

SB 2228

- Measure Title:** RELATING TO AGING.
- Report Title:** Kupuna Caucus; Long-term Care; Education and Awareness; Appropriation; Fall Prevention and Early Detection Coordinator; Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Services; Prevention of Elder Abuse and Fraud; Executive Office on Aging (§)
- Description:** Part I: Establishes a fall prevention and early detection coordinator within Department of Health's Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention System Branch. Appropriates funds. Part II: Removes hiring requirement by director of health in accordance to chapters 76 and 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the position of Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator. Appropriates funds for the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator. Appropriates funds for various kupuna, aging, disability, and senior center programs. Part III: Requires the executive office on aging of the department of health to conduct an education and awareness campaign on long-term care and have the campaign independently evaluated. Appropriates funds. Part IV: Establishes and appropriates funds for one full-time equivalent permanent prevention of elder abuse and fraud position under the executive office on aging. Part V: Appropriates funds for awareness and education of elder abuse, neglect, and fraud.
- Companion:** [HB2056](#)
- Package:** Kupuna Caucus
- Current Referral:** HMS/HTH/CPN, WAM
- Introducer(s):** CHUN OAKLAND, BAKER, ESPERO, GREEN, IHARA, Galuteria, Nishihara, Shimabukuro



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SB 2228, RELATING TO AGING

**Testimony of Gary L. Gill
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Thursday, January 30, 2014, 1:00pm

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health **supports** SB 2228, provided that its passage does
2 not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in our Executive Budget, and **offers comments.**

3 **Fiscal Implications:** Appropriates \$78,555 for use by DOH

4 **Purpose and Justification:** This measure is significant as falls and fall related injuries among older
5 adults impose an enormous burden on individuals, society, and Hawaii's health care system. Among
6 older adults 65 years and older, falls are by far the leading cause of injury-related deaths (45%) and
7 hospitalizations (83%), and by far the leading cause of EMS attended injuries among older adults (82%).
8 Direct medical charges for fall and fall-related injuries among older adults amount to \$95 million, an
9 amount that could be doubled if you were to include the costs of rehabilitation and long term care. Falls
10 impact the quality of life and independence of older adults. Over half of those hospitalized from a fall
11 are discharged to a nursing facility or rehabilitation center and many never regain full independence.

12 However, falls are not an inevitable part of aging and can be prevented. The Department is
13 committed to addressing this critical public health issue and has already taken some steps to address fall

1 injuries among older adults in Hawaii. These efforts include coordinating the implementation and
2 evaluation of the “Hawai`i Falls Prevention State Plan, 2013-2018” to prevent falls and reduce the
3 severity of fall-related injuries in collaboration with the Hawai`i Fall Prevention Consortium.

4 Considering the magnitude of falls among older adults and the anticipated increase in this age
5 group in the next 20 years to over 18% of Hawaii’s population, the current level of dedicated resources
6 for fall prevention are insufficient. The fall prevention and early detection position proposed in this bill
7 will enable the Department of Health to support a coordinated state-wide approach that is needed to
8 prevent and reduce the impact of falls among older adults and to carry out all other duties described in
9 this bill in collaboration with community partners. The Department requests that the \$78,555 in funding
10 allocated for the position be increased to \$81,985 to include the recently adjusted salary rate for state
11 employees. The Department defers to the Executive Office on Aging to address the other sections in
12 this bill.

13 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HUMAN SERVICES,
HEALTH, AND COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2014

Thursday, January 30, 2014
1:00 P.M.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2228
RELATING TO AGING

TO THE HONORABLE SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, JOSH GREEN,
AND ROSALYN BAKER, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") appreciates the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 2228, Relating to Aging. My name is Jo Ann Uchida Takeuchi, Deputy Director of the Department, testifying in support of this bill.

S.B. 2228 establishes a fall prevention and early detection coordinator within the Department of Health's Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention System Branch, remove the hiring requirement for the position of Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator, requires the executive office on aging to conduct an education and awareness campaign on long-term care and have the campaign independently evaluated, establishes a prevention of elder abuse and fraud position in the executive office of aging, and appropriates funds for the awareness and education of elder abuse, neglect and fraud to be expended by the department of commerce and consumer affairs.

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The Department's testimony relates solely to Part V of the bill, as it relates to an unspecified appropriation to the Department for fiscal year 2014-2015 for awareness and education of elder abuse, neglect and fraud.

The Department has for many years been active in educating consumers about how to protect themselves from various scams, schemes and cons. Unfortunately, new frauds continue to proliferate, and the Internet has made the chances of getting ripped off by nameless, faceless persons or entities more likely than ever before. Because recent retirees and seniors are specially targeted for these deceptive schemes, the Department has aggressively reached out to senior organizations to warn them about the dangers of financial exploitation and fraud and works closely with other agencies to provide a network of assistance for seniors.

Regarding Senate Bill No. 2228, the Department defers to the legislature regarding the nature and amount of general revenues that would be appropriated to the Department under this bill, but suggests that if funds are appropriated, that the funds be designated for "elder financial exploitation" rather than "elder abuse, neglect, and fraud" since the Department does not have jurisdiction over elder abuse or neglect. The Department notes that there is at least one other Senate vehicle, S.B. 2345, that appropriates funds to the Department for kupuna education.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on S.B. 2228.

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Joint Senate Committee on Human Services, Health, and Commerce and Consumer Protection

SB2228, RELATING TO AGING

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

Thursday, January 30, 2014; Conference Room 016

1:00 p.m.

EOA's Position: The Executive Office on Aging (EOA) supports this measure, provided that its enactment does not reduce or replace priorities within the Administration's supplemental budget request.

Fiscal Implications: This measure appropriates funds for FY15 for the following:

1. To establish and fill a Falls Prevention and Early Detection (Falls Prevention) Coordinator within the Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention System Branch of the Department of Health;
2. To establish and fill an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) Services Coordinator within EOA;
3. The Kupuna Care Program;
4. The Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC);
5. Catholic Charities for Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center, Kapahulu Center, Moiliili Community Center for the Moiliili Senior Center, and Waikiki Community Center;

6. The Healthy Aging Partnership;
7. A long-term care education and public awareness campaign;
8. To establish and fill a Prevention of Elder Abuse and Fraud (Elder Justice) position within EOA; and
9. An awareness and education campaign to prevent elder abuse, neglect, and fraud.

Purpose and Justification: EOA notes that three of the appropriations in this bill are priorities of the Abercrombie Administration. These priorities include (1) \$427,937 for the continued development of the ADRCs statewide, (2) a \$4.2 million increase in EOA's base budget for Kupuna Care, and (3) \$300,000 for the Healthy Aging Partnership.

