MAUI DNA TESTING CONFIDENTIALITY

Updated Information on the testing process and information retention for those with Missing Relatives

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DNA INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND WILL NOT BE RETAINED

We understand that members of our community are rightfully concerned about protecting their sensitive personal information as the FBI, Maui Police Department and the Maui Emergency Management Agency begin to collect DNA samples in an effort to locate missing individuals.

Although verified information is sparse at the moment, both the FBI Honolulu Division and the Maui County have publicly stated that all DNA collected at this time is for the sole purpose of identifying missing individuals, and will not be retained by the FBI.

DNA COLLECTION FOR IDENTIFICATION ONLY

MAUI BASED FAMILY DNA COLLECTION:

Immediate family members on Maui can provide DNA to the FBI by going to the

Hyatt Regency Kā'anapali between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. beginning Friday, August 18.

DNA COLLECTION OUTSIDE OF MAUI:

Immediate family members located outside of Maui on other islands, or on the U.S. continent are asked to call the FBI at (808) 566-4300, or to contact the FBI via email at HN-COMMAND-POSTeic.fbi.gov and provide your contact information.

To view the FBI's official statement on DNA collection in Maui, please visit:

https://www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices/honolulu/news/fbihelping-collect-dna-to-locate-and-identify-missing-persons-in-lahaina

To stay up-to-date on Maui County's official statements on the situation in Lahaina, please visit:

https://www.mauicounty.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=12722

