

PUNA NEWSLETTER



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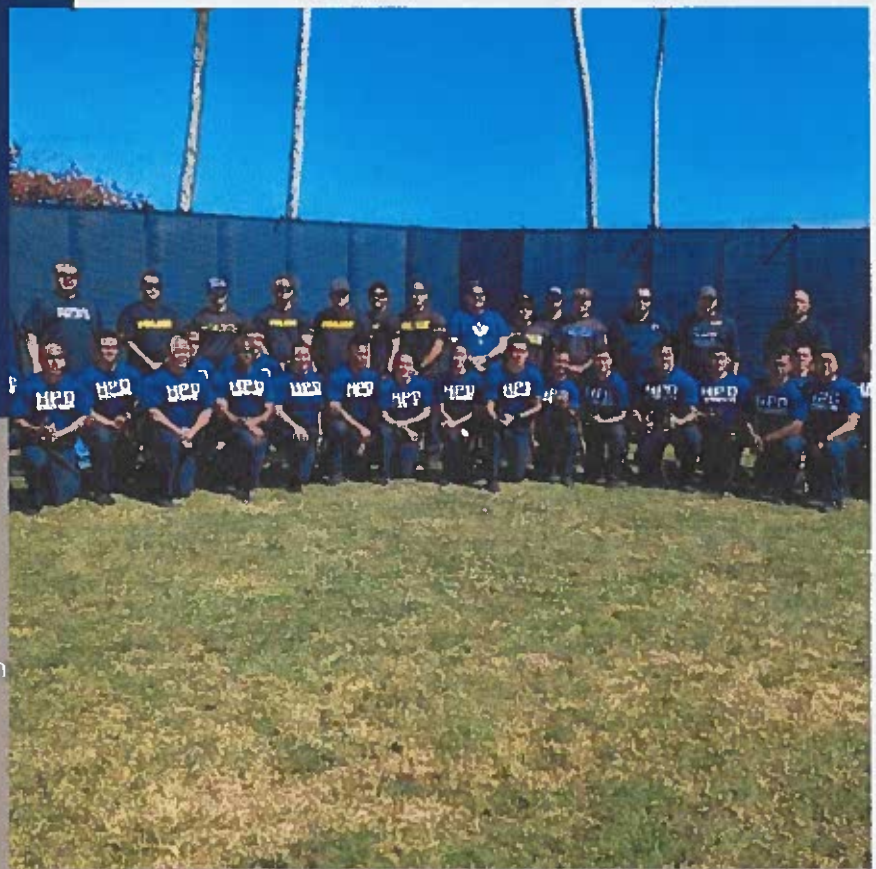
Start 2024 with a Resolution to be Prepared!

Start the new year right by prioritizing your preparedness for any emergency. Resolve to be Ready in 2024 by creating a family emergency plan, building an emergency kit, staying informed, learning new lifesaving skills, and knowing your threats and hazards.

The goal of this newsletter is to provide community information, crime prevention tips & education, inform you about crime in our community, and alert you to upcoming Police Department events. We look forward to sharing this information and helping you learn how to keep your families, homes and property safer.

In this newsletter you will find:

- Report Reckless/Unsafe Drivers
- Stay at the Scene after a collision
- Stay Informed via NIXLE
- Crime Stoppers
- Tips When Calling 911
- Crime Trends
- Puna's Most Wanted



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Report Unsafe Drivers

If you see a motorist violating one or more traffic laws, we encourage you to report it to our Traffic Services Section.

Provide us with the vehicle's license number, make and color, along with the date, time, location and a description of the violation. The Traffic Services Section will send a letter to the vehicle's registered owner and convey what was observed. Police will not reveal the identity of the person who made the complaint.

