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## 2024 Hawai'i Active Transportation Candidate Survey



The [Hawai'i Bicycling League](#) (HBL), [Kauai Path](#), [Maui Bicycling League](#) (MBL), and [People for Active Transportation Hawaii](#) (PATH) emailed candidates for election in Hawaii across eight contests including: State Senator, State Representative, County Councils statewide and Mayor in Hawai'i County and Honolulu. This survey aims to understand candidates' positions on key transportation initiatives, including Complete Streets, Vision Zero, and the recent Navahine F. + Hawaii Department of Transportation settlement agreement. These initiatives focus on creating safer, more accessible, and environmentally friendly transportation options for all residents and visitors of Hawai'i.

*Responses below are pulled directly from survey responses and have not been edited by HBL.*

**Candidate Name:** Jakki Nelson

**Email:** nelson5599@twc.com

**Contest:** Kauai Councilmember    **District:** 15, but council is island-wide

### Complete Streets Initiative

**Support for Complete Streets is:** 5

*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Complete Streets Comments:** Bike paths, bike lanes and multi-use paths should connect the entire island of Kauai - except for the Napali Coast of course. Busses should accommodate commuters with plenty of bike racks and bus routes should be expanded into communities to service cyclists. Kauai should host more bicycling events to encourage travelers to come here and experience the island by bike.

### Vision Zero Initiative

**Support for Vision Zero is:** 4

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*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Vision Zero Comments:** The nine components of Vision Zero, as written are more ideological than specific. I believe in engaging community stakeholders, leaders and organizations to make the vision a reality.

## **Navahine + HDOT Settlement Agreement**

**Support for Emission Reduction Efforts is: 5**

*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Emission Reduction Comments:** I believe in business-centered government-supported solutions to many challenges. Government moves slow. Business moves fast. We should have a rewards-based plan that shines a spotlight on businesses and individuals who incorporate Vision Zero goals into their daily operations.

## **Personal Transportation Habits**

**Frequency of Public Transportation Usage:** Several Times Per Year

**Additional Comments About Public Transportation Use:** I live Kauai. Our public transportation is not convenient for most working people. The routes are limited and do not start early enough or run late enough to incorporate them into daily life. But when I am on Oahu, I never rent a car and rarely use uber. I take the bus to city centers and Biki all over the city.

**Frequency of Active Transportation Usage:** Weekly

**Additional Comments About Active Transportation:** I have a cruiser bike with a basket. it is perfect for going to Wailua Country Store in my neighborhood.

## **Additional comments:**

I believe Kauai could cut traffic in half and set a standard for walking, bicycling and scootering as the primary means of transportation.