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### **DISCUSSIONS ON THE FUTURE OF OCCC SCHEDULED FOR AIEA, WAHIAWA AND MILILANI MAUKA/LAUNANI VALLEY 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) and is continuing its outreach efforts at these upcoming neighborhood board meetings:

- **March 13, 2017: Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20**  
Aiea Public Library, 99-374 Pohai Place  
Board convenes at 7:30 p.m.  
Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- **March 20, 2017: Wahiawa Neighborhood Board No. 26**  
Wahiawa Recreation Center's Hale Koa Building, 1139-A Kilani Avenue  
Board convenes at 7:00 p.m.  
Open House 6:15-7:00 p.m.
- **March 21, 2017: Mililani Mauka/Launani Valley Neighborhood Board No. 35**  
Mililani Mauka Elementary School, 95-111 Makaikai Street  
Board convenes at 7:00 p.m.  
Open House 6:15-7:00 p.m.

An open house information session will precede each neighborhood board meeting.

OCCC is outdated and overcrowded and in dire need of replacement.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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