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Boy airlifted from Kalalau Trail Sunday

KALALAU – Firefighters responded to a call of a 13-year-old boy in distress Sunday morning along the Kalalau Trail.

Fire personnel were notified shortly after 8 a.m. of a 13-year-old boy from Kansas who was reportedly experiencing symptoms of dehydration throughout the night when camping at Nāpali Coast State Wilderness Park. The boy’s family requested first responder assistance as they attempted to hike back to Hā‘ena.

Rescue 3 personnel aboard Air 1 responded to the call and flew to a landing zone along the Kalalau Trail where other hikers pointed them toward the direction of the patient and his family.

The boy and his mother were airlifted to Princeville Airport where awaiting Hanalei firefighters and AMR medics assessed his condition and provided treatment for apparent dehydration. The boy was transported to Mahelona Hospital in stable condition for further treatment.

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