



## The Senate

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### District Needs Fulfilled By Legislative Teamwork

Honolulu- Through working together, Senators Malama Solomon and Gilbert Kahele, along with Representative Mark Nakashima are improving the quality of life in their districts. Together, the legislators secured \$292.6 M in Capital Improvement Project (CIP) funding for the Hawai'i Island districts, ensuring that many of their district goals were met. The project funds were allocated in the CIP portion of the State budget, [House Bill \(HB\) 200](#). These appropriations represent new jobs and job training, education and healthcare, roads, airports and harbor improvements, and vital "safety net" services for our keiki, kupuna and less fortunate. This bill is currently awaiting Governor Abercrombie's signature.

"A special thanks to everyone who called, emailed or sent testimony supporting these important projects. You made a difference!" said Senator Malama Solomon (District 4, Hilo, Hāmākua, Kohala, Waimea, Waikoloa, Kona). "We also made progress on addressing the financial crisis our State faces by passing a bill that protects our all-important AA bond rating. This is how we finance major infrastructures to get results that benefit our community."

"The projects funded by the budget will help move the Island of Hawai'i forward by creating jobs, enhancing our public infrastructure and facilities, and investing in education," said Senator Gilbert Kahele (District 1, Hilo). "Through projects at our schools like Waiakea Elementary and Waiakea High, we invest in our children's educational development and provide a safe environment in which they can achieve success."

"I am particularly pleased that funds have been allocated for a new rescue and fire fighting facility at Hilo International Airport, as well as runway improvements. In addition, we are addressing the critical shortage of primary care providers by establishing the training program," said Representative Nakashima (District 1- Hamakua, Hilo). "By working collaboratively with my colleagues in both the House and Senate we will continue to secure funds to drive our economy and improve our quality of life."

Senators Solomon and Kahele and Representative Nakashima, will hold a community meeting on **Thursday, June 6, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo, UCB 127**. Legislators will be giving residents a post 2013 Legislative Session update, including a discussion on CIPs.

Here are highlights of the CIP funding secured for the Hawai'i Island districts:

**AGRICULTURE**

\$2 Million WAIMEA IRRIGATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS  
\$4.4 Million LOWER HAMAKUA DITCH WATERSHED PROJECT

**AIRPORTS**

\$43.4 Million HILO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NEW AIR RESCUE AND FIRE FIGHTING FACILITY,  
RUNWAY 3-21 RECONSTRUCTION, SECURITY ACCESS CONTROL  
\$113.5 Million KONA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SECURITY ACCESS CONTROL, TERMINAL EXPANSION,  
INTERNATIONAL ARRIVALS BUILDING  
\$3 Million ELLISON S. ONIZUKA SPACE MUSEUM; IMPROVEMENTS

**DBEDT**

\$12.017 Million NELHA SEAWATER SYSTEM UPGRADES, ROAD AND NEW INTERSECTION CONNECTIONS

**DEFENSE**

\$5.9 Million YOUTH CHALLENGE ACADEMY (YCA) UPGRADE & IMPROVEMENTS  
\$300,000 WEST HAWAI'I VETERANS CENTER; PLANS & DESIGN

**EDUCATION**

\$1 Million HONOKAA HIGH SCHOOL; ATHLETIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS  
\$5 Million WAIMEA MIDDLE SCHOOL; 9-CLASSROOM SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY  
BUILDING  
\$300,000 KEALAKEHE HIGH SCHOOL; ALL-WEATHER AND SYNTHETIC TRACK  
\$1.5 million WAIAKEA ELEMENATARY SCHOOL; PLAY COURT  
\$450, 000 WAIAKEA HIGH SCHOOL; NEW BATTING CAGE

**HARBORS**

\$1 Million HILO HARBOR MODIFICATIONS

**HEALTH**

\$1 Million HAWAI'I ISLAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; CONSTRUCTION OF A  
NEW ADULT DAY CARE FACILITY  
\$4 Million KONA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL; RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES  
\$1 Million KOHALA COMMUNITY HOPITAL; RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES  
\$1.8 Million HB417: PRIMARY CARE TRAINING PROGRAM AT HILO MEDICAL CENTER

**HUMAN SERVICES**

\$643,000 THE SALVATION ARMY FAMILY INTERVENTION SERVICES

**JUDICIARY**

\$9 Million KONA JUDICIARY COMPLEX

**LABOR**

\$1.2 Million HAWAI'I COUNTY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL; EMERGENCY REPAIRS AND  
HANDICAPPED ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS  
\$1.5 Million KAHILU THEATRE FOUNDATION; IMPROVEMENT OF EXISTING FACILITIES  
\$30,000 BRANTLEY CENTER, INC.; RENOVATIONS OF EXISTING FACILITIES IN HONOKA'A

**LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

\$6.5 Million PUUANAHULU SHOOTING RANGE FACILITY

**ROADS**

\$7.5 Million AKONI PULE HIGHWAY, REALIGNMENT AND WIDENING

\$4 Million HAWAI'I BELT ROAD ROCKFALL PROTECTION & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AT PAPAALOA

\$27.7 Million QUEEN KAAHUMANU HIGHWAY WIDENING

\$15.7 Million SADDLE ROAD EXTENSION TO KAAHUMANU HWY & MAINTENANCE BASEYARD

\$1 Million IMPROVEMENTS TO INTERSECTION AND SIDEWALK OF MAMANE STREET, HONOKAA

\$6.25 Million PUAINAKO ST. WIDENING/REALIGNMENT, KANOELEHUA AVENUE TO KOMOHANA STREET

**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I**

\$2.4 Million UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I PALAMANUI CAMPUS, PHASE I

\$2 Million UHH OFFICE OF MAUNA KEA MANAGEMENT; IMPROVEMENTS AND RENOVATION

\$600,000 NORTH HAWAI'I EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTER; RENOVATIONS

**COUNTIES**

\$5 Million WAIMEA DISTRICT/REGIONAL PARK; PHASE 1, FOR A ONE-TO-ONE MATCH OF COUNTY FUNDS OF \$2.5 MILLION

**TOTAL**  
**\$292.590 Million**

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