



# 2015 Session Wrap Up:

## Part 2 - Budget & Other Additional Highlights

### SENATOR MAILE SHIMABUKURO / DISTRICT 21

Kalaeloa, Honokai Hale, Ko Olina, Nānākuli, Mā'ili, Wai'anae, Mākaha, Mākua

## Over \$50 Million in Funding for the Leeward Coast

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

#### Kamaile Elementary

\$360,000 repair/regrade playground  
\$1,470,000 whole school renovation

#### Leihoku Elementary

\$135,000 install 2 ventilators

#### Mā'ili Elementary

\$35,000 install security screens  
\$40,000 miscellaneous metal repairs  
\$50,000 repair grounds

#### Mākaha Elementary

\$46,000 P-9 Level Portable  
\$1,500,000 bldgs. A & B ADA Improvements

#### Nānākuli Elementary

\$40,000 downstairs classrooms remove walls  
\$20,000 replace stage curtains

#### Nānākuli High & Intermediate

\$29,000 miscellaneous repair & maintenance for Race to the Top Zones of School Innovation  
\$647,000 recrown football field

#### Wai'anae Elementary

\$100,000 replace building's covered walkway  
\$4,000 remove diesel storage  
\$4,500,000 new administration bldg.

#### Wai'anae High

\$15,000 reroof dining room and kitchen  
\$60,000 replace soil cement floors  
\$360,000 room B-205 replace science lab counters  
\$215,000 bldg. G renovate gym shower/restrooms  
\$1,500,000 visitor bleacher replacement  
\$2,500,000 Searider Productions expansion

#### Wai'anae Intermediate

\$200,000 bldg. G replace PE lockers

#### Kapolei Middle School

\$100,000 plans and design for additional parking  
\$1,800,000 design and construction for new bus lanes and drop off zones.

#### Makakilo Elementary

\$1,045,000 plans, design and construction for compliance with ADA Transition Accessibility



Opening Day 2015:  
Erika Liashenko,  
Sen. Shimabukuro,  
and Alva  
Kaneaiakala

### HOUSING

\$1.5 million FY2016 in operating funds for the Housing First Program  
\$4.15 million, in each year, in lump sum funds for public housing improvements and renovations  
\$175,000: Grant-in-Aid to Hawaii Homeownership Center - Funding for the expansion of programs to assist low and moderate income residents with the tools, resources, and education to achieve financial stability and home ownership.  
\$9,632,000 for each fiscal year of the 2015-2017 biennium, for DHHL administrative and operating expenses.



The Senate honored Mākaha resident Art Frank for his outstanding service on behalf of the deaf and the community at large. L-R: Nancyann Micky, Art Frank, Ruth "Wai" Paaaoa and Sen. Shimabukuro. Art testified in support of the Nānākuli contraflow lane bill during the 2015 session.

### TRANSPORTATION

\$1,000,000: Construction for improvements along Farrington Highway for alternative congestion relief and/or safety improvements along Farrington Highway and Hakimo Road.  
\$2,081,342: Funding for Kalaeloa Barbers Point Harbor - objective: to facilitate the safe and efficient movement of people and goods into, within, and out of the state by providing and operating commercial harbor facilities and supporting services at Kalaeloa Barbers Point Harbor.  
\$5,600,000: Interstate Route H-1, addition and/or modification of freeway access, Makakilo to Palailai Interchange. \$30m per year: major highway pavement improvements statewide  
SB 1180 CD1: Creates a new law pertaining to metropolitan planning organizations, bringing the State into compliance with Federal regulations. Without this law, Hawaii is in jeopardy of losing up to \$12 million a year in Federal Highway Funds.  
\$100,000: Grant-in-Aid to Bikeshare Hawaii - Equipment to launch state-of-the-art bike sharing system in Hawaii



The community enjoyed Ka Wai'hona o ka Na'auao's annual Ho'ike May Day performance. L-R: June Hanabusa, Sen. Shimabukuro, and Suzanne Leonida. The Hanabusa family has owned a successful small business on the Wai'anae Coast for decades.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB1001 SD2 HD1 CD1 - Establishes and appropriates funds for the manufacturing development program, through which the high technology development corporation shall distribute grants to Hawaii manufacturers for various activities.  
HB1069 HD1 SD2 CD1 - Authorizes and appropriates funds for HTDC to provide grants to businesses with a federal small business innovation research phase II or III award.  
\$139,931: Electricity for the HIANG buildings at Kalaeloa.  
\$500,000: Construction of Kapolei Development Corporation Heritage Center Multi-Purpose Facility.

### AGRICULTURE

\$ 350,000: Grant-in-Aid to Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation - Food Safety Viability for Hawaii's Farmers  
\$ 64,800: Grant-in-Aid to Oahu Resource Conservation and Development Council - Supporting Hawaii's agriculture through improved conservation planning.