Just fill out one of the Community Road Safety Watch forms below and then do one of the following:

- Mail it to:

*Hawaii Police Department
Traffic Services Section
349 Kapiolani Street
Hilo, HI 96720*

Drop it off at a police station ([Find locations here](#))

Fax it to the Traffic Services Section at (808) 961-2228

Call in the information to the Traffic Services Section at (808) 961-2226

Email the information to the Traffic Services Section at Leanne.matsuo@hawaiicounty.gov

[Link to Community Road Safety Watch form \(PDF 19 KB\)](#)

[Link to Community Road Safety Watch form \(HTML\)](#)

Locations of high volume calls for service due to reported reckless driving (January & February 2024):

Highway 130: Milo Street, Keaau Transfer Station, Shower Drive, Kaloli Drive, Orchidland Drive, Paradise Drive, Makuu Drive, Ainaloa Boulevard, Kahaka Boulevard, Nanawale Boulevard and Upper Puna Road

Highway 11: Macadamia Road, Kipimana Street, Paahana Street, Huina Street, Kuauli Road, Kulani Road, South Kopua Road, and 19 Mile Marker in Volcano.

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Deputy Chief



Chief Benjamin Moszkowicz

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COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY WATCH
FOR OUR PUBLIC ROADS

Community Road Safety Watch is your chance to help reduce irresponsible drivers' repetitive speeding and reckless driving in the future.

Once the required information is filled in below do one of the following:

1. Mail report to the Hawaii Police Department
2. Drop it off at the Hawaii Police Department
3. Call in the report to Traffic Services 808-961-2226
4. Fax report to Traffic Services 808-961-2226
5. Email report to Traffic Services: Torey.Kettner@hawaiioultiy.gov

**MAHALO FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION
TO THE SAFETY OF OUR PUBLIC ROADS**

----- (fold in and tape) -----

DO NOT FILL THIS OUT WHILE DRIVING!

***Date of Event** _____ ***Time of Event** _____

***Vehicle License No.** _____ **Violator Male:** _____ **Female:** _____
Make: _____ **Color:** _____

***Location of Violation:** _____

***Description of Violation:** _____

Reporter Name _____ **Phone:** _____

* Required Information

revised 05/13/00

Stamp

Hawaii Police Department
Traffic Services Section
349 Kapiolani St.
Hilo, HI 96720

Please do not staple, tape here.

**STAY AT
THE SCENE**



IT'S THE LAW

WHAT TO DO AFTER A COLLISION

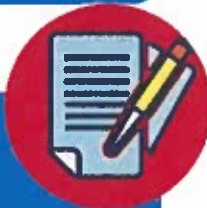
- Check on yourself and your passengers



- move out of the road to safe location



- exchange information
 - personal contact
 - motor vehicle



- take photos



- Report all major traffic casualties to police/medical



STAY INFORMED



**EMERGENCY
NOTIFICATIONS**



**TRAFFIC UPDATES &
ROAD CLOSURES**



**SEVERE WEATHER
ALERTS**



EVENT REMINDERS



How to decide what messages you want to receive from the Hawai'i Police Department:

Under Settings:

- Subscribe to Hawai'i Police Department.
- Check the "Email" box if you want to receive email messages.
- Choose "None" if you don't want any SMS messages sent to your mobile phone.
- Choose "Alerts Only" to receive just the most critical messages on your mobile phone.
- Choose "Alerts, Advisories" to receive the most critical messages and traffic advisories on your mobile phone.
- Choose "Alerts, Advisories, Community" to receive the Police Department's media releases along with the most critical messages and traffic advisories on your mobile phone.

COST

Nixle does not charge citizens for this service but message and data rates may apply. Message frequency may be periodic and depends on account settings. AT&T, T-Mobile®, Sprint, Verizon Wireless and most other carriers are supported.

MORE NIXLE INFORMATION

More information at nixle.com.
For help, reply HELP to 888777.
To cancel, reply STOP to 888777.
Contact customer support at support@nixle.com.
[Link to Nixle Terms of Service](#)

REPORT CRIME ANONYMOUSLY

CRIME STOPPERS

What is Crime stoppers?

