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DISCUSSIONS ON THE FUTURE OF OCCC SCHEDULED FOR KAILUA, WAIMANALO AND KALIHI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEETINGS

HONOLULU – The Hawaii Department of Public Safety (PSD) is committed to openness and inclusiveness throughout the planning process for the new Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC). As part of the redevelopment plan, women detainees currently housed at OCCC are expected to be relocated to the Women's Community Correctional Center (WCCC) in Kailua, better serving the needs of the female jail and prison populations. PSD is continuing its outreach efforts in April at these upcoming neighborhood board meetings:

- **April 6, 2017: Kailua Neighborhood Board No. 31**
Kailua Recreation Center 21, South Kainalu Drive
Board convenes at 7 p.m.
- **April 10, 2017: Waimanalo Neighborhood Board No. 32**
National Guard Training Auditorium, 711 Tinker Road
Board convenes at 7:30 p.m.
- **April 19, 2017: Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board No. 15**
Kalihi Union Church, 2214 North King St.
Board convenes at 7 p.m.

OCCC is outdated and overcrowded and in dire need of replacement. From its beginning in 1975 as part of the county-based community corrections system with 456 beds, the facility has been expanded to its current operational capacity of 954 beds and consistently operates above this capacity. With increasingly aged and obsolete correctional facilities, PSD has proposed improving its corrections infrastructure through modernization of its existing facilities, where feasible, and construction of new institutions to replace others when necessary. Among its priority projects is the replacement of OCCC which, when constructed, will take advantage of the newest cost-savings technologies and improve correctional services and safety for both inmates,

staff and the public. Information concerning the OCCC project is available at:
<http://dps.hawaii.gov/occc-future-plans>.

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