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**Testimony COMMENTING on SB 1367, SD1, HD1
Relating to Project Kealahou**

REPRESENTATIVE SYLVIA LUKE, CHAIR, COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Hearing Date: Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Room Number: 308

1 **Fiscal Implications:** \$966,090 for the provision of services statewide. Includes full clinical and
2 administrative staffing for Oahu and Neighbor Islands.

3 **Department Testimony:** The purpose of this measure is to ensure the continuation of Project
4 Kealahou ("new pathways" in Hawaiian), whose federal funding ends in October, 2015. The
5 Department of Health takes no position on the appropriations request, deferring to the
6 Governor's Executive Budget request for fiscal priorities. The Department will be able to
7 annually report on program outcomes and financial sustainability. Recently a 501(c)(3)
8 nonprofit was established to secure grants to provide flex funding for training and services that
9 state funding may not cover. Kaiser Permanente recently awarded Friends of Children's Mental
10 Health a \$20,000 grant, which will be used to support families and youth served by Project
11 Kealahou, Child & Adolescent Mental Health Division, and other government agencies such as
12 the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services.

13 Project Kealahou has been grant-funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health
14 Administration (SAMHSA) since 2009 and has proven its cost effectiveness, as described below.
15 The SAMHSA grant will expire in October 2015.

1 Over the past 5 years, over 300 girls have been referred for services. An extensive
2 evaluation of the project shows that the program is effective at engaging youth, improving girls'
3 functioning and reducing the strain felt by their parents.

4 Housed within The Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of
5 Health, Project Kealahou was developed in response to broad recognition among leaders and
6 workers in Hawaii's public child-serving system that established treatment programs do not
7 adequately address challenges encountered by adolescent girls.

8 Project Kealahou emphasizes gender-responsive and trauma-informed care when
9 serving its target audience of adolescent females age eleven through twenty-one who have
10 experienced significant trauma in their lives. Project Kealahou offers an array of community-
11 based services and supports that provide cost-effective deterrents and alternatives to more
12 expensive and disruptive out-of-home placements for youth and a range of cultural and
13 recreational community-based group activities to help youth and their families.

14 We thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

15 **Offered Amendments:** N/A



The Judiciary, State of Hawai‘i

Testimony to the House Committee on Finance

Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair

Representative Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair

Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 2:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

By

R. Mark Browning

Senior Judge, Deputy Chief Judge

Family Court of the First Circuit

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Bill No. and Title: Senate Bill No. 1367, S.D.1, H.D.1, Relating to Project Kealahou.

Purpose: Appropriates funds for the continued funding of Project Kealahou within the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health. Requires the Department of Health to submit an annual report on the program to the Legislature.

Judiciary's Position:

The Judiciary submits this testimony in strong support of Senate Bill No. 1367, Senate Draft 1, House Draft 1, which will enable Project Kealahou to continue operating after a six year appropriation of federal funds ends this year.

Several years ago, when the family court began researching the need for a Girls Court, two primary findings became clear early in our research: (1) nearly all of the girls in the court system, regardless of age, had suffered major trauma and were exhibiting acting out behaviors in an effort to cope with the past trauma and (2) the juvenile justice system, developed in response to boys' misbehaviors, had very little expertise when it came to dealing with girls. The Judiciary's Girls Court, originating in the First Circuit, was built on a wave of support from the community who recognized the new challenges and roadblocks experienced by girls today.



Project Kealahou has and continues to address these two findings. The program has and continues to provide valuable services to girls who have suffered from child abuse/neglect, bullying, domestic violence, date rape, exploitation by older men in the sex trade, and human trafficking. Project Kealahou provides a spectrum of services including specialized therapy as well as in-community, holistic strategies such as mentoring and peer support. Of equal importance to their direct service delivery, Project Kealahou has also begun very important steps to share their hard earned expertise by writing curriculum for professional training and have begun plans to offer this training to other service providers.

Since we opened the door to Girls Court and accepted the first “cohort” (our designation for a group of girls and their families admitted during the same time period), the community support has increased and we have learned so much by doing the work and applying principles being developed by researchers in this growing field. A research finding that we confirmed by our experience is that a surprising proportion of girls in our community in general and girls in the juvenile justice system in particular have suffered traumatic events and victimization. This was borne out early in our research and development when a focus group of juvenile probation officers were asked to come together and share their experiences with their teenage girl clients. Without exception, the case studies involved traumatic events, generally repeatedly, that had gone unnoticed, undiagnosed, and untreated for years (keep in mind these are not adult women, they are just teenage girls who are already carrying such heavy psychological burdens).