Crime Stoppers is a toll-free phone number you can call to report crimes anonymously. It is designed to encourage the community to assist HPD in the fight against crime by overcoming the fear of reprisal and inherent friction within the system that hampers community involvement. While we encourage community members to call and serve as witnesses, we recognize this is not always an option for everyone. Crime Stoppers is intended to fill this gap.

How does it work?

When you call Crime Stoppers, you speak to a community volunteer, not a Police Officer, a dispatcher, or anyone employed by the Police Department. Here are some other things you may like to know.

- Crime Stoppers will NEVER ask you for your name, phone number, address, or any other information that could identify you.
- Crime Stoppers does not record phone calls or have caller ID.
- No one will know you called us unless you tell them.
- Once you give Crime Stoppers your report, you will be issued a PIN. This PIN code can later be used to check a tip's status or follow up on a possible reward. This PIN code is the only way Crime Stoppers can identify you.



You may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000

- Crime Stoppers cannot and will not call you back with the status of a tip because they will never collect or know your phone number.
- When a tip gets sent to Police, they will not know who provided it.
- In some cases, Crime Stoppers may pay out a cash reward of up to \$1,000.
- The only requirement is you must report the tip directly to the Crime Stoppers Tip Line.

Crime Stoppers on Nā Leo TV

Episodes of the Crime Stoppers TV Program are available on-demand from Nā Leo TV.

[Crime Stoppers on Nā Leo TV](#)



TIPS WHEN CALLING 911

WHEN CALLING 911

- STAY CALM
- KNOW YOUR LOCATION
- LET THE CALL-TAKER GUIDE THE CONVERSATION
- FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS
- KEEP BEING A GOOD WITNESS
- DO NOT HANG UP THE CALL



WHAT IS 911

911 is a free emergency phone number used to request immediate assistance from emergency services. This includes Police, Fire, and medical services.

FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY!

An emergency is any situation that requires immediate assistance from law enforcement, firefighters, or an ambulance. If you are ever in doubt about whether a situation is an emergency, you should call 911. It is better to be safe and let the 911 dispatcher determine if you require emergency assistance. Otherwise, you can reach the police on our non-emergency line at (808) 935-3333 to make reports, seek advice, or request other police services.

What to expect

Calling 911 is a highly stressful experience that many find overwhelming. You may be dealing with trauma, extreme emotions, loud noises, or even a dangerous situation and our dispatcher knows this. They will strive to keep you focused and organized to move things along. This way, they can get the proper emergency service to you as fast as possible, but they need your help.

You will need to know where you are calling from. This is one of the first things you will be asked. Take a moment to figure this out before placing the call. While on the line with the call taker, they will guide the conversation, wait for them to ask questions, and answer them clearly and calmly. The call taker is trained to ask the right questions in the proper order so they can get emergency services to you right away. Stay calm, and remain on the line until emergency services arrive, do not hang up. The call taker will guide you through the emergency until then.

If you follow these tips, you will get a faster response time which can be the difference between life and death.

What if I accidentally call 911

If you happen to call by accident, stay on the line until you can tell the call taker that you called by accident and there is no emergency. This saves the call taker from having to call you back and confirm there is no emergency or possibly diverting police to check your address for an emergency.