Wai'anae 'Olelo interviewed Sen. Shimabukuro on Opening Day. L-R: James "Jimbo" Taylor, Jayden Kepo'o-Caspino, Sen. Shimabukuro, Aleigrauh Aipoalani-Scanlan, Kalia Moana Lopera, Kourtney Keohuhu, and Arlene Guerrero.

### JOB TRAINING

\$ 150,000: Hui Malama Learning Center - Effective workforce development transition program for at-risk youth.  
\$ 150,000: Grant-in-Aid to Worknet, Inc. - Vocational development, cognitive/behavioral training, and transition services for correctional industries and inmate craft participants.



Danny Goya of Ka Pa'alana Traveling Preschool, Sen. Shimabukuro, and Kamehameha Schools Wai'anae Coast student Leina Panui.

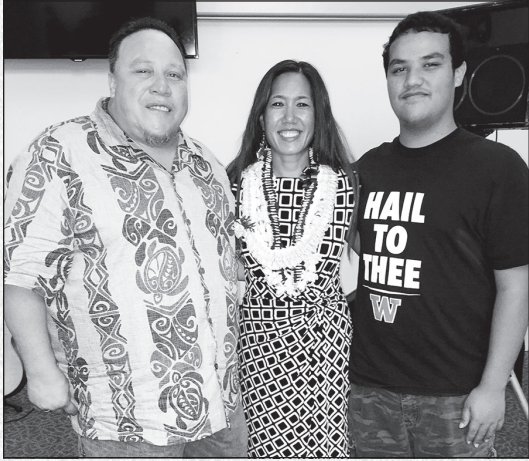
### CHILDREN & FAMILIES

\$80,000: Grant-in-Aid to Partners in Development Foundation - Malama Mobile operations manual  
\$ 55,770: Grant-in-Aid to Project Vision Hawaii - Expanding keiki and adult health screening and vision correction services for poor and medically access-challenged.  
\$200,000: Grant-in-Aid to Read to Me International Foundation - Promote children's literacy through its mission: to share the love and joy of reading aloud.  
\$150,000: Grant-in-Aid to The Children's Alliance of Hawaii - Provides programs and services for children and youth who have been sexually abused.

### PUBLIC SAFETY

SB148 HD1 - Offenses Against Public Health and Morals; Nuisance Abatement; Gambling: Includes gambling offenses among the types of offenses that are subject to the nuisance abatement laws. Exempts social gambling.  
SB225 SD1 - Amends the offense of habitually operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant to include operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant after at least one conviction within the previous ten years for habitually operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant.  
HB448 SD1 - Requires the Department of Health (DOH) to conduct reviews of domestic violence fatalities, near-deaths, and suicides. Authorizes DOH to enter into memoranda of understanding to obtain information relating to near-deaths resulting from intimate partner violence. Establishes the address confidentiality program to help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault relocate and keep their addresses confidential.  
SB 550 HD2 - Bans the possession or sale of powdered alcohol products, making the consumption, possession or sale of powdered alcohol products a misdemeanor offense punishable by up to six months in jail. Allows possession of powdered alcohol products for research purposes.  
SB 388 HD1 (Act 30) - Requires each county police department to post its policies relating to domestic violence, officer-involved domestic violence and standards of conduct on its official website.

## HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS



Maile listened to the beautiful Hawaiian music of Jeff Rasmussen (left). Jeff's son, Joel (right) is a member of Wai'anae High School's class of 2015.

Sen. Shimabukuro will continue as the Chairwoman of the Senate Hawaiian Affairs Committee (HWN), a position she has held since 2013. The purview of this committee includes those programs relating to Hawaiian affairs, including but not limited to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaiian home lands, sovereignty, and burial councils.

### In addition to the HWN bills listed in our June 2015 WSS Wrap-Up, the Legislature passed:

HB209 CD1, to appropriate funds to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, including:

- \$500,000 for operations of the Office of the Trustees, Administration, and Beneficiary Advocacy;
  - \$415,000 for social services to at-risk beneficiaries;
  - \$615,000 for educational improvement for Native Hawaiian students; and
  - \$524,400 for legal services for beneficiaries.
- \$500,000: Grant-in-Aid to Polynesian Voyaging Society - Malama Honua Worldwide Voyage  
HB142 CD1 requires counties to issue affordable housing credits to the DHHL for the next 4 years; requires that 25% of proceeds from the transfer of credits be used by DHHL to develop rentals; requires that 50% of credits in the City & County of Honolulu be subject to MOA; allows Kauai country to enter into an MOA with DHHL to issue credits.



Maile's family attended the 2nd annual Gege Kawelo Memorial Golf Tournament, which raises funds for the E Ala Voyaging Academy. L-R: Dr. Fred Dodge, Karen Young, Summer and Ke'ohi Miles, Sen. Shimabukuro, Shayne Sakoda, and Keani.

