



To: Committee on Ways and Means
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair

Date: February 22, 2013, Conference Room 211, 9:00 a.m.

Re: **SB106 – RELATING TO AGING**

Chair Ige 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

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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SB106

Submitted on: 2/20/2013

Testimony for WAM on Feb 22, 2013 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nancy Callahan	AARP	Support	No

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TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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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:

*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. Richard

Address: _____ *Hon HI 96822*
City Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

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

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*go to some of my doctors as 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:

Luma 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 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 Katalua 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 Canes

Address: Kaneohe 96744
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, 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:

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: *Tchiko TAMASHIRO*

Address: *Kaneohe* *96744*
City 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 goes to 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:

Dorrie Samaha

Address:

Honolulu, 96821

City

Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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Committee on Ways and Means

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RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

I am 72 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:

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

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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 DR. APPOINTMENT

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

WAHIKAWA - 96786

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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 2d son, no communication w/me.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

get to my appointments (medical) on time. also to shop for groceries & 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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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging**

I am 77 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 have a vehicle
You help with my shopping & doctor appointments*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

do 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:

Michael M. Moore

Address:

City Zip Code
Wahiawa Hi 96786

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

I am 75 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 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:

Nicolau

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

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Latorenia R. Branda

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 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

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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 Ashire

Address:

Aiea

City

96701

Zip Code

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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

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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
City

96701
Zip Code

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

I had an accident 6 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 need to leave my apartment.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Use the city buses which was 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. Consuelo V. Lewis

Address:

City _____ *Zip Code* _____
Ewa Beach, HI 96706

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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I am 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:

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

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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: _____

Honolulu HI 96818

City

Zip Code

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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

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR OF HAWAII



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Committee on Ways and Means

SB106, RELATING TO AGING

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

Friday, February 22, 2013; Conference Room 211

9:00 a.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 financing 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.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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>

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SB106

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Testimony for WAM on Feb 22, 2013 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brucemccullough	Hawaii Alliance for Retired Americans	Support	No

Comments: The Hawaii Alliance for Retired Americans(HARA), is in strong support of this measure. This bill is the major legislation for funding of senior programs for 2013. The Administration and the Kupuna Caucus both support this bill. This request for funding is a modest amount , and will be so important in helping our seniors. Please pass this bill and all of the requested funding.

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Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Committee Hearing on SB 106
Friday, February 22, 2013
9:00 am, Conference Room 211

Chair Ige and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means;

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on behalf of **SB 106**. I am Jill Kitamura, Senior Program Director with the Moiliili Community Center Senior Center Program. I refer especially to **the Sections on funding Kupuna Care and the Senior Center programs and** note that we are **in favor** of both sections.

I do not envy your task of setting priorities on what programs to fund with the numerous needs in the community and limited budget funds. Many of the programs under non-profits, like those assisting the elderly, face the anxiety of providing needed services to a growing aging population with a budget that has remained the same for over ten years, while costs keep rising.

The senior center programs at the different community centers help the senior to remain independent at home and in their community, a cost saving alternative to being institutionalized. Being socially involved keeps the mind active, exercise classes help with one's physical fitness, learning new things and the awareness of resources in the community -- all contribute to the well being of the senior. These seniors not only gain personally but contribute back to the community in many ways.

Kupuna Care Services are essential to helping seniors stay in their homes as long as possible. They provide important services, such as case management, transportation, bathing, meals, respite for the caregiver. Seniors can and will contribute for services, but many cannot afford the actual cost of these services. These lower income, gap group individuals will fail very quickly, needing institutional care earlier than if intervention services were readily available.

I urge you to seriously consider programs and services for seniors to be one of your priority areas.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Jill T. Kitamura
Program Director
Moiliili Senior Center
Moiliili Community Center
2535 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826
Ph: (808) 955-1555

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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,

Name: *Hazel H. Murakami*

Address: *Honolulu* *96819*
City Zip Code

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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. Kuyama

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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
City

96819
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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I am 76 years old and participate in the many activities at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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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 Carey

Address:

Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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:

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
City

96819
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 Lanakila 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 gives 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:

Viollet S. Kagawa

Address:

Honolulu
City

96819

Zip Code

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I am 61 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:

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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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:

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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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 ~~not~~ were we could also socialize - and meet with all our friends - I'm sure all look forward to come to a place - to spend their days -

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

Sincerely,

Name: Chris Irima-Gokuro

Address: Honolulu 96819
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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I am 64 years old and participate in the many activities at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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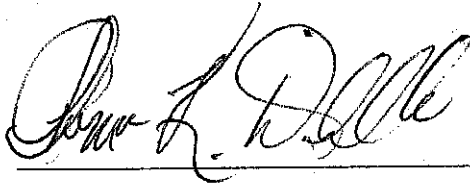
Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

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 am grateful 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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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I am 73 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: *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 normal routine and supports my general well-being, Hypertensive being a key issue. ^{needs}

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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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 Haole.
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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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 96817
City 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 96817
City 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 96818
City 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 & 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 Kuremuk

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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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
City

96817

Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 89 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: *its 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 David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

^{are}
~~We are~~ 77+83 years old and participate in the many activities at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center.

