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Volunteer, Off-Duty Law Enforcement Officers Serve to Raise Dough-nations for Special Olympics Hawaii Athletes

Tip A Cop returns October 20-22 at participating restaurants

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HONOLULU – Volunteer, off-duty law enforcement personnel on Oahu will get a taste for what it's like to serve at popular restaurants during this year's annual Tip A Cop fundraiser. The annual event returns October 20-22, at California Pizza Kitchen's Kahala Mall, Pearlridge Center, and Ka Makana Ali'i locations and Goma Tei's Kahala Mall and Pearlridge Center locations to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics Hawaii athletes and programs.

"We thank all of our volunteer, off-duty law enforcement officers for supporting this fundraiser. This event would not be possible without their dedication and support," said Special Olympics Hawaii's Director of Development, Tracey Bender. "We also thank California Pizza Kitchen and Goma Tei for being great community partners and hosting Tip A Cop."

The event will take place during the following dates and times:

California Pizza Kitchen – Kahala Mall, Pearlridge Center and Ka Makana Ali'i

- Friday, October 20, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday, October 21, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Sunday, October 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Goma Tei – Kahala Mall and Pearlridge Center

- Friday, October 20, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday, October 21, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Sunday, October 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Pearlridge Center only) 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Since its inception, Tip A Cop has raised \$496,320 for Special Olympics Hawaii. Proceeds from this fundraiser will help Special Olympics Hawaii continue to provide year-round sports trainings and competition and health, wellness and leadership programs for over 3,400 athletes statewide with intellectual disabilities, free of charge. Since 1968, Special Olympics has been changing attitudes about the talents of people with intellectual disabilities and raising awareness to build an inclusive and unified community.

For more information on Tip A Cop, please visit www.sohawaii.org. Follow Special Olympics Hawaii 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 movement that unleashes the human spirit through the transformative power and joy of sports, every day around the world. Through programming in sports, health, education and community building, Special Olympics is changing the lives of people with intellectual disabilities solving the global injustice, isolation, intolerance, and inactivity they face.

Founded in 1968, Special Olympics Hawaii has grown and now serves over 6,000 athletes and Unified partners across the State of Hawaii. Through the unwavering commitment of 10,000 volunteers, along with community supporters, corporate partners and foundations, Special Olympics Hawaii delivers 10 Olympic-type sports and over 50 competitions, hundreds of health screenings, and inclusive programming in more than 70 schools annually.

There is never a fee to any athlete or family to participate in Special Olympics programs. Engage with us on: [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/sohawaii), [Twitter](https://www.twitter.com/sohawaii), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/sohawaii). Learn more at www.sohawaii.org.