

KIA konnexion

April 2020

KIA was formed in 1987 to be a forum for concerned Kakaako business owners



MAHALO Past KIA Presidents

It was in July 1987 that the Kakaako Improvement Association was established as a non-profit organization. They were not affiliated with any city or state agency to do all things necessary or desirable for the attainment of its stated purpose. KIA has been governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, duly elected annually by the KIA membership.

This is a good time to say "Mahalo" to the KIA Presidents who directed the Board, keeping the Mission Statement in mind ... to be a forum for concerned Kakaako business owners to express their concerns, discuss their ideas, work out their differences, and speak with a strong, unified voice on the complex issues that affect the area."

Don Bremmer - 1987 to 1990
Tim Chow - 1991 & 1992
Paul Kimura - 1993 & 1994
Neil Hannahs - 1995 & 1996
Ron Teves - 1997
Beverly Harbin - 1998 to 2001
Don Ojiri - 2002 & 2003
Kendall Hee - 2004 and 2005
Jay Kadowaki - 2006 & 2007
Bob Oda - 2008 to 2010
Donna Farrell - 2011
Alison Lee - 2012
Mark Higa - 2013
Leslie Miasnick - 2014
Bobbie Lau - 2015
Steve Sullivan - 2016 & 2017
Kurt Murata - 2018
Michael Libertini - 2019
Jeff Sandborn - 2020

News from the KIA Board

It is the KIA Board's hope that all members, as well as their families, friends, clients, and customers are doing the best as can be during the Coronavirus disease in Hawaii and the world. Please take care of yourself and others by listening to the radio and TV, with updates and heed their messages.

The KIA Networking Event set for April 29th has been canceled, and the October 21st event will be the first and only one for the year.

It was a hard decision for the KIA Board to postpone the KIA Invitational Golf Tournament set for August 21st. It will be moved to August 20, 2021 at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club.

HELPFUL WEBSITES



This may be a program that will be helpful to you, your company or organization. \$10,000 SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan and Emergency Grant, <https://covic19relief.sba.gov/#/>

State Representative Gregg Takayama and his staff are compiling a list of services, in conjunction with the Executive Office on Aging, which will be available for stay-at-home seniors during this COVID-19 crisis. The website for the Hawaii Department of Elderly Affairs Division is <https://www.elderlyaffairs.com/>. Both offices will have the website updated as more services become available.

Paycheck Protection Program



The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan, which is all the buzz right now, is generally for business owners to take out this loan so that they can continue to pay their staff. Assuming the company meets eligibility criteria and use the funds for eligible payroll-related expenses, the loan may be forgivable. The idea is that many businesses out there are suffering severe declines in revenue, if not completely shut down. The government does not want these businesses to lay off all of their employees so this PPP loan is to give the business owners a boost and help them keep their staff employed.

There is quite a bit of documentation and financial information that needs to be provided. All of the banks nationwide are currently being inundated with these loan requests. Applications can be submitted through your banker. KIA has Bank of Hawaii, Central Pacific Bank, First Hawaiian Bank and Territorial Savings Bank as members. Check your bank's website for all the information. Mahalo to Jay Miyaki, CPA, a valued KIA member who brought this program to the attention of Sherry Goya, KIA Executive Director.