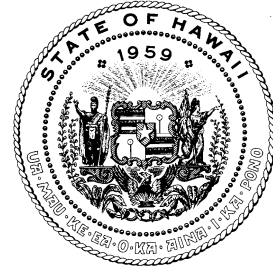


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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### KAUAI LEGISLATORS SUPPORT KAUAI FOOD BANK

OAHU – Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, along with Representative Dee Morikawa and Representative Derek S.K. Kawakami, met with Kauai Food Bank (KFB) Board President Rowena Cobb, at Senator Ronald D. Kouchi's office in the State Capitol on Tuesday, February 21, 2012. Cobb was at the Capitol to give Kauai legislative members an update on KFB.

Senator Kouchi stated "The Kauai Food Bank has been helping and supporting the local community for the past sixteen years. Although they are the smallest food bank in the State, they have a significant impact on the lives of those who struggle to afford food. They have proven their commitment to the local Kauai community by their dedication these past sixteen years. I believe they are truly committed to ending food poverty on Kauai and I am greatly appreciative of their efforts in this endeavor."

Kauai Food Bank, Inc. is a non-profit, tax-exempt charitable organization, formally established in December 1994. Prior to its incorporation, KFB was initially operated by volunteers in the wake of the Hurricane Iniki disaster in 1992. In addition to its food distribution program, KFB also sponsors a disaster assistance program, vocational rehabilitation, EBT Farmers Market Program, SNAP Outreach, Keiki Café and Youth Backpack Program.

(Photo caption: Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, Kauai Food Bank Board President Rowena Cobb, Representative Dee Morikawa and Representative Derek S.K. Kawakami)

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