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DCCA'S EDUCATION SPECIALISTS EXTEND NEIGHBOR ISLAND COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

HONOLULU – The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA) is continuing its educational outreach program to make sure Neighbor Island residents are well-informed when it comes to making investment and insurance decisions. The Department's Investor and Insurance Education Programs have added new dates on the Big Island, Kauai, and Maui.

The schedule for the Neighbor Island Outreach Project is as follows:

Hilo, Hawaii

Prince Kuhio Plaza

- March 10-11
- May 12-13

Lihue, Kauai

Kukui Grove Center

- February 10-11
- April 7-8
- June 9-10

Kahului, Maui

Queen Kaahumanu Center

- March 24-25
- May 26-27

Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Lanihau Shopping Center

- February 23-24
- April 20-21
- June 22-23

Information booths in Hilo, Kahului, and Lihue will be open on Fridays from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from mall opening to 4:00p.m. The information booth in Kailua-Kona will be open from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Education specialists will be available to answer questions and distribute informational materials to the general public.

“The community outreach program has been successful on the Neighbor Islands, and we want to make sure that we continue to give people the necessary information before making important investment decisions,” said Securities Commissioner Corinna Wong.

“This program helps interested consumers make better decisions when it comes to investment and insurance choices, and it teaches them how to protect themselves from fraudulent scams,” said DCCA Director Mark Recktenwald. “We are happy to provide this free educational opportunity, and we hope residents will take advantage of it.”

Information on the Commissioner of Securities’ Investor Education Program may be found at http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/sec/advice_investors/.

Information on Hawaii’s Health Insurance industry may be found at <http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/ins/>.

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