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New Waianae Police Station Will Open in May



The exterior of the new Waianae Police Station located at 85-939 Farrington Highway

On March 21, the Honolulu Police Department gave a tour of its newly constructed police station in Waianae. Construction was completed on March 11 and the station is scheduled to open on May 20.

The new police station is much larger than the former Waianae substation that existed on the same site and was torn down in 2014.



Major Kurt Kendro (District 8) addresses the media during a press conference.

The contractor demolished the old substation, built in 1961 at 7,000 square feet, and built the new modern district station at 25,172 square feet. The new station has 14 holding cells, compared to 3 at the former substation. The new station includes gas pumps for police vehicles and a radio antenna tower. The second floor contains space for future expansion.

“In my 30-year career, we went from the bunker that was here previously to this state-of-the-art building with equipment in there that’s just incredible,” said Major Kurt Kendro (District 8). “It will better service the leeward community, not only the Waianae community, but the whole leeward community, by allowing officers to be stationed out here, allowing us to have equipment out here, to process arrestees out here.”



Inside the sergeants area, which is located near the front entrance of the new station.

When the station opens on May 20, it will also mean more parking for Pokai Bay Beach Park users. The new police station has 63 parking stalls, including 22 which will be available for beachgoers.

Promotion Ceremony Held for HPD Personnel



Chief Louis Kealoha, Major Gordon Gomes, and Police Commission Vice Chair Cha Thompson



Chief Louis Kealoha congratulates Sergeant Kahuakailani Brown (left) and Sergeant Edward Belcher (right)

In February, Honolulu Police Chief Louis Kealoha announced the promotion of 33 officers and 3 civilians.

The new majors are Gordon Gomes (District 4) and Allan Nagata (Communications Division).

The new captains are Brent Kagawa (District 7), Jayson Kauwenaole (Community Affairs Division), and Aaron Takasaki-Young (District 1).

The new lieutenants are Samuel Arcalas (Major Events Division), Michael Brede Jr. (Narcotics/Vice Division), Kevin Ciparro (District 4), Darin Evangelista (District 1), Channing Hawkins (District 5), Hans Lundberg (Professional Standards Office), Benjamin Moszkowicz (District 8), and Kyle Numasaki (Narcotics/Vice Division).

The new sergeants are Edward Belcher (District 4), Kahuakailani Brown (District 4), Michael Campbell Jr. (District 8), Harold Chi (District 1), Clinton Corpuz (District 1), Gabriel Kira (Traffic Division), Joseph Lefcourt (Traffic Division), Cyrel Lozano (Major Events Division), and Shane Wright (District 1).

The new detectives are Shawn Akau (Criminal Investigation Division), Alan Oku Jr., (District 1), and Jesse Okumura (Criminal Investigation Division).

The new corporals are Mark Kutsy (District 7), Jayme Logeman (District 7), Patrick Loo Jr., (District 7), Chris Matsumoto (District 1), Michael Rodriguez (District 6), Anthony Smith (District 5), Lance Vierra (District 6), and Ming Wang (District 2).

The newly promoted civilians are Darryl Ganeku, Dalelynn Gusman-Campania, and Valerie Vaughan. They were promoted to the position of Parking Violation Clerk 2 and assigned to the Traffic Division.

Police Hopefuls Attend Open House Event



Attendees in the indoor firing range and training classroom.

On January 30, approximately 150 people attended a Metropolitan Police Recruit open house event at Ke Kula Makai. The attendees were divided into several groups and had the opportunity to tour the academy. Officers of the Human Resources Division and Training Division gave presentations about the application process and answered any questions that the attendees had.

HPD Welcomes New Police Radio Dispatchers



L to R: Major Allan Nagata, Jasmine Fuaau, Raymond Takiue Jr., Evon Wright, Nanette Sabado, Chief Louis Kealoha, Amanda Kalalau, C'ari Green-Matutino, Daphne-Anne Vaina, Christine Tsuchiya, Lani Hunter, and Katrina Comeau.

The HPD would like to welcome its newest employees assigned to the Communications Division. On January 11, the department held a family orientation for its 10 new police radio dispatchers (PRD).

The dispatchers are responsible for coordinating and sending police officers to reports of crime, disturbances, emergencies, complaints, and other requests for police assistance. They're also responsible for helping callers remain calm while recording vital information for first responders.