Lessons learned in Girls Court have included the devastating impact that untreated childhood trauma can have on the life of a child. A girl’s pathway into the juvenile justice system is often paved by the girl’s very imperfect (and often self-destructive) coping methods to trauma and victimization. These coping methods, such as promiscuous sexual behavior and drug and alcohol usage, not only ensnares them into a delinquency lifestyle but causes long term physical, mental, and psychological damage. This is exacerbated by what all parents know and what research confirms, i.e., teenagers respond more to short term gratification than to a consideration of long term consequences.

Research also highlights the urgent need for gender specific services and programs, i.e., there really are differences between boys and girls when we are dealing with trauma treatment. Specifically trained professional staffing and programs designed for girls were and continue to be challenging to obtain for our girls. Project Kealahou has been at the forefront of research-based services to girls. One of Family Court’s front line employees working with girls eloquently stated that:

I have seen the tremendous difference trauma-informed, gender-specific care makes in the treatment and healing of girls who have



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trauma histories. Project Kealahou has been an important resource in helping these girls and their families, and I want to see it continue and be expanded to serve more families on Oahu and beyond.

Federal funding is indispensable for trying out new ideas and developing new programs based on emerging research. But, there will always come a time when the community must take “ownership” and responsibility for adequately serving those minors in our care. The time has come for our community to do so with Project Kealahou.

Like Project Kealahou, Girls Court began with major federal funding. It has since matured into a program with different funding sources and with a network of public, private, and volunteer gender specific services. At this time, the Judiciary funds the key positions of Program Coordinator, Probation Officers, Administrative Assistant, Social Service Aide, and a full time Girls Court therapist. We have developed a network of public and private agencies and a network of volunteers that provide experiential prosocial activities for the girls such as the Surfer Sprit Sessions, health and nutrition classes, and family relationship strengthening—all at no additional cost to the families and the Judiciary. From time to time, Girls Court and/or a community partner will apply for grants to fund such activities. The Friends of the Family Court Specialty Court also provides partial funding for activities. We receive federal funds through the Department of Health’s CAMHD for gender-specific mental health assessments. This impressive network and “braiding” of private/public partnerships can only happen with basic state funding.

We support similar basic state funding for Project Kealahou, an important partner to the family court. Failure to fund its continuation will result in the loss of crucial expertise and will deprive critical services to our most vulnerable youth. Such loss will result in human and economic losses for the youth, their families, and our community. We respectfully request passage of this bill with an approved appropriation amount and that the funding become effective in the state’s next fiscal year.


Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this bill.



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES
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April 7, 2015

TO: The Honorable Sylvia Luke
House Committee on Finance

FROM: David Hipp, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: **SB 1367, SD1, HD1 – RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU**

Hearing: Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 2:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

PURPOSE: The purpose of SB 1367, SD1, HD1 is to appropriate funds for the continued funding of Project Kealahou within the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health.

OFFICE'S POSITION: The Office of Youth Services (OYS) supports SB 1367, SD1, HD1, but requests that any appropriation not affect the priorities in the Executive Biennium Budget.

Project Kealahou offers critical evidence-based, gender specific services to those girls who have suffered from trauma – trauma that may be the result of a myriad of factors: child abuse, domestic violence, human trafficking, and date rape to identify only a few of the horrific events these victimized girls may have experienced. It is noteworthy that trauma is a common denominator for the majority of the girls involved in our state's juvenile justice system.

The service array offered by Project Kealahou ranges from in-community, culturally based, holistic strategies such as mentoring and peer support to specialized therapy. Project Kealahou has also been in a leader in the provision of trauma-informed care training for other agencies and service providers.

It is tragic that we have adolescent girls who at such a young age have experienced trauma in their lives, and these girls subsequently require interventions unique to their presenting needs – and Project Kealahou offers such interventions.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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April 6, 2015

To: Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair
And members of the Committee on Finance

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 1367 SD1 HD1 RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU

Hawaii Youth Services Network (HYSN), a statewide coalition of youth-serving organizations, supports SB 1367 SD1 Relating to Project Kealahou

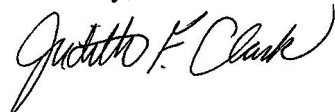
Project Kealahou provides mental health and family support services to girls who have experienced trauma. The program is currently funded through a federal grant that will be phased out.