Regarding the funding of the Falls Prevention Coordinator, ADRD Coordinator, senior centers, long-term care education and public awareness campaign, the Elder Justice coordinator, and awareness and education campaign to prevent elder abuse, neglect, and fraud, we note that the appropriations in this measure are not part of the Governor's supplemental budget request. Should there be a surplus of funds available for this measure, we would be supportive as we agree with the concept of these initiatives as they are consistent with EOA's goals and objectives. If the Legislature deems these programs necessary, EOA respectfully requests that the Legislature provide the appropriate resources, rather than supplant existing resources, for these proposals.

Recommendations: EOA respectfully requests your consideration of the following **recommendations:**

1. Section 6 (page 4): The request should be \$4,200,000 rather than \$9,000,000 for the Kupuna Care program. Kupuna Care is the state-funded program that provides home and community based supports such as transportation, personal care like baths, or nutrition services such as home delivered meals. We use these funds to target seniors who are frail and vulnerable, and do not have access to other services. Our objective is to prevent or delay placement in institutions and the need for more restrictive levels of care. The

Legislature currently appropriates \$4,854,305 to EOA's base budget and we are asking to increase our base budget by \$4.2 million. With this increase, we expect to serve up to an additional 3,400 individuals, depending on targeting by level of impairment. We currently serve about 5,000 people at a cost that averages \$103 per month per person.

2. Section 7 (page 5). The request should be \$427,937 rather than \$1,900,000 for the continued development of the ADRCs statewide. EOA and the county offices on aging are developing a statewide Aging and Disability Resource Center system for seniors, people with disabilities, and their family caregivers, to access and receive information and resources on long-term supports and services in their respective counties. We are grateful for the \$1.4 million that the Legislature has already allocated for FY15 for the development of the ADRCs statewide. Our supplemental budget request of an additional \$427,937 represents the balance of what the counties need to continue their ADRC operations and our management information systems.

3. Sections 13 and 14 (pages 9 and 10). EOA recommends that the following language be inserted:

“SECTION 13. There is established within the Executive Office on Aging an Elder Justice Coordinator to plan and implement statewide initiatives to prevent seniors from elder abuse and fraud. The Elder Justice Coordinator shall:

1. Promote collaborative efforts in the development of elder justice programs at the state and local levels.
2. Support and protect elder victims by improving identification of elder abuse and enhancing response and outreach to victims.
3. Work to improve the recognition, detection and awareness of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation by the general public and healthcare professionals.

4. Facilitate the development, implementation, and continuous improvement of a coordinated, multidisciplinary elder justice system in Hawaii.
5. Establish a clearinghouse to collect and disseminate information concerning best practices and resources for training and technical assistance to carry out evidence-based programs to prevent and address elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
6. Work to improve the ability of first responders to screen for diminished capacity, vulnerability to financial abuse, and whether individuals have been victimized.
7. Establish a multifaceted public awareness campaign including public service announcements, and social media with clear messaging to raise awareness of and to prevent elder abuse.

SECTION 14. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$70,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the Executive Office on Aging to establish an Elder Justice Coordinator.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of health for the purposes of this part.”

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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TESTIMONY OF KIRK CALDWELL, MAYOR
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
Thursday, January 30, 2014, 1:00 p.m., Conference Room 016

SENATE Bill 2228, "RELATING TO AGING"

Position: In Support

TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Human Services

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 in SB 2228:

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. We would urge the committee to consider

funding these programs in light of the rising healthcare costs associated with the rapidly growing elder population in Hawaii.

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 an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator within the Executive Office on Aging.

Fall Prevention. Falls can have a devastating impact on the lives of our Kupuna. We also recognize that falls are preventable, and are not an inevitable result of aging. There are many types of interventions, including balance screenings, medication reviews, and vision examinations, that can help determine those seniors at risk of falling. EAD is actively involved in supporting such programs as a member of the Fall Prevention Consortium and currently fund a number of exercise and education programs for seniors in an effort to prevent falls. We also recognize that more needs to be done in this area and thus, support the funding for a fall prevention and early detection coordinator.

We urge the Committee on Human Services to support funding of these vital programs. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawai`i**

January 30, 2014

RE: S.B. 2228; RELATING TO AGING.

Chair Chun Oakland, Chair Green, Chair Baker, Vice-Chairs, and members of the Senate Committees on Human Services, Health, and Commerce and Consumer Protection, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu submits the following testimony in **strong support** of S.B. 2228 Part III, Part IV, and Part V. The purpose of S.B. Part III is to raise awareness and educate the public regarding long-term care options. The purpose of S.B. 2228 Part IV is to create a permanent position whose sole responsibility would be to educate the public on elder abuse and fraud. The purpose of S.B. 2228 Part V is to raise awareness and educate the public about elder abuse, neglect and fraud.

S.B. 2228 Part III

Our department believes it is the lack of knowledge relating to long-term care decisions and the public's ignorance of the high cost of growing old that plays a significant factor in elder abuse and neglect incidences where the victims find themselves in the care either well meaning but ill trained family members forced into a caregiver role, or poorly funded care homes or facilities that are not properly run or staffed. Far too often, decisions relating to later-life care and living arraignments are left to chance. False assumptions are made about the State and Federal resources paying for long-term care and the price of long-term care is grossly underestimated. It is only through proper education and understanding of the different obstacles

present will the public have a better opportunity to prepare for what lies before them as they get older.

S.B. 2228 Parts IV and V

Our department created the Elder Abuse Justice Unit in 2008 with the goal of “*enhancing awareness, prevention and prosecution for crimes affecting the elderly.*” Over the years of focusing exclusively on crimes, both violent and financial, where the victims were age sixty (60) or older, it cannot be stressed enough that prevention through education is a much needed proactive solution to helping to decrease the number of elder abuse cases our State will see in the future. Having a permanent State position dedicated towards educating our kupuna about the predators who are targeting them is much needed.

With the technology available and the money to be made off of committing crimes (including frauds and scams) against our seniors, the criminal element has become very sophisticated regarding the schemes they are conceiving. Furthermore, the public and our senior population cannot rely solely on the media and law enforcement to dedicate their limited time and resources to raising awareness of these crimes and keeping abreast of the latest trends involving these offenses. Having a dedicated person whose entire existence is to provide the public with this valuable information will be a significant step in the right direction for the State of Hawaii to move towards in lessening the impact these crimes have on our community.

