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

NEW YEAR, NEW WORK AHEAD!

As we start the new year, we hope you will stay involved in all the good work and projects that O'ahu Democrats across the island are doing. After a stellar year of action and activism in 2022, we hope to build on the momentum for 2023 and beyond!

In this issue you'll find:

- Tools to participate in the Legislative Session
- Invite to join us for MLK Day celebrations
- Valentine's Friend-building V to help grow our Party

YOUR VOICE MATTERS: WAYS TO PARTCIPATE

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Results from your participation in the Legislation Committee survey and follow-up Region discussions were compiled and sent to State and County legislators. We asked our elected officials to keep the priorities identified by Democrats in their communities top-of-mind when drafting legislation for the upcoming year.

Click here to view the report.

The Legislation Committee will also provide a list of all bills introduced in identified priority areas when they available. In the meantime, you can take steps now to prepare to track bills or submit testimony in support or opposition of ideas at the State Capitol:

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.

Once Session begins, things will move quickly. Take a moment to review the deadlines outlined in the Legislative Calendar to help you make a game plan.





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.

Opening Day for the Legislature is January 18, 2022. The public is invited to watch proceedings in each State Capitol chamber starting at 10 a.m. (open seating from 9:45 a.m.) or visit legislators in their offices afterward (appox. 12 - 2 p.m.)







TRAINING: HOW TO USE GOOGLE DRIVE

The Digital Equity Committee will be hosting a session on the basics of Google Drive, including Docs and Forms to help with your work.

Training is in-person and limited to 6-8 participants. Registration is required.

<u>Google Drive Training</u> Sunday, January 29 1:30 p.m. Democratic Party Headquarters 627 South St., Suite 105

<u>Register for</u> <u>Training Here</u>

HELP US CONNECT WITH ALL O'AHU DEMS!

In 2023 we'd love to improve the way we share information and connect with Democrats in every community. Due to cost, email has been our main venue of communication, but we know it's not perfect. Many of our announcements are lost to spam folders or defunct email accounts and we need your help to get our message across to fellow Democrats!

Check on Yourself

 Add <u>info@hawaiidemocrats.org</u> to your Email Contacts - this will help us get into your Inbox instead of Promotions or Spam.





 Ask Democrats you know if they get our email updates. If they don't, ask them to check their Promotions or Spam or update their info with us.

 Check your other contact information on-file with the party at <u>www.hidems.org</u> and update old info.





O`ahu Democrats continue to strive for justice & racial equality.

On Juneteenth we celebrated President Joe Biden's appointment of Ketanji Brown Jackson to the Supreme Court.

O`ahu Dems Blue Wave Committee worked to re-elect Senator Raphael Warnock to the U.S. Senate.



"I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment, I still have a dream." MLK

Let's reaffirm our commitment to strive towards Dr. King's Dream!

Join us as we march for justice, peace and equality on MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY, MONDAY, JANUARY 16th.



Look for the O'ahu Democrats contingent in the MLK Day Parade!

7:30 AM: Meet at Magic Island Parking Lot, Ala Moana Beach Park. 9:00 AM: March to Kapiolani Park with banners & homemade signs that keep Dr. King's Dream alive today.

For additional information, contact Daphne Barber-Wooten <u>daphnebarbee@gmail.com</u> O'ahu Democrats Affirmative Action, Inclusion & Diversity Committee

Please join the O'ahu Democrats' Valentine's Social

Thursday, February 2nd

BSide Honolulu

1200 Ala Moana Blvd.

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Honolulu, HJ 96814

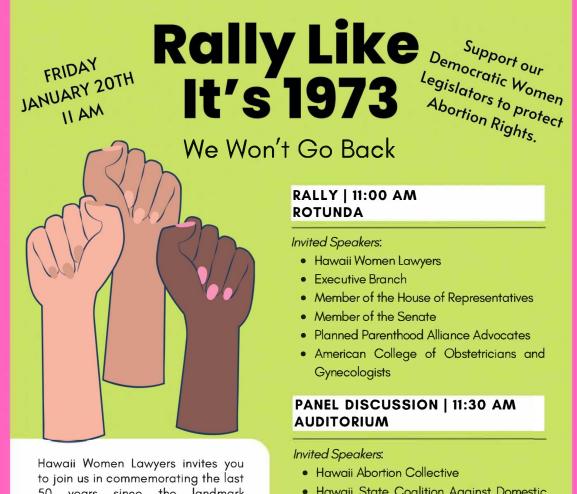
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to join us in commemorating the last 50 years since the landmark decision *Roe v. Wade* and to learn about Hawaii's ongoing efforts to support reproductive justice and freedom for all persons. Featuring speakers from the Executive & Legislative branches of government alongside community leaders.

> Hawaii State Capitol January 20, 2023 11:00 AM

- Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Generation Action
- Legal Expert
- Moderated by Hawaii Women Lawyers

Presented by Hawaii Women Lawyers in collaboration with Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates, the Hawaii Abortion Collective, and Makauila

Remote viewing will be made available via Zoom link and livestream on the HWL Facebook page hosted by Makauila.

For questions, please contact us at: hawaiiwomenlawyers@gmail.com Visit us at: http://www.hawaiiwomenlawyers.org

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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>.

Join the Democratic

Party of Hawai'i

Before You Go **Volunteer** We want to stay connected with you! Whether you can volunteer your time, <u>Donate</u> donate funds that allow us to sponsor events or just help us by sharing content with others, please take a **OahuDemocrats** minute to check out how you can get involved with O'ahu Democrats. **OahuDemocrats** More information available at **OahuDemocrats** www.oahudemocrats.org <u>Oahu County</u> Committ<u>ee - DPH</u>

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