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Aloha Friends:

I hope you and your families are well and enjoying the new school year. It is hard to believe that we are already heading into October.

In the wake of the recent storm activity in the Pacific, I have included important information on hurricane preparedness in this newsletter.

Thank you for the honor and privilege of being your voice in the House of Representatives. Should you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 586-8500, or via email at rephar@capitol.hawaii.gov.

Malama Pono,
Sharon

UPCOMING COMMUNITY WORK DAY

On **Saturday, October 8, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**, E Ola Pono Ma Kapolei, Kapolei's drug-free coalition, will be holding our annual Community Work Day, at various locations in Kapolei, Makakilo and Kalaeloa. Work may include landscaping, painting and general cleaning. As in previous years, volunteers will be sent out to various locations to perform work that will keep our community beautiful, while inspiring our keiki to give back and to stay away from drugs and alcohol. Lunch will be provided at 11:30 a.m., at the Kapolei High School cafeteria.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! We ask that you broadcast this community service event to your respective clubs, teams, friends and family, asking them to participate in this very important community event. Please contact Georgette Stevens with E Ola Pono Ma Kapolei at 693-1079, or at georgette.stevens@gmail.com, for more information or to sign up as a volunteer. I hope to see you there!



Above: Reps. Har and Cullen paint buildings at Kapolei High School with students, at Community Work Day 2015.

BULKY ITEM PICKUP

Our office has received complaints about bulky items dumped outside of the scheduled pickup dates. **Please remember bulky item pick up for our district is the first Monday of each month**, and is conducted over a three to four-day period. Items must be placed at the curb no sooner than the Sunday before scheduled pickup, and no later than 6:00 a.m. on Monday. It is illegal to place items at the curb on any days other than the specified collection day or in areas other than that fronting your property. Property owners are subject to fines up to \$250 per offense, and individuals are subject to fines up to \$2,500 per offense. Please keep our neighborhoods safe and clean.

Should you need to dispose of large items outside of collection dates, the Ewa Drop-off Convenience Center is located at 91-1000 Geiger Road, near the former Barber's Point Naval Air Station back gate. Convenience Centers are reserved for residential waste materials only.

For additional information regarding bulky item pickup or drop-off centers, please visit www.opala.org.

THANK YOU TO OUR EASTER SEALS VOLUNTEERS

This newsletter was folded and stuffed by our wonderful volunteers at Easter Seals Napuakea, in Makakilo. The work they contributed to processing this newsletter saved our office countless hours, and in turn, saved your tax dollars. Thank you to Jo Ann Des Jardins and the members of Easter Seals Napuakea for their assistance.



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HURRICAN PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY TIPS

We have been fortunate that the many hurricanes passing through the Pacific this hurricane season, have missed our islands. That said, we must remain vigilant and continue to be prepared for any natural disaster.

What to do:

Should a hurricane warning be issued, important emergency information will be broadcast over television and radio stations using the Emergency Alert System. In the event of electrical outages, please keep a battery-operated radio and spare batteries on hand. If you live on the shoreline or near the ocean, please be sure to check the coastal evacuation maps in the telephone white pages, or visit the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) Website at www.oahuDEM.org.

When a Hurricane or Tropical Storm Watch/Warning is issued:

- ◇ Follow instructions issued by civil defense.
- ◇ Fuel and service family vehicles.
- ◇ Prepare to cover all windows and door openings with boards, shutters or other shielding.
- ◇ Store and secure outdoor lawn furniture and other loose, light-weight objects, such as garbage cans and garden tools.
- ◇ Notify a family member outside of the warned area of your evacuation plans.
- ◇ Leave immediately, if ordered to do so. Evacuate areas that might be affected by storm surge flooding.



Basic Hurricane Supply Checklist:

- ◇ In air-tight containers, store at least two weeks of food and water.
 - *That means at least 14 gallons per person of drinking water, non-perishable canned provisions and manual can opener.
- ◇ Have a two-week supply of prescription medicines and first-aid kits.
- ◇ Stock up on extra batteries or have hand-crank radios and flashlights.
- ◇ Whistle to signal for help.



Have the following items on-hand or readily available:

- ◇ Dust masks to help filter contaminated air, plastic sheeting and duck-tape to “shelter-in-place”;
- ◇ Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation;
- ◇ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities;
- ◇ Cell phone with charger, inverter or solar charger.

For more information on how to prepare for a hurricane, please visit the City’s Department of Emergency Management’s Website at www.oahuDEM.org, or the Hawaii State Civil Defense Website at www.scd.hawaii.gov.

Please be advised that there are five (5) emergency shelters in our community: Kapolei High School, Kapolei Elementary School, Mauka Lani Elementary School, Makakilo Elementary School and Barber’s Point Elementary School.

For the latest storm-tracking information, please visit the Central Pacific Hurricane Center at www.prh.noaa.gov/cphc/.