

Commission on Improving Standards of Conduct

Voting and Elections Discussion

June 15, 2022 Public Meeting

Topics of Discussion

- **Legislative Term Limits**
- **Dominance of One-Party System**
- **Voter Education**
- **Prohibiting Agents Of Candidates From Assisting Voters**
- **Adopting Code Of Fair Campaign Practices**
- **Remedies for Faithless Electors**
- Ranked Choice Voting
- Unicameral Legislature
- Additional Topics?

Legislative Term Limits

Presenter:

League of Women Voters of the United States Jessica Jones Caparrell

2022 Bills related to Legislative Term Limits:

❖ HB123

❖ SB1301

Dominance of One-Party System

Presenter:

Political Scientist Neal Milner

Voter Education

Presenters:

League of Women Voters of Hawaii Donna Oba

State Office of Elections Representative Raymund de Vega

2022 Bills related to Voter Education:

- ❖ HB124, Relating to Elections
- ❖ SB2210, Relating to Elections
- ❖ SB3226, Relating to Elections
- ❖ HB2494, Relating to Civic Education
- ❖ SB2885, Relating to Advancing Civic Engagement



Making Democracy Work

Voter Education and Access

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- Find Candidate Information
- Register to Vote
- Find Ballot Measures



Hawaii Elections and Voter Education

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Roadmap: What are we going to cover?

- What are the objectives of voter education?
- What obstacles or problem areas exist?
- What education tactics are utilized in Hawaii?
- What does the future of voter education in Hawaii entail?



What are the objectives of voter education?

01

Raise awareness about services & elections

02

Educate on the mechanics of voting

03

Maintain an apolitical role in providing education

Mechanics of Voting

- How to register to vote
- How to verify and update your voter registration
- How to vote by mail
- Election security and how mail ballots are processed

What obstacles or problem areas exist?



Reaching broad audiences vs targeted audiences



Maintaining engagement during nonelection periods



Identifying effective messaging

What education tactics are utilized in Hawaii?

- In-person events
- Virtual events
- Voter education materials
- Social media
- Media buys
- Partnerships
- Voter hotline
- News releases
- Election mailings

