracaenas. The beautiful bags that held the pots were donated by KTA. Dracaenas were started from slips and then transplanted by the patients. After the planting project, the sacks with plants were taken to their rooms. What a fun way to give patients a chance to play in the "dirt".

Master Gardeners take turns watering the hanging baskets and potted plants, weeding if needed, and checking to see if replanting is needed.



Master Gardener Diana Glynn