For the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, City and County of Honolulu, strongly supports S.B. 2228 Parts III, IV and V. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

SB2228

Submitted on: 1/29/2014

Testimony for HMS/HTH/CPN on Jan 30, 2014 13:00PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Deborah Arendale	Maui County Office on Aging	Support	No

Comments:

TO: SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Senator Josh Green, Chair

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair

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

HEARING: 1:00 pm Thursday, January 30, 2014
Conference Room 016, Hawaii State Capitol

SUBJECT: HB 2056 Relating to Aging

POSITION: The Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs **strongly supports the entire content of SB2228**, which contains five parts which address the needs for positions and funding for home and community-based long-term services and supports and programs which will maintain the health of our aging population. **This testimony** focuses on Part 2 Section 6, the request in to add \$4.2 million to the base budget of the **Kupuna Care Program**, bringing the total budget to \$9 million, which would maintain the existing level of services of the program.

RATIONALE:

The Policy Board for Elder Affairs has a statutory obligation to advocate on behalf of the senior citizens of Hawaii. While we advise the Executive Office on Aging, we do not speak on behalf of the Executive Office of Aging.

- § The Kupuna Care Program offers state supported home and community-based services, primarily to the non-Medicaid elderly 60 years and older. These services provide respite for family caregivers, reduce the negative consequences of caregiver burden, and enable families to continue their care for a longer period. Kupuna Care services are at the heart of national, state-wide, and local efforts to decrease reliance on expensive residential placement in care homes and nursing homes by increasing supports and services which enable persons to remain in their homes.
- § In SFY 2013, an estimated 4848 unduplicated persons received services from the program. The services provided to the largest number of persons were home-delivered meals (2885), case management (1390), and personal care (1126), which includes assistance with dressing, bathing, and toileting.
- § The Kupuna Care Program has positive economic benefits for families as well as for taxpayers. Families benefit by the ability to avoid or postpone the need to place the frail and disabled persons in expensive alternative residential settings, which often require public support, and also avoid or postpone enrollment in Medicaid, which has negative financial impacts on families and also is a financial burden on the state.

§ The Kupuna Care Program is highly cost effective. The average monthly cost of only \$109 per client compared with \$2000B\$4000 per month should a person be placed in an adult residential care home or assisted living facility.

Thank you for allowing me to testify. Eldon L. Wegner, Ph.D.
Legislative Committee, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

SB2228

Submitted on: 1/29/2014

Testimony for HMS/HTH/CPN on Jan 30, 2014 13:00PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Anthony Lenzer, Ph.D	Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs	Support	No

Comments: To: Committee on Human Services Senator Susan Chun Oakland, Chair Committee on Health Senator Josh Green, Chair Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Re: SB 2228 Hearing: Thursday, January 30, 2014, 1:00 p.m. State Capitol Conference Room 016 Testimony in support of SB 2228 Chairs Chun Oakland, Green, and Baker, and Committee members: My name is Anthony Lenzer. I am Chair of the Legislative Committee of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA). This Board advises the Director of the Executive Office on Aging (EOA), and advocates on behalf of Hawaii's older citizens and their families. My testimony reflects the views of PABEA, rather than those of EOA. PABEA strongly supports SB2228, which contains a wide range of provisions affecting the well-being of Hawaii's older citizens. Among these are PABEA's five 2014 legislative priorities. These are: \$78,555 to fund a falls prevention coordinator position (part 1, section 3); a \$9 million appropriation for the kupuna care program (part 2, section 6); an appropriation of \$1,900,000 for the aging and disability resource center (part 2, section 7); an appropriation of \$476,772 for the healthy aging partnerships (part 2, section 9); and an appropriation of \$500,000 for an education and awareness campaign on long-term care, together with an independent evaluation of this campaign (part 3, section 12). SB 2228 contains other provisions that PABEA has supported in the past, and continues to support, although they are not on our current priority list. These include an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator; grants to senior centers; and measures to prevent elder abuse and fraud. My testimony today is brief, in that it is only intended to identify PABEA's priorities, and to express our strong support for the funding requested in this bill. More detailed information about each of these priority issues will be provided, either for the current hearing or at a later date. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SB2228.

SB2228

Submitted on: 1/29/2014

Testimony for HMS/HTH/CPN on Jan 30, 2014 13:00PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Charlene Iboshi	PABEA, Legislative Committee	Support	No

Comments: Senators Chun-Oakland, Josh Green, and Rosalyn Baker, Chairs and Committee Members My name is Charlene Iboshi. I am from Hawaii County. I am a member of the Legislative Committee of the Policy Advisory Board of Elderly Affairs (PABEA), and am involved with many civic organizations interested in the healthy living choices for the growing elder population, commonly known as the "Sliver Tsunami" and "Baby Boomers." I fully support Senate Bill 2228, Relating to Aging, which reflects the needed funding to address the growing social and economic impact of current elder issues. The omnibus funding items recommended by the Kapuna Caucus and PABEA were fully vetted and a product of well-researched and responsible recommendations. Since my retirement last year as the Hawaii County Prosecutor, I have involved myself in organizations that support a healthy and safe community. To reduce economic and social costs facing the elders, disabled and their care-givers, including the government "support net," a plan with collaborative, comprehensive implementation of "best practices" is key. SB 2228, Relating to Elders (and disabled), addresses the growing challenges of long-term care, user-friendly Aging Disability Resource Centers providing "one stop" assistance, fall prevention, dementia and alzheimer support, kupuna care services for those low income, but not medicaid eligible, to keep the elder in the community out of nursing care homes, and prevention of elder fraud. Please support the current elder support nets and programs. The Legislature can work with the Kupuna Caucus and PABEA recommendations to support the economic and social vitality of our growing elder populations. This funding will be especially supportive for Hawaii County, which has the challenge of being the largest county with frail infra-structure. Our super-rurality makes any services for elders and disabled more challenging. Collaboration is our strength, but the unfortunate status of being the county with the most "challenging" economic and social negative social indicators, including inadequate public transportation and insufficient primary health care services, makes collaboration important, but adequate funding is key for prevention of falls, fraud, strengthening of community self-help and maintaining current services. Thank you for your expected support. Charlene Iboshi



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

Committee on Health
Senator Josh Green, Chair

Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

Date: January 30, 2014, Conference Room 016, 1:00 p.m.

Re: **SB 2228 – RELATING TO AGING**
Testimony in Strong Support

Chairs Chun Oakland, Green, Baker and Committee Members:

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 SB 2228 - Relating to Aging**. This bill appropriates funds for various programs and services for Hawaii's senior population. AARP especially supports the provisions of the bill as it relates to the appropriation of funds for a long-term care education and awareness campaign; the Kupuna Care Program, and the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) from the general revenues for the fiscal year 2014-2015.

