O'AHU COUNTY DEMOCRATS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF HAWAI'I a gathering place for political action

## **BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE IN 2023**

We're one month into the new year and we hope you remain energized to help O'ahu Democrats make a difference in your community. Whether you'd like to lead the charge in-person or prefer to participate from the comfort of your home, there are lots of ways to get involved and make a positive impact.

In this newsletter, find:

- Updates on key bills at the Legislature being considered NOW
- Information on how to run for your neighborhood board
- Our 2023 County Convention date to add to your calendar
- How to pre-order our new O'ahu Dems T-shirt
- Photos from our first Valentine's Day Social and Friend-raiser





**Click Here for** 

**Bill List** 

### ACTION REQUIRED: YOUR 2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY BILLS

The Legislation Committee encourages all Oʻahu Democrats to review bills that are in-line with the Top 5 priority topics identified in our recent survey. The committee combed through more than 3,000 and curated a list of measures about:

- Mental health;
- Affordable housing;
- Supporting working class families;
- Climate change; and
- Agriculture

We hope you will track bills and submit testimony to support these bills during the legislative session.

The Legislature recently revamped its website to be more userfriendly for the public. Many of the useful resources like bill tracking, email subscriptions, and search features are still available, but take time to familiarize yourself with updates.

The Public Access Room provides a wealth of knowledge about the Legislative Session from start to finish. You may view their tutorials and guides online or visit them in-person to learn how to participate in the process.









## **UPCOMING CALENDAR DEADLINES**

#### **FEBRUARY 17**

Last day to register as a neighborhood board candidate

If you are interested in serving on your neighborhood board, register by February 17 to be on the 2023 ballot. Board members meet monthly to discuss local and community issues. Neighborhood Board elections will be held April 28 to May 19.

The neighborhood board is a great way to get active in your community or get experience in elective office.

For more information, visit <u>www.honolulu.gov/nco/boards</u> or email Elton Fukumoto at <u>etfukumoto@gmail.com</u>



# **RECAP: O'AHU DEMOCRATS VALENTINE'S DAY SOCIAL**

Mahalo to everyone who came out to the first-ever Oʻahu Democrats Valentines Social on **February 2, 2023**! It was a lively night of food and fun where we connected with old and new Democrat friends. Thank you to the event committee, all of those who donated items to the silent auction or raffle, and our elected officials who joined the festivities, including Governor Josh Green and Lieutenant Governor Sylvia Luke!

We are planning a pau hana County Convention event and family summer picnic. To get involved, contact your District Chair.













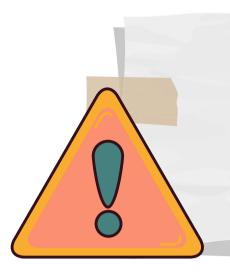












What would you like to see? More interviews? Discussion of issues? Community resources or info?

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 <u>oahudems@gmail.com</u> or <u>click here</u> <u>for an anonymous feedback form</u>.

# Before You Go ...

We want to stay connected with you!

Whether you can volunteer your time, donate funds that allow us to sponsor events or just help us by sharing content with others, please take a minute to check out how you can get involved with Oʻahu Democrats.

More information available at <u>www.oahudemocrats.org</u>



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