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Q8
What steps do you think our state and/or counties should take to aid this recovery? Some examples could include how you think federal funds should be spent, diversifying the state’s economy, etc.
Masks off. Open small businesses and beaches. Open travel with US mainland and Japan.

Q9
Please share some of the efforts you have led or participated in response to COVID-19.
I personally deal with Covid related cases in my line of work. I don’t believe in masks that are not effective. I believe that small businesses should be opened. I believe travel from US mainland and Japan should be opened.

Q10
Additional thoughts/comments:
The American revolution was fought during a small pox epidemic. COVID HAS A 99.5% survivability rate. The testing is ineffective and hospitals are stewing numbers to get additional funding. Wrong on many levels.

Q11
What policies do you think the state and/or counties should enact to reduce tobacco and e-cigarette use?
Stiffer penalties for anyone selling to minors. I have seen Highschool children with not just e-cig use but with refined THC oils. And most of these oils (non THC) come from other countries. These children don't know what they are putting in their bodies. It only troubles me more when I see parents allowing it to happen.
Q12
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Apply a tobacco tax to e-cigarettes, such as a percentage of the wholesale cost or taxing e-liquid by volume.  
  Support

- Prohibit the sale of all flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes and flavored e-liquids.  
  Oppose

- Restrict online sales of e-cigarettes to tobacco retailers only, in order to curb illegal sales to minors.  
  Strongly Support

- Increase the tobacco tax on cigarettes to help smokers quit and prevent new users from starting.  
  Oppose

- Funds from the tobacco settlement and tobacco taxes should fund tobacco prevention and cessation efforts.  
  Strongly Support

Q13
Additional thoughts/comments:

Advertisements that are “graphic” to many are used in other countries to show effects of smoking and the damage it does to the body. I believe being honest and showing these same images may help in lessening the use of tobacco and related products.

Q14
What steps do you think the state and/or counties should take to ensure food security for all of Hawaii’s people, and to significantly increase food self-sufficiency for our state?

We need more farming. I recently found out that the majority of beef raised in Hawaii is shipped to Asia. We need more Kalo farms. We need to be more self reliant.

Q15
In 2019, Hawai‘i made a commitment to adopt Vision Zero, an initiative to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all. What policies and infrastructure changes should the state and/or counties make to achieve this goal?

I could spend an hour on this alone as I have worked for 6 years as a Solobike Officer. It is know. That once college is out, traffic is eased. Hence the rail. Why did the rail get rerouted to Ala Moana instead of the original location of Manoa? No one I know from the west side of Oahu shops at Ala Moana. I’d like to know why and how the original plan changed. Due to Covid we have seen that college courses can be done via the internet so why are tuition costs still so high? Back to the original topic. Our roads are the worst. They are made poorly, not deep enough, not thick enough concrete, and poor asphalt used. I don’t see roads like this in Texas where the roads have to deal with outrageous temperatures of cold and heat, and still hold up better than roads here. Make them correct the FIRST time!
Q16
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

We must significantly increase public investment in food systems workforce development, including programs such as farm to school, agriculture and food systems education (PreK-12 and higher education), and farmer training programs.  
**Strongly Support**

The state should continue to invest in a Double Up Food Bucks program, which doubles the value of SNAP benefits when buying fresh, locally grown produce at participating retailers.  
**Support**

Enact a one-cent per-ounce fee on sugar-sweetened beverages.  
**Oppose**

Use revenue from a sugar-sweetened beverage fee for obesity prevention programs.  
**Oppose**

Make health and physical education (PE) courses a curriculum requirement, rather than an option, for middle school students. PE is currently a requirement for elementary and high school students.  
**Strongly Support**

Implement a red light camera program to deter red-light running and help curb traffic fatalities and injuries.  
**Strongly Support**

Q17
Additional thoughts/comments:

I have personally lost 30 lbs by cutting sugar and rice out of my diet. It's a personal choice. I don't believe taxing a cent per ounce of sugar drink should fall on everyone. It's a choice.

Q18
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

Reinstate coverage of preventative dental benefits for Adult Medicaid participants.  
**Support**

Fluoridation of community water supplies is an effective way to prevent tooth decay.  
**Strongly Oppose**

Q19
Additional thoughts/comments:

We already have the purest, cleanest water, why add anything to it?
Q20
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Increase in alcohol taxes.  
  Oppose

- Repeal of the alcohol takeout laws that allow people to buy and take home liquor-based mixed drinks from restaurants.  
  Support

- Repeal of alcohol delivery laws that allow restaurants to deliver beer and liquor-based mixed drinks to people’s homes.  
  Oppose

- Increase in enforcement that helps ensure that youth do not access alcohol through existing laws allowing for alcohol takeout and delivery.  
  Oppose

Q21
Additional thoughts/comments:

I have not yet heard or seen delivery of alcohol. Yet I do believe it is a good option as people would be more willing to order it than drive intoxicated to pick more up. The duty of not allowing underage people purchasing this falls on the delivery person and age should be verified before delivery.

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Q22
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Do you support legalizing recreational marijuana sales in Hawai’i?  
  Support

- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that marijuana be regulated by the Department of Health?  
  Strongly Support

- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the price of marijuana be regulated?  
  Strongly Support

- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the promotion and advertisement of marijuana sales be regulated?  
  Strongly Support

- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that marijuana potency be regulated?  
  Support

- If recreational marijuana is formally proposed by the state, how strongly would you support that the number and placement of marijuana outlets be regulated?  
  Support
Q23
Additional thoughts/comments:
My personal opinion on this is that Hawaii could be a huge producer of Marijuana on a global scale. We could involve UH students to grow and develop different strains and utilize the existing infrastructure in kunia. The state is missing out on millions of dollars that could be made from the local and global market. It's medicinal properties are overshadowed by current policies. What's healthier for a person? Drinking a 6 pack of beer or having a cpl puffs and eating good Hawaii grown food? If there is questions of drug use, Methamphetamines are destroying Hawaii as we know it. I deal with the effects of meth everyday, I see it destroying our communities. Marijuana does not contribute to crime whether property crime or violent crime.

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Q24
What are your immediate plans to help make Hawai‘i more affordable for its residents?
Do not allow any foreign investors to own or purchase land in Hawaii!

Q25
What is the role of government in addressing housing affordability issues and what would you do to encourage the production of more affordable homes for Hawai‘i residents?
People are becoming more reliant on our welfare system. People don’t work a full work week in fear of losing benefits. People should not be afraid to work more. Koa Ridge was originally designed for first responders and now it is up for the highest bidders. This question should be a discussion topic rather than a short answer. There are many ways to tackle this issue.

Q26
Please indicate your position on the following policies:

- Increase the state's minimum wage in a series of annual steps to a living wage of $17 per hour.  
  Oppose

- Create a statewide Paid Family Leave Program, which would allow up to 12 weeks for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition.  
  Support

Q27
Additional thoughts/comments:
12 weeks of paid leave needs to be corroborated by doctors notes. And what would be the defining lines of a serious health condition? If I had spine surgery would I expect my wife to stay home to help me? No! Parameters must be set and a standard must be maintained. Bottom line. I totally agree with paid leave for a newborn, without a doubt.