



**Representative
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Serving You in District 45**

Aloha Friends and Neighbors!

Before talking about some great ways you can volunteer this Thanksgiving, I want to take another opportunity to remind you about completing my 2020 Legislative Issues Survey.

Every year, I ask my constituents in District 45 their views, thoughts, and opinions about what they think are the most important issues for our district and our State. If you live in District 45, you should be receiving a 2020 Legislative Issues Survey in the next few weeks. I want to hear directly from you about what issues are important, what legislation you think we should consider, and what priorities you have regarding the dozens of issues that appear before the legislature each year.

In a representative democracy like ours, it's vital you make your views heard so I can represent you well!

If you haven't received a survey in the mail before the end of November, please contact my office at repmatsumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov or by calling 808-586-9490 and we will make sure you get one!

This holiday season, there are plenty of opportunities to serve our friends and neighbors. The Salvation Army hosts one of the largest Thanksgiving luncheons to over 2,000 attendees at the Blaisdell Center every year. Although there are only a few volunteer spots left for their annual Thanksgiving luncheon you can check out their volunteer page for hundreds of other opportunities to give back to the community during this holiday season. Every pair of hands helps members of our communities feel part of a larger ohana this holiday season. Visit hawaii.salvationarmy.org/hawaii/volunteer to view openings, apply to be a volunteer, or receive additional information.

In addition to the Salvation Army, the Hawaii Food Bank is always looking for volunteers to assist with a variety of positions, including special events, warehouse, and community events. As we're approaching some of the year's largest holidays and a time when families too often go without the necessities, consider applying to be a volunteer for this great organization that's helping some of Oahu's most vulnerable. To volunteer or gather more information, visit hawaiifoodbank.org/volunteer or call 808-954-7869.

For a volunteer opportunity right in our backyard, the Waialua Community Association and North Shore News is hosting their annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on Thursday, November 28th

from 9 am to 11:30 am. The WCA's consistent and reliable dedication to serving food to our community every single year is an incredible act of service that deserves the community's support. Because of the generosity of their organization and others like it, families don't have to go hungry on Thanksgiving. For more information and to volunteer, call 808-637-4606 or visit wailuacommunityassociation.org/volunteer.

And as always, please don't hesitate to contact my office if you have any questions or concerns about happenings in our community. You can reach me at (808) 586-9490 or at repmatsumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov.