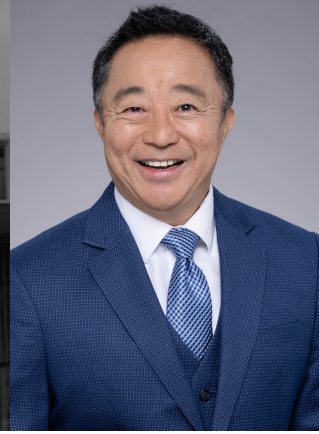


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KALIHI, MAPUNAPUNA, AIRPORT, SALT LAKE, ALIAMANU, FOSTER VILLAGE, HICKAM, PEARL HARBOR, AND PORTIONS OF AIEA AND PEARL CITY

## RAIL'S REINVENTION OF KALIHI

How will the rail change the complexion of Kalihi as it rolls through Dillingham Blvd? That was the focus of a Skyline Summit today. About a hundred community, business, and government leaders discussed a vision for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) to create a livable urban neighborhood.

Kamehameha Schools plans to add approximately 5,000 units of mixed-use housing and build a creative hub called Kānaka. There was talk about turning Kapālama Canal into a potential recreational space.



*A bus tour took participants throughout the district. It stopped next to the Kapālama Canal to envision possibilities for the stream.*

## ANGELS OF ATTIRE AT FARRINGTON

Two students at Farrington High are caring for girls through their Keiki PROMotion. Last year, Junior Kay Mabang and Senior Czarina Gallano collected 32 dresses for girls with developmental disabilities, attending a Unity Prom. This year they are partnering with the YWCA to gather even more gowns for girls facing economic challenges.

Keiki PROMotion is important because these students want to be able to have the full high school experience, just like everyone else," says Gallano.

The duo is also improving Farrington's Dress for Success program by collecting needed business attire for classmates. "We are providing our peers with an opportunity to purchase business attire at an affordable price by gathering gently used items from the YWCA," says Kay Mabang, "It is crucial for students to have access to professional outfits for mock job interviews, internships, and field trips."



*Sen. Wakai's Farrington interns Kay Mabang and Czarina Gallano are enhancing the wardrobe of their classmates.*



## FROM COMMUNITY TO THE CAPITOL

Four resolutions aimed at improving the learning environment for children were introduced last week.

Anti-bullying ([SR176](#)), smoking in the DOE ([SR177](#)), raising awareness of neighborhood security walks ([SR175](#)), and urging more art programs ([SR174](#)). Senator Wakai had the documents drafted and introduced at the request of Kalihi Neighborhood Board member Angela Young.