

O'AHU COUNTY DEMOCRATS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM O'AHU COUNTY DEMOCRATS!

Mahalo to all who have made 2022 a fabulous year for O'ahu Democrats!

As our mission states: *As the people's party, it is our mission to create opportunities for free and open political dialogue in regional and district communities to promote **civic engagement, political action, and community solidarity.***



Yes, we did!

In 2022 O'ahu Democrats gathered together to civically engage in solidifying our base with the **election of 34 new District Councils**. Democrats met at schools, parks, and libraries to exercise their vote for grassroots leadership in every district on our island.



HD 29 District Council Election



Region 7 District Council Election



HD 26 District Council Election



HD 22 District Council Election

The **Legislation Committee** circulated its yearly report with our county's top legislative priorities to Democratic legislators, encouraged testimony by members, and celebrated the passage of significant legislation for the people by the 2022 Hawaii Legislature.

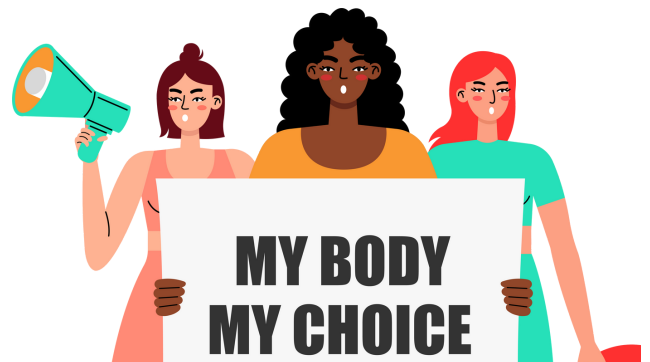
The Committee held Legislative Priorities Workshops this fall and will begin the process again for the 2023 legislative session.



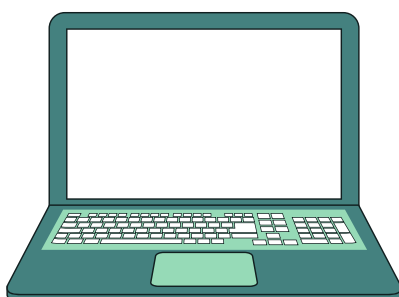
The **Affirmative Action, Inclusion & Diversity Committee** led the way in our efforts to represent and serve our diverse population with a Martin Luther King Jr. Day food drive in conjunction with Honpa Hongwanji and the NAACP as well as a Juneteenth celebration of Ketanji Brown Jackson.



The **Abortion Rights Special Committee** organized and sent a petition to the U.S. Supreme Court opposing its actions on the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision and informed us of marches and other actions regarding this important issue.



The **Digital Equity Committee** bought a bank of computers to support digital education and encourage training and meeting hubs for our members.



Region Leaders & District Councils worked with elected **Democratic Representatives** to educate and advocate for important causes, such as Red Hill.

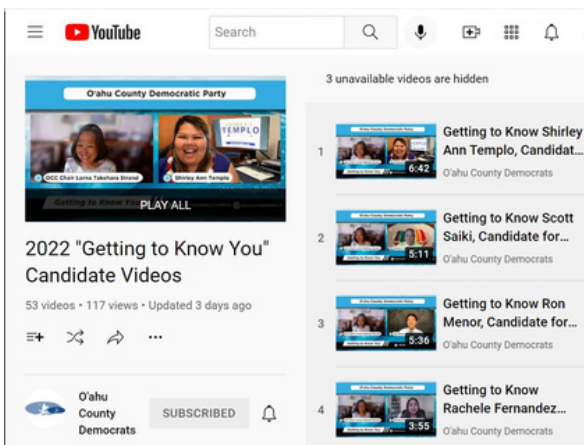




The **O'ahu Dems Blue Wave Committee** was like the Energizer bunny on steroids. Over 130 volunteers wrote tens of thousands of postcards to Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Arizona, and Georgia as well as texted hundreds of thousands of people to get-out-the-vote in states across the nation.

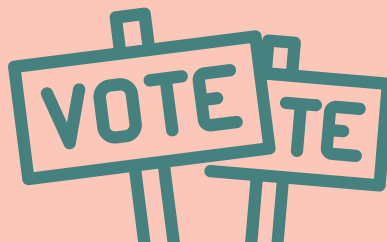
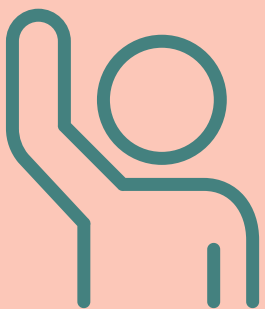


The **Membership Committee** had a great time enrolling new members at the Ketanji Brown Jackson event as well as the Labor Day Picnic at the Waikiki Shell.



While the Party's hands are tied in terms of candidate endorsements during the primary, O'ahu Dems expanded its support for all Democrats by providing **"Getting-to-Know-You"** video opportunities to all Democratic candidates - 54 candidates took part in this project.

After the primary, a variety of support was extended by Region and District Chairs, the Organizing for Elections team, and the Coordinated Campaign to **elect Democrats**, and we are determined to **step up this effort as we move towards 2024**.



We finished the year with Democratic Party contingents in **five Christmas parades** around the island.



Happy 2023 to you all. May you and your 'Ohana have a wonderful new year filled with love, peace, and joy.

With fond Aloha,

Lorna Takehara Strand
Chair
O'ahu County Democrats





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