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## **American Savings Bank raises \$100,000 for Hawaii non-profit Kupu**

**HONOLULU, HAWAII, October 6, 2016**—American Savings Bank (ASB) once again brought the competitive Olympic sport of Curling to the Aloha State along with Olympians from Team USA. In its fourth year, the ASB Curling Tournament benefitted Hawaii non-profit Kupu.

Two events were held at the Ice Palace on Thursday, October 6. The first event featured a free curling clinic with members of Kupu's current Hawaii Youth Conservation Corps Community cohort and students from Moanalua High School, an ASB *Bank for Education* school. The sold out fundraiser was an exclusive competition that raised funds for Kupu. Both events included instruction from Team USA Curling Olympians, Debbie McCormick and Shawn Rojeski.

Founded in 2007, Kupu provides service-learning programs in industries such as conservation, renewable energy, agriculture, and sustainability. Through these programs, Kupu aims to teach youth vital work skills as well as leadership, responsibility and learning to serve the community, vocational training, educational degree achievement and service learning.

Over the past three years American Savings Bank has raised more than \$260,000 for Hawai'i non-profits through its curling fundraiser.

### **About American Savings Bank**

ASB has been serving Hawaii's businesses and communities since 1925 and currently provides a full range of financial products and services including business and consumer banking, home loans, insurance, and investments. ASB is one of Hawaii's leading financial institutions, with e-banking services and branch locations throughout the state offering evening, weekend and holiday hours. ASB provides Hawaii's consumers and businesses with more extended weekday and weekend hours than other similarly sized local banks, as well as convenient in-store branches. ASB was the first Hawaii bank to introduce remote-deposit capture with a mobile banking application.

ASB matches its exceptional customer experience with an employee experience that has garnered local and national awards. ASB has been recognized locally as one of the "Best Places to Work" by *Hawaii Business Magazine* for seven consecutive years and honored nationally as one of the "Best Banks to Work For" by *American Banker Magazine*. *Fortune Magazine* recognized ASB as one of the 100 Best Workplaces for Women and 50 Best Workplaces for Diversity.

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For more than 90 years, ASB has been helping build strong communities. ASB's *Bank for Education* program provides financial and in-kind support to Hawaii's K-12 schools. *Bank for Education* features a biennial competition with cash awards during odd-numbered years and ongoing support from ASB for service projects, scholarships, internships financial literacy workshops and grants, and other special opportunities. ASB has provided more than \$1 million and more than a thousand hours of volunteer support to local K-12 schools and provided summer internships and college scholarships to more than a dozen graduates of *Bank for Education* schools. Through its Seeds of Service program, ASB teammates have contributed more than 22,000 hours of volunteer service, and ASB has donated millions of dollars to Hawaii's non-profits and community organizations.

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