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MESSAGE FROM KALANI

While we have seen significant improvement across the State, we must remain cautious and continue to follow the prescribed health guidelines to prevent an increase of COVID-19 cases.

Keeping our community updated during this pandemic has been one of my top priorities and I will continue to do so as we work to get through this health crisis together.

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HĀNA, EAST AND UPCOUNTRY MAUI, MOLOKA'I, LĀNA'I AND KAHO'OLAWÉ

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STATEWIDE STAY AT HOME ORDER EXTENDED UNTIL MAY 31

Governor Ige signed a 6th supplementary emergency proclamation on April 27 extending the stay-at-home order across the State through May 31.

Similar to the previous stay-at-home order, residents may leave their homes only for various essential needs such as: healthcare; purchasing food, medicine, and gasoline; caring for the elderly, minors, or those with disabilities; picking up educational materials for distance learning; and receiving meals or other related services.

Beaches remain closed. However, running, jogging, or walking on the beach is permitted as long as physical distancing requirements are observed. Outdoor exercise is also permitted, which includes swimming, surfing, solo paddling, and walking pets.

Also, the 14-day quarantine for both visitors and residents entering the State and for inter-island travelers is also extended through the end of May.

The Governor's proclamation also requires the four county mayors to get his approval before making any new rules or orders.

"Extending the Statewide stay at home order was not an easy decision for the Governor, but it was one that I believe was necessary to ensure that we do not see an increase in positive test cases," said Sen. English. "Rebuilding our economy will be a major priority once the stay at home order is lifted, but for the time being, protecting the health and safety of our community is of utmost importance. We can always rebuild an economy, but we cannot bring back a life."

To view all of the Governor's COVID-19 emergency proclamations, visit <https://governor.hawaii.gov/emergency-proclamations/>

For information on Maui County's order, visit <https://bit.ly/2Uq9DKs>

For information on the various Statewide orders, visit <https://governor.hawaii.gov/covid-19/>

COVID-19 TESTS ON MOLOKA'I AND HĀNA ARE NEGATIVE

Sen. English and Rep. DeCoite recently announced that all results from a COVID-19 community testing earlier this month in Hāna and on Moloka'i came back negative.

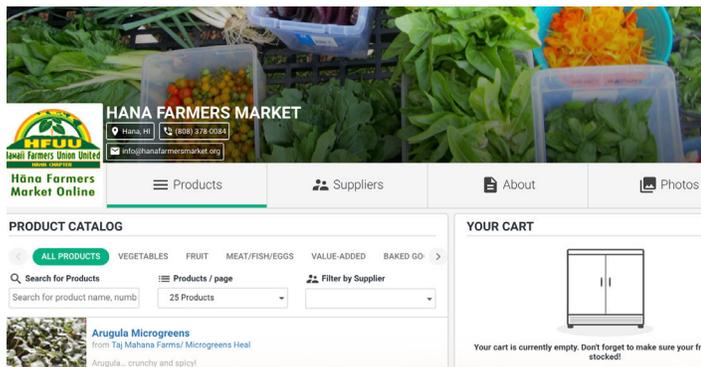
"We are so pleased that these initial test results are negative for Moloka'i and Hāna and have not found any more COVID-19 cases in these remote communities," remarked Sen. English. "We thank Mayor Victorino for his efforts in providing funding and Dr. Miscovich of Premier Medical Group (PMG) in Honolulu and his team for travelling to our community to administer the tests."

Testing took place on April 10 and 17 in Hāna, and April 7 and 16 on Moloka'i following the first confirmed cases in those communities. The community tests were sponsored by the County of Maui and PMG.



HĀNA FARMERS MARKET LAUNCHES ONLINE PLATFORM

The online market is now open and taking orders for weekly drive-through pickup. Residents can find all types of food vendors; their products include fresh local vegetables and fruits, meat and fish, value-added products, baked goods and beverages. More details



about the pickup location and instructions are provided on the website and will also be included in the order confirmation email. <https://hanafarmersmarket.org/>

If you are interested in becoming a supplier of the online farmers market, please send an email to: info@hanafarmersmarket.org. Include your farm name, location in East Maui, the produce/products you have available and your name and contact information.

Mahalo to the Hawaii Farmers Union United, Travaasa Hāna Hotel, the Hāna Community Association and our East Maui growers and producers for helping to keep our community safe, healthy and well-fed!

For all other inquiries, please contact them at the following:
Email: info@hanafarmersmarket.org
Phone: (808) 378-0084 (leave voicemail)

NATIONAL GUARD BEGINS ENFORCEMENT AT HĀNA HIGHWAY AND PI'ILANI HIGHWAY CHECKPOINTS

The County of Maui has set up checkpoints after Twin Falls on Hāna Highway and at Ulupalakua Ranch on Pi'ilani Highway to restrict road traffic to East Maui. The checkpoints were implemented as a response to calls from residents to restrict the flow of tourists into East Maui and to prevent the introduction of the virus from travel related sources.