Funding from the Hawaii Legislature will allow this effective, evidence-informed program to continue to provide therapy and education to the girls and their families, which results in better parent/child communication and increased school attendance. The program reduces the risk of suicide and family violence as well as future involvement in the juvenile and adult criminal justice systems.

I have served on the Executive Committee for Project Kealahou for the past 6 years and have seen the positive effects on the youth and their families.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,



Judith F. Clark, MPH
Executive Director

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| Heather Lusk | The CHOW Project | Support | No |

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April 7, 2015

Dear Finance Committee,

Please support HB1435/SB1367. Project Kealahou provides important services to at-risk juvenile girls who have experienced traumatic experiences. Girls in the system who have been traumatized need gender-responsive services to address their unique pathways into the system, and the damage done by traumatizing experiences that often include sexual and/or physical abuse, often at the hands of someone they know. We know that, left untreated, this trauma will often lead to self-medicating behavior such as alcohol and drug use as well as entrée into risky and unhealthy relationships. Too, it is all too common for girls with untreated trauma to end up in the adult criminal justice system where it may take them years to break the cycle of unwanted behavior. Gender-responsive treatment for girls works and positively contributes to public safety. Please make the sensible choice and support Project Kealahou via HB1435/SB1367.

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair

Rep. Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

2:00 p.m.

Room 308

SUPPORT for SB 1367 SD1, HD1 - PROJECT KEALAHOU

Aloha Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto and Members of the Committee!

My name is Kat Brady and I am the Coordinator of Community Alliance on Prisons, a community initiative promoting smart justice policies for almost two decades. This testimony is respectfully offered on behalf of the 6000 Hawai'i individuals under the care and custody of the state, always mindful that there are approximately 1,400 Hawai'i individuals serving their sentences abroad, thousands of miles away from their loved ones, their homes and, for the disproportionate number of incarcerated Native Hawaiians, far from their ancestral lands.

SB 1367 SD1 HD1 appropriates funds for the continued funding of Project Kealahou within the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health. Requires the Department of Health to submit an annual report on the program to the Legislature.

Community Alliance on Prisons supports this trauma-informed care program for girls and their families. Programs that are trauma-informed at their center are needed throughout Hawai'i. Project Kealahou addresses the many issues facing our young women today in a holistic way, using the principles of trauma-informed care to guide their practices.

Addressing the needs of our girls today *will* reduce the number of women going to prison tomorrow. Our experience with the women has shown a direct link between the juvenile justice system and the women's prison. In Dr. Marilyn Brown's dissertation, "Motherhood on the Margins", she reviewed 240 files of women on parole in 2001 and found that 36% of the women were from the juvenile justice system. We need to stop this pipeline now.

Please support our future women leaders and fund Project Kealahou!

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

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| Tia Roberts | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: April 9, 2015 Members of the Committee on Finance, I humbly ask you and your colleagues to pass SB1367/HB1435, Relating to Project Kealahou. Please support programming for adolescent girls and continue funding for this much needed program. As a service provider for over 15 years, I have seen the impact trauma has on our youth and families in Hawaii. An overwhelming amount of youth in the juvenile justice system, child welfare system, and mental health systems have experienced trauma. Project Kealahou has spent the past 5 years implementing trauma-informed, gender-specific, evidence-based interventions that have helped our girls, those who identify as girls, and their families work towards healing. They have been able to train providers, families and state/federal agencies statewide on implementing evidence-based curricula, and address the trauma the often gets ignored. I also support funding to allow this program to provide services across Hawaii. They currently only provide programming on Oahu, but there is such a huge need for these types of services on all islands. Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony. Please pass SB1367/HB1435, Relating to Project Kealahou. Tia L. Roberts Kaimuki, Hawaii

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Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, a cost-effective program that helps girls heal from trauma.

Thank you,

Edward Suarez,

Kaimuki, Hawaii

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Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This program is an important asset in helping girls recover from trauma and have a chance at a greater future.

Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

HEARING ON APRIL 8, 2015, AT 2:00 PM, IN CR 308

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 1367 SD 1 HD1

RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU

To: Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair, Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice-Chair, and Members of the Committee

Aloha Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and members of the House Committee on Finance. My name is Josephine Chang and I am testifying in favor of SB 1367 that would provide state appropriations to continue the programs and services of Project Kealahou, currently housed in the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division in the state's department of Health. As a community resource and educator on services for sexual minority youth, I have found that Project Kealahou fills a gap in youth services and also fills a need for training of the broader community on the effects of trauma and its relationship to the struggles of youth that are largely served by state and state funded services. Project Kealahou is working to not only alleviate the struggles of the girls that they serve, but to achieve positive and lasting outcomes, and this in turn, lessens the burden on state services. The director and staff are dedicated and committed to this program and are making a difference. I ask for your support in providing the funding need to continue the current program and also to extend it to the rest of the state.

Mahalo,

Josephine Leilani Chang

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Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund **SB1367/HB1435 - Project Kealahou**.

This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, a program that helps girls heal from trauma. This cost-effective program has a proven track record of success, with documented (and published) positive results including dramatic reductions in suicide attempts and arrest rates.

We must continue to support this important program. Our girls deserve no less.

Thank you,

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Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, a cost-effective program that helps girls heal from trauma.

Thank you,
Danelle SK Medeiros, MSCP, LMHC, NCC
Kapolei Oahu Hawaii

April 7, 2015

Aloha, Finance Committee:

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, a cost-effective program that helps girls heal from trauma.

Mahalo,
Steven Y. C. Wong
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Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, a cost-effective program that helps girls heal from trauma.

Thanks so much,

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April 7, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Please pass HB1435/SB1367 relating to Project Kealahou. As a service provider, I have seen the tremendous difference trauma-informed, gender-specific care makes in the treatment and healing of girls who have trauma histories. Project Kealahou is has been an important resource to me in helping these girls and their families, and I want to see it continue and be expanded to serve more families on Oahu and beyond. We really need a project like this in Hilo, Hawaii. I do outreach to adolescents in crisis and many of the young ladies need something just like this program. Also, I lead Substance Abuse Treatment groups for young women and I would refer them also. Thank you very much!

Signed,

Melissa Tucker Anglese

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March 7th , 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Please pass SB1367, Relating to Project Kealahou. As a service provider, I have seen the tremendous difference trauma-informed, gender-specific care makes in the treatment and healing of girls who have trauma histories. Project Kealahou has been an important resource in helping these girls and their families, and I want to see it continue and be expanded to serve more families on Oahu and beyond.


Signed,

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April 6, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Please pass SB1367, Relating to Project Kealahou. As a service provider at Bobby Benson Center, I have seen the tremendous difference trauma-informed, gender-specific care makes in the treatment and healing of girls who have trauma histories. Project Kealahou has been an important resource in helping not only these girls and their families, but also helping our agency with trainings and various resources to help us grow in being more trauma informed in our care. I would like to see it continue and be expanded to serve more families on Oahu and beyond.

Sincerely,

Ashley Wiberg, LCSW

Clinical Director of Bobby Benson Center

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FIN-Jo

From: Christi Garner <christi@ywcakauai.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:24 AM
To: FINTestimony
Subject: Project Kealahou testimony to support SB1367

Aloha,

Sending in my support for the bill SB1367 to support more training opportunities for Project Kealahou. I was in their year long collaborative to provide TFCBT to clinicians and I flew over from Kauai. We were the only outer island to participate and that participation has been an invaluable resource for our community and for the support our agency was able to obtain through this training opportunity.

Without Project Kealahou we would not have been able to afford the flights to the mainland on our small non profit salaries and we have zero monies for training at this time. This again is an invaluable resource for our community and we have served and will continue to serve more families in a more evidence based and profound way in our community because of the training we received through PK.

Mahalo,

Christi Garner, MA

Therapist

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finance1-Kim

From: alohagirl <alohagirl001@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:57 AM
To: FINTestimony

Aloha Finance Committee,

Please fund SB1367/HB1435 in your committee. This is an important bill to help provide funding to Project Kealahou, I believe that this program can provide trauma support and healing to our young girls and families.


Mahalo

Toney Kaipo Kim,

Kaimuki, Hawaii.

To Whom It May Concern:

Please support HB1435/SB1367 relating to Project Kealahou. I support this bill because this program provides services that help Hawaii girls heal from traumatic experiences. I want to see this program continue as a fully funded state program offered for girls, and those who identify as girls, statewide.

