



COUNTDOWN TO THE 2025 O'AHU COUNTY CONVENTION

We hope you'll join us next month at the O'ahu County Convention on **Saturday, May 10 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** . This year we will be electing a new executive committee and discussing items to shape our work for the next two years as Democrats on the county level.

Our convention business will include:

- Electing county officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary)
- Electing region chairs
- Considering and voting on county platform changes
- Considering and voting on county bylaws changes
- Considering and voting on resolutions regarding county issues



Join Us at the Convention as a Delegate!

There are two simple things you need to do to attend the O'ahu County Convention: be designated as a convention delegate and pay the registration fee. That's all!

You are already a delegate if you are:

- A member of a District Council
- An At-Large District Delegate
- A current elected Democratic official
- A former O'ahu County Chair
- Former Democratic Governors, Lt. Governors, O'ahu Mayors, State Party Chairs, O'ahu County Committee Chairs, and the current state party chair



To sign up to become an At-Large District Delegate, contact your District Chair.

After you are designated as a convention delegate, pay your registration fee online or via mail:



- **Regular rate: \$40 if paid before 11:59 p.m., April 25, 2025**
- **Late Rate: \$50 if paid before 11:59 p.m., May 7, 2025**

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[to pay online](#)

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[for a paper form](#)

Reports from our Platform, Rules and Resolutions Convention Committees



Our Platform, Rules and Resolutions Committees have been working hard this month to prepare materials for delegates to vote on in May.

All committee reports will be posted on the homepage at oahudemocrats.org on April 30, 2025.

If you would like to separate any of the recommendations by the committees for discussion and action on the convention floor, you, as a delegate, may submit a **Separation Form** which can also be found on the website.

Step up! Be a leader in the Party!

Run for O'ahu County Committee Positions

If you are interested in running for Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant Secretary or one of our 10 Regional Chair positions, submit your nomination form and required signatures by **4:30 p.m. on April 30, 2025**

[Click here for nomination form](#)

Questions about the nomination process?

Contact Lorna Takehara Strand lorna.strand@gmail.com

**See you
at the convention!**

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025

Weinberg Memorial Hall, Ke'ehi Lagoon
2685 North Nimitz Highway, Honolulu

Registration & Breakfast: 8:00-9:00 AM

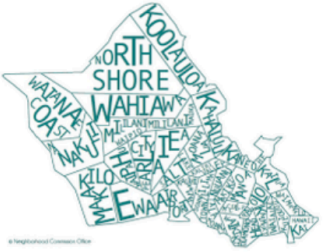
Call to Order: 9:00 AM

Bento Lunch

"Hawai'i Aloha" & Adjournment: 2:00 PM

NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD ELECTIONS UPDATE

Nominations have been finalized and we'll be voting in local neighborhood board elections from April 25 - May 16, 2025. The neighborhood boards serve a critical role in taking the pulse of our communities. Board members are the first level of elected officials representing our needs. As we work to implement our democratic values in our districts across the island, we hope you will take the time to support Democrats running in your local neighborhood board election.



Democrats Running in CONTESTED Races

These Democrats are running in contested races in the Neighborhood Board elections which will take place from April 25 through May 16, 2025.

Greg Knudsen - Hawai'i Kai
Angie Knight - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Bruce Wong - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Robert Zane - Mānoa
Kenneth Jacob - Waikīkī
Jeffrey D. Merz - Waikīkī
Sarah Worth - Waikīkī
Louis Erteschik - Waikīkī
Daniel Jacob - Waikīkī
Sam Mitchell - Makiki-Tantalus
Harris Nakamoto - Makiki-Tantalus
Ken Peck - Makiki-Tantalus
Ian Ross - Makiki-Tantalus
John Steelquist - Makiki-Tantalus
Bronson Silva - Makiki-Tantalus
Richard Kawano - Makiki-Tantalus
Robert E. Peters - Makiki-Tantalus
Lori Farinas - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Robert Armstrong - Downtown-Chinatown
Ernest Carvalho - Downtown-Chinatown
Kevin McDonald - Downtown-Chinatown
Chu Lan Shubert-Kwock - Downtown-Chinatown
Miriam (Mimi) Elliott - Downtown-Chinatown
Nicole Shintani - Downtown-Chinatown
Alika Valdez - Liliha-'Ālewa
Christy K. MacPherson - Liliha-'Ālewa
Ron Higa - Liliha-'Ālewa
Cora Yamamoto - Liliha-'Ālewa
Evelyn Cullen - Kalihi-Pālāma
Ken Farm - Kalihi-Pālāma
Lynn Vasquez - Kalihi-Pālāma
Lloyd Pohano - Kalihi-Pālāma

