

SB 106

Measure Title: RELATING TO AGING.

Report Title: Kupuna Caucus; Aging; Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Services Coordinator; Kupuna Care; Aging and Disability Resource Center; Senior Centers; Healthy Aging Partnership; Appropriation (\$)

Description: Establishes and funds a position for an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator within the executive office on aging. Appropriates funds for programs and services that support the State's elderly population, including kupuna care, the aging and disability resource center, senior centers, and the healthy aging partnership program.

Companion:

Package: Kupuna

Current Referral: HMS, WAM

Introducer(s): CHUN OAKLAND, ESPERO, GALUTERIA, GREEN, IHARA, Baker, Shimabukuro

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Committee on Human Services

SB106, RELATING TO AGING

**Testimony of Wes Lum
Director, Executive Office on Aging
Attached Agency to Department of Health**

Tuesday, January 29, 2013; Conference Room 016

1:30 p.m.

1 **EOA's Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA) supports the intent of this measure,
2 provided that its enactment does not reduce or replace priorities within our Biennium Budget
3 Request.

4 **Fiscal Implications:** This measure appropriates the following for each year of the biennium:

- 5 1. \$1,800,000 for the establishment of the Aging and Disability Resource Centers;
- 6 2. \$9,000,000 for the Kupuna Care Program;
- 7 3. \$426,722 for the Healthy Aging Partnership Program;
- 8 4. \$285,000 for Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center, Moiliili Senior Center, and
9 Waikiki Community Center;
- 10 5. \$476,772 for the Healthy Aging Partnership; and
- 11 6. An unspecified amount for an Alzheimer's Disease and related dementia (ADRD)
12 service coordinator.

13 **Purpose and Justification:** EOA notes that three of the appropriations in this bill are priorities of
14 the Abercrombie Administration and that their respective appropriations can be found in the

1 Governor's Biennium Budget, HB200. These priorities include (1) \$1.4 million for the
2 development of the Aging and Disability Resource Centers statewide, (2) a \$4.2 million increase
3 in EOA's base budget for Kupuna Care, and (3) \$380,000 for a feasibility and actuarial study for a
4 social long-term care insurance program for the state.

5 Regarding the funding of the Healthy Aging Partnership Program, senior centers, and
6 ADRD coordinator, we note that the appropriations in this measure are not part of the Governor's
7 Administrative package. Should there be surplus funds available for this measure, we would be
8 supportive as we agree with the concept of these initiatives as they are consistent with EOA's
9 goals and objectives. If the Legislature deems these programs necessary, EOA respectfully
10 requests that the Legislature provide the appropriate resources, rather than supplant existing
11 resources, for these proposals. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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January 29, 2013

The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
The Honorable Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services
Twenty-Seventh Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senators Chun Oakland and Green, and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: SB 106 – RELATING TO AGING

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **SUPPORTS SB 106**. The purpose of the bill is to establish and fund a position for an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Services Coordinator within the Executive Office on Aging; and to appropriate funds for programs and services that support the State's elderly population, including Kupuna Care, the Aging and Disability and Resource Center, senior centers, and the Healthy Aging Partnership Program.

The Council highlights its support for funding of \$1.8 million dollars for the Aging and Disability and Resource Center (ADRC) as indicated on Page 2, Section 4, lines 10-16. The Council was a member of the State ADRC Advisory Board back in April 2006 as a result of the Executive Office on Aging (EOA) receiving a federal grant to embark on establishing a one-stop single entry point for older adults and persons with disabilities. Since then, the project has come a long way in establishing a one-stop center on the Island of Hawaii, and developing sites in Kauai, Maui, and Honolulu through the Area Agencies on Aging with direction to streamline and integrate resources and service.

As a systems advocacy agency responsible for statewide planning, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, and advocacy on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, we support a streamlined and user-friendly process for older adults and individuals with disabilities to receive information, and be able to navigate the service system to access services and supports.

The Council has a Memorandum of Agreement between the Hawaii County Office of Aging, Aging and Disability Resource Center that defines the partner roles and responsibilities related to services provided by the ADRC and the Council. We believe identifying and engaging in partnerships with community service provider agencies will contribute to a seamless approach of accessing long-term services and supports in a


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manner that respects individual choice and desire, is person-centered, promotes independence and dignity, and provides individual control over the person's life.

The Council defers to EOA regarding the other programs and funding included in the bill.

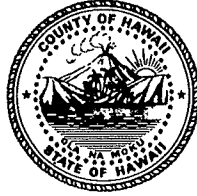
Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **support of SB 106**.

Sincerely,


Waynette K.Y. Cabral, MSW
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Alan R. Parker
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January 28, 2013

TESTIMONY TO: Senate Committee on Human Services

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

SUBJECT: **SB 106 - RELATING TO AGING**

Tuesday, January 29, 2013
1:30 p.m.
Hawai'i State Capitol, conference room 016

Honorable Chairs and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in strong support of SB 106 – RELATING TO AGING. I am Alan Parker, Executive on Aging for the Hawai'i County Office of Aging (HCOA).

In particular, the HCOA strongly supports:

- \$9 million for the Kupuna Care (KC) program for the coming biennium. KC services form a critically important safety net that helps our seniors and frail elder living in the community which enables them to remain at home and avoid more expensive residential care. This is a far less expensive option for individuals and the government. Through the Kupuna Care program close to 900 (893) Hawai'i County residents received almost 22,000 hours/units of services in FY 2011-2012.
- Full funding of \$1.8 million for the Aging and Disability Resource Centers that provides a "one stop shop" for information for seniors and their family about long-term care options and eligibility. The Hawai'i County ADRC fielded over 1,300 calls for information and assistance over a one-year time period.
- The Healthy Aging Partnership that provides tools that encourage seniors to better manage their health, stay active and enjoy a longer and healthier life.



Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A. Parker". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Alan R. Parker
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SB106

Submitted on: 1/28/2013

Testimony for HMS on Jan 29, 2013 13:30PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Deborah Wills	Hawaii County Office of Aging	Support	No

Comments: I support the intent of this measure. The State currently receives \$4,854,350 for Kupuna Care services on an annual basis. This measure appropriates necessary additional funding for this essential Nursing Home Diversion program. The goal of Kupuna Care, which is to give Hawaii's older adults access to affordable and quality home- and community-based services that are client-centered and family-supported thus allowing the elderly to live with independence and dignity. The additional funding for Kupuna Care, which provides for direct services for seniors, goes a long way by helping individuals in the "gap group" keep off of the Medicaid rolls, thus ultimately providing savings to the State. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Senate Committee on Human Services

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair; Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair

SB 106 RELATING TO AGING

Testimony of Deborah Arendale
Executive on Aging, Maui County Office on Aging

Tuesday, January 29, 2013; Conference Room 016
1:30 p.m.

MCOA's Position: Maui County Office on Aging (MCOA) is in **support** of SB 106 that includes appropriation for various services for the elderly.

Purpose and Justification: Census projections indicate that the senior population in Hawaii will almost double between the period between 2010 and 2020 with the highest percentage increase occurring in those over the age of 85. In order to minimize the potential **financial strain** of the burgeoning aging population on the State, **proactive** efforts are required now. *Keeping seniors healthy and at home is the most cost-effective manner* to address the needs of one of our most valuable societal resources, and SB 106 will ensure that state funds provided through Kupuna Care are utilized to provide assistance in the community at a much lesser financial drain than institutional services. The increasing numbers of the aging population will also mean that the incidence of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders will rise. In order to effectively plan and implement statewide services to seniors and caregivers, coordination at the state level is necessary to avoid duplication and maximize resources.