Signed, 

Name: Allison A. Ishikawa

City/Town: Wailuku, HI

Date: 4/1/15

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Signed, Keith K. Moniz

Name: Keith K. Moniz

City/Town: Waialua, Maui Hawaii

Date: 04/01/15

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Signed, Caillin Goodier, LCSW

Name: Caillin Goodier

City/Town: Kihei, Hawaii

Date: 4-1-15

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Name: *Elliott Ploude*

City/Town: *Honolulu*

Date: *4-1-15*

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Name:

Causha Spellman
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City/Town: Aiea, HI

Date: 4/01/2015

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Name:


Malia Malufau

City/Town: Kapolei, HI

Date: April 01, 2015

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Name:

Chet Okayama

City/Town: Honolulu, HI.

Date: ~~4~~-1-2015

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Name:

Joan K. Pagan

City/Town:

Kaunohi

Date: *4/1/15*

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Name: Sharon Simms

City/Town: Muliāni, HI

Date: 2/1/15

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Name:

Nettiesuey Mauuad

City/Town: Hilo, HI

Date: 03/31/15

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Name:

Christy A. Hamner

City/Town: HI 10, HI 96720

Date: 3/31/15

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Signed, *Carlina Tanuvasa*

Name:

Carlina Tanuvasa
91-1295 HOOPLO ST.

City/Town:

ENA BEACH, HI 96706

Date:

3/31/15

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Name:

Dina DiBiaso

City/Town: HI-

Waimanalo, HI 96795

Date: 3/31/15

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Signed,

Name:

City/Town:

Date:



Karae Yao

Kaneohe, HI

3/31/15

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City/Town: Honolulu

Date: 3/31/15

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Name:

Jennifer Glaspell

City/Town:

Pahoa HI

Date: 3-31-15

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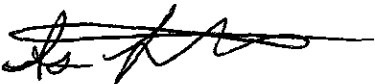
Signed, *Diana Bradner* 3-31-15

Name: *Diana Bradner*

City/Town: *Ewa Beach, HI 96706*

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Name: Ashley Banton

City/Town: ~~Honolulu~~ Honolulu, HI

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3.31.15

City/Town: Honolulu, HI

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Signed, *Danielle Grace* 3/31/15

Name: *Danielle Grace*

City/Town: *Kaneohe, HI*

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3-31-15

Name: *Mary Burgess*

City/Town: *Waianae, HI 96792*

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Name:

Leha Puni

City/Town:

Ewa Beach

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Alan Feliciano

City/Town:

Ewa Beach

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3-31-15

Name:

Sheryl Manzana, LCSW


City/Town:

Koloa, HI (Kauai)
96706

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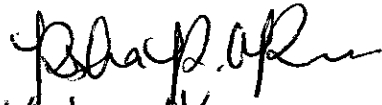
Damian Kaupana 3.31.15

City/Town:

Honolulu, HI

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City/Town:
Kailua-Kona, HI

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Name:

Erica Yamachi
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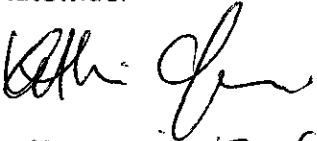
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Name:

Kathanne Finfruck

City/Town:

Kaneohe, HI

Date:

3/31/15

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Name: Mary Osorio

City/Town: Honolulu Hawaii (Palolo)

Date: 3/31/15

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Name:

Wai'anahe Deye

City/Town:

Kihui HI


Date:

4/6/15

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Signed



Name:

HEATHER LONG

City/Town: Makawao, Maui

Date: 4-1-15

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Signed,



Name:

David Cicero

Date: 3/3/15

City/Town: Honolulu, HI

To Whom It May Concern:

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Signed, *Sarah Riddle*

Name: *Sarah Riddle*

Date: *Feb. 28, 2015*

City/Town: *Pearl City, HI*

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Signed, *Donna L. Macchi Ph.D.*

Name: *Donna L. Macchi, Ph.D.*

Date: *3/3/15*

City/Town: *Kaunohi, HI*

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Signed



Name:

Brad Nakamura

Date:

3/3/2015

City/Town:

Honolulu, HI

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Name:

Alexandra Jann-Pratt

Date:

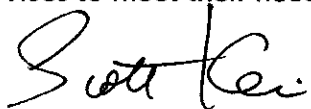
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City/Town:

Honolulu, HI

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Signed, 

Name: SCOTT KEIR


Date: March 3, 2015

City/Town: Honolulu, Hawaii

March 4, 2015

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Signed, 

Name: Abigail-Grace Inamasu-Haotakai.

