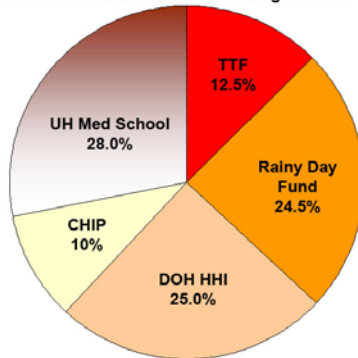


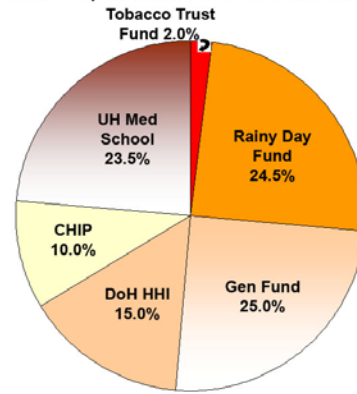
# LEADERS MUST PROTECT FUNDING FOR TOBACCO PREVENTION

## HB 1731 HD 1 Reduces Funding for Community Programs by 84%.

Current Hawaii Tobacco Settlement Agreement Distribution



HB 1731HD1 Proposed Hawaii Tobacco Settlement Distribution



### Tobacco Settlement Fund Must Address Tobacco Use and Promote Health

By joining the Tobacco Settlement, Hawaii agreed that the settlement would achieve for its citizens “significant funding for the advancement of public health, the implementation of important tobacco-related public health measures . . .”

### Tobacco Prevention Must Include Community Organizations

In 1999, the State Legislature intended that the Tobacco Settlement Fund would “serve as a medium for a public-private partnership to reduce tobacco consumption in Hawaii”. (SB 1034, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, 20<sup>th</sup> Leg., Reg. Sess.)

With only 2% dedicated to the Tobacco Prevention and Control Trust Fund, less community groups will be able to continue their work in tobacco prevention—weakening the comprehensive public-private partnership that currently exists between community organizations and the Department of Health.

### The Trust Fund Must Survive In Perpetuity

Lawmakers intended that the Tobacco Settlement Special Fund would “serve as a mechanism to maximize financial resources for tobacco prevention and control and “serve as a long-term source of stable funding for prevention-oriented public health efforts” (SB 1034, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, 20<sup>th</sup> Leg., Reg. Sess.).

The Tobacco Prevention and Control Trust Fund, housed at the Hawaii Community Foundation, must continue to receive funding so that funding continues as long as the tobacco industry markets its products to adults and youth.