Our Accomplishments

We have introduced resolutions that passed both the O‘ahu County and State conventions, and some of those were followed by the introduction of legislation. Every year we submit testimony to the legislature on a variety of issues, such as:

- Prohibiting discrimination based on gender or sexual orientation in educational programs (passed 2018)
- Preserving certain federal Affordable Care Act benefits under state law (passed 2018)
- Improving the processing of sexual assault evidence kits and ensuring that survivors are informed of their rights (passed 2018)
- Prohibiting prospective employers from inquiring about pay history and from enforcing wage secrecy (passed 2018)
- Requiring limited service pregnancy centers to disclose information about reproductive health services (passed 2017)
- Establishing a state-level earned income tax credit (passed 2017)
- Package of bills to assist survivors of domestic violence (passed 2015)
- Increasing the minimum wage and reducing the tip credit (passed 2014)
- Eliminating the statute of limitations for sex assault (passed 2014)
- Dispensing of emergency contraception for survivors of sexual assault in hospital emergency rooms (passed 2013)
- Asset building policies (passed 2013)
- Requiring certain employers to make reasonable efforts to provide a clean location for breastfeeding employees to express breast milk in privacy (passed 2013)
- Marriage equality (passed 2013)
- Prohibition of the use of restraints on inmates during the third trimester and during childbirth (passed 2011)

We are continuing to work on paid family leave, domestic violence, increasing the minimum wage, improving the earned income tax credit, and other issues.

In April 2017, we hosted a screening of “Equal Means Equal: The Definitive Documentary Film on the Status of Women in America.”

During general elections we have endorsed Democratic women candidates in newspaper ads and/or on Facebook.

Together we will create the world we believe in.

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Our Mission Statement
The Hawai‘i Democratic Women’s Caucus is a catalyst for progressive, social, economic, and political change through action on critical issues facing Hawaii’s women and girls.

Our Statement of Principles
We believe that the right to control one’s own body is a fundamental human right, we must have access to information about contraception that is factual and medically accurate, access to all methods of contraception and non-judgmental treatment for sexually transmitted infections, full access to abortion services regardless of age.

We believe that free and joyous expression of one’s own sexuality is central to being fully human.

We believe that violence is one of the greatest problems in our society, in particular violence against our most vulnerable people, women and children. We are the peacemakers and believe that all disputes can be resolved through peaceful means. We will create effective alternatives to violence and teach these alternatives in our schools, churches, synagogues, heiau, or any place where people gather to bear witness to a greater self. We will create a climate in Hawai‘i where peaceful interactions and communications are the norm, not the model.

We believe that all forms of discrimination against women are an anathema and we will work to end discrimination. We will create a society that provides for equal opportunity, equal pay, and safe and hospitable working conditions, with equal opportunity for all, regardless of gender, race, color, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, disability, or sexual orientation.

We believe that poverty dehumanizes us and causes our soul to despair. We will demand justice for all of our people. We will create safe and affordable housing. We will work for a “living wage”, universal health insurance, and affordable long-term care, so that each individual can sustain their life and health and be the productive member of our society that they are meant to be.

We believe that incarcerated women should be provided a range and quality of programs equivalent to those offered to the incarcerated men and that those programs must be gender appropriate and provide offenders with the necessary life skills to transition themselves to successful reintegration in the community.

And we believe in civil and human rights for all, regardless of citizenship or status or connections. We will affirm these beliefs by our action and we will hold accountable, all who are charged with the responsibility for “action”.

Hawai‘i State Democratic Women’s Caucus Membership Application Form
All Democrats who are members of the party or who desire to be a member and support our “Statement of Principles” are welcomed to join and participate.
Please fill, save, and email to: hidemwomen@gmail.com

Name:

Residence/Street Address:

City/Zip:

Mailing Address (if different):

City/Zip:

Phone (home) Phone (cell)

E-mail:

County registered to vote: Senate District:
- Kaua‘i
- Oahu
- Maui
- Hawai‘i

House District:

Precinct: