



GARNER SHIMIZU

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STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 32

November 2025 Newsletter

Aloha Friends,

As we approach the upcoming legislative session, our focus turns once again to the important work of shaping policies that make a real and lasting difference for our community and for Hawai'i as a whole. Each session brings its own set of challenges, but also new opportunities to build upon the progress we've made. By working together through listening, collaboration, and shared purpose, we can ensure that the voices of our residents continue to guide the decisions made at the Capitol.

Our district's greatest strength has always come from unity, from neighbors, families, schools, and local organizations coming together with a common goal of improving the quality of life for all. Whether it's supporting our keiki and educators, strengthening public safety, enhancing transportation and infrastructure, or protecting the natural beauty that sustains us, progress happens when we stand together. Every idea, every effort, and every partnership helps move our community forward.

As we enter this new session, let us carry that same spirit of aloha, determination, and service into the months ahead. Together, by keeping our shared values at the heart of every discussion and every piece of legislation, we can create meaningful change that uplifts our community and builds a brighter, stronger future for Hawai'i.

Blessed to serve you,

Representative Garner Shimizu

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I'd love to hear from you! Please share questions, concerns, or ideas you may have. You can reach me at **(808) 586-9470** or **RepShimizu@capitol.hawaii.gov**. For regular and time-sensitive updates about legislation and issues that impact our community visit **RepShimizu.com** and sign up for my e-newsletters.

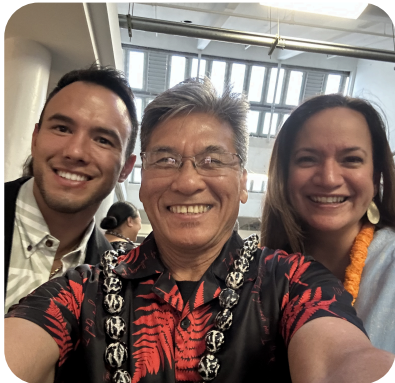


In the Community



Red Hill Reflection and Pledge

Representative Shimizu signed the pledge and joined community leaders at Honolulu Hale for the “Pledge to Our Wai, Pledge to Our Keiki” event addressing the Red Hill water crisis. He stood in solidarity with elected officials, youth, and other stakeholders committed to protecting Hawai‘i’s most precious resource, our water, to safeguard future generations, ensuring clean water, transparency, and accountability in our ‘aina and community.



OHA Legislative Reception and Open House

Representative Shimizu met Interim CEO Summer Sylva and COO K. Sean Kekina, joining other elected officials at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs headquarters, to connect with their organization and Trustees to learn more about their mission and successful endeavors. It was an important time to recognize and acknowledge the various programs and lives being touched and affected through their strategic investments and strengthen our commitment to our Native Hawaiian community.



Meeting With Councilmember Cordero

In response to community concerns about large commercial vehicles parking too close to intersections in Foster Village, Representative Garner Shimizu met with Councilmember Radiant Cordero to explore possible safety improvements. Representative Shimizu suggested increasing the minimum parking distance from intersections to improve visibility and reduce potential hazards for drivers. Our office will continue working with City officials and the Department of Transportation Services to assess solutions and keep neighborhood streets safe for all residents.



Standing in Unity with Kamehameha Schools

Representative Shimizu stands in solidarity with Kamehameha Schools and the Native Hawaiian community as they face a new legal challenge to the school’s admissions policy. He recognizes the deep cultural and historical significance of Ke Ali‘i Pauahi’s legacy, which has provided generations of Native Hawaiian students with access to education and opportunity. Kamehameha Schools has pledged to vigorously defend Ke Ali‘i Pauahi’s kauoha and remain steadfast in its mission to uplift Native Hawaiian learners and strengthen the future of Hawai‘i’s people.



In the Community



Trunk or Treat

Pictured with Principal Shigemasa, Representative Shimizu helped support Makalapa Elementary School's Trunk-or-Treat event, passing out candy and greeting students and families. Representative Shimizu was happy for the opportunity to attend this event that brought together staff, parents, and neighbors for a gathering of fun, safety, and school spirit.



Defending Faith and Freedom

Representative Shimizu recently hosted and interviewed Brad Dacus, Founder and President of Pacific Justice Institute, which provides free legal counsel specializing in religious freedom, parental rights, and other civil liberties. The program explored some recent cases and developments affecting society, including guidance on pastoral endorsements, equal access for religious organizations in public schools, and child custody protection. Representative Shimizu was honored to join the conversation to protect our constitutional freedoms and promote this worthy organization that also has an Oahu office. Check them out at pji.org!



FAMES Hawai'i 21st Annual Gala

Representative Shimizu had the honor of serving as the inducting officer at the FAMES Hawai'i 21st Annual Scholarship and Fundraising Gala, where he installed the 2025–2026 officers and directors. The event celebrated FAMES Hawai'i's mission to empower local entrepreneurs, professionals, and students through mentorship and leadership. Representative Shimizu congratulated the new board and commended the organization's continued dedication to uplifting Hawai'i's business community.



Site Visit to Hālawā Correctional Facility

As part of the Restrictive Housing Working Group, Representative Shimizu participated in a site visit to Hālawā Correctional Facility to gain firsthand insight into current housing conditions and rehabilitation efforts. The visit provided an important opportunity to engage with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Director Johnson and staff, and discuss ongoing efforts to improve safety, transparency, and outcomes within Hawai'i's correctional system.



