

# UNA-UH Manoa

Community Newsletter - September 2024



## Urgent/Featured

### Ka Papa Lo'i 'O Kānewai Work Day

September 7, 2024

Thank you to all our members who participated in our first event of the 2024-5 school year! Our UNA-USA Chapter was able to contribute to UH Lo'i Kalo, learn about traditional sustainable farming methods, and talk story with practitioners. Our chapter is grateful to serve our local community and take advantage of the unique perspectives on environmental advocacy that Hawai'i has to offer.



### 9/11 Memorial Day

September 11, 2024

It has been 23 years since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, yet the loss and tragedy continues to be present in our hearts today. The UN, UNA-USA, and UNA-UHM will continue to commit to never forgetting the nearly 3,000 people from over 90 countries whose lives were taken that day. Although 9/11 took place in the United States, it was a global event that changed the world forever. However, as time continues to progress, there is a risk of younger generations being inadequately educated on 9/11. It is

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## Upcoming Events!

### Climate Week NYC: From Risk to Resilience

September 25, 2024

"The impacts of climate change on global health are intensifying, with over 3.5 billion people living in highly vulnerable areas. By 2050, climate change could cause up to 14.5 million additional deaths and \$12.5 trillion in economic losses globally. As the world approaches the critical 1.5°C threshold, urgent adaptation strategies are needed. Despite commitments exceeding US \$1 billion for climate and health at COP28 and a resolution on climate change and health by WHO member states, a substantial funding gap persists.

Vulnerable countries require hundreds of billions annually for adaptation, but current funding levels are insufficient, with minimal access to funds for local stakeholders and only a fraction of global climate

important for us as a university chapter to speak up and ensure new generations are properly educated on this event and encouraged to support all victims of terrorism around the world.

Learn more about 9/11: <https://www.911memorial.org/911-faqs>



finance reaching communities directly. This event will spotlight how those working at the intersection of climate and health can unlock the potential of locally led adaptations, propose solutions to increase health care systems resilience, and address barriers to climate and health financing to ensure that funding reaches those most in need.”

-The Climate Group

Learn more and register for this event:

<https://www.climateweeknyc.org/events/risk-resilience>

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## September Updates

### Gaza: UN Polio Vaccination Campaign

September 6, 2024

The UN officially launched a campaign in Gaza to vaccinate thousands of children against polio, a serious and highly infectious viral disease that largely impacts children under five years old. The ongoing war between Israel and Hamas has halted vaccination programs for children, causing polio to reemerge. The World Health Organization (WHO) has said the campaign's objective is to provide 640,000 children with the first dose of the polio vaccine, which will be administered by UN Staff and local healthcare workers. Currently, 354,786 children have been vaccinated against polio by the UN.

Learn more: <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c4gejxxk820o>

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c4gl62rvvp8o>

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2024/09/1154016>



### Are You Registered to Vote?

September 19, 2024

There is less than two months until the 2024 Presidential Election. Have you made a voting plan yet? Visit <https://vote.gov/> to register to vote or

update your voter information. Furthermore, “you can register by mail to vote in Hawaii by printing a voter registration form, filling it out, and mailing it to your local election office. You can also register in person if you prefer. You can register and vote at the same time during the early voting period and on Election Day” (DemocracyWorks). Additionally, make sure to check your state’s voter registration deadline at [vote.gov](https://www.vote.gov).

