

**The National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii  
2021 State Convention**

Theme: Mana Ohana, makes us stronger together!

May 14-15, 2021

Friday, 12:00 - 5:00 PM

Saturday, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Anywhere and Everywhere!

NFB Pledge

I pledge to participate actively in the efforts of the National Federation of the Blind to achieve equality, opportunity, and security for the blind; to support the policies and programs of the Federation; and to abide by its constitution.

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AGENDA  
Friday, May 14, 2021 General Session

12:00 PM  
**Welcome** Virgil Stinnett, President, NFB of Hawaii  
**House Keeping** Zoom master, Curtis Chong, NFB of Colorado  
**USA and NFB Pledges** Dean Georgiev, Treasurer, NFB of Hawaii  
**Inspiration** Doug Moises, Board Member, NFB of Hawaii

12:15 PM  
**Our NFB Virtual nation; What have we been doing? On track, More good and lots!**  
NFB National Report, Carla McQuillan, President, NFB of Oregon  
**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii

1:00 PM  
**Talk Story with our Legislators, presentations, and Q&A**  
Lieutenant Governor Josh Green

1:15 PM  
**Heh? Shoots, Me Too!**  
Leni Ebisutami, NFB of Hawaii member and Student, New Visions Training Center, Honolulu, HI

1:30 PM  
**We, The National Federation of the Blind!**  
Adelmo Vigil, President, NFB of New Mexico  
  
**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii

2:00 PM  
**Exhibits**  
Dianna Jones, Secretary, NFB of Hawaii

3:00 PM  
**Am I really blind or is this a virtual reality? Reflections on a year of services**  
Services for the Blind (Ho’opono) Update  
Lea Dias, Administrator, Services for the Blind Branch, Honolulu, HI

3:15 PM  
**How many books can you read during a pandemic Shelter at Home?**  
Baron Baroza, Director, Hawaii State Library for the Blind and Print Disabled, Honolulu, HI

3:30PM  
**Auction** Dean Georgiev, Treasurer, NFB of Hawaii

3:45 PM  
**My Heart, Me, and My NFBH**  
Gloria Tuuao, Board Member, NFB of Hawaii

4:00 PM  
**Ring my Braille, Ring my BELL!**  
Debbie Gabe, Board Member, NFB of Hawaii  
  
**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii

4:15 PM  
**If can, can, I can!**  
Jamie Yong, NFB of Hawaii member and Student, new Visions Training Center, Honolulu, HI

4:30 PM  
**NFBH 2021 Resolutions**  
James Gashel, Resolution committee chair, NFB of Hawaii

4:45 PM  
**Auction** Dean Georgiev, Treasurer, NFB of Hawaii  
**Door Prizes**  
**PAC**  
**KJ**  
**Smiles**

5:00 PM  
**Adjourn**

Saturday, May15, 2021 General Session

10:00 AM  
**Welcome** Virgil Stinnett, President, NFB of Hawaii  
**House Keeping** Zoom master, Curtis Chong, NFB of Colorado

10:15 AM  
**My NFB Journey to Independence**  
Leilani Borsa, Member, NFB of Hawaii an Student, Colorado Center for the Blind, Littleton, CO

10:30 AM  
**Barefoot, Boots or Sandals? Which shoes should I wear today?**  
Carla McQuillan, President, NFB of Oregon  
  
**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii

11:00 AM  
**Alternatives in Electronic Accessible Voting**  
Lee Durham, President and CEO, Global Mobile LLC

11:30 AM  
**NFB, Choices to My Freedom**  
Alfred Skeen, Member, NFB of Hawaii and Student, Louisiana Center for the Blind, Ruston, LA

11:45 AM  
**Auction** Dean Georgiev, Treasurer, NFB of Hawaii

12:00 PM  
**Exhibits**  
Dianna Jones, Secretary, NFB of Hawaii

1:00 PM  
**We, The National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii  
Strategies and Success in Fundraising**  
Melissa Gerber, First Vice President, NFB of Hawaii

1:15 PM  
**Past, Present, and Future, We Got a Vision! State of the State**  
Virgil Stinnett, President, NFB of Hawaii

1:30 PM

**Reports**  
**Legislation** James Gashel, Legislative Chair, NFB of Hawaii  
**Newsline Update** Virgil Stinnett, Newsline Coordinator, NFB of Hawaii  
**PAC Report** Dean Georgiev, PAC Chair, NFB of Hawaii  
**Kauai Chapter Report** Doug Moises, President  
**Anuenue Chapter Report** Debbie Gabe, President  
**Leeward Oahu Chapter Report** Dean Georgiev, President  
**Honolulu Chapter Report** Shellford Cantan, President  
**East Hawaii Chapter Report** Allan Hegent, President  
**West Hawaii Chapter Report** Dianna Jones, President  
**Student Division Report** Gloria Tuuao, President  
**Braille Division Report** Debbie Gabe, President

**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii

2:00 PM

**Business Meeting**  
**Secretary** Dianna Jones  
**Treasurer** Dean Georgiev  
**Elections** Virgil Stinnett

2:30 PM  
**Scholarships** Tammy Robar, NFBH Scholarship Chair and Board Member, NFB of Hawaii  
**Auction** Dean Georgiev, Treasurer, NFB of Hawaii  
**Door Prizes** Shellford Cantan, President, Honolulu Chapter, NFB of Hawaii  
**Pac**  
**KJ**  
**Smiles**

3:00 PM  
**Closing Remarks**  
**Adjourn**

With Hope, Love and Determination, The National Federation of the Blind knows that blindness is not the characteristic that defines you or your future. Every day we raise the expectations of blind people, because low expectations create obstacles between blind people and our dreams. You can live the life you want; blindness is not what holds you back.

The mission of the National Federation of the Blind is to achieve widespread emotional acceptance and intellectual understanding that the real problem of blindness is not the loss of eyesight but the misconceptions and lack of information which exist. We do this by bringing blind people together to share successes, to support each other in times of failure, and to create imaginative solutions.