To promote and protect the well-being of the Older Americans in Maui County.

MCOA was the first county in the state to implement the fully functioning ADRC model on April 16, 2012. Since that time, MCOA has successfully 1) improved operations through standardization of tools and performance standards; 2) ensured that older adults and persons with disabilities can make informed choices about how to meet their long-term care needs; 3) **received** a fee-for-service award from federal initiatives; and 4) helped Maui residents keep their loved ones in the community by building programs that support the spirit of ‘ohana. **Because of the ADRC, MCOA has a formal Program Agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services to provide services under the Affordable Care Act, Section 3026, Community Care Transitions Program.** Beginning in April, 2013, MCOA will bill CMS directly for services provided. **The formation of the ADRC is ACTUALLY bringing revenue into the state. MCOA anticipates adding other revenue-generating programs in the near future that are only possible due to the designation as a fully functioning ADRC.**

The vision of EOA and the AAAs is to establish ADRCs in every community that serve as a highly visible and trusted places where people with disabilities of all ages can find information on the full range of long-term support options and can access a single point of entry to public long-term support programs and benefits. This measure will assist EOA and the county AAAs in establishing a successful statewide ADRC.

The Healthy Aging Partnership is a means by which the AAAs provide evidence-based health and wellness promotion activities in each county. Funding appropriated by this bill will support direct services to seniors statewide that have been proven to improve health, increase self-management of chronic illness, increase strength and flexibility, and generally assist seniors in living at home in a more healthy manner. ***Both direct services as well as a focus on prevention activities are necessary.*** While we cannot ignore those who need assistance with the basic

functions of daily living, we must also work diligently to assist our aging citizens to live as healthily as possible for as long as possible in the most *cost effective* way as possible.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding this measure.

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January 25, 2013

Testimony of the Department of Community Services

Measure: S.B. 106, Relating to Aging
Committee(s): Senate Committee on Human Services
Hearing Date: January 29, 2013 Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: State Capitol, Room 016
Committee Requests 1 Copy
Testifier(s): Gary K. Nakata, Acting Director
(Written testimony only. For more information, please call
Elizabeth Bethea, Elderly Affairs Division, at 768-7708.)

Chair Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Community Services **strongly supports** this bill.

The Elderly Affairs Division (EAD) is Honolulu's designated Area Agency on Aging and operates in accordance with the Older Americans Act of 1965 to coordinate, advocate and improve services to assist older persons in leading independent, meaningful and dignified lives in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

This bill includes funding for important programs that support the needs of the increasing population of elderly residents in Hawaii. The funding included in this bill is essential to maintain the health and welfare of our most vulnerable seniors and their caregivers. We strongly support funding for the following programs:

Kupuna Care. The Kupuna Care program includes essential services that support the needs of the increasing population of frail elderly residents in Hawaii. These services provide assistance to frail older adults who cannot live at home

without adequate help from family or formal services. They include services such as attendant care, case management, chore, home-delivered meals, homemaker, personal care, and transportation.

Healthy Aging Partnership Program. Through the Healthy Aging Partnership, EAD implements Stanford University's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, an evidence-based program that provides education, training and support groups to persons with chronic conditions to assist them in managing their own care. EnhanceFitness is an exercise program that focuses on maintaining strength, flexibility and balance in order to maintain the health and functioning of older adults. The results of both programs have been overwhelmingly positive. In addition, other evidence-based self-management programs have been introduced for arthritis and diabetes.

Senior Centers. Home- and Community-Based Supportive Services enable seniors to remain in their homes for as long as possible. These services include multi-purpose senior centers that coordinate and integrate services for older adults, such as congregate meals, community education, health screening, exercise/health promotion programs, and transportation. The socialization and recreation opportunities offered by senior centers are crucial in keeping seniors active and engaged, one of the most effective ways of preventing or delaying loneliness, isolation, depression and related declines in mental and physical health.

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders. EAD recognizes the need to develop services to meet the needs of the rapidly growing cohort of individuals afflicted with this condition. EAD supports the appropriation contained in this bill to establish and fund an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator within the Executive Office on Aging.

We urge the committee on Human Services to pass S.B. 106. Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Testifier's Name: Gary Simon
Chair
Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

Testimony Is Directed To: Senate Committee on Human Services

Measure: SB106 RELATING TO AGING.

Date & Time of Hearing: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, 1:30 p. m.

Position: PABEA strongly supports SB106

Dear Chair Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Green, and Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services:

I am Gary Simon, Chair of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA), which is an appointed board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA).

I am testifying as an individual who has worked in healthcare for over twenty-five years, and I am offering testimony on behalf of PABEA.

My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of PABEA.

PABEA wholeheartedly supports the entire thrust of SB106.

I especially call your attention to Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) funding. In collaboration and partnerships between the State Executive Office on Aging and the county Area Agencies on Aging, Hawaii continues to develop one-stop resource centers in each county for long term care information and services for the aged and disabled population.

The ADRCs are good programs (helping older adults and the disabled find options for care and support) based upon good policy (protecting the health and welfare of our elders and our disabled). Continuing development of the ADRCs in our communities will benefit residents throughout the State.

We urge you to support SB106 and to recommend its passage, and we thank you for seriously considering the Bill.

Very sincerely,
Gary Simon
Chair
Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

From: [Anthony Lenzer](#)
To: [HMS Testimony](#)
Subject: SB 106
Date: Friday, January 25, 2013 9:11:29 PM

Senators Chun Oakland and Green, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Anthony Lenzer. I am Chair of the Legislative Committee of the Policy Advisory Board of Elder Affairs (PABEA). PABEA advises the Executive Office on Aging (EOA), and advocates on behalf of Hawaii's older citizens. My testimony reflects only the views of PABEA.

PABEA strongly endorses SB 106, which offers support to a number of programs and services which PABEA has advocated for in recent years. Several of these, namely the Alzheimer's disease and related disorders coordinator, Kupuna Care, and the Aging and Disability Resource Centers are among PABEA's legislative priorities for the current year.

All of the programs named in this bill are important elements in the aging network. However, I would like to particularly call your attention to the Kupuna Care program. This program helps frail adults age 60 and over who have financial need, but are not Medicaid eligible, to receive services which will help them live independently in the community. The services provided include adult day care, attendant care, case management, chore, homemakers/housekeeper, personal care, assisted transportation, and home delivered meals. In FY 2012, the three largest amounts were spent on personal care, case management, and home delivered meals. Personal care assists with such daily activities as eating, dressing, bathing, toileting, getting in and out of bed, etc. Case Management helps clients and families identify needs, and mobilize both formal and informal supports to provide the client with the greatest possible independence. Home delivered meals provide good nutrition to seniors who might otherwise neglect their diets and become malnourished.

The Kupuna Care program is important for several reasons. First, as indicated above, it helps frail elders maintain dignity and independence in their own homes, which is where almost all older people preferred to live. Second, by supporting them in the home, elders are less likely to need more expensive institutional care, or the need for such care will be delayed. Third, the relatively modest cost of this program should be seen as a financial asset to the state, inasmuch as it keeps some older people from entering the Medicaid program with its much higher costs. It can also be seen as a jobs program, inasmuch as workers are employed to provide the kinds of services we have outlined above.