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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 Justice Ken Justice

Address:

Honolulu 96813
City Zip Code

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Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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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. 96814
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

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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 is a place of sharing and getting to know and meet new people.
Getting involve in activities if you want to or not.
Hearing 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:

Maane Gray

Address:

Hon. Hi.
City

96817
Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 65 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:

*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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

GREAT Place to mingle.
Safely and without hesitation
To spend our Senior years

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
City

96817
Zip Code

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Committee on Ways and Means

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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: *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:

Laurenço Ferreira

Address:

Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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

They have all kinds of activities that we 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 David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 72 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: *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:

Don Oso

Address:

Waipahu *96797*
City Zip Code

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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: Geist Mujashiro

Address: Honolulu HI 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

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`i.

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: Aieolu 96817-2226
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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:

Donna Gabriel

Address:

Honolulu

City

96819
Zip Code

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Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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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
City

96819
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:

*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:

Kay K. Tomomitsu

Address:

Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

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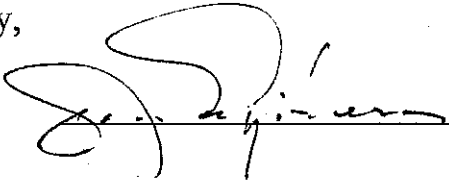
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

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 ^{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.

Sincerely,

Name: 

Address: Honolulu 96187

City

Zip Code

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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *The Salm Bo Dahn exercise class is offered; there are a growing number of participants, which shows the importance of balance and stretching. Also offered are numerous ukulele & other classes. Many members are able to interact in a social manner, which is extremely important in their daily well-being.*

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

Sincerely,

Name: Helen Katahira

Address: Hon. HI 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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

I am still healthy and living independently due to be able to attend classes, exercise (twice a week) and quilting/sewing class (once a week). Also to be with friends.

*I am very, very thankful for this center and Catholic Charities transportation also.
Please support to provide funding for senior centers for all the seniors well being.*

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

Sincerely,

Name: Edith Fryhera

Address: _____
City _____ Zip Code Hm. 96817

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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I am 61 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:

It is a safe place that I can come and get my fitness and social needs taken care of. Without centers like Lanakila there would be many depressed seniors. Many depend on this facility for their livelihood. Please keep the funding coming so more can benefit like I do.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Betsy Hall

Address:

Kailua

City

96734

Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

The center provides affordable exercise classes so that I may be physically fit to maintain my daily activities. This enables me to live my life independently with minimal support from my family and governmental agencies. Funding Senior Centers is an outstanding investment for our government since it reduces the need to fund Medicaid and other institutional expenses and allows our seniors to live life to the fullest.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Jack H. Katahira
Jack H. Katahira

Address:

Honolulu, HI 96817
City Zip Code

TO: SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair

FROM: Eldon L. Wegner, Ph.D.
POLICY ADVISORY BOARD FOR ELDER AFFAIRS (PABEA)

HEARING: 9:00 am Thursday, Friday February 22, 2013
Conference Room 211, Hawaii State Capitol

SUBJECT: SB 106 SD1 Relating to Aging (Kupuna Caucus Package)

DESCRIPTION: This bill establishes and funds a position for an Alzheimer disease and related dementia services coordinator within the executive office on aging and appropriates funds for programs and services.

POSITION: As a member of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, I **strongly support SB 106.**

RATIONALE:

The incidence and prevalence of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias is increasing. These conditions pose expensive and burdensome caregiving duties on the state and on families. The Executive Office on Aging has had a taskforce working on these issues and is publishing its report shortly. The report will have recommendations for implementing new efforts towards combatting these conditions and managing the burdens which they pose.

SB 106 would appropriate funds for a coordinator and for services which would implement the recommendations of the report. We urge you to support this important effort.

Thank you for allowing me to offer testimony.

To: Committee on Way and Means, Senator David Ige, Chair

Date: Friday, February 22, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 211, 9:00 a.m.

Re: SB106 Relating to Aging

Chair Ige 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 Senate District 8 and Representative District 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.

Aging and Disability Resource Centers 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 Hawaii's seniors by voting yes on SB 106.

Barbara J. Service

To: Committee on Ways and Means
Senator David Y. Ige, Chair

Date: Friday, February 22, 2013; 9:00 a.m.
Conference Room 211, 9:00 a.m.

