Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why am I asked to make a commitment?

A: SOEST is a driving force behind research, technology development, and scientific discovery in Hawai‘i and around the world. As we embark on our next 25 years of excellence and innovation, undergraduate education is an area of principle focus for growth and development.

Gifts from faculty, staff, and alumni signal to the broader community that those of us closest to the School believe it is worthy of support, and signal to our existing and future students that we firmly believe in the quality of their education.

Q: Where will my gift go?

A: Your gift will support scholarships designed to recruit and retain talented undergraduate students within SOEST degree programs. You may direct your gift to the UH Foundation SOEST Undergraduate Scholarship Fund, or to another SOEST fund of your choice.

- SOEST Undergraduate Scholarship Fund
- Other SOEST Fund (Please contact Tim Szymanowski at 808-956-0843 if you need assistance)

Regardless of the fund, your gift will have a direct impact on the recruitment and education of our students.

Q: How can I make my gift?

A: There are a number of convenient options for making a gift to SOEST.

**Automatic Payroll Deduction:** choose the amount and frequency of your gift or pledge by completing the State of Hawai‘i Payroll Deduction form (www.uhfoundation.org/payrollgift).

**Phone:** call Tim Szymanowski at 808-956-0843

**Online:** www.uhfoundation.org/GiveToKikowaena

**Mail:** send gift forms, payroll deduction forms, and checks made payable to UH Foundation to: Tim Szymanowski, 2500 Campus Road, Hawaii Hall 127, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96822.

Bequests and other deferred gifts are other great ways to support SOEST’s future. Returning the enclosed Gift Intention Form will allow SOEST to appropriately recognize your thoughtful planning and credit the amount of your bequest to the 2014 Kikowaena Scholarship Campaign.

Q: How long will the campaign run?

A: The campaign will run September 2–December 31.

Q: What are this year’s goals?

A: The dollar goal is $100,000 and the participation goal is 200 donors.
Q: I already have a recurring payroll deduction or credit card pledge. Do I need to make another?

A: If you did not specify an end date, you do not need to make another pledge and the annual amount of your pledge will be credited toward the campaign. Recurring gifts with an end date must be renewed in order to be credited.

Q: Is there an incentive to encourage my participation?

A: There are currently two Challenge Gifts:

**$10,000 Magaard Gift:** contributed by Lorenz and Ursula Magaard when the cumulative pledge/gift total reaches $50,000

**$10,000 Deans’ Gift:** contributed by members of the Dean’s Office when the cumulative pledge/gifts reach $75,000.

If you would like to contribute a challenge gift, or have any questions, please contact **Tim Szymanowski** at 808-956-0843 or tim.szymanowski@uhfoundation.org