

07.27.2018 Weekly Lava Update



KEA'AU DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER (DRC) MOVING TO NEW LOCATION

The Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) will be located at the Pahoa Neighborhood Facility, 15-2908 Pahoa Village Road. It will be open on weekdays from 8:00am to 6:00pm, Saturdays from 8:00am to 4:00pm, and closed on Sundays. https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2018/07/25/4366/kilauea-disaster -recovery-center-moving-new-location

In Loving Memory Officer Bronson Kaimana Kaliloa



The Puna community, State of Hawaii, and Law Enforcement agencies across the county mourn the loss of Puna Patrol officer Bronson Kaimana Kaliloa who died in the

line of duty on July 17th, 2018. Officer Kaliloa's devotion to upholding the safety of our district earned him the welldeserved reputation as a dedicated public servant and true friend of the Puna community. Having heard many stories about the compassion Officer Kaliloa showed to those affected by the recent lava flow, I will be forever grateful for his service to the public and the sacrifice he made to keep us safe. May his legacy live on as an inspiration to the men and women who so

bravely serve and protect our community. My sincerest condolences to wife Casey, three children, and Kaliloa 'ohana.

The memorial service for Officer Kaliloa on <u>August 4th</u> will be held at the <u>Hawaii Civic Auditorium</u>. Visitation begins at <u>8:30am</u> and the service will be held from <u>10:00am to 11:30am</u>.

If you are interested in making a donation to support Officer Kaliloa's family, please visit: https://www.gofundme.com/kaliloa-ohana Please click links for latest maps: USGS Maps & 2018 Hawaii Island Eruptions



VIDEO: SECOND INSURANCE FORUM HELD IN PAHOA

http://www.bigislandvideonews.com/2018/07/22/video-second-insurance-forumheld-in-pahoa/

For those who were unable to attend the most recent Insurance Forum in person, please see Big Island Video News' coverage of the event.

This most recent meeting includes FEMA & SBA representatives, a United Policyholders presentation entitled Roadmap to Recovery—Strategies for Collecting What You Are Owed, and a Hawaii Public Adjusters talk entitled Losses due to Fire, Earth-Movement, Lava and Ash.



GEOTECHNICAL EXAMINATIONS OF KEA'AU-PAHOA ROAD (HIGHWAY 130) TO TAKE PLACE DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST



HILO—The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) notifies Hawaii Island motorists of temporary traffic modifications to Keaau-Pahoa Road (Highway 130) between Shower Drive and Ainaloa Boulevard. Lane shifts will be in place beginning Wednesday, August 1, 2018, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., for geotechnical core drilling work.

The core sampling along the corridor is in preparation for design of the Keaau-Pahoa Road Operational and Safety Improvements Project and is expected to continue throughout the month of August. The speed limit in the work zone will be reduced to 35 mph for the duration of the examinations. Roadwork is weather permitting.

Geotechnical examinations will inform the scope and estimated cost of the Keaau-Pahoa Road Operational and Safety Improvements Project. HDOT previously held an AM contraflow trial on Keaau-Pahoa Road in April 2018 to determine operational impacts of a Hilo-bound AM contraflow lane.

HDOT advises motorists to follow all traffic control signs, allow for extra travel time and to drive with caution when entering the work zone area. For an up to date list of our roadwork schedule, please view the HDOT website at http://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/roadwork/

VIDEO: Digital model shows extensive inward slumping of Kilauea volcano's crater

http://www.hawaiitribune-herald.com/2018/07/17/hawaii-news/video-digitalmodel-shows-inward-slumping-of-kilauea-volcanos-caldera-area/







FREE SECURITY FREEZES AVAILABLE TO HAWAII RESIDENTS

HONOLULU – A new state law that will allow Hawaii consumers to request free security freezes will become effective this Sunday, July 1, 2018. At that time, Hawaii residents, including children under age 16, will no longer be required to pay for security freezes.

Act 22, signed by Governor David Ige on June 6, 2018, will greatly enhance consumer protection in Hawaii by enabling Hawaii residents to request consumer reporting agencies, such as, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion, to place, lift, or remove a security freeze on their credit report for free. Under current Hawaii law, consumer reporting agencies can charge consumers a fee of \$5.00 each time they freeze, lift, and unfreeze their credit report.

The major benefit of a security freeze is that it restricts access to a consumer's credit file, making it harder for identity thieves to open new accounts in the consumer's name.

"Our residents should have the right to freeze their credit files without cost and without unnecessary hassles," said Stephen Levins, Executive Director of the Office of Consumer Protection. "Free credit freezes will encourage people to proactively protect themselves from becoming victims of a security breach and will help reduce identity theft in Hawaii."

Additionally, effective in September 2018, a new federal law, The Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act will extend the right to obtain a free credit freeze to the rest of the country.