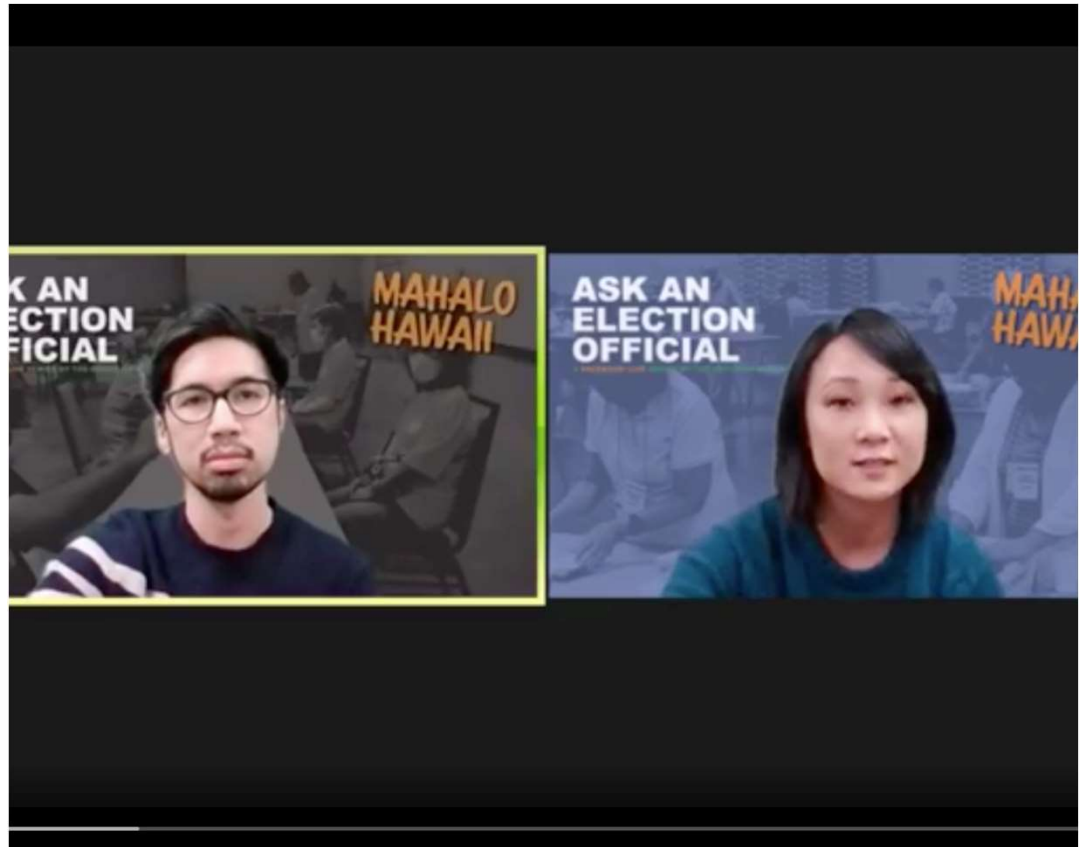
In-Person Events

- Tabling at community events
- Voter registration drive thru
- Voter education presentations
- Voting equipment demo events



Virtual Events

- Voter education presentations
- Facebook Live events



Voter Education Materials

- Vote by mail brochure
- Vote by mail explainer video
- Hawaii Votes Program
- Newsletters
- Office of Elections website

Mark your calendar.

2022 Primary Election

- Jul 26 | Mail Ballot Packet**
Look for your Primary Election ballot packet to be delivered in the mail.
- Aug 1 | Voter Service Center**
Voter Service Centers are open through Election Day for voter registration and accessible in-person voting. Visit elections.hawaii.gov for locations and hours of operation.
- Aug 3 | Voter Registration**
Final day for first-time voters to submit a paper Voter Registration Application for the Primary Election.
- Aug 13 | Primary Election**
Voted ballots must be received by 7:00 pm.

2022 General Election

- Oct 21 | Mail Ballot Packet**
Look for your General Election ballot packet to be delivered in the mail.
- Oct 25 | Voter Service Center**
Voter Service Centers are open through Election Day for voter registration and accessible in-person voting. Visit elections.hawaii.gov for locations and hours of operation.
- Oct 31 | Voter Registration**
Final day for first-time voters to submit a paper Voter Registration Application for the General Election.
- Nov 8 | General Election**
Voted ballots must be received by 7:00 pm.

Need to vote absentee?

If you will be away from home during the elections, you can request your ballot be sent to an alternate address. Complete an Absentee Ballot Application and submit it to your County Elections Division no later than 7 days before the election. Applications are available at elections.hawaii.gov.

Prefer to vote in person?

Voter Service Centers offer in-person accessible voting and voter registration, and are open 10 days before and on Election Day. For locations and hours, go to elections.hawaii.gov.

Language assistance

Para kadagiti naipatarus a materiales a mainaig iti eleksion wenna tulong iti lengguahe, awagan ti Opisina Dagiti Eleksion (Office of Elections).

Para sa mga isinalin na babasahin tungkol sa pagboto o kung kailangan ang tulong sa wika, makipag-ugnayan sa Tanggapan ng mga Eleksyon.

如需翻譯後的選舉材料或語言協助，請聯絡選舉辦公室。

Contact us

For information about registering to vote, contact your County Elections Division.

County of Hawaii	(808) 961-8277
County of Maui	(808) 270-7749
County of Kauai	(808) 241-4800
City & County of Honolulu	(808) 768-3800

For additional voting information, contact the Office of Elections.

Phone:	(808) 453-VOTE (8683)
Toll Free:	1-800-442-VOTE (8683)
TTY:	(808) 453-6150
Toll Free TTY:	1-800-345-5915
Email:	elections@hawaii.gov
Website:	elections.hawaii.gov