In conclusion, the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs strongly supports SB 106, and recommends its passage. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

To: Committee on Human Services
Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Place: Conference room 016

Testifier: Eudice Schick, Policy Advisory Board For Elder Affairs
"PABEA"

Bill: SB 106
In Complete Support

I am Eudice Schick, current board member of PABEA. The following testimony is being given by myself as an individual and in no way represents the views of the Executive Office on Aging.

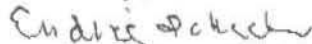
As a member of PABEA I am in support of the appropriation for funding of the entire Kupuna care package along with the appropriation for the Aging and Disability Resource Centers.

I am particularly interested in funding for a coordinator for Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services. We are all aware that as our population ages the number of persons afflicted with this horrible disease will multiple rapidly. It is a fact the nearly 100% of persons 80 and over will be affected to some degree.

I am asking for your support for funds for the coordinator's position.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony and your support of SB 106

Sincerely,



Eudice Schick, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs



To: Committee on Human Services
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair

Date: January 29, 2013, Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.

Re: **SB106 – RELATING TO AGING**

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

My name is Steve Tam, Director of Advocacy for AARP Hawaii. AARP is a membership organization of people 50 and older with nearly 150,000 members in Hawaii. AARP fights on issues that matter to Hawaii families, including the high cost of long-term care ; access to affordable, quality health care for all generations; providing the tools needed to save for retirement; and serving as a reliable information source on issues critical to Americans age 50+.

AARP strongly supports SB106 - Relating to Aging. This bill appropriates funds for the Kupuna Care Program, the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), Healthy Aging Partnership programs, senior centers, and the Alzheimers Disease and Dementia Services Coordinator. AARP especially supports the provisions of the bill as it relates to the appropriation of \$9.0 million for the Kupuna Care Program, and \$1.8 million for the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) from the general revenues for the fiscal year 2013-2014, and the same sum for fiscal year 2014-2015.

Kupuna Care

Kupuna Care is a state funded program designed to help non-Medicaid eligible, elderly residents so that they can continue living at home instead of institutional facilities. Kupuna Care assists families by providing a variety of different caregiving and support services.

This bill increases the Kupuna Care Program budget to \$9.0 million for each of fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. This amount is the same as the appropriation for fiscal year 2012-2013, which included the current \$4.8 million Executive Office on Aging base budget appropriation for Kupuna Care that has remained unchanged since 2002, and an additional \$4.2 million as appropriated by Act 238, SLH 2012 for fiscal year 2012-2013.

The proposed increase in Kupuna Care appropriation is an acknowledgement of the increasing demand for services by Hawaii's rapidly aging population, however, it still falls short of meeting the demand. In 2012 the Kupuna Care program served approximately 6,981 people (unduplicated persons served as reported by EOA). There are approximately 277,000 individuals over age 60 in Hawaii.¹ However, by some estimates, 80% of seniors have at least one chronic health condition and 50% have at least two ² who would also be eligible to use these services.

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

ADRCs are intended to streamline access to long-term supports and services for older adults, persons with disabilities, and caregivers. The ADRC is a navigational tool that connects individuals

to appropriate long-term care options. Hawaii's ADRC program is in various stages of development in each county. ADRCs are operational in Hilo and Maui, and are scheduled for implementation in Kauai later this year, and expansion to Kona and Oahu in 2015.

This bill appropriates \$1.8 million for the continued implementation and expansion of ADRCs for each of fiscal years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015.

ADRCs are in need of improvement. AARP's recently published State Long-Term Services and Support Scorecard ranks Hawaii 41st in ability to access long-term care through an ADRC.³ The ADRCs need to be properly resourced and funded to make ADRCs an effective single point of entry for individuals seeking information on their long-term care options. Critical to the success of an ADRC is ensuring the availability of services (e.g., Kupuna Care) when individuals are directed to them. Otherwise, consumers will be increasingly frustrated when referred to services, and only to find out that they are not available.

The passage of this bill is vital as it provides seniors and caregivers with assurances that they will continue receiving occasional, yet critical respite services that enables them to live in their homes as long as possible.

The Kupuna Care and ADRC programs are helping only a fraction of Hawaii seniors and caregivers. However, the situation is made more urgent in that demand for services will increase with our rapidly aging population:

- Approximately one out of every five (20%) Hawaii residents are over 60 years old.¹
- Hawaii's population over age 65 is increasing rapidly and projected to increase by 61% between 2012 and 2032.⁴
- Approximately 247,000 family caregivers are the backbone of Hawaii's long-term care system and currently provide nearly \$2 billion a year of unpaid caregiving services.⁵
- The number of family caregivers is declining. The primary family caregiver group is 50-64 years old. This group accounts for 19.1% of the population in 2012, but will account for only 16.1% of the population by 2032 and cause further strain on seniors and remaining caregivers.⁴

We urge you to support seniors by passing SB 106 as it funds safety net programs that support our most vulnerable population – the elderly, caregivers, and seniors.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Demographic Profile Data

² Centers for Disease Control, Healthy Aging: Preventing Disease and Improving Quality of Live Among Older Americans 2003, At a Glance, Department of Human Services

³ AARP 2011 State Long-Term Services and Supports Scorecard

⁴ AARP Across the States, 2012, Profiles of Long-Term Services and Supports

⁵ AARP Valuing the Invaluable, 2011 Update, The Growing Contributions and Costs of Family Caregiving



Westside Service Provider Network

Providers from Kapolei to Kaena Pt

1/23/2013

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013

TIME: 1:30 pm

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TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair

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SB 106 RELATING TO AGING

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The Westside Service Provider Network does **support this bill**, however, we would like to add a comment for consideration.

It is hoped that the Executive Office on Aging, can be a supportive intervention mechanism for the aging.

I offer the following true life (as of January 2013) example:

- A sister and brother, both in their 70's living together. The brother is the main financial support for the household.
- There is a 1st and 2nd mortgage on the home.
- A nephew living on the mainland quit his Mortuary management position to return to Hawaii to care for his elderly Aunt and Uncle since no one else would.
- The Uncle underwent surgery last year and died on the operating table. (Oct/Nov 2012)
- Financial Resource is down to \$700 per month (Aunt's Social Security). The nephew has maxed out his credit cards and pawned jewelry for December groceries.
- The house has entered into foreclosure.
- Luckily, a reputable Attorney and Realtor (from the past) entered into the picture to deal with the Mortgage lenders.
- Property is due to close escrow February 2013.
- Utility bills are past due. HECO will be turning off the power if payment is not made. They will not wait another 60 days to be paid out of escrow.
- A storage locker (in the name of the Uncle) has to be cleaned out but cannot gain access since the legal owner has passed.



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- A referral was made to Meals on Wheels and successful.
- A personal/private loan was secured to pay HECO and the Mortgage Lenders **REQUIRED** a sizeable payment **PRIOR** to the close of escrow.

Referrals were made to other Community Service Providers such as the City & County of Honolulu's Office of Elderly Affairs*, Catholic Charities, Helping Hands and Alu Like. They either said "no" or we are still waiting for a return phone call. The only referral that was able to help was Meals on Wheels.

The example above lacks any sense of decency and compassion. No Aloha Spirit.

