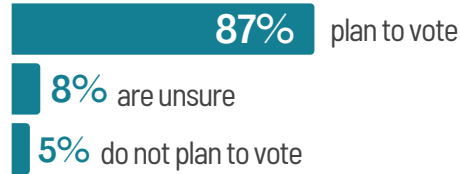


VOTING AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AMONG NATIVE HAWAIIANS

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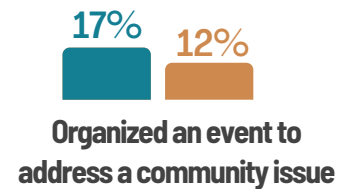
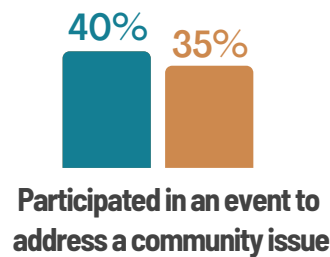
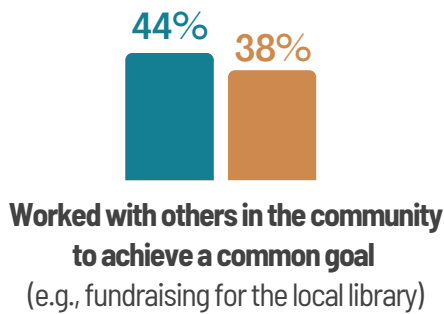
Responses from the 2022 'Imi Pono Hawai'i Wellbeing Survey

1 The vast majority of **Native Hawaiians** plan to vote in the upcoming 2022 General Elections; rates nearly identical to those of **non-Hawaiians**.



The percentage of Native Hawaiians who plan to vote in 2022 (87%) is higher than the percentage who reported voting in 2020 (82%).

2 **Native Hawaiians** have unique civic assets; they are significantly more likely than **non-Hawaiians** to participate in community events or activities and to address community issues.



Native Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians report similar rates of:

- Providing testimony or writing a letter about an issue that is important to them (29%).
- Meeting with a local official about an issue that is important to them (15%).

58% of **Native Hawaiians** made donations to benefit the **community**.

This percentage is significantly different from the 66% of non-Hawaiians, which may reflect the lower per capita income of Native Hawaiians (ACS, 2021).

3 **Native Hawaiians** are more likely than **non-Hawaiians** to act as leaders...



in their neighborhoods
34% vs. 31%



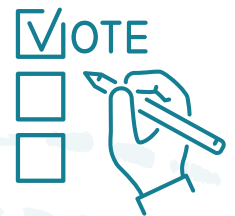
in community organizations
(e.g., clubs, churches, schools)
46% vs. 41%



on the 'āina (land) or kai (ocean)
35% vs. 24%

4 Among the 5% of respondents not planning to vote, reasons for not voting are different between **Native Hawaiians** and **non-Native Hawaiians**.

Non-Native Hawaiians report that voter registration is the greatest barrier to voting. **Native Hawaiians** are significantly more likely to cite lack of trust in government as the greatest barrier to voting.



These differences may point to the continuing impact of historical injustices on Native Hawaiians and the need for the local, state, and federal government to meaningfully engage in reconciliation.

'Imi Pono is an annual statewide survey conducted in collaboration between [Kamehameha Schools' Strategy & Transformation Group](#), [Lili'uokalani Trust](#), [Office of Hawaiian Affairs](#), [Papa Ola Lokahi](#) and contracted with [Marzano Research](#). For more information, please visit: https://www.ksbe.edu/research/imi_pono_hawaii_wellbeing_survey/

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