FEBRUARY REPORTED CRIMES



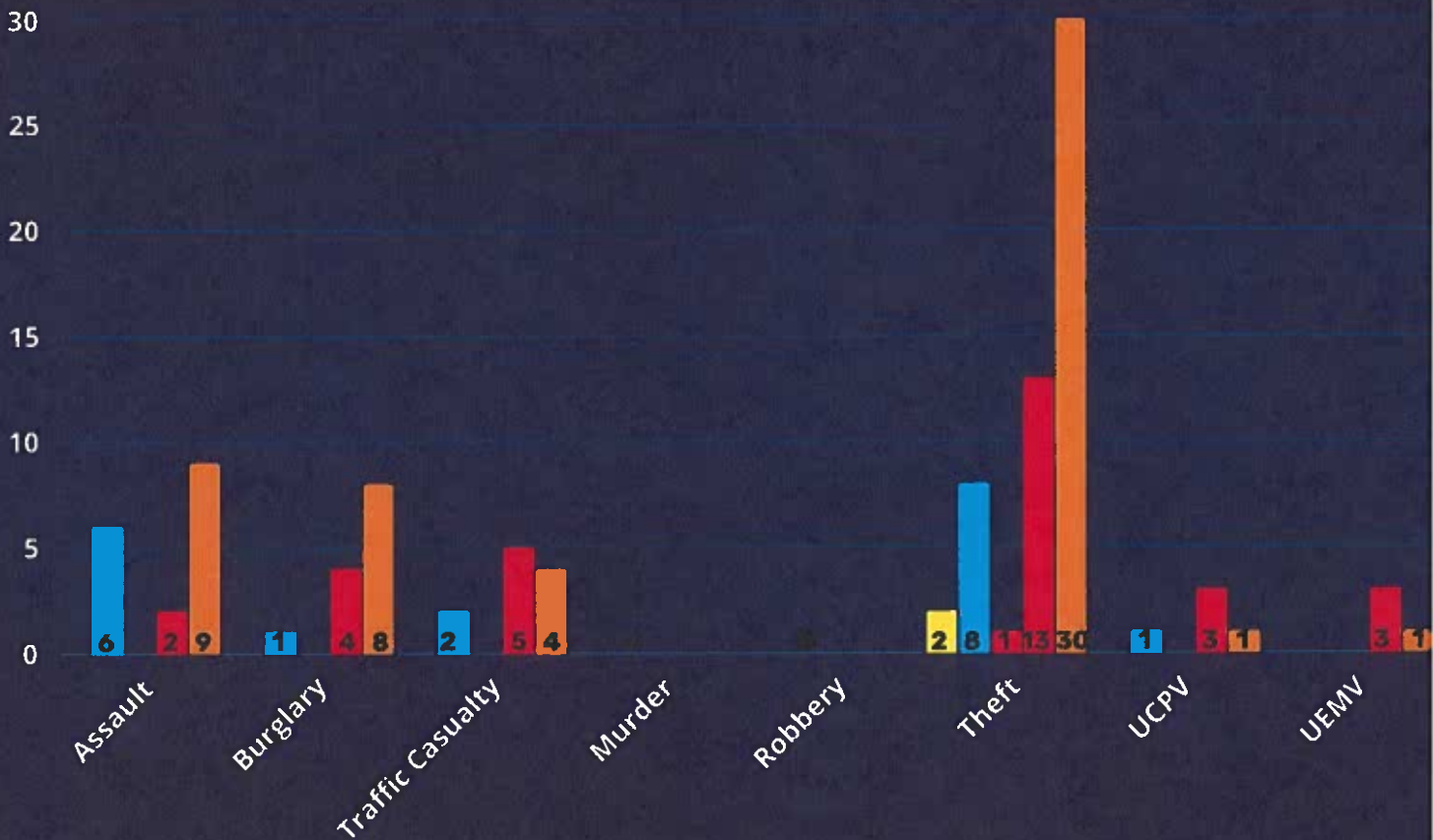
VOLCANO

MT.VIEW

KURTISTOWN

KEA'AU

PĀHOA



- **Assault:** When a person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly causes bodily injury to another or negligently with a dangerous instrument.
- **Burglary:** Intentionally & unlawfully entering & remaining in a building with intent to commit a crime against person or property.
- **CPD:** Criminal Property Damage; unlawful damaging of another's property; vandalism.
- **Robbery:** If in the course of committing theft or non-consensual taking of a motor vehicle the person uses force.
- **Theft:** When a person obtains or exerts control over property of another with intent to deprive the other of the property.
- **UCPV:** Unauthorized Control of Propelled vehicle; auto theft.
- **UEMV:** Unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle car break-in.