It is hoped that this funded position can intervene as it is deemed appropriate. In this particular case the purchaser of the property is qualified and is considered "strong". There is also a list of other interested purchasers of this property.

Mortgage Lenders/Servicers are now required to maintain with the DCCA – Division of Financial Institutions, a local contact. In conjunction with the State's Executive Office on Aging, DCCA – DFI, Realtor/Escrow and Homeowner Attorney must work together and do better to protect our aging in dire circumstances such as this.

*could only refer with phone numbers

Thank you and grateful for this opportunity to submit this testimony.

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TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Members, Committee on Human Services

FROM: Laura Kay Rand, Interim Executive Director, PHOCUSED

HEARING: Committee on Human Services
January 29, 2013 at 1:30 p.m.

Testimony in Support of SB106, Relating to Aging

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB106, which will provide funding for Kupuna Care, the Aging and Disability Resource Center, senior centers, the healthy aging partnership project, and also an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator position in the Executive Office on Aging. PHOCUSED is a coalition of health, housing, human services agencies and individual advocates voicing the needs of the marginalized and underserved in Hawaii.

Hawaii's population of older adults who are 60+ years of age has been increasing for more than thirty years. And with the first group of the baby boomers entering this age-phase, the dynamic of this population is changing. Today's older adults are healthier and more active; they are engaged in social and community activities. And, with the proper supports, they can maintain this independence and higher quality of living.

In addition to funding an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator in the Executive Office on Aging, SB106 provides funding for Kupuna Care, the Aging and Disability Resource Center, senior centers and the healthy aging partnership project. Funding these services provides crucial education, wellness, case management, nutrition, fitness, transportation, healthy living, pain management, and other supports that support our older adults to live with the highest levels of independence possible.

I urge your support of SB106. We appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.

Sincerely,
Laura Kay Rand
Interim Executive Director



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January 29, 2013; 1:30 pm
Room 016

SB 106, Relating to Aging

Good afternoon, Chair Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Green, and Members of the Human Services Committee,

Lanakila Pacific strongly supports SB 106, Relating to Aging to provide critically needed services for our most vulnerable elderly neighbors. Although our preference is that ongoing support be provided in the base budget, this measure provides essential supplemental funding for Kupuna Care services which are designed to prevent more costly care.

As a Kupuna Care service provider, Lanakila Meals on Wheels serves more than 1,200 Hawaii seniors every day or more than 250,000 meals each year. Our average meal recipient is a woman of Asian or Pacific Island descent, 83 years old with an income of less than \$1,000 per month. Our staff and volunteers deliver much more than a nutritious meal, as they may be the only person that our Kupuna will spend time with each day.

To experience this first hand, we invite you to deliver meals to the seniors receiving Lanakila Meals on Wheels in your neighborhood and thank those Legislators who have had an opportunity to volunteer or personally contribute including Senators Chun Oakland, Taniguchi, Tokuda and Wakai and Representatives Luke and Saiki.

As a Kupuna Care program, we also provide nutritional education and counseling, monitor health and welfare, and serve as an important bridge to support services, helping seniors remain in their homes for as long as possible. This is far less expensive for individuals and the government.

Providing Kupuna Care Services, which enables seniors to stay in their homes and avoid costly institutionalization, can be the difference between \$170 for a month of home delivered meals vs. \$9,034 for a month of a semi-private room in a nursing facility.

Unfortunately, there are hundreds of seniors throughout Hawaii on growing waiting lists due to 10 years of flat funding that hasn't kept pace with inflation, let alone the spike in the elderly population. The base budget for Kupuna Care services of \$4.85 million has not been increased since 2002, while Hawaii's senior population has increased by 30%. Supplemental funding is requested every year; however, this is not sustainable and should be part of the Executive Office on Aging's budget.

While more long-term support is needed to meet the growing needs with one of the fastest growing senior populations and the longest life expectancy in the nation, this measure is a vital part of the solution as it will provide critically needed and more cost-effective services for our most isolated and vulnerable elderly neighbors. Aging network providers cannot meet the current and growing demand for services when faced by years of flat or reduced State and Federal funding.

We urge you to support Hawaii's Kupuna by supporting ongoing funding for Kupuna Care as it provides essential services for the most vulnerable senior citizens in Hawaii.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian E. Tsuji
President & CEO

Lyn Moku
Director of Lanakila Meals on Wheels

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SB106

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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To: The Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Human Services
Re: SB 106

To: The Honorable Senator Chun-Oakland and the members of the committee.

Aloha,
The Community Alliance for Mental Health along with United Self Help supports SB
106.

Mahalo,
Robert Scott Wall
Vice-President



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH) is a tax exempt, non-profit agency that has been providing supportive home and community based services to elders since 1973 and currently serves approximately 5,000 older persons each year.

CCH strongly supports SB 106 which will provide funding for Kupuna Care, senior centers, the Aging and Disability Resource Center, the Healthy Aging Project and a position within the Executive Office on Aging for an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator.

SENIOR CENTERS

SB 106, supports a network of senior centers on Oahu that provide vital health education and screenings, fitness, recreation, case management, and other services to enable thousands of senior citizens to maintain wellness, support independence and avoid costly institutionalization and have a history of state funding.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is a State owned facility that was built as a model senior center for the State of Hawaii in 1969. The Center has been operated by CCH since 1981.

As indicated in Hawaii's 2013 Profile of Successful Aging, "*Supportive relationships, interactions with the environment, engagement in social activities . . . all have positive correlations on the well-being of older adults.*"ⁱ The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also advises older adults that "*regular physical activity is one of the most important things you can do for your health. It can prevent many of the health problems that seem to come with age.*"ⁱⁱ Senior centers are accessible and popular places where elders gather for this type of social engagement and physical activity that contribute to their well-being.

KUPUNA CARE

Catholic Charities Hawai'i is also the current provider of Kupuna Care transportation services to help support access to necessary medical, nutrition and other services. Through Kupuna Care, CCH Transportation is able to provide hundreds of seniors with needed access to health services, nutrition/food, and financial services/benefits.



Senior centers, Kupuna Care, and all of the other proposed services within SB 106 combine to meet the overall community goal of helping seniors remain independent in the community and prevent more costly (and often public funded) institutional care.

Catholic Charities Hawai`i asks for your support of SB 106. If I can provide any further information, please feel free to contact me at 808-527-4702 or via email at diane.terada@catholiccharitieshawaii.org. Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

ⁱ Executive Office on Aging – Department of health, “Profile of Successful Aging Among Hawaii’s Older Adults”, January 2013.

ⁱⁱ <http://www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/everyone/guidelines/olderadults.html>

TO: Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Honorable Josh Green, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Human Services Committee

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013

PLACE: State Capitol Conference Room 016

TIME: 1:30 pm

SUBJECT: Testimony in support of SB 106- Relating to Aging

I am in very strong support of SB 106 – Relating to Aging which reflects an urgency to support Kupuna Care and ADRC.

Older adults make up a glaring 25% of Hawaii’s population. Most people desire to age in place at home and it is far less expensive for individuals and for the government. A safety net of home and community based services is needed to allow people to have access to Kupuna Care.

ADRC would help consumers and family caregivers by providing a central informational base to access long term care options and eligibility.

Kupuna Care and ADRC play a vital role in maintaining older adults to live happily and safely in their homes. The numerous unmet needs must be met by cost effective means. Please support SB 106 – Relating to Aging.