The Office of Consumer Protection recommends consumers do the following to protect themselves from identity theft:

- -Regularly request their free credit reports, inspect them closely, and promptly dispute any unauthorized accounts;
- Inspect all financial account statements closely and promptly dispute any unauthorized charges;
- -Consider placing alerts on their financial accounts so their financial institution alerts them when money above a pre-designated amount is withdrawn;
- -Beware of potential phishing emails; don't open email messages or attachments from unknown senders and do not click on any unknown links. Fraudsters will frequently send coercive and misleading emails threatening account suspension or worse if sensitive information is not provided. Remember, businesses will never ask customers to verify account information via email. If in doubt, contact the business in question directly for verification and to report phishing emails; and
- -Be on the lookout for spoofed email address. Spoofed email addresses are those that make minor changes in the domain name, frequently the letter O to the number zero, or lowercase letter I to the number one. Scrutinize all incoming email addresses to ensure that the sender is truly legitimate.







Fact Sheet

 Residents who live in Leilani Estates west of Pomaikai Street, in the county's Voluntary Evacuation Zone and who were denied Rental Assistance by FEMA are encouraged to ask the agency to re-inspect their property.

-Safety concerns-locally imposed evacuations and entry checkpoints may have prevented previous efforts to inspect the property to verify damage.

- This is not an appeal of the earlier determination. This is simply a request for FEMA to reinspect the property and determine whether damage, loss, or habitability conditions have changed. Doing so may allow FEMA to complete the inspection process and determine eligibility for aid.
- The re-inspection is not a guarantee oof eligibility for assistance, however some residents who were initially denied rental assistance may be determined to be eligible for one month of rental assistance.
- Residents of Leilani Estates who live west of Pomaikai Street who were denied rental assistance should go to the joint Disaster Recovery Center.

DISASTER SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE (D-SNAP)



The Department of Human Services announced that short-term food assistance called Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (D-SNAP) is now available for families and households affected by the ongoing eruption.

D-SNAP benefits are typically available within 72 hours of approval. Households that qualify may receive one month of benefits, equivalent to the maximum amount of benefits normally issued to a SNAP household of their size.

To apply for D-SNAP, visit application sites located at: South Hilo Processing Center, 1990 Kinoole St., Ste. 109, and West Hawaii Civic Center, 74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Hwy., Kailua-Kona.



Hilo, Big Island Pop Up FREE Legal Advice Clinic Saturday, August 11, 2018

Do you have a legal issue and need legal advice?

Volunteer attorneys will be available to meet with you individually to provide legal advice for the following types of cases:

Family law

Divorce, Child Custody, Child support, Guardianships, or Adoptions

District Court

Landlord-Tenant, Small claims Collections **Estate Planning**

Basic Wills, Power of Attorney, Health Care Directives

> Bankruptcy Chapter 7

Veterans Benefits

WHERE IS IT?

Hilo Public Library (Lanai area) 300 Waianuenue Avenue Hilo, HI 96720

WHEN IS IT?

Saturday, August 11, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m.

This service is **FREE** to all low and moderate income individuals.

Call by <u>August 1st</u> to qualify and to reserve your spot: (808) 313-8210 (local) or (808) 528-7046

Walk-ins will be accepted, but there is no guarantee that you will be seen by an attorney. Please call and make a reservation.

Interpreter Assistance: If you need an interpreter, please indicate which language and Volunteer Legal Services will arrange for an interpreter for you.



Presented by: Volunteer Legal Services Hawai'i

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Volunteer Legal Service Hawai'i is a non-profit legal service organization whose mission is to provide free to low-cost legal services to low income individuals in the State of Hawai'i. This event is supported by the Hawaii County Nonprofit Grant and by generous community donors to include the law firms of Cades Schutte and Goodsill Anderson Quinn & Stifel.



Volunteer Work Days

At Nani Mau Gardens

421 Makalika St, Hilo

From 8am to 4pm, Saturday 7/28 and Sunday 7/29, with additional work days of Saturday 8/4 and Sunday 8/5.

We hope to complete enough work to allow teachers to set up their classrooms

 Clean up of Site, incl. power washing of sidewalks, outside of Building, Possibly roof.

- 2. Mowing of open area
- 3. Demo of existing siding and trim needing replacement.
 - 4. Cleaning classrooms and prep for painting.
- 5. Putting up large 40 x 80 tent for dry space outside.



Wish list

Skilled carpenters or handy people, Ladders, brooms, dump trailers or trucks Please bring gloves and work clothes

We will provide lunch and drinks

For questions call Ron Cutler 808-443-9546 or

text



Vice Chair: Judiciary Committee Member: Housing and Transportation Contact Information: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 302, 415 South Beretania Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Telephone: (808)586-6530 Neighbor Island Access dial 974-4000 then extension 66530#, after the recording.