Long-Term Care Education and Awareness Campaign

AARP strongly supports the appropriation of \$500,000 for a comprehensive education and awareness campaign.

A comprehensive long-term care education and awareness campaign is needed to alert residents to the risks and costs associated with caregiving and long-term care and to encourage them to plan and save for this part of life.

- Many residents are unaware or underestimate the risk of needing long-term care. Approximately 69% of people who turned 65 in 2005 will need long-term care before they die. Individuals needing long-term care will on average need help for 3 years, and spend on average 2 years at home, and 1 year in a nursing or assisted living facility.ⁱ
- Hawaii residents needing long-term care are faced with long-term care costs that are among the highest in the nation and unaffordable for most Hawaii residents. E.g., the annual nursing home cost (private room) is approximately \$145,270, as compared to the national average of \$83,950.

- Though the majority of Hawaii residents (59%) say they are likely to need long-term care in the future and are not confident that they can afford one-year of long-term care,ⁱⁱ few Hawaii residents are planning ahead to meet these needs.
- Solutions to finance long-term care are limited. Medicare is not designed to cover long-term care services. Medicaid pays for long-term care, but only those with limited assets and income.
- Private long-term care insurance does provide substantial coverage for long-term care, but enrollment is limited.

A long-term care education and awareness campaign will complement the anticipated introduction of a public long-term care insurance program in 2015 that helps people with financing so they can remain in their home as long as possible.

Kupuna Care - Appropriation

AARP supports the appropriation of \$9.0 million for the Kupuna Care Program for fiscal year 2014-2015. This amount includes 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 appropriation. The bill should be amended to reflect that the appropriation requested is \$4.2 million.

Kupuna Care is a state funded program designed to help non-Medicaid 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.

The proposed Kupuna Care appropriation is needed due to the increasing demand for services by Hawaii's rapidly aging population. However, it still falls short of meeting the demand. In 2013 the Kupuna Care program served approximately 4,848 people (unduplicated persons served that does not include people receiving transportation services, as reported by EOA). There are approximately 277,000 individuals over age 60 in Hawaii.ⁱⁱⁱ However, by some estimates, 80% of seniors have at least one chronic health condition and 50% have at least two^{iv} who would also be eligible to use these services.

Kupuna Care – Amendment to Section 349-3.1

We request that "Section 349.3.1 Kupuna care program" be amended as follows: (a) The executive office on aging may establish the kupuna care program. The program shall provide affordable and quality home- and community-based services to prevent and delay the need for institutional-level of care and to prevent spend-down to Medicaid eligibility.

AARP is requesting the amendment to clarify that the intent of the Kupuna Care program is to provide services to non-Medicaid individuals. We understand that on Oahu, some service providers are providing Kupuna Care services to Medicaid eligible individuals in violation of the program. The violation appears to be limited to the City and County of Honolulu which agrees that this program is being used by ineligible individuals. Steps are being taken to remedy the problem by identifying the number of ineligible individuals that received Kupuna Care services. These ineligible individuals will be transitioned off the Kupuna Care program.

As eligible Kupuna Care program recipients are negatively impacted, AARP requests that the State reimburse the Kupuna Care program for the funds provided to serve individuals ineligible for Kupuna Care services.

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

AARP supports the appropriation of \$1.9 million for ADRCs for the fiscal year 2014-2015 which includes an additional appropriation of \$428,000 for the continued implementation and expansion of ADRCs. The bill should be amended to reflect an appropriation of \$428,000.

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, Maui, and Kauai. The remainder of the Hawaii county and Oahu needs to be implemented.

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.^v 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.

ⁱ Kemper, Komisar, Alecxih, Long-Term Care an Uncertain Future: What Can Current Retirees Expect, 2005. Inquiry 42(4): 335-350.

ⁱⁱ AARP Hawaii Survey of Hawaii 50+ Residents on Long-Term Care, 2012.

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

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

^v AARP 2011 State Long-Term Services and Supports Scorecard



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

FROM: Diane M. Terada, Division Administrator

DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014 (1:00 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, 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 over 4,000 older persons each year.

CCH strongly supports SB 2228 which will provide funding for Kupuna Care and senior centers.

SENIOR CENTERS

SB 2228, 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.



Catholic Charities Hawai`i supports the funding amounts in SB 2228 for the following senior centers:

Catholic Charities Hawai`i (for Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center)	\$185,000
Kapahulu Center	\$ 40,000
Moiliili Community Center (for Moiliili Senior Center)	\$ 50,000
Waikiki Community Center	\$ 60,000
Total requested funding for Senior Centers	\$335,000

Comparison: The requested \$335,000 would pay for one year of nursing home care for three elders to receive nursing home care. By funding these senior centers, thousands of elders can participate in activities that help them remain active, healthy and independent in the community.ⁱⁱⁱ

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.

Please note that the total amount of Kupuna Care funding needed is \$9M. The additional amount that we request to have added to the current base budget is \$4.2M.

Total requested funding for Kupuna Care	\$9M
(Requesting \$4.2M be added to current base budget of \$4.8M)	

Comparison: The total of \$9M would pay for one year of nursing home care for seventy elders to receive nursing home care. Through Kupuna Care services, thousands of elders can receive the supportive services they need to continue to live independently in the community.^{iv}

Senior centers and Kupuna Care services help 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 2228. 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>

ⁱⁱⁱ Genworth Financial, Cost of Care Survey 2013, March 18, 2013. Note: Calculated on Median Annual Rate for nursing home (semi-private room) in State of Hawaii.

^{iv} Genworth Financial, Cost of Care Survey 2013, March 18, 2013. Note: Calculated on Median Annual Rate for nursing home (semi-private room) in State of Hawaii.



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Hawaii State Legislature

January 30, 2014; 1:00 pm
Room 016

SB 2228, Relating to Aging

Good afternoon, Chairs Chun Oakland, Green and Baker, Vice Chairs Green, Baker and Taniguchi, and Members of the Human Services, Health and Commerce and Consumer Protection Committees,

Lanakila Pacific **supports** SB 2228, 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.