Thank you very much

Rose Nakamura,

Project Dana

To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun
Oakland, Chair

Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference
Room 016, 1:30 p.m.

Re: SB106 Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written in **STRONG SUPPORT** of SB106, Relating to Aging. My name is Barbara J. Service and I am an AARP volunteer who lives in SD8 and RD 19.

Kupuna Care is a win-win situation where the provision of services can keep seniors in their own homes as long as possible. Kupuna Care can also provide occasional respite for family caregivers, who might otherwise have no break from 24/7 care to loved ones. Kupuna Care serves persons who are not Medicaid eligible, nor can they afford the services.

ADRC's will provide a "one-stop shop" for families trying to navigate long-term options and make appropriate decisions for their loved ones.

I urge you to support seniors by voting yes on SB 106.

Barbara J. Service

Kahala

To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair

Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.

Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Chalintorn N. Burian, Ph.D. and I am a retiree, with a 89 year-old mother who has been bed-ridden due to Parkinson's Disease. I live in the Paauiilo-Mauka area on the Big Island. The passage of this bill is vital as:

- The Kupuna Care program provides services that allow seniors to remain at home as long as possible. This is far less expensive for individuals and the government. It's more healthy for older people to be surrounded by their own family members. However, even with 5 children to support my mother's caretaking expenses, it has been very difficult for all of us because we do have children and grand children of our own to take care of. So we are glad that Kupuna Care can provide occasional respite for family caregivers, who otherwise would need to provide care-giving to loved ones, 24/7, with no vacations. Although we currently can afford our mother's expenses, I am pleased that Kupuna Care provides respite services for those who do not qualify for Medicaid, and are not wealthy enough to pay for services on their own. I have met elderly neighbors, who need such support. It would be important to provide Kupuna Care to as many people as possible, as needed.

- In addition, support for ADRCs would help families like mine, as a "one stop shop" for information about long-term care options and eligibility. Right now, there is only one ADRC in Hilo, which is far away from where I live. Such essential information and services should be made accessible to more people in the State of Hawaii. ADRCs will lessen frustration and help consumers develop a long-term care plan for family members or loved ones. So I do hope that not only will there be more locations for ADRCs, but there will be more such outreach so that people in need would know of available services.

I urge you to support seniors by voting **yes** on SB 106.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jim Crowe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a senior citizen and a caregiver for my senior citizen wife. I know that in Hawaii there are 270,000 of us seniors over 60. This bill as an essential move in the right direction to care for our Hawaii treasured seniors.

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To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.
Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in VERY STRONG SUPPORT of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Marv Paularena and I currently receive family care from my wife with supplemental assistance from Kupuna Care. We live in Kahului, Maui.

We feel that passage of this bill is not only important but vital to our personal wellbeing. My wife has a physical disability that makes it very difficult and painful to perform some heavy household chores like mopping, etc. The Kupuna Care program provides us with part time chore services that enable us to live as normally as possible. Staying at home allows us to make it financially as institutional care is far beyond our financial resources. Without the assistance provided by Kupuna Care, we would not be able to live in the comfort of our home.

We on Maui are blessed to have an ADRC that allowed us to find the assistance we needed when I last left the hospital after a five week stay. Without that resource we could have spent weeks seeking help. We feel that every island needs a readily available ADRC "one stop shop" to support those who need assistance in seeking resources to solve these often complex and confusing needs.

ADRCs will lessen frustration and help consumers develop a long-term care plan for family members or loved ones

I respectfully urge you to support our kupuna by voting yes on SB 106.

Marv Paularena
Hale Mahaolu/Kahului, Maui

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Raelene Tenno	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I cared for my 92 yr old Aunt and 91 yr old Uncle for several years. My Aunt had Alzheimer's which was only diagnosed in the last 11 months of her life. Caring for someone with Alzheimer/Dementia is not fun. It takes on toll on you and your own family. I support all efforts by the Legislature to fund a position that can help these residents afflicted with this disease.

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To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.
Re: SB 106 – Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Rochelle Ribbentrop and I am a retired RN. I live at Volcano on Hawaii Island. The passage of this bill is vital as:

The Kupuna Care program provides respite services for individuals who do not qualify for Medicaid and are not financially able to pay for services on their own. This respite care also affords family caregivers relief from their 24/7 commitment to their loved ones.

Kupuna Care allows seniors to remain in their homes for as long as possible. Much of my nursing experience was at long term care facilities. It was always stressed to staff as well as to residents that the facility was the resident's home. The reality is that a facility cannot replicate someone's home. By remaining in their homes for as long as possible, seniors are able to maintain a quality of life to which they are accustomed. Remaining in their homes for as long as possible also translates into less expense for both individuals as well as government.

Another aspect of SB 106 Relating to Aging is the implementation of Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs). These centers are vital to a community because they provide information and services under one roof. The services cover areas from understanding care options to developing long-term care plans. They provide direction through the health care maze.

SB 106 is more than "what we can do now." It is a plan for the future, a strategy to address the care of an aging population, not only economically but also with dignity.

I urge you to support seniors by voting yes on SB 106.

Rochelle Ribbentrop
Volcano, Hawaii Island

Committee: [COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES](#)
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair

Bill No & Title: SB106
Day and Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013
Time: 1:30 pm
Place: Conference Room 016,
State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha, Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland and Senator Josh Green

I am in SUPPORT of Senate Bill SB106

My name is Valorie Taylor and I have been a Social Worker for thirty years, worked with seniors in various roles for almost 40 years. Additionally, I have served on a number of Task Forces and Workgroups related to Senior Issues.

In a time of reduced resources, the measures listed in SB106 make economic sense as well as serving seniors who are in need of support and services.

Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator.

The highest score of caregiver burden is related to caring for a person with Alzheimer's and Related Dementia. As a member of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Task Force I have a better understanding of the needs of the community related to this disease. There are so many facets including education of professional staff, workforce development, family caregivers and community support, there is a need for further education and marketing so that individuals know where to turn. There is a need for someone to coordinate this effort and follow up on the information and recommendations of the Task Force.

Kupuna Care Program

This program serves as a safety net for those who do not meet the criteria for assistance through Medicaid. By targeting those who are low income, live in rural areas, has dementia or other target areas; we are able to serve those who otherwise would be in an institution. Each year we ask for funding to meet the growing need. The base budget should be increased so that funding can be planned. The needs of our seniors for services such as meals are immediate – they can't be postponed. Ignoring them will have immediate negative consequences. We need to meet these basic needs and live up to our community values as the Aloha state.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center

The ADRC which is a federal initiative of the Administration of Community Living (Administration on Aging) by funding this program we are investing in our future. This program will

1. Improving operations across counties through standardization of tools and the adoption of common performance standards.

2. Ensuring that older adults and individuals with disabilities can make informed choices about how to meet their long-term care needs. Helping residents of Hawaii keep their loved ones in the community by building programs that support the spirit of 'Ohana.
3. Positioning the state to respond to federal initiatives and requirements affecting health care and long term care services.

Senior Centers

The Senior Centers provide not only activities for seniors; they also are the “first responders” in the senior’s life. Because they know the people involved in the programs, they can provide assistance to those who need it and can sound the alert when they notice a change in the senior’s abilities.

The Healthy Aging Partnership

This is an incredible program that brings evidence based programs to the islands. Having been involved in this partnership, I can say that the work being done is first class. Maintaining the efficacy of the programs across the islands as well as ensuring that the programs have positive outcomes makes this partnership not only cost effective but also prevents seniors decline through exercise and wellness programs. I have seen firsthand the difference in people’s lives after attending the various groups.

I respectfully support the passage of SB106

Sincerely,

Valorie E. Taylor, LBSW

January 27, 2013

To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland,
Chair

Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016,
1:30 p.m.

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Stanley Ching and I am a full time caregiver for mother who is 92 years old. My wife is also providing caregiver services for her mother who has memory loss. We live in Pearl City.

The passage of this bill is vital. Providing caregiver services is a very difficult job for both the caregivers and for the seniors. We believe that a home setting for their care is much better than institutional care. In addition, the cost of institutional care is very expensive, beyond our financial capability. We are in desperate need of services which will assist us in providing care to our mothers.

The Kupuna Care program provides services that allow seniors to remain at home as long as possible. This is far less expensive for individuals and the government and it is better for the mental and physical health of seniors. It also provides occasional respite for family caregivers, who otherwise would need to provide caregiving to loved ones, 24/7, with no vacations. In addition, Kupuna Care provides respite services for those who do not qualify for Medicaid, and are not wealthy enough to pay for services on their own.

Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) would help my family and other consumers since it provides a "one stop shop" for information about long-term care options and eligibility. Access to information about available services to help seniors and caregivers is vital. ADRCs will lessen the frustration of obtaining needed information and will help us develop a long-term care plan for our family members and loved ones

In order to provide help to us and to the growing population of seniors and caregivers, I urge you to support seniors and caregivers by voting YES on SB 106. Thank You.

To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.
Re: SB106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of SB106 Relating to Aging. My name is Steve Godzsak, am retired, and live in Hilo.

I believe it is a privilege and a responsibility to care for those who have built the society that we enjoy today but who now find they need help or support. That need may be as little as a ride to the store or an explanation of a bank statement or as large as being told you have a medical issue which needs immediate attention and you don't know where to go for help. These are but a few of daily issues facing many of our elderly. Kupuna Care is there for persons truly in need and has proven to be an effective program, meeting the needs of those who cannot qualify for Medicaid but yet lack funds to pay for private services.

Similarly, the ADRC provides valuable life and health care planning information for not only the elderly but also for their families. Our society is aging with projections of nearly doubling the 65+ population in 20 years. Establishing the ADRCs is a constructive, proactive step towards addressing the future.

I urge you to support seniors, particularly the elderly, by voting yes on SB106.

Steve Godzsak
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To: Committee on Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair

Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 016, 1:30 p.m.

Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Jody Mishan and I am a former primary family caregiver for my father who suffered from Alzheimer's Disease for eight years before passing in 2006. I now coordinate the State Task Force for Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias (ADRD); this testimony represents my personal position and not that of the Task Force. The Task Force will be submitting recommendations to the 2014 Legislature for the first State Plan on ADRD.

Over 20 other states have already submitted plans, and the first National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease was released in May, 2012. There is great momentum nationwide and worldwide to establish and sustain local efforts, partner with national and international efforts to achieve effective collaboration and affect positive change in our communities to improve the quality of life of those afflicted with dementia and their caregivers.

I am in support of the whole Senate Bill SB 106, but particularly to SECTION 1, to establish within the Executive Office on Aging an Alzheimer's disease and related dementias coordinator to coordinate the provision of public and private ADRD services.

The passage of this bill is vital:

To assure implementation of the Task Force recommendations, a position devoted solely to ADRD is needed. Other states have already created such a position in state offices, to oversee the growing community collaborations and efforts to create an infrastructure, workforce, and home and community-based services that are dementia capable.

A coordinator would also build public awareness and media relationships, convene experts and stakeholders to partner with the state in achieving short- and long-range goals including supporting the Hawaii Aging and Disability Resource Centers in becoming dementia capable.

A coordinator would inventory and disseminate current information on dementia to an emerging Dementia Coalition, which includes government, healthcare professionals, service providers, non-profits, the faith-based community, universities and schools, caregivers, business sector, legal and financial professionals, first responders and the public.

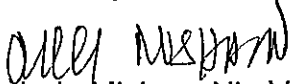
Areas to address are state infrastructure, quality of care, support for family caregivers (who provide 70% of dementia care), legal and financial issues, public awareness and education, improved data collection and analysis, and medical imperatives like earlier diagnosis, treatment and research efforts.

Without a backbone of state leadership, oversight, and ongoing diligence in implementing and sustaining the Task Force recommendations, this effort would flounder. To prepare to face what is now considered an epidemic or public health crisis, the state's oversight, guidance and facilitation is crucial and requires sustained commitment and full-time attention.

It is essential to aim for no less than the ability of a person diagnosed with dementia, their family and ohana – to find affordable, immediate and coordinated care and services upon diagnosis, until the end of life. There are barriers to this presently, but with collaboration and vital leadership and support, it can be accomplished in our state. The Affordable Care Act and the emerging Person-Centered Care models will help with our efforts to make Hawaii's services, infrastructure and community dementia capable.

I urge you to support all those affected by dementia in Hawaii by voting yes on SB 106.

Thank you and Aloha,


Jody Mishan, Niu Valley

To: Committee Human Services, Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of SB 106 Relating to Aging. My name is Gertrude Hara and I was family caregiver for both of my parents and they both lived in an apartment in Kalihi and I lived at Chinatown Gateway Plaza.

This bill is so important to me because during my father and mother's illnesses were both very different. With this they both effected while working but with the help of HMFL was able to assist them individually myself. Being an only child and no vehicle took the bus and walked to meet with there social worker and visit my mother at Liliha Health Care; her illness Throat caner and Dad in St. Francis Hospital, his illness Alzheimers, Dementia and Strokes. Wasn't with the organization AARP during that time. Until after passing and retired was able to participate with this group.

Realizing all this during that time, this bill or with ADRCs didn't have those years of both parents in there illnesses.

ADRCs will lessen frustration and help consumers develop a long-term care plan for family members or loved ones.

I urge you to support seniors by voting yes on SB 106.

Gertrude Hara
Downtown-Chinatown Resident

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 80 years old and participate in the many activities at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide FUNDING FOR SENIOR CENTERS, especially Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a program of Catholic Charities Hawaii'i.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

The many activities and meeting other seniors are so important in our golden years. Music, dancing, exercise sessions are fun and keep our minds alert and keep our balance from falling

We need this Center

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Hazel H. Murakami

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TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I come here 3 times a week. Without the Lanakila multi-Purpose Senior Center we will be lost and become a burden to the City. This place is a necessity to all seniors!

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Mae T. Kuboyama

Address:

Honolulu

City

96819

Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

Participating in Mah Jong, Enka (karaoke), and the Okinawa Cultural Club keeps my mind and body active. Interacting with other seniors also enriches me with a quality of life that is important for myself. I honestly feel that these activities keep us out of care homes and hospitals more often than not.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Richard M. Taka

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

The Lanakila Senior Center gives me a reason to get up in the morning and get moving.