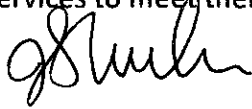
City/Town: Kaimua.

February 26, 2015

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Signed,



Name:

Jarrae Sheehan

City/Town:

Honolulu, HI

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Signed, 

Name: Ellen Eberhardt
45-691 Kea'ahala Rd.
Kaneohe, HI 96744 - ph. 233-5673

City/Town:

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Signed,

Jan Sharp
Name: *Jan Sharp*

City/Town: *COFLC - Kaneohe Office*
45-691 Kea'ahala Rd.
E-141
Kaneohe, HI 96744

To Whom it may Concern:

I support HB1435/SB1367 relating to Project Kealahou. As a member of a Family Support Organization, I have seen the tremendous difference trauma-informed, gender-specific care makes in the treatment and healing of girls who have trauma histories.

Project Kealahou has been an important resource in helping families and youth and would like to see it continue and to expand to serve more families on Oahu and beyond.

Linda Machado

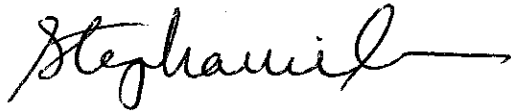
February 23, 2015

Aiea, Hawaii

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Signed,



Name:

Stephanie Tonskawa

Date:

3/1/15

City/Town:

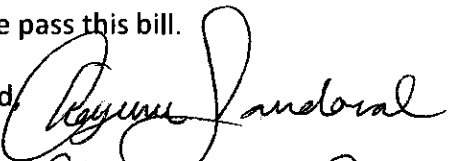
Honolulu, HI

March 5, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

Please support HB1435/SB1367, Relating to Project Kealahou. Project Kealahou is more than just a program to help girls and families, it is a program to bring people together so they realize they are supported, it's gona be okay and everything will be all right. This program helps Hawaii girls get through difficult times in their lives, and truly begin to heal and find hope again. Please pass this bill.

Signed,



Name:

Cheyenne Sandoval

City/Town: Kaneohe, HI

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Signed, Mahalo Aloha, Laura Lei Hokulani Smith

Name: Laura Lei Hokulani Smith

Date: 2/3/15

City/Town: Kaneohe / Kahalaui

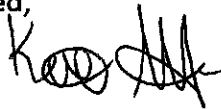
To Whom it May Concern,

As a mother and having a youth of Project Kealahou, I believe we've been apart of, almost five years now. This program has been a blessing and more so such a benefit for my teenager and myself. It's been a growing experience for the both of us, having the support to thrive, to heal, to express and to learn more about how to deal and cope with the day-to-day, we call life. Yet to smile, laugh and to know there is hope and light at the end of the dark tunnel as the youth come to understand one another as well as for the parents to connect and come together knowing what we as parents have in common with our youths with mental illnesses and behavioral problems and what we can achieve plus work on to unite together as a team along with having Project Kealahou to support and help through those years. I've watched my daughter come a long way and gain friendships and that alone means so much, which just to believe in herself and her worth having grown with the support from this organization has enhanced and enriched our lives. Mahalo and Aloha for Project Kealahou! Laura Lei Smith

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Name:

Kirsten Mikels

Date:

3/11/15

City/Town:

Wahiawa

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Name:

Selena Nguyen

Date:

03/11/15

City/Town:

Aiea

3/20/2015

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Signed, 

Name: Michael Mason

City/Town: Kaimuki

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Susan Aytamp

Name:

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City/Town:

Honolulu

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Name:


Chelsea Murakami

City/Town:

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Signed,



Name:

Chelsea Murakami

City/Town:

Honolulu

March 18, 2015

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Kathleen McCreary
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Kathleen McCreary

City/Town:

Honolulu, HI

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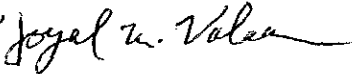
Name: *Mary Anne Quidilla*
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City/Town: *Honolulu, Hawaii*

Date: *4-1-15*

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Signed, 

Name: Joyal M. Valeros

City/Town: Honolulu, HI

Date: 4/2/15

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Name:

Susan Emkey

City/Town:

Honolulu HI

Date:

3/31/15

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Marita Maluf

Name:

Marita Maluf

City/Town:

