

News Release

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More free test kits available on Kaua'i

LĪHU'E – A second round of free COVID-19 home test kits will be available to Kaua'i residents from March 28 to April 1.

"As our case numbers continue to drop, we thank our entire community for working together to avoid the spread of this disease," said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami. "We know that testing remains an important tool in this effort, and we are grateful to all our partners for their help in keeping Kaua'i healthy and safe."

The free test kits are provided by the County of Kaua'i, in partnership with the Department of Health Kaua'i District Health Office, using federal funding. Approximately 15,000 kits will be handed out, with a limit of five tests per individual/household, on a first-come, first-served basis.

"Home test kits are a convenient way to reduce the risk of spreading COVID to others," said

Kaua'i District Health Officer Dr. Janet Berreman. "If you have symptoms of COVID use a home test

immediately; if your self-test is negative remain in isolation and repeat the test one to two days later. If

you've been exposed to someone with COVID, use the test three to four days after exposure, and test

again on the fifth day. You can also use them before planning to gather indoors with others, especially

people who are unvaccinated, older, or immunocompromised."

The distribution schedule will be as follows:

Monday, March 28:

- Kekaha Neighborhood Center 9 a.m. to noon
- Waimea Neighborhood Center 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29:

- Hanalei Neighborhood Center 9 a.m. to noon
- Kīlauea Neighborhood Center 1 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 30:

- Hanapēpē Neighborhood Center 9 a.m. to noon
- Kalāheo Neighborhood Center 1 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, March 31:

- Anahola Clubhouse 9 a.m. to noon
- Bryan J. Baptiste Sports Complex in Kapa'a 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, April 1:

- Kōloa Neighborhood Center 9 a.m. to noon
- Līhu'e Neighborhood Center 1 to 4 p.m.

Additionally, the public is reminded that free test kits from the federal government can be ordered through http://covidtest.gov and delivered by mail.

PCR TESTING

In addition to the home test kits, the County of Kaua'i and Kaua'i District Health Office continue to provide free rapid PCR COVID-19 testing with same day results. The testing sites have sufficient capacity and there is no need to arrive early.

The Kaua'i War Memorial Convention Hall testing center is located at 4191 Hardy Street in Līhu'e. It's open Monday to Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and is closed weekends and holidays. It will be closed on Friday, March 25, in observation of the Prince Kūhiō Day state holiday.

The mobile testing van is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a different community each day:

Wednesdays at Kekaha Neighborhood Center, Thursdays at Kīlauea Neighborhood Center, Fridays at

Kalāheo Neighborhood Center (closed on March 25 for Prince Kūhiō Day), Saturdays at Hanalei

Neighborhood Center (open on March 26), and Sundays in Kapa'a at the Bryan J. Baptiste Sports

Complex.

For a full list of testing sites, visit www.kauai.gov/covidtest.

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