

# NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY REPORT

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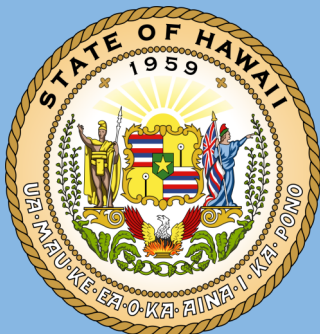
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Aloha Neighbors,

Regardless of where you stand on federal spending policies, the reality is that the recent discussions on federal spending cuts highlight the importance of careful planning at the state level to ensure that essential services remain intact. While the full extent of these cuts and their impact on Hawai'i are still being assessed, the Legislature is taking a cautious approach to understanding where gaps may arise and how best to respond.

As we continue to gather information, our focus is on protecting key programs and ensuring that residents are not unfairly affected. This will be an ongoing conversation as we work on this year's State Budget Bill and explore potential solutions to maintain stability in critical areas.

I welcome your thoughts on this or any other questions or concerns you might have, please call my office, (808) 586-6170, or send an email to: [repchun@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:repchun@capitol.hawaii.gov).

Mahalo,



(Top) Health Chair Takayama, State Health Director, Kenneth Fink, and Reps Kila, Olds, Chun, Keohokapu-Lee Loy, Amato, and Alcos at the Behavioral Health Crisis Center in Iwilei as part of a House Health Committee site visit.  
(Bottom) The Deputy Director for Behavioral Health Administration, Marian Tsuji and Reps Keohokapu-Lee Loy, Kila, Chun, Kila and Olds, listening to Chair Takayama while touring the crisis center.







As a member of the Keiki Caucus, Representative Chun attended their bill package press conference. House and Senate members along with community advocates and their children came out in support of Child Care Tax Credits (HB753), DOE Funding (HB754), Paid Family Leave (HB 755), a ban on flavored e-cigarettes (HB756), and universal free school meals (HB757).



On behalf of the Kūpuna Caucus bill package press conference, Representative Chun highlighted concerns that caucus hopes to address this legislative session: a family caregiver tax credit (HB701), increased funding for Medicaid in-home services (HB702), a rent supplement program for Kūpuna (HB703), SNAP benefits for Kūpuna (HB704), and a Kūpuna rent supplement program (HB705).



Representative Chun is with Amy Agbayani who was honored by the State House for her amazing community impacts through her decades long career in advocacy. Among the causes she has championed include immigrant rights, education, civil rights, healthcare access, workplace equality, anti-discrimination policies, and civic engagement.