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## **American Savings Bank Employees Donate 15,000 Legos to Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children**

[Image: Lego Presentation and Landmark Display](#)

**HONOLULU (August 31, 2012)**—American Savings Bank (American) employees are donating 15,000 Legos to Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children for use in the hospital playroom and their Sex Abuse Treatment Center (SATC). This donation is a second wave of support from American and their employees with last year's \$46,800 donation to Kapi'olani's Campaign for Hawai'i's Children (the Campaign), a combination of employee donations through the bank's annual employee giving campaign, Kahiau, and a dollar-for-dollar match from the bank through the Hawaiian Electric Industries Charitable Foundation.

The donated Legos were used in the "Landmarks of Hawaii Lego contest," held by American where teams of employees recreated their favorite landmark or icon of Hawaii out of Legos. The top five winners of the contest, including replicas of the USS Arizona Memorial, Tamashiro Market and Leonard's Bakery, will be displayed in the hospital cafeteria for patient families, staff and hospital visitors to enjoy for the day.

The Kapi'olani Health Foundation is one of American Savings Bank's participating nonprofit partners for *Kahiau*, which, in Hawaiian, means to give from the heart without the expectation of anything in return. American works closely with the Kapi'olani Health Foundation and its other Kahiau partners to combine financial support and personal engagement.

"Our employees are passionate in supporting the work of Kapi'olani Medical Center through our Kahiau program. One of American's community focuses is building stronger communities, which starts with strengthening families and empowering people," said Beth Whitehead, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer for American. "We are proud to support the many families Kapi'olani serves."

“We are extremely grateful to the generous employees at American Savings Bank for their continued support,” said Martha Smith, Chief Operating Officer at Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children. “This in-kind donation will bring hours of joy to patients and families who depend on the Playroom and our SATC as a critical place for healing.”

The Campaign for Hawai’i’s Children will fund the first phase of a 15-year master plan to rebuild Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children. Rapidly emerging technologies have fundamentally changed the care delivery process and a rebuild of the hospital is vital to provide the level of comfort and care that Hawai’i’s families deserve. The Phase 1 renovation and rebuild will help Kapi’olani reach the following goals: 1) create family-centered space to deliver family-centered care, a concept at the center of hospital rebuilds nationwide; 2) meet the critical care needs of Hawai’i’s keiki, as the state’s sole tertiary referral center and Level III-B Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; and 3) ensure adequate educational conference rooms and spaces are available as Hawai’i’s pediatric teaching hospital. To learn more, visit [www.kapiolanigift.org/campaign](http://www.kapiolanigift.org/campaign).

#### ***About Kapi’olani Health Foundation***

Kapi’olani Health Foundation supports the charitable mission of its nonprofit hospital affiliate, Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children by raising funds to provide people of Hawai’i and the Pacific Region with specialty medical care, purchase life-saving equipment, support community outreach and education, and further local research. Learn more at [www.kapiolaniGift.org](http://www.kapiolaniGift.org).

#### ***About Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children:***

Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children is well recognized as Hawai’i’s leader in the care of women, infants and children. With 207 beds and 66 bassinets, the nonprofit hospital is Hawai’i’s only maternity, newborn and pediatric specialty hospital. It is also a tertiary care, medical teaching and research facility. Specialty services for patients throughout Hawai’i and the Pacific Region include intensive care for infants and children, 24-hour emergency pediatric care, air transport, maternal fetal medicine, and high-risk perinatal care. More than 1,300 employees and 612 physicians provide specialty care at Kapi’olani Medical Center. The hospital is home to Kapi’olani Women’s Center, Kapi’olani Breast Center and Kapi’olani Women’s Cancer Center - the state’s only dedicated breast health and gynecological cancer centers. Kapi’olani offers numerous community programs and services, such as the Kapi’olani Child Protection Center and Sex Abuse Treatment Center. Kapi’olani Medical Center for Women & Children is an affiliate of Hawai’i Pacific Health, the state’s largest health care provider. Learn more at: [www.kapiolani.org](http://www.kapiolani.org).

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