Activities help me mentally, physically and socially.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely, *M. Ishimoto*

Name: Mabel Ishimoto

Address: Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

its my main activity for physical, mental + social purposes. Its close to my house. Its so important to me. Its very comfortable. Without this activity I dont know what to do. It keeps me young, agile + healthy. - so beneficial to me. I appreciate this opportunity very much.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Brae Drey

Address: _____

Honolulu
City

96817
Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I live alone so Lanakila helps me bond with my age level and also socialize I also do lei making and line dancing which keeps me healthy.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Alice S. Tsutsumi

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: I have bad back problem and my ^{right} legs usually gets lots of numbness that I couldn't walk more than 10 minutes. Taking Line Dance AT LANIKILA really helped my back problem. My only wish is that time will be more than AN hour for the week.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Bessie V C Kawasani

Address: Honolulu, Hi 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: I look forward to attend my Ukulele class - to sing and play, also to participate as a group to entertain the shut-in at various Elderly Care Center. This helps us to keep ourselves busy and given back to the community. We need the center where we socialize with many other groups. This will keep us alert and attentive. Without this center, the Seniors would be lost without the social life which is very important to our daily lives. I am very thankful and grateful for this center. We need this center.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Violet S. Kagawa

Address:

Honolulu

96819

City

Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

Seniors need support and to be able to connect with others. Having activities is always good for spirit and the feeling of well being.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: JEFF COCKETT

Address: Honolulu 96819-4134
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I enjoy participating in the different classes like sewing, like dancing, and ukulele classes. Enjoy socializing with all the members. Incentive to get out everyday from the house

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: DORIS S WAIKE

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It gives me a place to attend classes of my interest and socialize. Also keeps me alert and active.

We are also given information on safety issues from the Police Department, Fire Department, on medication and Medicare. etc.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: ROSE LOUI

Address: HONOLULU HI 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It is very important to have this center open to all Senior citizens who can partake in all activities — Also a center where we could also socialize — and meet with all our friends — I'm sure all look forward to come to a place — to spend their day —

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Chris Brimebekuro

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

As a hospice visitor, I learn to play the Ukulele & sing to the elderly Japanese patients! Also I learn Hawaiian Folk Songs & Xmas Songs so I can give back for Ellen's Ukulele class where I learn so much & give back to the community where we perform at various nursing homes. Mahalo to Catholic Charities Van Transportation.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: 

Address: Honolulu

City

96817-5337

Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *it supports my emotional, social, physical and educational needs:*
Emotional - as a caregiver for my 96 year old mom, I found it extremely difficult and challenging to deal with her complaints and demands. Staff and fellow members encouraged and supported me with reassurances from their own experiences.
Socially, I have many friends of all ages and enjoy being with them formally as well as informally,

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Mary H. Sueda

Address: Aiea 96701
City Zip Code

Physically - exercising class at LMPSC has help me maintain a normally routine and supports my general well-being, Hypertensive-ness being a key issue.
Educationally, Learning to play and enjoy the taiko koto taught by a senior volunteer at LMPSC has brought me great pleasure.

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I support this bill and urge your support to provide FUNDING FOR SENIOR CENTERS, especially Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a program of Catholic Charities Hawaii`i.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

1. LMBC is near where I live.
2. LMSC is accessible. I'm taking Tai Chi Chuan because it is my speed, because of my age.
3. I am taking ukulele on Wednesdays, because it is very enjoyable and also I get to meet new people who are of different racial groups such as Hawaiian, Chinese, Japanese, and Hapa Kolohe.
4. LMSC is available to the elderly like me. There are so many good things to learn at LMSC. It is money well-spent.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Lily W. Choy

Address: Honolulu, HI 96818
City Zip Code

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I support this bill and urge your support to provide FUNDING FOR SENIOR CENTERS, especially Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a program of Catholic Charities Hawaii'i.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: it has been the "hub" and most important place during my senior years. Spending over 40 years at the Center has brought me great joy, emotionally and socially. LMPSC is my second home and I have grown so much by being a member. It is where I want to be.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Mitsuko Horiuchi

Address:

Honolulu

City

96819

Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I'M AN VOLUNTEER LINE DANCE INSTRUCTOR + ENJOY THE SMILES OF THE STUDENTS DURING EACH CLASS. TO SEE THE COMMORADARIE AMONG THE MEMBERS IS VERY REWARDING.

IT IS MY DEEPEST WISH THAT THE FUNDING CONTINUE, SO THAT SENIORS HAVE A PLACE TO LOOK FORWARD TO COME TO.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

LORRAINE W. CHANG

Address:

Honolulu
City

96817
Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*meeting people, making friends
Things to do for first time
staff & volunteer are so friendly
Enjoy coming here Mahalo!*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Jean Nishida

Address:

Honolulu
City

96817
Zip Code

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I am 75 years old and participate in the many activities at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide FUNDING FOR SENIOR CENTERS, especially Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, a program of Catholic Charities Hawaii.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

it keeps me active + helps me to continue to socialize with others. My music group is fun + helps the community.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Nancy Beauchamp

Address:

Honolulu
City

96818
Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It provides myself and other seniors the opportunity to get out of our homes and off our backs to engage in meaningful activities appropriate for our age groups. We have worked hard all our lives, and now it is time for us seniors to engage in classes such as ukulele, hula, yoga, stretch and tone classes, etc. These classes and various other activities keep us connected and engaged in a social setting with other seniors. By doing so, we are taking care of our mind, body, and spirit which enhances our lives and perhaps even keeping us away from a visit to the doctor's office thus reducing the cost of health care.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nancy R. (Ishikawa) Weisner

Address: Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I enjoy the unedele class we have every wed. That is my only outlet I have to wait for it every week. I hope they will keep it up no matter. Plus I do send my pledge every yr. to Lanakila Multipurpose.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely, *Charlotte Newcomb*

Name: _____

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It's a home away from home for me. The leaders at Lanakila Multi Purpose Senior Center are excellent! The programs they plan for us are inspiring and uplifting. I'm taking classes in hula, ukulele, and exercise. I attend these classes 3 times a week. I certainly look forward to going to Lanakila Multi Purpose Senior Center. I'm deeply grateful for the opportunity to go to the Multi-Purpose Senior Center at Lanakila.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Cecilia hee-heinde

Address: Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*We make so many friends and
the camaraderie is there. It keeps
us happy and young. We have fun
and socialize*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Ellen Kong

Address:

Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *it's a*

- Great place to mingle...*
- safely and without hesitation to speak out for seniors.*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Ellen K. Kahalehoe

Address: Honolulu 96813
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

We enjoy singing & playing the ukulele with other seniors. It is a fun activity for the week. We also enjoy performing at convalescent facilities. The fellowship we enjoy is great!

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

TASHIRO
Jaye Gastine *Kew Jossins*

Address:

Honolulu *96813*
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

- Supports my being independent,
- Offers incentives to remain independent safely.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Jane Marreia

Address:

Hon.
City

96814
Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*It a place of sharing and getting to know and meet new people.
Getting involve in activities if you want to or not.
Having speaker sharing what they are involved in.
Many many things are done together with one another.*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Maiane Torrey

Address:

Hon., HI
City

96817
Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*Meet new people, keep active,
lots of action @ the center,
lots of activity.*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Bernie Leek

Address:

Honolulu

City

96819

Zip Code

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GREAT Place to mingle.
Safely and without hesitation
To spend out for Seniors

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Loretta Pazama

Address:

Honolulu

96817

City

Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *I can share my skills, socialize with new found friends and physically participate in exercises/dance classes.*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Elouise Frank

Address: Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It's fun, family and friends that help keep me independent.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Laurenedy Ferreira

Address:

Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

They have all kinds of activities that we super seniors can participate. From exercise - dancing music - dancing sewing, etc - also there are all the different ethnic clubs that all members can belong. Where will we go if not for Lanakila. Catholic Charities provide now for all people. We do need Lanakila for a happy life!