For more information on PRDs, visit our website: www.joinhonolulupd.org.

Mahalo for your service and dedication

Patrice Chisum	36 years
Anthony Colon	26 years
Aileen Honda	10 years
Gerald Minami	36 years
Hilarion Oliva III	30 years
Russell Ontiveros	32 years
Karen Oroku	32 years

30th Citizens Police Academy Graduation



Chief Louis Kealoha, Deputy Chief Cary Okimoto, and Assistant Chief Clayton Kau congratulate the members of the 30th Citizens Police Academy and its advisors

Instead of a badge and gun, 16 civilian "recruits" received certificates of completion from the HPD's Citizens Police Academy (CPA).

A graduation ceremony was held on March 31 in the second floor courtyard of the Alapai headquarters.

The graduates completed an 11-week course on different facets of police work, including HPD policies and procedures, the criminal justice system, and ways to prevent and reduce crime. The participants include a marketing executive, medical assistant, teacher, security officer, along with state and city and county employees.

This is the HPD's 30th CPA class. The first CPA class was in September 1994. Since then, more than 550 citizens have completed the program.

HPD Hosts 'Save Our Streets' Event in Downtown Honolulu



The HPD teamed up with the Hawaii State Department of Transportation's Walk Wise Hawaii program and community volunteers to promote pedestrian and traffic safety awareness on January 29. More than 200 people participated in Project Save Our Streets. The sign waving event was held at the intersection of Bishop and King Streets.

HPD Acquires Second MD 500E Helicopter



Corporal Ernie Barroga (right), Chief Louis Kealoha (center), and Pilot Jeffrey Hebert (right)

The HPD recently acquired its second MD 500E helicopter. It will be used by the Specialized Services Division's Helicopter Section.

The primary functions of the Helicopter Section are to provide aerial observation and support to units of the HPD and related agencies. The section also provides special support to other operations including traffic monitoring, recovery of stolen vehicles, and the eradication of marijuana and other illegal drugs.

The Helicopter Section also assisted with search and rescue efforts for the two Marine helicopters that crashed in waters off Oahu's North Shore earlier this year.

In Memoriam

Always in our hearts

Sergeant Herman King, Jr.
Sergeant William Estrella, Jr.
Officer Jacob Reed
Sergeant Herbert Young
Dolores "Mana" Baluran-Paderes
NikkiDee Lavatai

District 4
District 8
District 7
District 4
District 3
Communications Division

Second Annual DARE Semi-Formal Ball

On March 19, the Oahu Chapter of DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Hawaii hosted a semi-formal ball at Treetops Restaurant in Manoa. The theme was a "Night of Enchantment."

Fashioned after a father-daughter dance, the event was open to mothers and sons, as well as guardians and their children. The evening's festivities included a buffet dinner, live entertainment, dancing, and door prizes.

Money raised from the event will be used for DARE educational supplies.

For more information on DARE, visit www.dare.org/hawaii.



Attendees enjoy a special buffet dinner



Officer Dana Fatu and his daughter



Seniors Bust a Move With Honolulu's Finest

In February, the City & County of Honolulu held the 47th Annual Seniors Valentine Dance at the Neal Blaisdell Center Exhibition Hall. Love was in the air as approximately 1,000 seniors from across the island participated.

Dozens of local celebrities and many of Honolulu's Finest got their groove on with their young-at-heart partners. Police Chief Louis Kealoha, Deputy Chief Marie McCauley, Assistant Chief Clayton Kau, and other HPD officers let loose on the dance floor with the Twist, Cupid Shuffle, Electric Slide, and Macarena.

Seven HPD Explorers Move Up in Rank



Left to right: Major Chelsea Shodai, Sergeant Tristan Crawford, Sergeant Brian Dai, Sergeant Kobi Johansen, Sergeant Kori Johansen, Sergeant Micah Kamahiai, and Sergeant Jerod Zheng.

On March 4, a promotion ceremony was held for seven young adults of the Honolulu Police Department's Law Enforcement Explorers Program (LEEP). Six Explorers were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. One Explorer was promoted to the rank of Major, the highest rank in the program.

The Explorers program is for young adults, between the ages of 14 and 20, who may be interested in a career in law enforcement. For more information on the LEEP, visit www.honolulu.org.

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