## HEALTH

HB 321 CD1 - Establishes a regulated system of medical marijuana dispensaries for certified medical marijuana patients, with applications by potential dispensary operators accepted by the state starting in January. The bill allows dispensaries to begin operation as early as July 2016.  
SB 791 CD1 - Requires insurance companies to provide coverage for autism diagnosis and treatment until a child turns 14. Establishes a maximum benefit of \$25,000 per year for applied behavioral analysis for services for children 13 and under.

\$ 100,000: Grant-in-Aid to Life Foundation - Kua'ana Project

\$ 185,000: Grant-in-Aid to Oahu Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Oahu SPCA) - To expand shelter capacity and sterilization for feral, abandoned, and neglected animals on the island of Oahu.

# IMPORTANT TOWN HALL MEETING: TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS

**Thursday, July 16, 2015 from 6:30-9:00pm**

**Nānāikapono Elementary Cafeteria**

Join Sen. Shimabukuro and representatives from the following organizations, who will discuss traffic solutions for the Wai'anae Coast: Congress (representatives from the offices of Sen. Hirono, Sen. Schatz, and Rep. Takai), DOT, OMPO, City & County of Honolulu, DHHL, state and city legislators, Neighborhood Board and others.

**Refreshments will be served. Call 586-7793 for more information.**



The E Ala Voyaging Academy at the Waianae Boat Harbor provides hands-on learning opportunities in canoe restoration, ancient Hawaiian navigation techniques, and other maritime subjects. For more information, call 339-6445, 479-8231, or 492-7161, or visit [waianaehcc.org](http://waianaehcc.org). E Ala supporters gathered at the canoe halau for an open house on 5/31/15. Attendees included: Mele Worthington, Anela Cantrell, Georgette Stevens, Kaina Holomalia, Don Ford, Keoni Ford, Karen Young, Dr. Fred Dodge, Sen. Shimabukuro, Keani Kaonoikiokalanikoholua, Jaedyn Sakoda, Gregory Morales, Gregory Gushiken, Ruby Maunakea, Jennifer Mahuka, Mariah Fernando, Racquel Moniz, Amy and Thomas Zizzi, Stephanie Kawelo, Cynthia Enriquez, George Kawelo, Sage Kawelo, Malia Mahi, Samuel Kapoi, and others. [photo by Samuel Kapoi]

## HIGHER EDUCATION

HB 547 CD1 - Requires the University of Hawaii to provide guidance to students to increase the rate of on-time graduation through a Graduation Pathway System. Appropriates funds for the Graduation Pathway System and to the John A. Burns School of Medicine for repairs.

HB 541 CD1 - Requires each UH campus to prepare an operations plan, to be reviewed by the President and VP for Budget and Finance and DVO of UH, for each fiscal year.



Sen. Shimabukuro and Robin Kitsu, director of the Nānakuli High and Intermediate School Performing Arts Center.

## EDUCATION

SB 64 CD1 - Appropriates \$6 million to continue funding additional positions for the Preschool Open Doors Program and for subsidies of the program.

SB 822 (HSCR 1552) (Act 21) - Clarifies the implementation schedule and calculation method for minimum number of days and student hours required for public schools. Applies the requirement for a 180 day, 1,080 hour school year to all school years beginning with the 2016-2017 school year.



Sen. Shimabukuro, HSTA Leeward Chapter President Juli Paten, and a Leeward Coast teacher. The DOE is planning to utilize solar energy in some of its new construction.

## ENERGY

SB 1050 CD1: Establishes a community-based renewable energy program, which would allow electric utility customers to participate in renewable energy projects that produce electricity, which they can sell back to electric utility companies.

HB1273 CD1 - Includes hydroelectric facilities that generate up to 500 kilowatts of electricity as a permissible use on agricultural lands if the hydroelectric facilities are accessory to agricultural activities for agricultural use only and if certain other conditions are met.

\$ 222,974: Honolulu Community Action Program, Inc. - Reduce energy consumption and costs of low-income households through energy education and installation of energy efficient devices and appliances.



Strong advocates for Hawaiian and environmental rights visited Maile at the capitol. L-R: Ruby Maunakea, Sen. Shimabukuro, Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai, and Germaine Meyers.

## ENVIRONMENT

SB 359 CD1: Expands the state environmental response, energy, and food security tax - also known as the "barrel tax" - to include fossil fuels and bases the tax on 1 million British thermal units sold by a distributor to a retail dealer or consumer

HB 444, CD1: Authorizes the use of a portion of transient accommodations tax revenues for beach restoration and conservation.

HB 1140 CD1: Provides a temporary income tax credit of up to \$10,000 to help offset the cost of upgrading or converting a qualified cesspool to a septic system or an aerobic treatment unit system, or connecting to a sewer system.

HB525 SD2 - Prohibits smoking and the use of tobacco products and electronic smoking devices within the state park system. Requires posting of signage prohibiting smoking and the use of tobacco products.