The Blue Light
The Honolulu Police Department

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City Honors 9/11 Victims in First-Ever Virtual Ceremony
Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the City and County of Honolulu held a virtual ceremony to pay tribute to the victims of the 9/11 terror attacks.

“The 9/11 attacks tried to threaten American strength and resilience, but we pulled through it together as a nation, as a state, and as a community,” said Chief Susan Ballard. “We are now faced with a pandemic, and I am confident that we will once again prevail by working together and caring for each other.”

Mahalo to the Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts for producing the virtual ceremony. Click HERE to watch.
HPD Assists with City's COVID-19 Efforts

The Honolulu Police Department is working tirelessly to do its part in the fight against COVID-19. In addition to regular duties, the HPD has stepped up to assist the City and County of Honolulu with food distributions, testing sites, and enforcement.

Earlier this summer, HPD assisted with the food distribution events at Aloha Stadium (watch video [HERE](#)). Officers from the Major Events and Traffic Divisions were instrumental in the planning process and managing traffic flow.

HPD also assisted with the free COVID-19 testing at Alapai headquarters. More than 1,100 tests were administered over a two-day period.

In August, the HPD launched a phone and email hotline to report COVID-19 violations. In the month, the hotline received approximately 130 calls and 20 emails every day. The HPD also created COVID enforcement teams (CETs) in every district. Their primary duty is to follow up on information that is reported to the HPD hotline and check for violations at beaches, parks, and other areas. While the teams focus on addressing violations of the emergency order, they are also available to respond to other calls for service. Since March, HPD has issued approximately 15,000 warnings and 64,000 citations for violations under the emergency order. Four hundred forty-nine arrests have been made, mostly in conjunction with separate crimes or traffic stops.
**New Video Series Aims to Educate Public**

In August, the HPD launched its new online video series called, "Did You Know?" The goal is to answer frequently asked questions from the community. Click [HERE](#) to watch the first two videos.

**New Officers Sworn In**

In August, a modified swearing-in ceremony was held at Ke Kula Maka'i for the 195th Recruit Class.

The graduating class is comprised of 41 recruits from all walks of life including several with HPD family ties. The new officers are now assigned to the Field Training and Evaluation Program where they will partner with current officers to gain experience in the field.

Congratulations and welcome to the Blue Ohana!

**COVID-19 Adjustments at Ke Kula Maka'i**

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, the HPD has made adjustments to the recruit training and taken precautions based on CDC guidelines. In addition to daily temperature checks and wellness questions, recruits and training staff are required to wear N95 masks and sit apart from each other in the classroom. Classrooms are wiped down daily and training equipment is cleaned after each use.

Instructors do what they can, but there are certain types of training that require close physical contact (e.g. arrest techniques). During those times, the staff tries to avoid extended periods of contact in addition to using the masks and sanitizing.
Best Wishes to our Retirees!
Mahalo for Your Service!

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With Deepest Sympathy


[View the HPD Retired Memorial Website](https://www.honolulu.gov/police/departments/helmemorial)
Congratulations to our Newly Promoted Personnel!

Sixty-seven officers and three civilians are moving up the ranks. Due to the latest stay-at-home order, a ceremony will be held at a later time.

Promoted to the rank of assistant chief is Rade Vanic. The 20-year veteran will head the Support Services Bureau. Prior to his promotion, he was the commander of the Information Technology Division and District 3 (Pearl City/Waipahu). His earlier assignments include the Office of the Chief, Criminal Investigation Division, and Community Affairs Division.

Promoted to the rank of major are Raynor Ikehara, Mike Lambert, and Benjamin Moszkowicz. Ikehara has 32 years of service and will lead the Professional Standards Office. Prior to his promotion, he was the executive officer of the Human Resources Division. Lambert has 17 years of service and will command District 7 (East Honolulu). Prior to his promotion, he was the coordinator of the Community Outreach Unit. Moszkowicz has 20 years of service and will command the Information Technology Division. Prior to his promotion, he was the executive officer of the Information Technology Division and Traffic Division.

The new lieutenants include:
Robert Cavaco, District 8 (Kapolei/Waianae)
Gabriel Gonsalves III, Specialized Services Division
Vincent Gonzales, District 4 (Kaneohe)
Vince Legaspi, District 3
Denise Nakabayashi, District 4
Angela Payne-Vasquez, District 4
Ronald Pinho-Goldman, District 1

The new detectives include:
Mason Alcover, District 6 (Waikiki)
Denis Carino, District 2 (Wahiawa/North Shore)
Felman Corpuz, Criminal Investigation Division
Chance Correa, District 1
Christel Davis, Criminal Investigation Division
Jonathan Frye, District 3
Jared Koholokula, Criminal Investigation Division
Josette Lai, Criminal Investigation Division
Kaiminaauao Mead, Criminal Investigation Division
Alessandro Mendez, District 8
Dayle Morita, District 1
Micah Nakagawa, Professional Standards Office
Bruce Sanehira, Criminal Investigation Division
Alexander Waseleski IV, District 6
Francis Yanagi, Criminal Investigation Division

The new corporals include:
Celine Aiu, District 4
Adam Alejandro, District 5 (Kalihi)
David Bega Jr., District 2
Raynette Bento, District 5
Thomas Billins, Traffic Division
John Gabriel, District 1
Bryce Hamamoto, District 1
Regina Han-Inamine, Intelligence Enforcement Unit
Chasity Hovey, Office of the Chief
Wade Ikehara, District 2
Vasai Isala, District 2
David Kuamoo, District 8
Caesar Lazaro, District 8
Faitasi Lefiti, District 2
Tuesday Manning, District 4
Byron Marfil, District 6
John Morgia, District 4
Brian Morris, District 2
Travis Muranaka, District 1
Johnny Taflinger Jr., District 5
Julian Tanioka, District 2

Mendel Wong, Parking Violations Clerk 3, Traffic Division
Chevas Miyashiro-Phillip, Parking Violations Clerk 2, Traffic Division
Bryant Dynasty, Parking Violations Clerk 1, Traffic Division

The newly promoted civilians include:

The new lieutenants include:

The new detectives include:

The new corporals include:

The newly promoted civilians include:
Mike Lambert: Police captain who spearheads HPD’s innovative approaches to helping the homeless adjusts to COVID-19 restrictions (Honolulu Star-Advertiser)

Honolulu police chief disagrees with request to step back on low-level arrests amid COVID-19 outbreak (KHON)

The Conversation: A Look at HPD's POST Facility for Oahu’s Homeless (KHPR)

Honolulu first responders stretched thin due to COVID-19 (KHON)

HPD raid illegal game room in Kalihi following recent string of gambling activity on O’ahu (KHON)

Honolulu police arrest Kahala stabbing suspect again (Honolulu Star-Advertiser)

Most Oahu residents want HPD not to lose any funding (Honolulu Star-Advertiser)

What It’s Like Being a Police Captain and Father During the Pandemic (Honolulu Magazine)
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