

SENATOR GLENN WAKAI

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Connecting Community to Care



Sen. Wakai with Health Festival Coordinators Kaylani (left) and Marianne (right)

Community members gathered for a health outreach event hosted by We Are Oceania on March 7, aimed at connecting the Micronesian community with vital healthcare resources. Attendees received free vision and blood pressure screenings, flu vaccinations, and information from organizations including HMSA, UnitedHealthcare, Med-QUEST Division, AlohaCare, and National Kidney Foundation.

With help from Sen. Wakai, imaging professionals from Hawaii Pacific Health also scheduled a record number of mammogram appointments, helping to raise awareness about breast cancer prevention.

PURR-suing Pets in Prison

A recently launched 12-month pilot pet foster program in the women's prison is showing signs of paws-active impacts. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation opened its doors to 25 kittens from the Humane Society - all of them have been adopted.

The kittens stay with the inmates for five weeks and teach them compassion, kindness and responsibility. "It has changed me in a lot of ways," said inmate Sherri Ann. "I want to do this when I get out."

Due to this experience, she wants to pursue veterinary medicine.

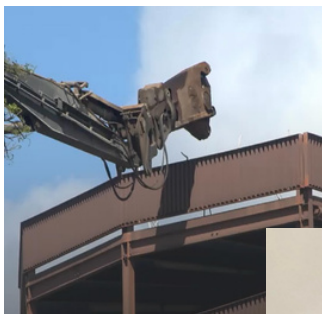
"This program only costs \$17,000," said Sen. Wakai. "A starting prison social worker costs the state \$90,000. This program is a triple win for taxpayers, inmates, and the Humane Society."

The DCR is planning to expand this program with dogs in Halawa Prison.



Sen. Wakai with Sherri Ann and Paulette

Destruction of Stadium, Reconstruction of Board



Exterior dismantling started last month

Five Stadium Authority Board members were confirmed by a Senate committee last week. These individuals will oversee dismantling of the 51 year old stadium, which began three weeks ago.

The iconic stadium will be replaced with a new, modern facility in March 2029. It will seat 31,000, have 28 luxury boxes and accommodate football, soccer, rugby and concerts.



Over the next two decades, the stadium will be surrounded by condos, hotels, retail outlets, restaurants and a museum. The 98 acres are expected to generate more than \$2 billion in construction.

The new Stadium Authority Board members vetted by the Senate Committee on Economic Development & Tourism