We would also like to address AARP's comments to a House bill that is similar to SB 2228 at the January 24th House Health Committee Meeting. As a Kupuna Care provider in Honolulu County, Lanakila Meals on Wheels is very concerned with some of the comments provided by AARP:

- **Providers are NOT violating their contracts:** The Kupuna Care Request for Proposals/contracts (issued by the C&C Elderly Affairs Division) and Guidelines (issued by the State Executive Office on Aging) do **not** state that providers are not allowed to serve Medicaid recipients. The RFP/contract and Kupuna Care Guidelines **do** state that clients must meet the following requirement: "Not covered by other comparable government or private home- and community-based care services." Thus, excluding Medicaid recipients is a recent interpretation of The Executive Office on Aging.
- **Limitations of Medicaid (Quest Expanded Access/QExA) as a "comparable government service":** In most cases, Medicaid does **not** provide a "comparable government service." Until recently, Medicaid home & community based services (HCBS) were restricted to skilled nursing level elders. MedQuest expanded HCBS eligibility to "high risk" level (lower level than "nursing home"), however, it is still limited to seniors with the most serious health care needs.

- **As you all know, Medicaid is a health care program.** Kupuna Care is a program intended to prevent the onset of more costly health care needs in our seniors.
- **HCBS does not provide the full array of Kupuna Care Services.** For example, only medical transportation is authorized through Medicaid. This does not cover transportation to nutrition programs, grocery shopping, etc. which are critical to the health, safety and independent living ability of our kupuna.
- **Where are these low-income seniors with the greatest need supposed to turn?** Although the Kupuna Care program is not an entitlement, it seems that excluding Medicaid recipients is discriminatory as there is no alternative.
- **Preventing higher costs to the State:** The Kupuna Care program is designed to help seniors live independently — to remain in their homes and avoid more costly premature institutionalization, regardless of whether they are on Medicaid. Excluding Medicaid recipients would exclude the most vulnerable seniors with the greatest economic need from receiving these preventative services, thus creating an avoidable expense for taxpayers.

While we are very concerned about programmatic details in Kupuna Care and ADRC programs, we are in support of this comprehensive package that provides grossly needed resources to address the growing needs of Hawaii's senior population.

According to the most recent Hawaii's Older Adults: Demographic Profile: University of Hawaii, Hawaii has one of the fastest growing senior populations and the longest life expectancy in the nation. Over the last ten years, the senior population has increased 30%.

Unfortunately, there are hundreds of seniors throughout Hawaii on growing waiting lists due to 12 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% and the costs of living in Hawaii continue to rise. Supplemental funding is requested every year; however, this is not sustainable and should be part of the Executive Office on Aging's budget.

As a Kupuna Care service provider, Lanakila Meals on Wheels serves more than 1,200 Hawaii seniors every day or more than 200,000 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. 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

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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,

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To: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senator Josh Green, Chair
Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Members of the Senate Committees
on Human Services, Health, and Commerce and
Consumer :Protection

From: Howard S. Garval, MSW, President & CEO
Child & Family Service

Hearing Date and Time: January 30, 2014, 1:00 p.m.
Place: Conference Room 016

RE: SB2228—Relating to Aging

Good afternoon Chairs Chun Oakland, Green, Baker and Committee members. I am Howard Garval, President & CEO of Child & Family Service, Hawaii's oldest and most comprehensive human services organization founded in 1899. Our mission is: **strengthening families and fostering the healthy development of children.** Our organization touches the lives of over 40,000 of Hawaii's residents each year serving keiki to kupuna on every island.

Child & Family Service **supports** SB2228 in its focus on addressing important funding for kupuna-related services. We especially support the proposed additional funding for Kupuna Care as well as the focus on long-term care and elder abuse.

We also have concerns about how both Kupuna Care funding is used and how the Aging Disability Resource Center (ADRC) will be implemented on Oahu. Let me highlight these concerns below:

We were distressed to read the testimony on the House companion version of this bill by AARP in which they propose an amendment that would reinforce the exclusion of Kupuna on Medicaid or Medicaid eligible from receiving services under Kupuna Care funding. The AARP testimony claims that violations occurred on Oahu in having some providers serving Kupuna on Medicaid or Medicaid eligible. This is not accurate. For years the contracts as issued by the City & County of Honolulu through its Elderly Affairs Division did not require this exclusion. For some reason we still do not understand the Executive Office on

Our Mission: Strengthening Families and Fostering the Healthy Development of Children

Aging is now insisting that this exclusion be complied with even though the Director of EOA has acknowledged publicly that this was a matter of "interpretation".

Another major concern we have with this proposed amendment is that Kupuna who are on Medicaid or Medicaid eligible will not receive the services they need if referred to Medicaid. Child & Family Service, for example, has been complying with this new exclusion since July 2013 so we are turning away seniors on Medicaid or who are Medicaid eligible and we know that the Senior Case Management Services we provide are not covered by Medicaid. Are we supposed to refer these seniors to Medicaid knowing that they will not be eligible for the services we provide? This borders on being unethical. How does it make any sense to deny services to the most vulnerable seniors who are actually the poorest of all?

That is why we have been advocating with other Kupuna providers to try to address this problem and we appreciate the efforts of Senator Chun Oakland to convene all the players to hopefully resolve this matter. We don't need the proposed AARP amendment. We need to find a solution that will ensure the most vulnerable elders will get the services they need. In fact there is another meeting on Friday, January 31st to attempt to move this issue to some positive resolution. We ask that this process be allowed to move forward to solve this problem rather than legislating this through amendments that are actually harmful to Kupuna.

We also support the ADRC as a potentially great approach to service delivery for seniors and the disabled, but we have strong questions about how this will be implemented on Oahu. We cannot have a model that works well for the Neighbor Islands and expect that it can just be replicated on Oahu. We need an Oahu-centric approach to the development of the ADRC that supports existing private providers of services to seniors and the disabled and recognizes that what works on Maui or on Kauai will not necessarily work on Oahu, especially with the huge difference in numbers who would be served.

I wish I could be at the hearing but I have a conflict. I would be happy to answer any questions committee members have. I can be reached at 681-1418 or by e-mail at hgarval@cfs-hawaii.org.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony.

With Aloha,

Howard S. Garval, MSW, President & CEO, Child & Family Service

TO : SENATE ON HUMAN SERVICES
Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
Senator Josh Green, Chair

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker

FROM: Eldon L. Wegner, Ph.D.
Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition (HFCC)

HEARING: 1:00 pm Thursday, January 30, 2014
Conference Room 016, Hawaii State Capitol

SUBJECT: HB 2056 Relating to Aging

POSITION: The Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition (HFCC) **strongly supports the entire content of SB 2228**, which contains five parts which address the needs for positions and funding for home and community-based long-term services and supports and programs which will maintain the health of our aging population. **This testimony** focuses on Part 2 Section 7, which requests an additional \$428,000 to bring the total budget to \$1.9 million **for development of the Aging and Disability Resource Centers** by the County Offices on Aging in cooperation with the state Executive Office on Aging.

