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Special Olympics Hawaii's Cop on Top Sets Sights High for 20th Annual Event

*The annual fundraiser returns August 26-28 at participating locations
around Oahu and August 24-27 on neighbor islands*

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HONOLULU — Volunteer, off-duty law enforcement officers across the state will once again rise to the occasion to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics Hawaii. From August 24-26 on Maui, August 25-27 on Hawaii Island, Kauai and Molokai, and August 26-28 on Oahu, volunteer officers will take community service to a new level while perched on 10-foot scaffolds and rooftops at locations across the state. On the ground, volunteers will collect donations and keep the excitement going for shoppers and supporters.

“This year, Cop on Top celebrates a milestone two decades of supporting our Special Olympics Hawaii athletes,” said Special Olympics Hawaii’s President and CEO, Dan Epstein. “We invite the public to come out and show their support for these dedicated officers who generously give of their free time to raise funds and awareness for our programs.”

Confirmed Cop on Top locations on Oahu include:

- Enchanted Lake Shopping Center
- Hawaii Kai Shopping Center
- Kaneohe Bay Shopping Center
- Laulani Village Shopping Center
- Manoa Marketplace

- Salt Lake Shopping Center
- Sam's Club Keeaumoku
- Waimalu Plaza
- Walmart Kapolei
- Walmart Keeaumoku
- Walmart Kunia
- Walmart Mililani
- Walmart Pearl City

Confirmed Cop on Top dates and locations on neighbor islands include:

- Hawaii Island: August 25-27 at Walmart Hilo and Walmart Kailua-Kona
- Kauai: August 25-27 at Walmart Lihue
- Maui: August 24-26 at Walmart Kahului
- Molokai: August 25-27 at Molokai Public Library

“Special Olympics Hawaii holds a special place in the hearts of our volunteer officers,” said Honolulu Police Department’s Assistant Chief, Ryan Nishibun. “Donating our time for Cop on Top is one small way that we can show our support and solidarity with these amazing and inspiring individuals.”

Donations collected from Cop on Top directly benefit Special Olympics Hawaii and its work to provide sports, health and wellness programs for children and adults with intellectual disabilities year-round. Since 2001, Cop on Top has raised more than \$3,827,793 for Special Olympics Hawaii athletes statewide.

For more information on Special Olympics Hawaii, please visit www.sohawaii.org. Special Olympics Hawaii is also on Twitter at www.twitter.com/sohawaii, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsHawaii, and on Instagram at www.instagram.com/sohawaii.

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About Special Olympics Hawaii

Special Olympics is a global inclusion movement using sports, health, education, and leadership programs around the world to end discrimination against and empower people with intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1968, Special Olympics Hawaii has grown to serve more than 5,196 athletes and Unified partners on every island in our state. With the support of more than 10,800 coaches and volunteers, Special Olympics delivers 10 Olympic-type sports and over 50 games and competitions throughout the year. Special Olympics is supported by individuals, foundations and corporate partners.

There is never a fee to any athlete or family to participate in Special Olympics programs. Engage with us on: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Learn more at www.sohawaii.org.