

REPRESENTATIVE HENRY AQUINO WAIPAHU COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER WAIPAHU-District 38



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Aloha Neighbors,

With Halloween behind us, I know many of you have turned your attention to the Thanksgiving holiday. Thanksgiving is not only a time filled with anticipating a wonderful holiday meal but also a time to reflect on the many things we appreciate.

I am thankful to be a resident of our community and for your continued support by allowing me to serve you. I appreciate all your efforts in the past and look forward to working with everyone to help Waipahu progress.

I am thankful that our community came out unscathed this hurricane season. However, we should not let our guard down. Please continue to have an emergency preparedness kit and plan in place.

I am thankful for everyone who supported improvements to August Ahrens sidewalks and parking lot. The changes will allow safer access to the school's campus.

Again, I offer my sincerest gratitude to you. I wish everyone a safe and festive holiday season.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at repaquino@capitol.hawaii.gov or call me at 586-6520.

Sincerely,



HOUSE AND SENATE ADDRESS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Public safety is top of mind with recent world and local news. Whether it's domestic violence or hurricanes, it is imperative that we are informed, prepared and vigilant in ensuring our individual safety as well as our neighbors.

As Chair of the House Committee on Public Safety, Rep. Aquino, along with his counterpart in the Senate, Sen. Espero, held an informational briefing in September.



(Picture from House Majority Blog - HIHouseDems Flickr)

The purpose of the briefing was to gain a better understanding of existing policies, statutes and procedures specific to domestic violence.

Participating in the briefing were Honolulu Police Chief Louis Kealoha and other Honolulu Police Department officials, lawmakers, women advocacy group leaders, and other community leaders. The information shared included current policies and programs, areas of improvement and opportunities for change.







Co-Chairs Aguino and Espero presiding over the domestic violence briefing.

AUGUST AHRENS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S SIDEWALK & PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS

Improvements to August Ahrens Elementary School's parking lot and sidewalks along with the creation of a new drop off area were completed in October. The changes provide safer access to the school's campus as well as alleviate morning and afternoon traffic.







Top left: Close up photo of the new sidewalk on the mauka side of Mahoe Street driveway.

Top right: Drop-off driveway along Waipahu Street

Bottom left: Mahoe Street sidewalk installed at the top of parking lot. This will eliminate the need for students/parents to cross the entrance of the driveway.

Top left and bottom left pictures provided by Wendy Kinoshita, Administrative Services Assistant, Waipahu Complex/Leeward District DOE. Top right picture, taken by Rep. Aquino, shows the new student drop-off lane along Waipahu Street.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KITS

A basic emergency supply kit could include the following recommended items:

- Water, one gallon per person per day for at least three to seven days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three to seven day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener for food
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger

For more information, please refer to the http://www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family/get-kit.

QUICK REFERENCE STATE & CITY SERVICES

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER: City and County of Honolulu Elderly Affairs Division

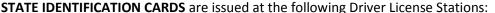
- **768-7705** Main Telephone
- **768-7700** Information and Assistance Senior Helpline

DISABILITY PARKING PERMIT: Department of Health Disability and Communication Access Board

- 586-8121 (Voice or TTY) Main Office Phone
- Email: <u>dcab@doh.hawaii.gov</u>

HANDI-VAN OPERATIONS:

• 768-8300





- 532-7730 City Square (Dillingham Blvd.)
- 768-3100 Kapolei
- **239-6301** Koolau
- 768-4054 Wahiawa
- 768-4222 Waianae

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSING & REGISTRATION

- Licensing (Recording) 532-7700
- Motor Vehicle Inspections 733-2530
- New Registrations 532-4324
- Out-of-State Registration 532-4324
- Ownership Transfers 532-4324
- Registration Renewals 532-4325





ABANDONED OR DERELICT VEHICLES: Please have the vehicle's description (make, model, color, etc.), license number and location address or intersecting streets available when placing a call.

- 733-2530 (Normal working hours)
- 532-7700 during greeting press 250 (24-hour information recording)



REFUSE & RECYLCING:

Solid Waste

- **768-3200** Public Information/Requests
- 768-3401 Refuse Division
- 768-3201 Household Hazardous Waste

Collections Services – Refuse, Recycling, Bulky Items

 455-9644 - Pearl City District Office (Aiea, Pearl City, Waipahu, Makakilo, Ewa & Kapolei)



Refuse & Recycling Convenience Center in Waipahu: 676-8878

Bulky Items:

All areas of Oahu are on a no-call, regular monthly collections schedule for bulky item pickup. Pickup is conducted over a 3 - 4 day period. All your items must be placed at the curb by 6:00 am on the first day only. Bulky items must not be placed at the curb any earlier than the day before your collection day. If you have questions regarding acceptable items for pickup, pickup schedules or sector boundaries, please call **768-3200.** For more information, please see the Bulky Items website:



http://www.opala.org/solid waste/bulky item pickup.html

HOLIDAY COMMUNITY EVENT Save-the-date and plan to join the holiday fun



December 13, 2014 Saturday 3:00 p.m.



Starts at Waipahu District Park & Ends at Waipahu Town Center