RATIONALE:

The Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition, with a membership of more than 20 agencies gives voice in the political process to the issues affecting family caregivers.

The Aging and Disability Centers address the long-standing problems caused by the highly fragmented long-term care services in our state. Families typically find it very difficult to access the myriad of services and resources. The lack of a coordinated system also results in lack of efficiency and redundancy. The Long-Term Commission established by the Legislature noted these problems in its 2012 recommendations and strongly supported continued development of ADRC's as a needed step to overcome these problems.

The ADRC is a single-entry point for all families seeking assistance with disabling conditions and provides assessment of needs and connects disabled persons and family caregivers with appropriate services and resources. The comprehensive assessment tool, which is an evidence-based protocol, has been in use for two years in Maui County. A comparative study of patient outcomes in the year prior to adoption with patient outcomes in the year after adoption shows significant reductions in death rates, falls, and clinical indicators regarding diabetes, blood pressure, and other important chronic disease conditions.

The County of Maui has achieved a fully functioning ADRC and the results are extremely positive. Because the Federal government recognizes it as fully functioning, the County of Maui has secured additional resources from the federal CMS, from the Affordable Care Act

and from Medicaid, and qualifies for other grants. Much of this year's allocation will enable the ADRC's in Kauai County and Hawaii County to achieve full level functioning, resulting in increased Federal funding for their operations.

ADRC's are essential in restructuring our long-term care system to be more efficient and more effective. Hawaii should continue to invest in this transformation, which is in line with the policy directions of the Federal government to restructure service delivery.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide testimony.

Eldon L. Wegner, Ph.D
Chair, Advocacy Committee, Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition.



Thursday, January 30, 2014

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair of Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair of Committee on Health
Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Committee Chairs and Members of the respective Committees on Human Services, Health and Commerce and Consumer Affairs,

Subject: **Support for SB2228**

The Injury Prevention Advisory Committee **supports** SB2228. This bill includes establishing the fall prevention and early detection coordinator within the Department of Health's Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention System Branch (EMSIPSB), and appropriates funds to implement this measure.

Established in 1990, the Injury Prevention Advisory Committee (IPAC) is an advocacy group committed to preventing and reducing injuries in Hawai'i. The IPAC membership include representatives from public and private agencies, physicians and professionals working together to address the eight leading areas of injury, including fall prevention among older adults.

Fall prevention is essential for maintaining quality of life and keeping our kupuna at home. Falls are the main cause of injury-related deaths, hospitalizations, and EMS attended injuries among adults 65 years and older. Every year in Hawaii an average of 7,560 seniors are transported by ambulance to a hospital, which is equivalent to almost one every hour. More than half of the EMS-attended falls occurred in the home or residence of the patient, and this proportion was significantly higher among seniors (71%) compared to other age groups. A fall prevention and early detection coordinator is necessary for coordinating statewide efforts, and together with the Fall Prevention Consortium, implementing and evaluating programs and policies that are based on the best available evidence to prevent and reduce the severity of falls among older adults.

The EMSIPSB is the focal point within the State for implementing, evaluating and disseminating multifaceted prevention measures for injury prevention. Therefore, establishing the fall prevention and early detection coordinator within the EMSIPSB is reasonable and prudent. We urge you to pass SB2228 because this measure will save lives and help to maintain the health and independence of our senior population.

Thank you for allowing us to testify.

Sincerely,

Deborah Goebert
Chair
Injury Prevention Advisory Committee

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair of Committee on Human Services
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DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014
PLACE: State Capitol Conference Room 016
TIME: 1:00 PM
SUBJECT: Testimony in support of SB 2228-Relating to Aging

I am in very **strong support** of SB 2228 – Relating to Aging.

All parts and sections of SB 2228- Relating to Aging are urgent as the unmet needs of older adults must be met. The need to support the Kupuna Care (KC) program with additional funds and funding for the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) would allow seniors to live in their homes and in the community of Hawaii. It is less expensive for seniors to age in place rather than live in institutions. A safety net of at home and community based services is needed to allow people to have access to Kupuna Care.

A one stop center or the Aging and Disability Resource Center would definitely help consumers and family caregivers by providing a central informational base to access long term care options and eligibility.

Funding support to community centers, establish positions for a fall prevention and early detection coordinator, an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator, prevention of elder abuse and fraud coordinator as well as funding for an education and awareness campaign on long-term care are necessary to meet the urgent needs of older adults.

Please support SB 2228. – Relating to Aging.

Thank you very much

Rose Nakamura,

Project Dana

Committees on Human Services, Health, and Commerce and Consumer Protection

January 30, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Conference Room 016

SUBJECT: Written Testimony in support of SB2228, Related to Aging

TO THE HONORABLE CHUN OAKLAND, GREEN, BAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES:

My name is Caroline Cadirao and I am writing to for **support** of SB2228 specifically Section 9 as it relates to the statewide Healthy Aging Partnership throughout the state of Hawaii.

Since 2007, **Hawai'i Healthy Aging Partnership** has delivered **evidence-based** health promotion programs; Better Choices and Better Health (Stanford's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program) and EnhanceFitness statewide.

Public Health Concerns:

- Aging population is rapidly increasing. By 2030, one in four residents of Hawai'i will be 60 years of age or older.
- In the U.S., 80+% of older adults (65+) have at least one chronic condition
- Two-third of Medicare beneficiaries have more than one chronic condition, and cost Medicare \$280 billion.
- Falls among older adults cost the U.S. health care system over \$30 billion dollars.

Better Choices Better Health (BCBH) is a 6-week workshop that offers tools to manage chronic conditions. Workshops are led by peer leaders who have one or more chronic conditions. The results are increased minutes of exercising each week, increased confidence to manage chronic conditions, better communication with health care professionals, and fewer physician visits, ER visits, and hospitalizations.

EnhanceFitness is an on-going exercise program that meets 3 times a week and consists of cardio, strength, balance, and flexibility exercises. The classes are led by nationally certified fitness instructors. Results include improved upper- and lower-body strength, improved balance and mobility, increased number of days of exercising per week, and fewer falls.

I ask for your support of the \$476,772 for fiscal year 20014-2015 for the healthy aging partnership to continue to implement these evidence based, cost effective programs in Hawaii.

Mahalo.

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, & Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
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DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014 (1:00 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 67 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 Hawai'i.

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

*I'm a caregiver of a 90 year old mother.
Lanakila provides me support to prevent
burn out. I get needed exercise,
emotional support and education.
My mother also gets nutritional support
from the Lanakila Meals.*

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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Sharon Kobashigawa

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 70 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 Hawai'i.