Additional Events

'Aiea Monitoring Wells Community Meeting

Representative Shimizu attended the Board of Water Supply presentation of their plan for two new monitoring wells located within the 'Aiea Field annex. In response to the Red Hill Fuel spills, these wells will help monitor groundwater quality and safeguard our water supply. Construction is anticipated to begin in the last quarter of 2026 with an expected duration of four months for each well. The construction process was explained to neighbors, and questions and concerns were addressed.

Elections Commission Meetings

Attendance and testimony at these monthly meetings have become a priority, to monitor the ongoing discussion and appropriate review of public voting concerns. Transparency and accountability in our elections is crucial to our democratic process, helping to build public confidence and increase voter participation. Representative Shimizu is committed to ensuring and strengthening election integrity through open dialogue and continued legislative oversight.

Moanalua Middle School Food Trucks

Community spirit was on full display at Moanalua Middle School's Food Truck Event, where families, students, and staff came together for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship. Representative Shimizu joined in the celebration, enjoying the local flavors and connecting with parents and educators about the importance of supporting school programs that bring the community together. Events like these highlight the strong partnerships that make Moanalua a vibrant and thriving district.

Public Safety Informational Briefing

Representative Shimizu attended the recent House Committee on Public Safety informational briefing focused on exploring best practices for medical release programs within correctional systems across the United States. The discussion, featuring presentations by Molly Crane of Families for Justice Reform and Christin M. Johnson of the Hawai'i Correctional System Oversight Commission, examined how these models can inform and introduce policies to balance compassion, accountability, and public safety in Hawai'i's correctional facilities.

Menehune Classic Marching Band Festival

Music and school pride filled the air at the Menehune Classic Marching Band Festival, where talented students from across the island showcased their hard work and dedication. Representative Shimizu joined families, faculty, and community members in celebrating the outstanding performances and spirit of Hawai'i's young musicians. He commended the students and organizers for their commitment to excellence, teamwork, and keeping the tradition of marching band alive in our schools.

Moanalua Community Fall Fest

Moanalua Gardens Missionary Church's annual event provided families and the community a great venue to enjoy food trucks, games, rides, and entertainment for a fun-filled evening of connection and aloha. Held on their grounds, and partial area at adjacent Moanalua Elementary School and street closure, this Fall Fest is a great example of community members coming together in unity to provide a blessing for others. Representative Shimizu joined residents to support this great event and share the special time with constituents.



Additional Events

Salt Lake District Park Trunk or Treat

Families from across the community came together for a night of fun and festivities at the Salt Lake District Park Trunk or Treat event. Representative Shimizu joined in the celebration, greeting keiki and parents as they enjoyed creative costumes, decorated booths, and plenty of treats.

Resources

- **Red Hill Updates:** <https://redhillregistry.org/>
- **Aloha Stadium Redevelopment:** <https://nased.hawaii.gov/>
- **OSCC Relocation:** <https://hcsoc.hawaii.gov/>

Upcoming Events

Nov. 5th Read to a Dog at Salt Lake–Moanalua Library

Don't miss "Read to a Dog" at Salt Lake–Moanalua Library, Tuesday, November 5 from 2:00–3:30 PM. Children can read aloud to a friendly therapy dog, boosting their confidence and enjoying some puppy love too. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. It's a wonderful, calm way to combine reading with fun for the whole family.

Nov. 8th Genki Ball Making & Community Cleanup

Get outdoors and make a positive impact at the Āliamanu–Salt Lake neighborhood's Genki Ball Making and Community Cleanup from 1:00 to 4:00pm on Saturday, November 8. Volunteers of all ages are invited to help create "genki balls" and clean up the neighborhood environment, an opportunity to give back and connect with fellow residents. More details to follow in the neighborhood board newsletter.

Nov. 20st Light the World Giving Machine Launch

Join us for the launch of the Light the World Giving Machines, a unique way to support local nonprofits by "purchasing" charitable gifts for families in need. Swing by Pearlridge Center Mauka, Center Court at 9:00 AM to celebrate the kickoff, learn how the machines work, and make a difference this holiday season. Bring a friend and help light the world, one gift at a time!

Nov. 21st Moanalua Elementary School Fun Fair

Mark your calendar for the Moanalua Elementary School Fun Fair on Friday, November 21 from 2:00 to 8:00pm. This family-packed event features games, food, entertainment, and community spirit, all supporting our local keiki and school. Come out for the fun and help support Moanalua Elementary!

Nov. 22nd Magic of Reading: Magic Show & Book Fair

Bring the whole family for a morning of wonder and holiday cheer! From 9:00am to 12:00pm, kids can enjoy an amazing magic show and then explore a festive book fair just in time for gift-giving. All children must be accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver. Sponsored by the Friends of the Salt Lake–Moanalua Library.



Upcoming Events

KEEPING SAFE IN CYBERSPACE

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7
7PM • MGMC UPPER ROOM
FOR PARENTS & YOUTH**

Speaker
Angela Kaiwikuamo'oho'ihou
Community & Crime Specialist with
Dept. of the Attorney General



JOINT COMMUNITY TOWNHALL ON EMERGENCY & DISASTER PREPAREDNESS



**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 25, 2025
6:30 – 8:30 PM**

PEARL CITY ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

Hosted By: NB#21 (Pearl City), NB#20 (Aiea), NB#18 (Salt Lake/Āliamanu/Foster Village/Airport) in partnership with NB #34 (Makakilo-Kapolei), NB#23 (Ewa), NB#35 Mililani Mauka, NB #14 (Liliha-Alewa), NB#15 (Kalihi-Palama), and community partners



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