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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:** Philip

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**Contest:** State Representative      **District:** 45

### **Complete Streets Initiative**

**Support for Complete Streets is:** 5

*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Complete Streets Comments:** In District 45, I would focus on enhancing the Complete Streets policy to ensure safe, accessible streets for all users. My approach includes infrastructure improvements, community engagement, securing funding, policy integration, education and advocacy, and safety enhancements. These actions aim to create a more inclusive and accessible transportation network for all residents.

### **Vision Zero Initiative**

**Support for Vision Zero is:** 5

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*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Vision Zero Comments:** I would prioritize and lead efforts to achieve Vision Zero goals in District 45. Here are specific actions and strategies I would undertake:

1. **Data-Driven Decision Making:** Establish a robust data collection and analysis system.
2. **Safety Enhancements and Infrastructure Improvements:** Enhance street design to prioritize safety.
3. **Speed Management:** Advocate for lower speed limits and implement traffic calming measures.
4. **Community Engagement and Education:** Organize educational campaigns and workshops.
5. **Enhanced Law Enforcement and Policy Changes:** Strengthen traffic laws and their enforcement.
6. **Equity in Transportation:** Advocate for targeted investments in underserved areas.
7. **Regular Monitoring and Reporting:** Establish a system for regular monitoring and public reporting of progress.

By focusing on these actions and strategies, we can create a safer, more equitable transportation system in District 45.

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## Navahine + HDOT Settlement Agreement

**Support for Emission Reduction Efforts is: 4**

*From 1-5 (least to most)*

**Additional Emission Reduction Comments:** If elected, my primary focus would be to ensure that the benchmarks set in the agreement are realized effectively while ensuring that the associated decisions do not impose additional out-of-pocket expenses on consumers and remain fair and equitable to all. Here are the specific actions and strategies I would prioritize:

1. Affordable Housing Initiatives
2. Sustainable Infrastructure Development
3. Healthcare Accessibility and Cost Reduction
4. Economic Development and Job Creation
5. Education and Workforce Training
6. Equitable Tax Policies
7. Community Engagement and Transparency

By focusing on these specific actions and strategies, we can work towards achieving the benchmarks set in the agreement in a manner that is fair and equitable to all residents of District 45.

## Personal Transportation Habits

**Frequency of Public Transportation Usage:** No Usage

**Additional Comments About Public Transportation Use:** While I do not personally use public transportation, my understanding of its importance and impact on the community comes from the experiences of my grandkids, who regularly use the city bus system with

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their bus passes. Their reliance on public transportation for commuting to school and extracurricular activities provides me with valuable insights into the benefits and challenges faced by daily commuters.

Public transportation is essential for many families, including mine, as it offers a reliable and affordable means of transportation. It helps reduce traffic congestion, lowers environmental impact, and provides access to essential services and opportunities. My commitment to improving public transportation infrastructure and services stems from a personal understanding of its role in supporting the community's mobility and overall well-being.

**Frequency of Active Transportation Usage:** Several Times Per Month

**Additional Comments About Active Transportation:** walking for exercise

**Additional comments:**

In addition to the outlined strategies for improving Complete Streets and achieving Vision Zero goals, I would like to emphasize the importance of holistic and integrated approaches to transportation planning and safety. Our commitment to Complete Streets is about creating inclusive, safe, and efficient transportation networks. Achieving Vision Zero requires infrastructural improvements, enforcement strategies, continuous education, and community engagement. The HDOT Settlement offers a critical framework for addressing long-standing transportation issues, and I will prioritize projects that align with the settlement's goals. Promoting active transportation is key to a healthier, more vibrant community. A fundamental principle guiding these initiatives is equity. By adopting a comprehensive and inclusive approach to transportation planning, we can create a safer, more accessible, and more sustainable community for all residents.