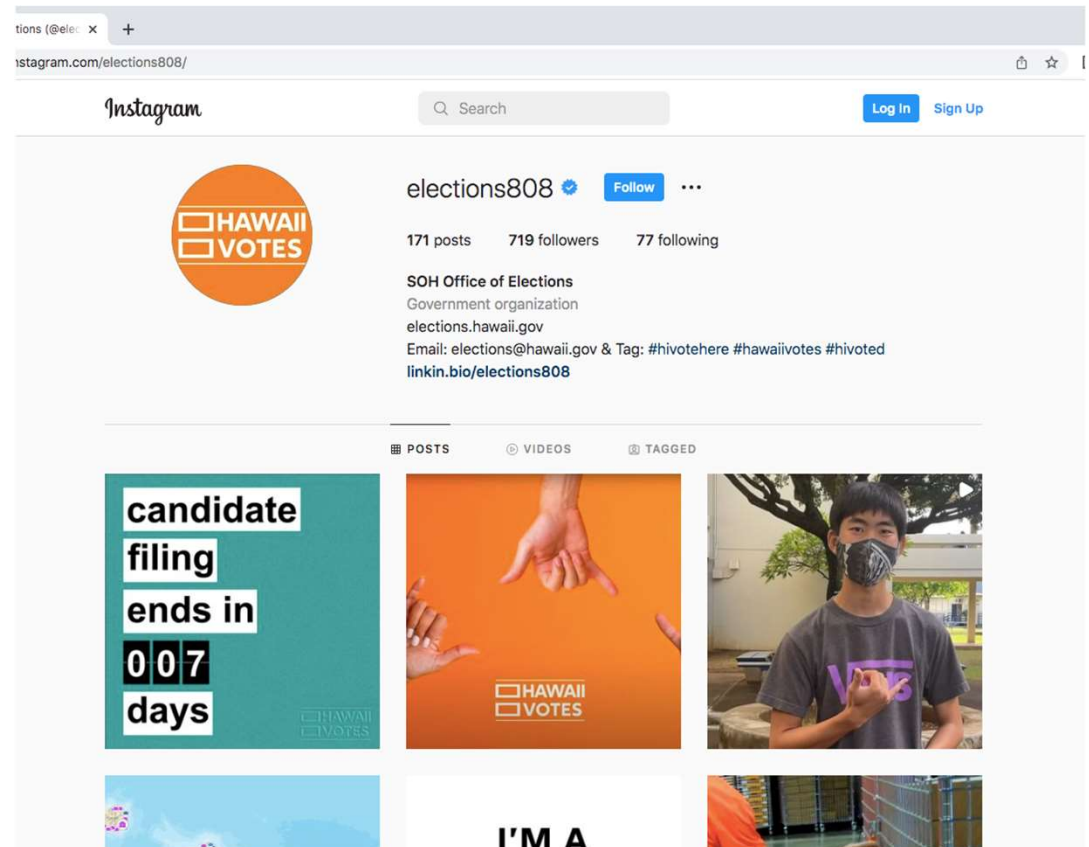
Cast your vote in comfort.

Your ballot comes to you.



Social Media

- Reminders for deadlines
- Promoting registration opportunities
- Connecting to online resources including online registration and sample ballots



Media Buys

- Television
- Radio
- Print
- Digital



Partnerships

- Olelo's Youth Xchange Contest
- Young Voter Registration Program
- Material distribution through agencies and community organizations

Community Relies On You - Pōmaika'i Elementary



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"Our Community
Relies On You"
Pōmaika'i Elementary

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What does the future of voter education entail?

Bills relating to voter pamphlets:

- SB 3226
- SB 2210
- HB 124

Voter Pamphlet – Recommendation

Distribution:

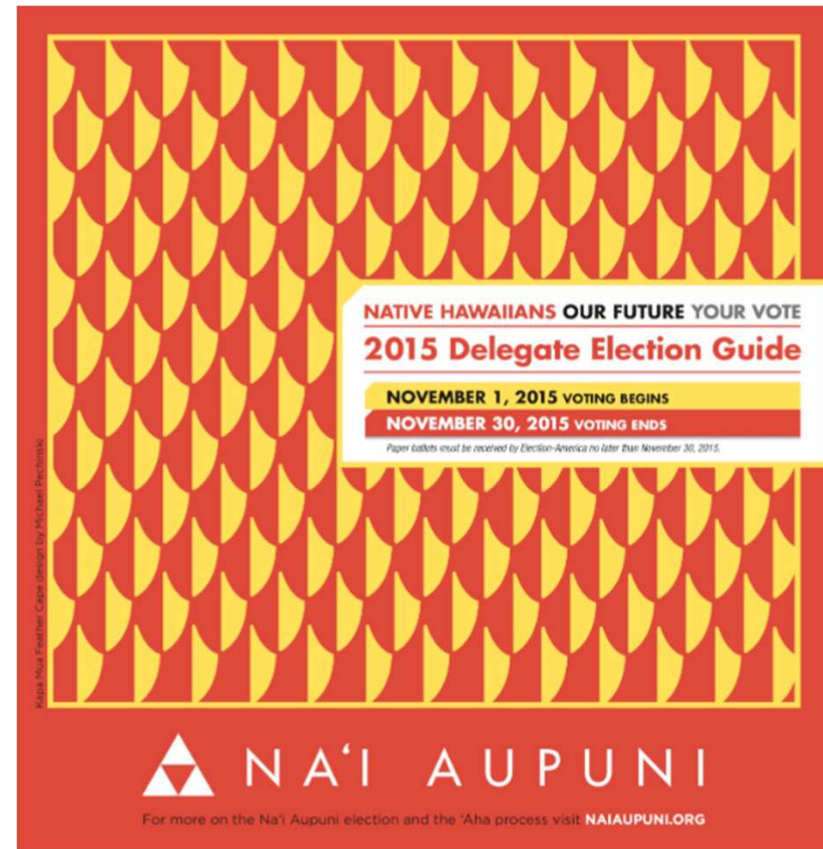
Mailed to every occupied household and P.O. Box

