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December 24, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President and Members of the Senate  
Thirty-third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

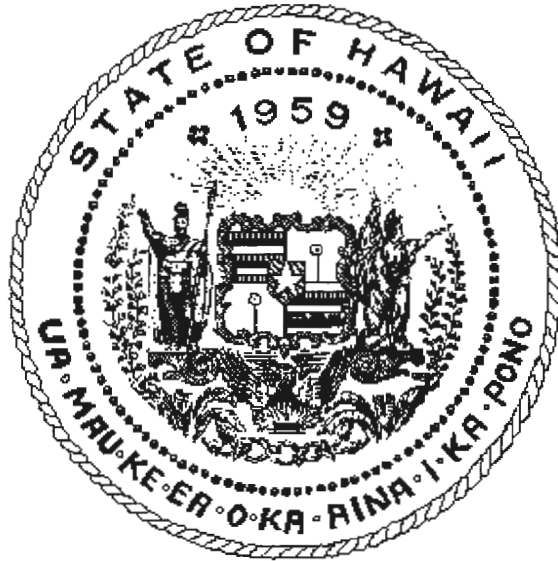
For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Annual Report on Meeting the Benchmarks for Purchase of Fresh Local Agricultural Products and Local Value-Added, Processed, Agricultural, or Food Products in response to Act 176, SLH 2021. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: <https://dcr.hawaii.gov/2025-reports-to-legislature/>.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please have your staff contact Teresita V. Fernandez, Business Management Officer, at 587-1236.

Sincerely,

Tommy Johnson  
Director

Enclosure



**DEPARTMENT OF  
CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION  
REPORT TO THE 2025 STATE LEGISLATURE**

**IN RESPONSE TO ACT 176, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2021**

**Annual Report on Meeting the Benchmarks in Act 176,  
SLH 2021 for Purchase of Fresh Local Agricultural  
Products and Local Value-Added, Processed,  
Agricultural, or Food Products**

**December 2024**

Act 176, SLH 2021 requires the Department of Education, Department of Health, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Department of Defense, and the University of Hawaii System to ensure that a certain percentage of fresh produce purchased is fresh local agricultural products and local value-added, processed, agricultural, or food products meet incrementally-increasing benchmarks by January 1, 2025, January 1, 2030, January 1, 2035, January 1, 2040, January 1, 2045, culminating in a 50% benchmark by January 1, 2050.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation submits the following report of its progress in achieving the required benchmarks.

Category	Total Purchases	Local
Fresh Fruits & Vegetables	\$ 1,644,106.01	\$ 243,979.01
DCR Facility Grown Produce		\$ 127,640.82
Coffee	\$ 51,237.27	
Staple Starches	\$ 388,956.02	
Eggs	\$ 562,611.85	
Other Grocery Products	\$ 3,315,074.75	
Baked Goods	\$ 1,000,099.03	
Poultry & Poultry Products	\$ 1,645,545.19	
Beef & Beef Products	\$ 704,943.54	
Pork & Pork Products	\$ 537,328.04	
Seafood & Seafood Products	\$ 201,556.00	
Other Frozen Meats	\$ 28,730.50	
Milk & Dairy Products	\$ 437,424.83	\$ -
Total	\$ 10,517,613.03	\$ 371,619.83
Percentage Local		3.53%

Produce, as defined in Act 176, includes “fruits, vegetables, staple starches, nuts coffee, eggs, poultry and poultry products, livestock and livestock products, milk and milk products, aquaculture and maricultural products, and horticultural products”. By definition, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation spent \$371,619.83 or 3.53% of the total food purchases on “produce” in FY 2024.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation continues to work closely with vendors to increase procurement of locally sourced products and attain the benchmarks as set by Hawaii State Legislature. Complications in achieving this goal include funding, State procurement rules, vendor supply shortages, providing nutritious meals within budget, and attempting to revise vendor contracts mid-term.