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## CONSTRUCTION OF NEW VISITOR WAITING LANAI PROMPTS TEMPORARY WEEKEND VISIT CHANGE AT WOMEN'S PRISON

HONOLULU – Saturday family visits at the Women's Community Correctional Center (WCCC) this weekend have been moved to Sunday.

In an effort to improve the visitor experience, the family waiting area at WCCC will be undergoing construction and renovation on Saturday. Due to concerns for safety during the construction of the new lanai, the families scheduled for Saturday visits have been notified of the schedule shift to Sunday. All visits for families scheduled for Sunday will still be held on Sunday as well.

The JustServe Helping Hands community service program selected WCCC this year as their "Day of Service" project site. Each year Helping Hands picks a place that needs cleanup or renovation. Saturday, they will be working hand-in-hand with other churches/volunteers in an interfaith collaborative effort to construct a new family waiting lanai. The lanai will be used for families who are waiting to enter WCCC for their weekend visits with their loved ones. The volunteer group will also be sprucing up the front of the facility by trimming trees and shrubs and removing green waste.

JustServe Helping Hands welcomes more volunteers and building supply donations. If you would like to help out or contribute with donations of building supplies contact Helping Hands Project Manager, Rich Pinto at Rich.Pinto808@gmail.com.

(Please see attached pictures of construction site)

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