Digital version hosted on Office of Elections website

Publishing:

Print ad to promote availability of voter pamphlet

Print or radio ads in multicultural media to promote availability of translated voter pamphlet



Voter Pamphlet – Cost Estimate

Primary Election – 96 pages

Production and Printing: \$476,400

Data Preparation, Labeling, and Transportation: \$31,950

Postage: \$126,000

Total: \$634,350

General Election – 86 pages

- Production and Printing: \$431,500

- Data Preparation, Labeling, and Transportation: \$31,950

- Postage: \$120,000

- Total: \$583,450

Grand Total Projection: \$1,217,800 + Hawaii GE Tax

O'AHU



JOHN AETO

Date of birth: July 1, 1967

HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY

My Hawaiian Name is Kalaui Ika, and come from two major Hawaiian lines, The Ulu line from Hana, and the Ulu line from Niihau. My maternal family name are Cummings, Moananui, Shabon and Boyd

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Kamehameha Graduate 1988, Communications from College of Seniors 1988, Marketing from HRU Pacific Century Fellow '83, Leadership training Pu Kua a Hono

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

I worked for 22 years at HONOLULU Radio. We created the current Hawaiian Music formats. 2011 I created The Kalamoku Group, a Native Hawaiian Communications Firm. I am a part owner in Mana Magazine.

CRIMINAL RECORD

No criminal Record, No Bankruptcy, No foreclosures, Father of Four, grandchild of 13, Home owner.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am participating to Kokuua my skills and time to building a better Hawaii, for all of Hawaii. I am 47 year old, a father, a grand father and husband. I was raised by my Hawaiian grandfather in a State housing project. This education, hard work and mentorship - I have been able to build a life I am proud of. I am the owner of The Kalamoku group, a Native Hawaiian Communications Firm. - my business focused on educating the Hawaiian community in communications and media. I am excited to be honored to participate in building our new HONOLULU, what ever that may look like. I live by Aloha and honesty, and believe the keys to find 40 Awaui delegates.

The delegate candidate represent these 10 people are eligible voters who have nominated them:

Charmaine Aeto	Maken Andrea	Chason Rodriguez
Jamison Aeto	Michael Andrew	Chyler Rodriguez
Cecilia Duarte	Chase Shabon	
Justin Aeto	Dana Kaima	



JOHN AGARD

Date of birth: 1925-12-03

HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY

Native Hawaiian & Danish

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Kurehameh Boys School 1948 Graduate; UH, UC Berkeley & Rapa College in US & Hawaii

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

34 years Federal Service from 1945 on
4 years Army Transport Services in South Pacific
13 years Naval Base Computer Operations in California
17 years in Camp Smith, Command Skills as Systems Analyst

CRIMINAL RECORD

None.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Since I have been deeply involved in the restoration of our Native Hawaiian Government since 1972 with my father & oldest son, I have a strong desire to help our delegates to achieve the goal to honor our ancestors.

The delegate candidate represent these 10 people are eligible voters who have nominated them:

Andrea Akihiko Agard	Luana K. Agard III	Winona Elis Rubin
Christina Agard-Teleskoff Agard	Daniel Kakuha Anaka	Vaughn G. A. Rescorla
Karen Kakuha Agard	Walea Kakuha	
Luana Kakuha Agard Jr	Karen Ronald May	



KEONI AGARD

Date of birth: 12/07/1950

HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY

My father is John Agard who is of Hawaiian and Caucasian descent. My mother is Johanna Makoa Agard who is of Hawaiian and Chinese descent. Our ancestors come from Ka'u, Kona and Kohala.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Kamehameha Schools, Pre-Business, 1965, Chamblak University, Doctorate of Arts, Business Administration, 1973, University of Hawaii, S. Richardson School of Law, Law, Doctorate, 1978

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

AU, LLC, Inc., Attorney General's office, Native Hawaiian Legal Corp, Law Office of Keoni K. Agard Staff, Majority Attorneys Office, State Legislature, Policy & Program Analyst, DHH, Agard Law, LLC