Patricia Hoopii - Kalihi-Pālāma
Amanda Ybanez - Kalihi-Pālāma
Joe Dumayag - Kalihi-Pālāma
Alan Kumalae - Kalihi Valley
Simeon Rojas - Kalihi Valley
Hernando Tan - Kalihi Valley
Leialoha Tumbaga - Kalihi Valley
May Mizuno - Kalihi Valley
Ronald E. Fitch - 'Aiea
John Clark III - 'Ewa
John Rogers - 'Ewa
Corey Rosenlee - 'Ewa
Charles P. Miller - 'Ewa
Susan Gorman-Chang - 'Ewa
Charmane Valerio - 'Ewa
Zachary Espino - 'Ewa
Dana P. Newman - Wai'anae Coast
Kalei Wilbur - Wai'anae Coast
Jo Jordan - Wai'anae Coast
Cross Makani Crabbe - Wai'anae Coast
Danielle Bass - Mililani-Waipio
Ken Inouye - Mililani-Waipio
Marilyn Lee - Mililani-Waipio
Alexander Ozawa - Mililani-Waipio
Robin Nelson - Mililani-Waipio
Leslie Among - Mililani-Waipio
Ann Freed - Mililani-Waipio
Katherine Ozawa - Mililani-Waipio
Denise Antolini - North Shore
SharLyn Foo - North Shore
Blake McElheny - North Shore

Sunny Unga - Ko'olauloa
Melissa Primacio - Ko'olauloa
Evelyn Lane - Ko'olauloa
Uila Fotu Vendiola - Ko'olauloa
Kela Miller - Ko'olauloa
Ben Shafer - Ko'olauloa
Leialoha Rocky Kaluhiwa - Kahalu'u
Kenneth LeVasseur - Kahalu'u
Daniel Eliyahu Bender - Kahalu'u
Levani Lipton - Kailua
Steven Trecker - Kailua
Evan Weber - Kailua
Kaai Bruhn - Kailua
Jon White - Kailua
Emily O. Andrade - Kailua
Jennifer Barra - Kailua

Amy Bossler - Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
Kioni Dudley - Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
Anthony Makana Paris - Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
Tiare Taala - Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
Thad Spreg - Makakilo-Kapolei-Honokai Hale
James A. Cowles - Nānākuli-Mā'ili
Naomi Hanohano - Nānākuli-Mā'ili



- Friday, April 25, 2025: Voting begins; Passcodes mailed out
- Friday, May 16, 2025: Voting ends
- Friday, May 23, 2025: Deadline for ballots postmarked no later than Monday, May 19, 2025 to be received

Democrats Running in UNCONTESTED Races

Congratulations to the following Democrats who will be seated on their Neighborhood Boards for the two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025.

Roberta Mayor - Hawai'i Kai
Samuel Wolff - Hawai'i Kai
Clarissa Burkert - Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki
Doorae Shin - Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki
Mecca Monson-Gere - Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki
Jeanine Johnson - Kuli'ou'ou-Kalani Iki
Leon Castonguay - Wai'alae-Kāhala
Rich Turbin - Wai'alae-Kāhala
Brian Kang - Kaimukī
James Logue - Kaimukī
Kelsie Aguilera - Kaimukī
Becky Gardner - Kaimukī
John Arnest - Kaimukī
Carole Mandryk - Kaimukī
Audrey Abe - Kaimukī
Anthony Miranda - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Winston Welch - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Michelle S. Matson - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Linda Wong - Diam. Head-Kapahulu-St. Louis
Randolph Hack - Pālolo
Andrew Phomsouvanh - Pālolo
Darlene Nakayama - Pālolo
Earl M. Shiraki - Pālolo
Sean Aronson - Pālolo
Elton Fukumoto - Mānoa
Dave Nagaji - Mānoa