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

KAY TAKAEZU

Address:

HONOLULU, HI 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *I am honored to be around a variety of cultures and people who are not afraid to share!*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Donna Oles

Address:

Waipahu

City

96797

Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

- the center is a place where seniors can socialize;
- it also offers many health related classes to its members; also opportunities to have guest speakers who offer health, safety & financial advice
- offer many classes to which contribute to the life-learning process of an individual.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Janet Mujshera

Address:

Honolulu HI 96817
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It keeps me busy with exercises, yoga, stretch & tone meeting new friends, volunteer my services Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Phoebe Kimura

Address: Honolulu 96817-2226
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

GREAT PLACE TO MINGLE
KILL TIME & VEGETATE IN THE PRESENCE
OF FELLOW SENIORS

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Dorcas Gabriel

Address:

HONOLULU

City

Zip Code

96819

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I get to meet people. Learn about health issues. the Center gives me someplace to go to each day.

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Rose Yanagawa

Address:

Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*Go to the Center each day ~~before~~
because I get to play cards. I
meet & talk to people.*

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Key K. Tomomitsu

Address:

Honolulu
City

96817
Zip Code

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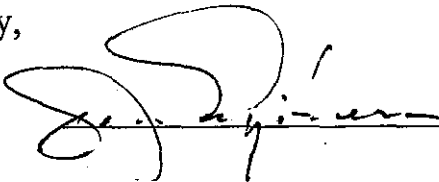
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It is a wonderful place to come for all kinds of very important & informative issues. I also come here to enjoy meeting & making friends. The center has ~~the~~ many wonderful classes & I would probably do nothing if I didn't have the center to come to -

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Name:

Betsy Hall

Address:

Haukapuni

City

96734

Zip Code

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Address:

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Address: Hon. HI 96817
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Please support to provide funding for senior centers for all the seniors well being -

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Sincerely,

Name:

Edith Fujiwara

Address:

City

Hm. 96817

Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because: *I had 2 hip surgeries and I am unable to walk very far.*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT: *Go any where because I have no transportation on days my daughter gets work. There is no one at home at times I will have to call a taxi and it costs a lot of money. Your services are the best & very prompt with very warm & kind service.*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Fannie Samson

Address:

Honolulu 96821
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

*My Right foot is Bad
unable to walk to Jay*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*Go to my Dr. Appt's unable
to afford taxi fares.*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Lavone A. Richman

Address:

City

Zip Code

Hon HI 96822

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

when I shop I need curb to curb service as I am on walker and would be unable to carry groceries on bus.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

go to some of my doctors cuz some of them are not on busline. (Queen's PO B I & II) as I am only able to walk a block.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Leona Makishi

Address:

Pearl City, HI *96782*
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

To meet doctors appointment ^{my husband} who is disabled. and uses wheel chair.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Meet the doctor's appointment and require to use your services.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Clarice F. Choy

Address:

Honolulu Hi 96821
City Zip Code

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I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

*I don't drive, and thanks to Catholic Charities
I am able to attend functions provided by Lanakila
M.O.W.*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*Attend the Lanakila meals on wheels program
at Kaulaun Key project.*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Corazon Carne

Address: Kaneohe 96744
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

Don't drive anymore

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Come to meal site

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Ichiko TAMASHIRO

Address: Kaunoehe 96744
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

THE CANE I USE HINDERS RIDING THE BUS &
AT TIMES MY LEGS/KNEE gives me problems.
DIFFICULT TO CLIMB STAIRS & rise from
SITTING POSITION.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

MAKE DR'S APPTS —
I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO
AFFORD A CAB .

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Anna J. Keej

Address:

City

Zip Code

Hono. 96825

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

MY DRIVING IS LIMITED TO LOCAL

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

KEEP my Drs. APPOINTMENTS

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Kenneth P. Kawamura

Address:

City

Zip Code

WAHI AWA - 96786

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

My DRIVING IS LIMITED TO WAHIAWA AREA.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

KEEP MY DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely, Sadie Monroy

Name: SADIE MONROY

Address: WAHIAWA, HI 96786
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

of age and physical disabilities. Also no one at home to drive me. One son lives on the mainland & the 2nd son, no communication w/ma.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

get to my appointments (medical) on time. also to shop for food & other needs.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Psyche Wong

Address:

Wahiawa, HI 96786
City Zip Code

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I need **TRANSPORTATION** because: I don't have a vehicle
You help with my shopping & doctor appointments

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

do ~~any~~ ^{many} of the above.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Mildred M. Moore

Address:

City

Wahiawa

Zip Code

Hi 96786

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

*I do not drive.
They take me to my
destination on time.*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*go to my doctors when I need
them. I can rely on them*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nicolas

Address: Pepee City Hi 96782
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I need to go the doctor

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

I can not go the doctor

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Sincerely,

Name: *Loretta R. Banda*

Address: _____
City *Maialua* Zip Code *96791*

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I need TRANSPORTATION because: *I can't drive far, & my Licence expires in June '13*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT: *go anywhere when we take trips to the doctors, shopping*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Connie Vitoria

Address: _____
City Zip Code
Waialua, HI 9679

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I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I do not own a car

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

go out

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Address: _____
City Pearl City, HI Zip Code 96782

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am over 60 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

*Going to medical doc.
Superior service
Nice workers.*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*I would have a hard time
for medical appointments*

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Doris Ashie

Address: Aiea 96701
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: 85 **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 85 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I don't drive - I am partially blind.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

fulfill my medical appointments.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Keo Mana

Address: Honolulu 96818
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 86 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I DON'T DRIVE I GO TO THE DOCTORS

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

I stay home

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: MAY YOSHIMURA

Address: Aiea 96701
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 80 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I had an accident 2 1/2 months ago in which I hurt my back. Since then I have had lower back pain, balance problems, general weakness which keeps me from using the city buses which I had been using before my accident. I now use a cane whenever I get out of my apartment.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Use the city buses which were my chief mode of transportation before the accident.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Ms. Cornelia V. Fenwick

Address:

City Zip Code
Ewa Beach, HI 96906

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Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
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I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I don't have car.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Go shopping

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: Nellie Shigetani

Address: _____
City Zip Code 96782

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 83 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I cannot drive

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

go to the Drs.

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: _____

[Handwritten Signature]

Address: _____

City

Honolulu HI

Zip Code

96818

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Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 (1:30 p.m., Room 016)

RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

I am 64 years old and use the **TRANSPORTATION** service of Catholic Charities Hawaii, which is partially funded through Kupuna Care funding.

I support this bill and urge your support to provide MORE FUNDING FOR KUPUNA CARE SERVICES, like Transportation

I need **TRANSPORTATION** because: I LOST A LEG AND HAVE A HARD TIME WALKING. I AM ALSO OVERWEIGHT AND CAN BARELY WALK 15-20 FEET AT A TIME

If I did NOT HAVE **TRANSPORTATION**, I could NOT: Go to my DOCTORS

Please make more Kupuna Care funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name: William HACKBARTH

Address: PEARL CITY 96782
City Zip Code