"The checkpoints were requested by many residents in our East Maui communities and I believe that the National Guard is doing an excellent job in enforcing the various checkpoints" emphasized Sen. English. "While I do understand that these checkpoints may be an inconvenience for some residents, the actions were necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19 from reaching

our most isolated communities."

Travelers along the highways will be required to show a driver's license, registration, proof of insurance, and reason for travel or placard. Although not mandatory, an official placard is available to East Maui residents to help streamline the checkpoint process.

Residents may pick up a placard from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at Hāna Post Office, Hāna Police Station, Hasegawa General Store, Hāna Health, Hāna Ranch Store, Hāna Pit Stop, and the Ulupalakua Ranch Office.

For more information, call Sen. English's Office at 587-7225 or email j.aki@capitol.hawaii.gov.



GOVERNOR ISSUES MORATORIUM ON ALL EVICTIONS

In his fifth supplementary proclamation, Governor Ige issued a moratorium on evictions as the State continues to experience an economic downturn due to the COVID-19 shutdown. According to the order, landlords cannot evict anyone who fails to pay residential rent. Violators of the order face a misdemeanor charge, punishable of up to a year in jail or a \$5,000 fine.

“Without this moratorium, we may have seen an increase in homelessness across the State,” said Sen. English. “Over 30% of Hawai‘i residents are unemployed and this policy provides temporary relief as many families continue to deal with the financial hardship of this health pandemic.”

Residents who have concerns about evictions during this time can contact the **Hawai‘i Office of Consumer Protection’s Landlord Tenant** line at 586-2634.



House in Kaunakakai, Moloka‘i.

COUNTY OF MAUI LAUNCHES H.E.L.P. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



H.E.L.P.

Hawaii Emergency Lauima Partnership

Sponsored by the County of Maui and in Partnership with MEO

Click here for information and to apply for financial assistance for Maui County residents to pay for essential needs due to a layoff, reduction in hours, or loss of income related to COVID-19. La aplicación está disponible en español.

Mayor Michael Victorino announced on April 21 that applications are now being accepted for financial assistance through the Hawaii Emergency Lauima Partnership (H.E.L.P.) program.

The H.E.L.P. program offers financial assistance for Maui County residents with essential needs such as food, personal hygiene, medicine, rent, mortgage, utility services, phone or internet services, car payments, and other necessities.

For more information about H.E.L.P. visit <http://www.meoinc.org/>.

HAWAIIAN AIRLINES, 'OHANA BY HAWAIIAN, OFFERS RELIEF CARGO TRANSPORTATION TO MOLOKA'I AND LĀNA'I



In response to the closure of Friendly Market on Moloka‘i, Hawaiian Airlines is providing free transportation of food and household items from O‘ahu to both Moloka‘i and Lāna‘i. ‘Ohana by Hawaiian will transport up to two packages from O‘ahu shippers sending food and/or household items to Moloka‘i or Lāna‘i.

“There was a shared desire by community members and government officials to offer transportation service for essential items to Moloka‘i and Lāna‘i. It was great to see our team band together to launch a complimentary shipping program,” said Blaine Miyasato, managing director of State government affairs at Hawaiian Airlines.

“I’m very appreciative to Hawaiian Airlines and their leadership for helping our rural communities during this difficult time,” expressed Sen. English. “The closure of Friendly Market on Moloka‘i has had a measurable impact on the community’s food supply and the generous support of Hawaiian will ensure the continued arrival of essential items for residents.”

Shippers must present a valid ID and adhere to maximum package weight and size restrictions and program guidelines before dropping off items between 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday through Friday at Hawaiian Air Cargo facility.

Cargo space will be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis to the first 25 customers per flight each day. Shippers are encouraged to call (808) 835-3799 prior to going to the facility.

Receiving customers can pick up their shipments at the Moloka‘i (MCK) or Lāna‘i (LNY) airports within one hour of the following ‘Ohana by Hawaiian arrivals: Moloka‘i, HA 672 scheduled arrival is 5:01 PM; and Lāna‘i, HA 684 scheduled arrival is 7:16 PM.

For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3bSwflv>



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USE OF CLOTH FACE COVERINGS TO HELP SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

The **Center for Disease Control (CDC)** recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g. grocery stores and pharmacies), especially in areas of significant community-based transmission.

The cloth face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators. Those are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and other medical first responders, as recommended by current CDC guidance.

CDC advises the use of simple cloth face coverings to slow the spread of the virus. This helps people who may have the virus and are unaware of that from transmitting it to others. Low cost homemade face coverings assembled from common materials, such as t-shirts can be used for this purpose.

Cloth face coverings should: fit snugly and comfortably against the side of the face; be secured with ties or ear loops; include at least two layers of fabric; allow for breathing without restriction; and be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to its shape.

Cloth face coverings should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/2Sd3gKt>



Face Covering Do's and Don'ts:

DO:



- ✓ Make sure you can breathe through it
- ✓ Wear it whenever going out in public
- ✓ Make sure it covers your nose and mouth
- ✓ Wash after using

DON'T:

- ✗ Use if under two years old
- ✗ Use surgical masks or other PPE intended for healthcare workers



cdc.gov/coronavirus