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## UH WEST O'AHU ANNUAL WEST O'AHU DAY CELEBRATION FOCUSES ON SCHOOL PRIDE, SUSTAINABILITY AND MOVE TO NEW CAMPUS

**PEARL CITY** – UH West Oʻahu celebrates its largest student event of the year this Wednesday, April 18. This last-ever West Oʻahu Day event at UH West Oʻahu's current Pearl City location will focus on the theme of sustainability as the University looks forward to its new Kapolei campus currently under construction and scheduled for completion in August of this year.

Happening from 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., the event will feature a variety of activities by UH West Oʻahu student clubs as well as University departments and groups including Kealaikahiki, the University's Native Hawaiian program, the new UH West Oʻahu The West Shop Bookstore, Library, and Noʻeau Center for Writing, Math and Academic Success opening at the new Kapolei campus in August, and the UH West Oʻahu Alumni Association. The event is free and open to the public will take place in the UH West Oʻahu Courtyard.

## West O'ahu Day highlights

- Canned goods donations will be collected in support of the University of Hawai'i's annual food drive benefitting the Hawaii Food Bank.
- Former Hawai'i State Senator Gary Hooser will give a motivational speech encouraging students to register to vote. All attendees may register to vote on-site at the Pre-Law Club booth.
- Elections will be held for the Associated Students of UH West O'ahu (ASUHWO) student government. ASUHWO will be giving away free UH West O'ahu T-shirts to currently enrolled students.
- All student attendees will have a chance to win cool prizes including a Kindle Fire, a Barbers
  Point Flight School flight certificate, Podium Raceway passes, and gift certificates to Kapolei
  Airsoft and various restaurants and stores. Students participating in activities at West O'ahu
  Day booths will receive a free stamp card and become eligible to receive one of the grand
  prizes.
- Coca Cola will be giving away free Honest Tea and Vitamin Water drink samples.
- Student club booths will be selling a variety of food and other items with proceeds benefitting club activities.
- Food vendors will be selling shave ice and hot dogs.

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## **About UH West O'ahu**

UH West Oʻahu became a four-year, regional comprehensive university when it served its first class of freshmen in fall 2007. The University offers quality education, small classes and personalized attention at convenient locations. Construction began in August 2010 on the first phase of a new, state-of-the-art UH West Oʻahu campus in the City of Kapolei. It is expected to serve approximately 2,000 students for fall 2012 classes. For more information, visit uhwo.hawaii.edu, twitter.com/uhwestoahu, facebook.com/uhwestoahu or call 454-4700 or toll-free (866) 299-8656.