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HAWAI`I CHARITY REGISTRY NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

HONOLULU – A searchable database of registered charities that solicit funds from Hawai`i donors is now available to the public at ag.ehawaii.gov/charity.

The registry allows users to search the database of charities that have registered with the Department of the Attorney General. Chapter 467B, Hawai`i Revised Statutes, requires every public benefit corporation domiciled in Hawai`i and every charitable organization, with certain exemptions, to register before conducting any solicitation or having any solicitation conducted on its behalf by others.

More than 700 charities are presently listed in the registry. Users may search for and view the registration statements and tax returns of registered charities by organization name, federal employer identification number, location, or charitable classification.

"The registration law helps donors, consumers, and charities by promoting safe philanthropy in Hawai`i," Attorney General Mark Bennett said. "The public availability of registration information, in an easily accessible form, helps bring greater transparency to charities, and helps donors make better informed decisions about their charitable giving."

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