ALOHA VINTAGE BASE BALL ASSOCIATION

Sponsor Packet

2025



The Aloha Vintage Base Ball Association (AVBBA) is dedicated to faithfully reviving the game of baseball (or "base ball" as convention dictated at the time) as it was played in the year 1886, during the final years of Hawai'i's sovereign kingdom. Our aim is to celebrate the roots of the game while honoring Hawai'i's place in its early history.

We play by the 1886 Spalding Rules, which were the first published rules that most closely resemble today's game, while preserving the unique quirks of the era. Each club is outfitted in historically accurate uniforms, and we use reproduction equipment crafted to match the look, feel, and weight of the gear used in the 19th century. Imagine swinging a 40-ounce ash bat under the Hawaiian sun!

AVBBA is as much a living museum as it is a competitive league. Our matches are spirited but respectful, and we encourage gentlemanly conduct on and off the field. We welcome players (ballists), umpires (haku), and fans (hui) of all backgrounds who share a love for history, sport, and the spirit of aloha.

The AVBBA is in the process of applying for 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and we are funded by player dues, community contributions, and local sponsorships. Player dues cover shared equipment like bases, bats, and balls, but sponsorships are essential to offset the cost of uniforms, event logistics, and educational outreach.

Let us return together to the diamond of 1886 and play the grand game as it once was.

WHY SPONSOR THE AVBBA?

Your sponsorship helps us provide historically accurate uniforms, custom-crafted equipment, public programming, and cultural education events. In return, your business gains visibility and goodwill as a supporter of community, history, and culture in Hawai'i

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We welcome support of any amount. Here are examples of what your contribution can help us achieve:

- \$100: Covers one era-appropriate reproduction wood bat
- \$150: Pays for 1 dozen 1880s replica baseballs
- \$200: Helps us provide a uniform (jersey, pants, cap) for one player

Additional funds are utilized to provide scholarships for interested players that require financial assistance, as well as to offset tournament travel costs for our players. In-kind donations such as goods, services, or equipment are also welcome. As an educational entity, we strive to include all players regardless of the availability of their funds.

All sponsors receive our sincere mahalo, along with recognition on our website and social media. Larger gifts may be featured at matches or in printed materials. Due to our league's adherence to period-accurate uniforms, we are unable to offer advertisements on any of our players uniforms.

We are happy to work with you to achieve what is most meaningful for your organization.

THE AVBAA AT A GLANCE

• Founded: 2025

• Status: 501(c)(3) nonprofit

• Season: November - March (2–3 games/month)

Players: Ages 18+

• Fields: Municipal fields across O'ahu

• Events: Kalakaua Base Ball Jubilee (Cartwright Field), community demos

• Travel: Northern Coast Classic (San Francisco), future barnstorming tours to Japan,

Korea, and Taiwan

• Volunteer-led, culturally grounded, historically accurate

FAQ & CONTACT

Is my donation tax-deductible?

AVBBA is a nonprofit corporation registered in Hawai'i and currently applying for 501(c)(3) status. Donations may not yet be tax-deductible but will directly support our mission.

Can I support a specific team or player?

Yes! We're happy to work with you on targeted sponsorships.

Can I donate gear or services instead of money?

Absolutely — in-kind sponsors are essential and receive all benefits associated with their sponsorship.

Who do I contact with questions?

Email: <u>outreach@alohavintagebaseballassociation.com</u>

Phone: 808.688.6929

SPONSORSHIP INTEREST FORM

Mahalo for your interest in supporting the Aloha Vintage Base Ball Association!

Your contribution — financial or in-kind — helps us bring 19th-century base ball to life in the heart of Hawai'i. Please fill out the form below so we can follow up and tailor a recognition plan that feels right for you.

Also available to complete online.

Business/Organization Name:
Contact Person:
Email Address:
Phone Number:
Mailing Address:
Website/Social Media Handles:
Recognition Preferences:
☐ I would like to be publicly recognized (website, social media, events)
☐ I prefer to remain anonymous
☐ Please contact me to discuss recognition options
How Would You Like to Support the AVBBA:
☐ I would like to make a financial contribution
☐ \$100 (covers one era-appropriate reproduction wood bat)
☐ \$150 (pays for 1 dozen replica baseballs)
□ \$200 (provides a uniform - jersey, pants, cap - for one player)
☐ Other amount: \$

	☐ I would like to donate goods or services Please describe your donation:	
١	☐ I would like to sponsor a team, player, or event	
1	☐ I have a custom idea or collaboration to discuss	
When are you considering making your contribution?		
1	□ Now	
1	□ Within the next 1-3 months	
	☐ Before a specific event	
1	□ Not sure yet	

This form can be completed and emailed to outreach@alohavintagebaseballassociation.com

A member of our team will contact you shortly to discuss your interest.