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

I find it to be a "safe-haven" for seniors like myself - it's a place where socializing can be done ^{in an} organized-fun setting... seniors can share their "drama" and yet feel respected and needed. Your support is greatly appreciated. (I do feel independent!) 😊

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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Puna Frank

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, 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 Hawai'i.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *This center provides me with the quality of life that is so important to me. Being able to interact with others fulfills my needs for a well-rounded living. I belong to the Okinawa Nenchosha Club, Enka class and Mah Jong class. These things keep my mind active and independent while having an opportunity to meet people. Thank you for your support and I humbly ask for continuing funding. Aloha!*
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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TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 87 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 Hawai'i.

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

*This is my home away from home.
I do three exercises here.
I'm fit because of Lanakila.*

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

Sincerely,

Name: Itsuko Kaneshiro

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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014 (1:00 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 96 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 Hawai'i.

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

Because I attend Lanakila Senior Center every week, I am still very independent — not bothering my children about trivial matters. I am very healthy compared to many of my friends my age because of the various health lectures I receive.

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

Sincerely, Nobue Akashi

Name: Nobue Akashi

Address: _____
City Zip Code
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96822

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, & Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

its an excellent + fun opportunity for physical + social activities. there would be a tremendous void in my life without my participation at the senior center, there is such a tremendous variety that other places do not have, its the best. + keeps me from only staying home, it keeps me YOUNG in spirit, mind + looks,

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

Sincerely,

Name: Grace Chang

Address: Honolulu 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*Keep your mind and health
make friend*

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Gregory Jeong

Address:

Pearl City 96782
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

It keeps me healthy and strong and keep me happy by socializing and I take different courses for my 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 Fujiwara

Address:

City

Honolulu, HI 96817

Zip Code

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

Keep me occupied and busy with all the activities. Even provide me with the catholic charities bus.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Kay Takayasu

Address: HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

THEY keep me HEALTHY + WISE

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Lowell Young

Address:

Hon 96817

City

Zip Code

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

The Lanakila Senior Ctr is very beneficial to all us seniors. It keeps us very healthy, cheerful, socially adaptable and very helpful citizens of the State of Hawaii. Please provide as much

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Fred Lee

Address:

City HON. Zip Code 96817

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice 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 Hawai'i.

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

I like it because I get to meet new people and make friends. I sometimes volunteer to clean the yard and plant. I get to learn new things. It helps to keep me young and active.

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

Sincerely,

Name: DIANA ANTONIO

Address: _____
City HONOLULU, HI Zip Code 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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I am so grateful to all THE PEOPLE WHO
COME TO THE CENTER THE PEOPLE ARE SO
NICE TO ME I ENJOY COMING TO
LANAKILA CENTER

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Kay K Tomomita

Address:

Hon 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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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 Hawai'i.

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

Keep me motivated and lifts up my spirit.
live out of district, but was accepted into the Sr. Center, by Ikie. Malalo!
friendly staff and clubs members.
Get up to date thru the events they plan.
Keep up the good work!
Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Ikie Malalo

Address:

City

Waijale

96807

Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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I am 81 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 Hawai'i.

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

In fourteen hundred ninety two Columbus sailed the Ocean blue looking for what he can get to help his queen and country. Well, In two ~~thousand~~ thousand fourteen people helping people (Kupunas) sail in the New Year. -- Looking to Lanakila for a few hours away from home. We come to Lanakila, just to talk to other Kupunas who have no other one to talk to. -- we do a hula, taijahi, play the Ukulele, tap dances, and even go out to Nursing homes to play our Ukulele and dances and sing for them, what a joy to see them smile and try to move. Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can remain independent in the community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name:

Frances De la Cruz

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

More side by side with a song they know from when they were sweet sweet and very young. Mahalo for your time you take to read this. May you feel and work some finance (money) for Lanakila. May God bless you all.

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

I like to meet people of all races

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Phoebe M Kimura

Address:

Honolulu Hawaii 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

I meet friends and ~~at~~ to see entertainment.

To exercise for my health
I come here four times
a month

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

Sincerely,

Name: Sally Nakata

Address: Hon. Hi, 96819
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

We come to the center to exercise & socialize.

We both take taichi classes. My husband also comes to the Kiattou exercise class. Previously he would drop me off at the center and slept practically all day.

I have been coming to the center for many years since we used to care for husband's parents and the center served as a respite for me. In previous years I enjoyed taking Japanese dance classes & numerous other exercise classes. I am presently taking "Samborou"

Please make Senior Center funding a priority so that seniors like me can ^{exercise} remain independent in the community. Thank you. *class.*

Sincerely,

Name:

Kurt & Lynn Sekiya

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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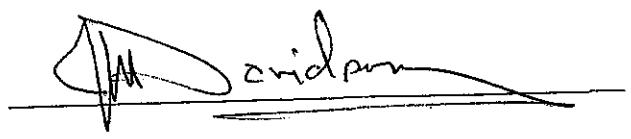
Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

it gives me something to do. their activities are supportive & helpful for all seniors, who attend them.

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

Sincerely,

Name:



Address:

Honolulu 96822
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

Was a lonely person, was invited to join by Dawn K. (officer personal) a while back. Life is happier, many new friends. Look forward to coming to the center. Less a lot of safety issues, health, etc.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Lawrence Ferreira

Address: HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*I enjoyed coming to Lanakila Multiple Center to tease the office staffs
hospital.
I also enjoyed entertaining the nursing homes.*

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Maria K. Y. Saisano

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96826
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*I AM GRATEFUL TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO
COME TO THE CENTER.
THE PEOPLE ARE SO NICE TO ME.
I ENJOY COMING TO LANAKILA CENTER*

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

Sincerely,

Name: KIKUKO KUMAMOTO

Address: HONOLULU HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

IT GIVES ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO REACQUAINT WITH FAMILIAR OLD FRIENDS AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND TOGETHER WE CAN ENJOY OUR WANING YEARS.

AS WE GROW ^{OLDER} EACH YEAR, EACH DAY IS A BONUS TO BE THANKFUL. THUS I WOULD LIKE TO COME TO L.M.P.S.C. AND SPEND A FEW HOURS A DAY.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Takejino Higa

Address:

HONOLULU, HI. 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice 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 Hawai'i.

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

I love Lanakila because of the wonderful people here. I love to talk story with them. We support each other with our ailments. We sing and hula with each other. It is a fun place to be.

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, HI City 96817 Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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RE: IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging

Aloha

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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 Hawai'i.