Honolulu, Hawaii

Date: *4-2-15*

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Signed,

Name: *Linda Takai*

City/Town: *Hon., HI*

Date: *4-2-15*

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Name:

Jamie Devera

City/Town:

EWA BEACH, Hawaii

Date:

4/02/2015

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Name:

Melissa Fredenke, RN, BSN

City/Town:

Kaunoi, Hawaii

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March 16, 2015

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Shannan Hekama

City/Town:

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Signed, *Victoria Aivarado*

Name: *VICTORIA AIVARADO*

City/Town:


HONOLULU HI

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Name: Brianna Scullion

City/Town:

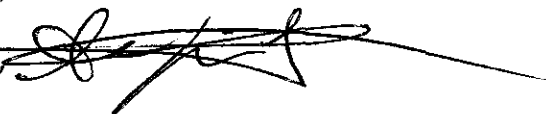
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City/Town: *McCully, Hawaii*

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Signed, *Karpis Gary Boyadjian*

Name: *KARPIS GARY BOYADJIAN*

City/Town: *HONOLULU, HI, 96815*

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Signed, *Michael Ribao Jr*

Name: *Michael A. Ribao Jr.*

City/Town: *140 Ulana St. Makawao 96768*

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Signed,

Cynthia Lau

Name:

Cynthia Lau

City/Town:

Honolulu, HI 96821

I do believe that girls specialty programs are important to focus on the needs and traumas that the girls go through, to allow them to feel comfortable in being in their own space-when they are ready. Gender specific programs are important to provide a deeper understanding of support.

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Name: *Ewaza Parmer*

City/Town: *Waianae, HI*

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Signed, E. Parmer.

Name: Eulaza Parmer

City/Town: Waiānae, HI

I Really think this is a Excellent Program I I think more men should take this training It would be so beneficial for them in Learning how to deal with our teen girls.

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Rachel Pedro

City/Town:

Hilo, HI 96720

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City/Town:

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Jenna Robinson

City/Town:

Palolo, 96814

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City/Town:

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Signed,

Name:

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City/Town: *Wahiawa, Hawaii*

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Signed *K. Takata*

Name: *Kimberly Takata*

City/Town: *HONOLULU, HAWAII*

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City/Town:

Hilo, Hi.

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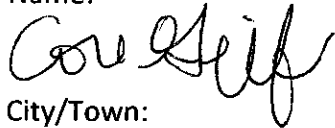
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Name:

FRANKLYN QUEZADA

City/Town:

Wahiawa

Date:

7 APR. 1 2015

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City/Town: Fort Shafter, HI

Date: 7 April 2015

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Date: *7 APR 15*

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Name: *Mitchell, Sheree*

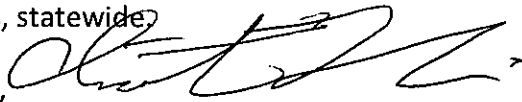
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City/Town: Honolulu, HI

Date: 2015 04 07

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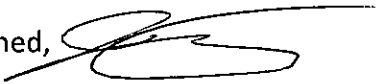
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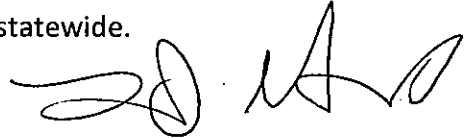
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Signed,

Name:



ALICIA NEUMAN

City/Town:

WAIANAE, HI

Date:

07 APR 2015

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| Melissa Pavlicek | Individual | Support | Yes |

Comments: Project Kealahou promotes community based, individualized, culturally and linguistically competent, family driven, youth guided, and evidence based services. Project Kealahou emphasizes gender responsive and trauma informed care when serving its target population of adolescent females ages eleven through twenty one who have experienced significant trauma in their lives. This program is essential to effectively serve girls who are the victims of trauma. Please continue to support this important program.

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| Gladys Coelho Baisa | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: I'm in SUPPORT of SB1367 SD1, HD1. RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU. This measure appropriates funds for the continued funding of Project Kealahou within the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health. Requires the Department of Health to submit an annual report on the program to the Legislature. Project Kealahou addresses the many issues facing our young women today in a holistic way, using the principals of trauma-informed care to guide their practices. Please SUPPORT. This is needed throughout Hawaii.

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| Peter Gellatly | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: Have you ever been to WCCC and talked to the women there? One quick glimpse into the past of any of them would convince you to pass this bill. It wouldn't be pretty, believe me. Mahalo.

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