Subject: Testimony on SB 106 Relating to Aging

Chair Ige and Committee Members. My name is Esther Ueda and I am a resident of Pearl City, Honolulu. I am submitting this testimony in support of SB 106, Relating to Aging.

SB 106 would establish within the Executive Office on Aging an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator and appropriate funds for this position.

My father currently suffers from Alzheimer's disease. It has been difficult for me and my family to find the appropriate services that would be able to help. Based on our experience, I know that any family that has a loved one with Alzheimer's would welcome any support in seeking the availability of public and private services as this measure provides for.



Please support this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

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SB106

Submitted on: 2/20/2013

Testimony for WAM on Feb 22, 2013 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
james crowe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: \$9,000,000 is appropriate for Kupuna Care for now. But we must be prepared to meet the rapidly growing needs of our precious Hawaii Kupuna. \$1,800,000 will not be sufficient to allow the completion of the ADRC plan for all the islands.

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Subject: Submitted testimony for SB106 on Feb 22, 2013 09:00AM
Date: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 2:28:17 PM

SB106

Submitted on: 2/20/2013

Testimony for WAM on Feb 22, 2013 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John A. H. Tomoso	Individual	Support	No

Comments: RE: SB106 RELATING TO AGING. (Companion HB4) Aloha kakou, I believe that establishing and funding a position for an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Services Coordinator within the EOA is a very pro-active measure. Programs and services that support our State's growing elderly population with Alzheimer's and other dementias, continue to be needed. But we need statewide advocacy and coordination, even inter-governmentally, for these programs and services to be able to serve more people and with cost-effectiveness. I am in support of SB106. Mahalo John A. H. Tomoso, MSW, ACSW, LSW 51 Ku'ula Street Kahului, Maui, HI 96732-2906

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To: Committee on Ways & Means, Senator David Y. Ige, Chair

Date: Friday, February 22, 2013, State Capitol Conference Room 211, 9:00 a.m..

Re: SB 106 - Relating to Aging

Chair Ige 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 90 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.

Chalintorn N. Burian, Ph.D.

Paauiilo-Mauka, Hawaii District

P.O. Box 366

Honokaa

HI 96727

Phone: (808) 775-1064

TO: Honorable Senator David Ige, Chair
Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013

PLACE: State Capitol Conference Room 211

TIME: 9:00 am

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: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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:

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

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. Richard

Address: _____ *Hon HI 96822*
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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Committee on Ways and Means

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I need TRANSPORTATION because:

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

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

*go to some of my doctors as 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:

Luma Makishi

Address:

Pearl City, HI 96782
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
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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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

RE: **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, 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 Katalua 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 Canes

Address: Kaneohe 96744
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 90 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:

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: *Tchiko TAMASHIRO*

Address: *Kaneohe* *96744*
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

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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 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 goes to 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:

Dorrie Samaha

Address:

Honolulu 96821
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

I am 72 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:

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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 92 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:

MY DRIVING IS LIMITED TO LOCAL

If I did **NOT** HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

KEEP MY DR. APPOINTMENT

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

WAIHANA - 96786

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

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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:

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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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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 2d son, no communication w/me.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

get to my appointments (medical) on time. also to shop for groceries & 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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 77 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 have a vehicle
You help with my shopping & doctor appointments*

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

do 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:

Michael M. Moore

Address:

City Zip Code
Wahiawa Hi 96786

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 75 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 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: Nicolau

Address: Pearl City Hi 96782
City Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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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 need to go the doctor

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

I can not go the doctor

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Latorenia R. Branda

Address:

City

Maialua
Zip Code

96791

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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 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

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 76 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 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 David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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

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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:

*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 Ashire

Address:

Aiea

City

96701

Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

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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 - 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 David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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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 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
City

96701
Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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

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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 had an accident 6 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 and whenever I leave my apartment.

If I did NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION, I could NOT:

Use the city buses which was 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. Consuelo V. Lewis

Address:

City _____ *Zip Code* _____
Ewa Beach, HI 96706

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

I am 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:

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 David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

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RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 106, Relating to Aging

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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 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: _____

Honolulu HI 96818

City

Zip Code

TO: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways and Means

DATE: Friday, February 22, 2013 (9:00 a.m., Room 211)

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

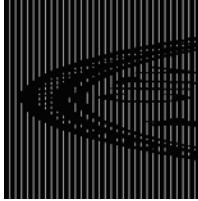
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City Zip Code

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TESTIMONY OF PAMELA A. WITTY OAKLAND, DIRECTOR DESIGNATE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
BEFORE THE SENATE
COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Friday, February 22, 2013, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room 211

SENATE Bill 106, “RELATING TO AGING”

Position: Comment

To: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means

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. The Enhance Fitness is an exercise program and focuses on maintaining strength, flexibility and balance to maintain health and function 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 Ways and Means to pass S.B. 106. Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.