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Dough-nate to Special Olympics Hawaii’s 30th Annual Tip a Cop Fundraiser

Volunteer, off-duty law enforcement will serve food and clear tables at all Oahu California Pizza Kitchen locations, March 13 - 15

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HONOLULU – There’s a new server in town! Volunteer, off-duty law enforcement from around Oahu will be trading in their badges to serve YOU during Special Olympics Hawaii’s 30th Annual Tip a Cop Fundraiser. The event takes place at all seven California Pizza Kitchen locations on Friday, March 13, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, March 14, and Sunday, March 15, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. The annual fundraiser will raise awareness and collect donations for Special Olympics Hawaii’s athletes and programs.

Honolulu Police Chief and Special Olympics Hawaii Board Member Chief Susan Ballard will put on an apron at the Kahala Mall California Pizza Kitchen on Friday, March 13 during dinner.

“This year Tip a Cop celebrates three decades bringing together the community and local law enforcement through delicious food,” said Nancy Bottelo, president and CEO of Special Olympics Hawaii. “We are excited and grateful to be partnering with California Pizza Kitchen again this year and hope that supporters will come out to enjoy their favorite pizza and know that their dough-nations go towards providing year-round sports and health services for our athletes and promoting a more inclusive community.”

During the event, law enforcement from Honolulu Police Department, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, Department of Public Safety Sheriff Division, National Security
Agency Police Department, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Probation Office and the Federal Bureau of Prisons will put their serving skills to the test by volunteering to clear tables, run food and assist servers in efforts to raise tips for Special Olympics Hawaii’s programs. Since its inception, Tip a Cop has raised $340,409 for Special Olympics Hawaii.

Special Olympics Hawaii provides year-round sports programs and health opportunities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, free of charge. Since 1968, Special Olympics has been changing attitudes about the talents of people with intellectual disabilities and raising awareness to build an inclusive and unified community.

For more information on Special Olympics Hawaii’s 30th Annual Tip a Cop, please contact (808) 695-3528 or visit www.sohawaii.org. You can also follow Special Olympics Hawaii on Twitter, www.twitter.com/sohawaii, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsHawaii, and on Instagram at www.instagram.com/SOHawaii.

About Special Olympics Hawaii
Special Olympics is a global inclusion movement using sport, health, education, and leadership programs every day around the world to end discrimination against and empower people with intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1968, Special Olympics Hawaii has grown to serve more than 5,196 athletes and Unified partners on every island in our state. With the support of more than 10,800 coaches and volunteers, Special Olympics delivers 10 Olympic-type sports and over 50 games and competitions throughout the year. Special Olympics is supported by individuals, foundations and corporate partners.

There is never a fee to any athlete or family to participate in Special Olympics programs. Engage with us on: Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Learn more at www.SOHawaii.org.