FEBRUARY CRIME STATS

VOLCANO

Thefts: 2

Old Volcano Road; Kilauea Lodge
3RD Street

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Assault: 6

Menpachi Street
Volcano Road
N. Oshiro Road & Volcano Road
Kokokahi Road
Hawaiian Acres
Io Kea Road

Burglary: 1

Palainui Avenue

UCPV: 1

Opeapea Road

Major TC: 2

Alula Road & Moho Road
Volcano Road & Kuauli Road

Theft: 8

Uhini Ana Road
Mountain View Elementary School
Ao Road
Hulu Road
Kokokahi Road (2x)
Painui Street
Ohinalani Road

FEBRUARY CRIME STATS

KEAAU

Assault: 2

Keaau High School
Keaau Intermediate School

Burglary: 4

35TH Avenue
North Road
36TH Avenue
27TH Avenue

Major TC: 5

Highway 130 & Paradise Drive
Kaloli Drive & 25TH Avenue
Highway 11 & Highway 130
Highway 130 & Pohaku Place
Ilima Street & 37TH Avenue

UEMV: 3

Beach Road & Kaloli Drive
28TH Avenue
22ND Avenue

UCPV: 3

Beach Road near Makuu Drive
36TH Avenue (2x)

Theft: 13

Beach Road & Kaloli Drive
21ST Avenue (2x)
Foodland Keaau
36TH Avenue
34TH Avenue (2x)
6TH Avenue
Keaau Post Office
22ND Avenue (3x)
14TH Avenue & Kaloli Drive

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

FEBRUARY CRIME STATS

PAHOA

Assault: 9

Mano Street (2x)

Silveroak Drive

Tutu Lane

Pomaikai Street

Laaui Place (2x)

Kahakai Boulevard

Kalapana Gardens

Major TC: 4

Akeakamai Loop

Aku Street & Kahakai Boulevard

Makuu Farmers Market

Pahoa Village Road / Black Rock
Cafe

Burglary: 8

Pahoa Village Road

Apaa Street

Hou Street

Old Kalapana Road

Pahoa Kalapana Road

Kahakai Boulevard

Kuhi Drive

Waimea Road

UEMV: 1

Kapu Lane

UCPV: 1

Silveroak Drive

FEBRUARY CRIME STATS

PAHOA

Theft: 30

Pahoa Village Road (4x)

East Pohakupele Loop

West Pohakupele Loop

Hapuu Road & Paradise Road

Auina Street

Pahoa DMV

Malama Market Pahoa (2x)

Pear Drive & Ainaloa Boulevard

Kahakai Boulevard Da Store

Malama Street

Kahakai Boulevard Longs Pahoa (2x)

Shell Road

Hou Street

Pahoa Village Road Goodwill Store

Silversword Drive

Pahoa Kapoho Road

Holiday Road

Leilani Avenue

Pahoa Village Road First Hawaiian Bank

Malama Street & Kaupili Street

Ainaloa Drive

Mapuana Avenue

Kuhio Drive

Manini Street

Pahoa Kalapana Road

7'0"

6'8"

6'6"

6'4"

6'2"

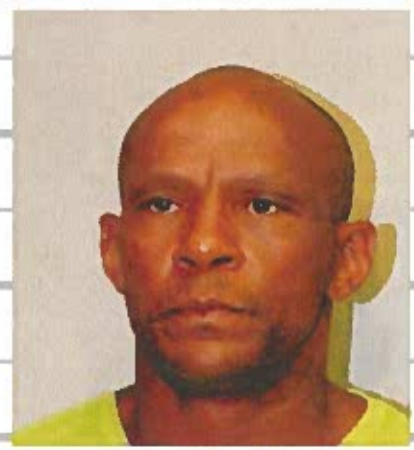
WANTED



Keanu KRAUSE



Isaac PAULINE



Benny GORDON

6'0"

5'8"

5'6"



**Linita KAPELI-
SPENCER**



Anthony CELIS



Irvin AGRES

5'4"

5'2"

5'0"

4'8"



**Chandsome KAWELO-
LEWI**



Cherish TORRES



Cole EVANS-TANIGAWA

4'6"

Do not attempt to contact any wanted person as they may be armed and/or dangerous. If you have information regarding the whereabouts of any listed individual please call police.