CRIMINAL RECORD

None.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Hi Hawaii! As I am proud to be Hawaiian, please vote for Keoni Makoa Agard as your delegate to the 2010 Constitutional Convention to restore our Hawaiian nation and its government. Restoration means management and control over our land and state, and the power to build a nation that reflects our own profiles and Hawaiian values but not necessarily carry the charge of our own identity. As Vice Chairman of the 1999-2000 Native Hawaiian Constitutional Convention, "We Need O'ahu", I have experience working with 77 duly elected delegates, who debated every word and every sentence of the two constitutions that were never presented for ratification to the Hawaiian community due to termination of funding. Our government must speak the truth to the Native Hawaiian and Maori generations. The Nation of Hawaii can establish a state of independent, self-governance based on our own laws, language for the U.S. and cooperation for the illegal acts perpetrated on our Queen and people. None of these moves can be completed by the State. But working in tandem with the State, we can then see resources stabilize the economy for all of O'ahu, Hawaii!

The delegate candidate represent these 10 people are eligible voters who have nominated them:

Melody Mackenzie	Paul Richards	John A. Low, Jr.
Elizabeth M. Hsu	Rowanville Wood	Melinda Ojima
Alberta Low	Renee V. Tappell	
Christina L. Anip	Earl S. Tera	



LOUIS AGARD JR.

Date of birth: 1924-02-25

HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY

He is an 25% Hawaiian with my father coming from my mother's side of the family.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

-1942 Graduate of the Kamehameha School for Boys

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

-Attended University of Redlands, Electrical Engineering

-Attended University of Hawaii, Astronomy

PERSONAL STATEMENT

-CHA able to discuss Local, Neo and Charlie Oka

-Hawaii Homes Commissioner

-Solo Proprietor, Marine Supply & Exchange, Lulu Enterprises

-WestPac Fisheries, Advisor for the Department of the Interior

CRIMINAL RECORD

-No criminal record

PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am seeking election as a delegate to the 1990 to represent the voice of restoring Hawaii's status as an independent state. Working for over 40 years on educating kamae'ema on the history of our proud nation, I hope to bring to light the wrongs done to our A'i, our Aloha, this time and to focus our efforts as a final on restoring that which had never been relinquished, our Hawaii! The time for our people to act is now, for the future of our work and programs and those who have yet to come. As our last Queen Lili'uokalani imposed, "E O'ahu's Kōloa!"

The delegate candidate represent these 10 people are eligible voters who have nominated them:

Stacie Luvay M. H.	Hepanah, Puhiela Mulung	Abad, Gordon Kakuha
Kalina, Lucea Micuana	Muheaon, Kanoakalan Piert	Wong, Korden Hatsuho
Luan Lee, Christopher Travis	Kohala, Michelle Lemmon	Luana, Joseph Kaho
Kanakahele Jun	Mege, Lucille Page	

How do we move forward?

- Expand networks with community groups
- Diversify voter education tactics
- Encourage and amplify community efforts

Q&A

Prescriptive Discussion Issues

- **Prohibiting Agents Of Candidates From Assisting Voters**
 - ❖ **SB216 (2021), Relating to Elections**
- **Adopting Code Of Fair Campaign Practices**
 - ❖ **SB1268 (2021), Relating to Election Campaigns**
- **Remedies for Faithless Electors**
 - ❖ **2022 Bills regarding Faithless Electors:**
 - **SB741, Relating to Elections**
 - **SB2250, Relating to Elections**

Ranked Choice Voting and Unicameral Legislature

- Ranked Choice Voting
 - ❖ SB2162, Relating to Ranked Choice Voting, currently pending Gov. Ige's signature
- Unicameral Legislature
 - ❖ <https://www.civilbeat.org/2022/04/lets-talk-about-a-unicameral-legislature-for-hawaii/>
 - ❖ Policy paper on 1 chamber vs. 2 chambers:
[http://eprints.lse.ac.uk/6642/1/Government Corruption and Legislative Procedures is One Chamber Better Than Two.pdf](http://eprints.lse.ac.uk/6642/1/Government_Corruption_and_Legislative_Procedures_is_One_Chamber_Better_Than_Two.pdf)
 - ❖ Common Cause Nebraska: <https://www.commoncause.org/nebraska/>

Other Matters

- Other Matters?
- Next Meeting – June 29, 2022 led by Commissioner Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director Hawaii Campaign Spending Commission