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because: *I get out of the apt. Get together with people my age. Get into clubs P.C.C. AN HAWAII, Get to take classes MARTIAL ARTS etc. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL STAFF to guide AND lead us. There is much need^{ed} protection AN SAFETY, AN LANAKILA CENTER providing it. WHAT EVER WE GET for help is much needed*

Thank you

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

Sincerely,

Name:

John R. Burrows III

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII
City

96817
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 66 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 Hawai'i.

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

It helps to keep me healthy & active

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Jerald Supinda

Address:

Hon.
City

96817
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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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 Hawai'i.

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

of friends + socializing activities

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Louette Pym

Address:

Honolulu

96817

City

Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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I am 71 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 Hawai'i.

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

I have made many friends with whom I have contact with. I also take sewing classes and exercise classes.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Aileen M. M. M.

Address:

Honolulu
City

96817
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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I am 84 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 Hawai'i.

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

I enjoy attending cultural classes at Lanakila Senior Center. It is home, away from home and a place where we can meet new friends. I take hula classes on Mondays and Tuesdays. My classes improve my body & mind. I learn the Hawaiian language + am grateful for my excellent teacher, Harmony Brighter. On Wednesdays I help to teach ukulele classes with about 25 seniors who enjoy singing and learning songs while strumming their ukulele. I'm grateful for the supervisors who plan excellent programs for seniors.

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

Sincerely, Cecilia kee - hendo

Name: Cecilia K. hendo

Address: HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, & Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
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DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2014 (1:00 p.m., Room 016)

RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 86 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 Hawai'i.

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

The supervisors are friendly, pleasant to talk to and kind. It helped ^{me} meet many friends and old friends.

The Center has many different activities to choose from and participate in. The atmosphere is very comfortable and the people are very happy.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Catalina Bautista

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII
City

96819
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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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 Hawai'i.

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

*Enjoy my weekly ^{days} with other seniors, sharing,
Learning new things, having fun time at our own speed
No pressure*

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: Hon. 96819
City Zip Code

Jan 22, 2014

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice 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 Hawai'i.

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

エナキアセア-エ・教ク いそいそ 仕事も楽し
いそ

Translation: "I ^{enjoy} learn^{ing} various things at Lanakila Center."

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

Sincerely,

Name: NITHEI. MISAYO

Address: HONOLULU HI 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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I am 90 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 Hawai'i.

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

*Meet old & new friends
Enjoy programs from Japan and Okinawa*

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Stella Okun

Address:

City Zip Code
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96815

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*I come to Lanakila on Monday + Thursday
to listen to the programs to have lunch
+ Birthday in December.*

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Tomie E. Higa

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

Socialization & good health.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Chris S. Sasaki

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII
City

96818
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Committee on Health
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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I am 78 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 Hawai'i.

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

Being a member of Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is very important because of the fellowship and things I have learned in many ways. I have learned many things that were provided for the seniors to enjoy.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Nakasono Yoneko

Address: WAIPAHU, HAWAII 96792-3426
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

*enjoy clubs meet people and
make friends. learn things to do
hard to get out of home.*

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Violet Iwasa

Address:

City Zip Code

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96825

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center is important to me because:

This center helps me to keep in touch with other seniors, as we are here to enjoy our twilight years.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Billy Joyce

Address:

City Zip Code

KAILUA, HAWAII 96734

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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I am 82 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 Hawai'i.

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

いつもこのセンターを思い出す - 10 果てなく
楽しみにしています

Translation:

"I always look forward to coming to this Lanakila Center."

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

Sincerely,

Name: SEN SUKAGAWA

Address: HONOLULU HI 96819
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 85 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 Hawai'i.

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

Handwritten Japanese text:
毎朝 楽しく 活動に参加して います
福江 千鶴

Translation:

"I come to Lanakila Center every day. Thank you very much."
happily

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

Sincerely,

Name: FUMIE KAWANO

Address: HONO KULU HI. 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, 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 Hawai'i.

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

I think it is very important for me because can help each others problem and make our feelings good, and energy come to our body, we can live healthy way too. -

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

Sincerely,

Name: Suzie Hasegawa

Address:

City Zip Code
WAIPAHU, HAWAII 96797

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice 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 Hawai'i.

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

SOCIALIZE AND LEARN NEW THINGS AND CRAFTS.

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

Sincerely,

Name: DORIS S. WAIKUKU

Address: _____
City Zip Code
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96819

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 85 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 Hawai'i.

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

To meet friends.
I come here about 7 times
in a month.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Estu Mym

Address: _____
City Zip Code
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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I am 91 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 Hawai'i.

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

To entertain myself

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Green Kikuyama

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII
City

968192675
Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
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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 Hawai'i.

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

it provides activities for many who otherwise would only stay at home

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Diane Kawokami

Address:

Honolulu,
City

96826

Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, & Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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I am 95 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 Hawai`i.

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

。 70年代: 来り様。に在りて 体も元氣に在り 聖(カ)に寄せて
ウレウレ 友達も沢山 出来共

Translation:

" My health has improved by coming to Lanakila
& I've also made many friends here. "

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Nishie Tamiyama

Address:

Honolulu HI 96814
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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I am 87 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 Hawai'i.

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

Lanakila came I'm so happy made friends and see the shows
色々習って楽しく過ごしてます

Translation:

" I'm learning various things & enjoying myself "

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

Sincerely,

Name: Yoneko Tsoehiyama

Address: HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 81 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 Hawai'i.

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

What a great & wonderful place to be. I have met a lot of seniors & also old class-mates too. I love coming here & be a part of this program.

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

Sincerely,

Name:

Helen Palama

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96817
City Zip Code

TO: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair & Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Committee on Human Services
Senator Josh Green, Chair, & Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, & Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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RE: **IN SUPPORT of SB 2228, Relating to Aging**

I am 70 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 Hawai'i.

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

私はYOGA=回 大正琴一回 週に3回来ています
体の調子かとても良いのでお友達もできて毎日楽しくて
外のことはともかく一番先にスケジュールしていつもかかす
お席しいろんな事を学んでいます
SENIORの為にニニのラナキラのいつまでもいつまでも続けて
いいサービスを心からお願ひ申し上げます

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

Sincerely,

Name:

MIEKO NHOMI

Address:

HONOLULU, HAWAII
City

96819

Zip Code

Translation:

"I come to (Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center) 3 times a week — Yoga twice a week + Taisho Koto class once a week. I am learning various by attending and am very happy about my health getting better and making friends; coming here is a priority to me. I hope that the good services here at Lanakila will continue forever + ever."