Joan Koff - Mānoa
Philmund Lee - Mānoa
Brad Shields - Mānoa
John Johnson - McCully-Mō'ili'i
Darryl Young - McCully-Mō'ili'i
Louis Galdeira - McCully-Mō'ili'i
Justin L. Menina - McCully-Mō'ili'i
Christopher Salas - McCully-Mō'ili'i
Tim Huycke - Waikī
Nathan Char - Makiki-Tantalus
Dale Vanderbrink - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Dyson Chee - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Eduardo Hernandez - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Sheri M Rand - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Jeanne Rice - Ala Moana-Kaka'ako
Kathy Grebe - Nu'uanu-Punchbowl
Patrick Smith - Nu'uanu-Punchbowl
Rae Gee - Nu'uanu-Punchbowl
Audrey Hidano - Nu'uanu-Punchbowl
Larry Smith - Nu'uanu-Punchbowl
Brandon Mitsuda - Liliha-Ālewa
Nicole Hind - Āliamanu-Salt Lake
Joseph Omura - Āliamanu-Salt Lake
Tracy Arakaki - 'Aiea
Stephen Wood - 'Aiea
Jordan Conley - 'Aiea
William B. Clark - 'Aiea
May Imamura-Uruu - 'Aiea
Richard Mizusawa - 'Aiea

Charmaine Doran - Pearl City
Guy Inouye - Pearl City
Daniel Smith - Pearl City
Nathan Takeuchi - Pearl City
Richard Oshiro - Waipahū
Richard T. Asperin - Waipahū
Nainoa Molitor - Waipahū
Kevin Wilson - Waipahū
Jayton Chang - Waipahū
Nathan Chang - Waipahū
Maurice Morita - Waipahū
Elise Carmody - Mililani-Waipī'o
Darsha Lee - Mililani-Waipī'o
Trevor Nagamine - Mililani-Waipī'o
Martina Segura - Mililani-Waipī'o
Joe Francher - Wahiawā-Whitmore Village

Yvonne Yoro - Wahiawā-Whitmore Village
Erin Mendelson - Wahiawā-Whitmore Village
Jyun Yamamoto - Wahiawā-Whitmore Village
Kathleen Pahinui - North Shore
Racquel Achiu - North Shore
Michael Epp - Ko'olauloa
Ian Akahi Masterson - Kahalu'u
John Reppun - Kahalu'u
Elena Bryant - Kāne'ohe
Mo Radke - Kāne'ohe
Kate Righter - Kailua
Donna Wong - Kailua
Dean Hazama - Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley
Dave Fields - Mililani Mauka-Launani Valley

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more info on NBs](#)**



RESISTANCE STEW!

As part of O’ahu Democrats Resistance Plan, a stew/rice event was held at Palama Settlement on April 5th to learn about resistance efforts happening in Hawai’i.



Watch and learn from the YouTube videos of the excellent speakers who joined us.

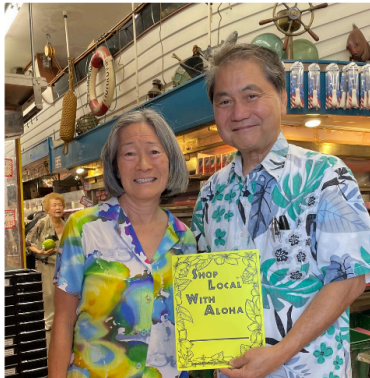
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DAVE DAY

LIZA RYAN GILL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COALITION FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

SENATOR KARL RHOADS

TIM HUYCKE, BOYCOTT TESLA PROJECT CHAIR

HAWAI'I DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR DEREK TURBIN



Everyone was urged to commit to taking some action, no matter how small, to resist Trump’s administration. District 27 Chair Cora Yamamoto posted “Shop Local with Aloha” signs in her neighborhood. Here she is at Tamashiro’s Market.

And the stew was so ONO!





What would you like to see? More interviews?
Discussion of issues? Community resources or info?

This project is a constantly evolving work-in-progress.
If you'd like us to cover specific content, please let us
know by email to oahudems@gmail.com or [click here](#)
for an [anonymous feedback form](#).

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