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BUSINESS ACTION CENTER EXPANDS SERVICES TO BIG ISLAND COMMUNITY

HONOLULU – The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (DCCA) Business Action Center (BAC) is expanding its services by opening a new center to assist the Big Island's business community.

Every Thursday, beginning February 21, the Hilo BAC pilot program will offer a host of services to small businesses, including assistance in obtaining and filing state business registration, tax license, and employer registration forms. Businesses will be able to make filings directly at the office. The Hilo BAC will be sharing space with the Hawai'i Small Business Development Center (HSBDC) in order to offer a full complement of services to small businesses.

Business Action Center – Hilo

Hawai`i Small Business Development Center 100 Pauahi St., Suite 109, Hilo, HI 96720

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Every Thursday)

Phone: (808) 933-0776

The center will provide information on permits and licenses for state, county, and federal government agencies, counseling, alternative financing, government procurement and other business concerns. "The new Business Action Center will help Big Island small businesses, which are an important part of our economy," said Tung Chan, head of the department's Business Registration Division under which BAC operates. "The limited opening is the first step to assessing expansion to a full-time service in the future. The Maui BAC office was opened in a similar manner before going full time and we hope Hilo BAC will make the same transition."

DCCA currently operates Business Action Centers on Oahu and Maui. Along with the department's award-winning online business registration services, the new Hilo BAC office is part of the Lingle-Aiona Administration's goal to make it easier to do business in Hawai`i.

More information about the Business Action Center may be found at http://hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/bac/.

Business Action Center

1130 North Nimitz Highway Second Level, Suite A-220 Honolulu, Hawai`i 96817

Hours: Monday thru Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: (808) 586-2545

Email: bac@dcca.hawaii.gov

Business Action Center - Maui

Maui County Business Resource Center (MCBRC)

Maui Mall

70 E. Kaahumanu Avenue, Unit B-9

Kahului, Hawai`i 96732

Hours: Monday thru Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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