

# HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE



**Chief Daniel S.C. Liu**  
**Served with the Honolulu Police Department**  
**June 1, 1932 to July 1, 1969**

Dan Liu was the Honolulu Police Department's fourth and longest serving police chief. He led the department for 21 years--from October 1, 1948 until his retirement on July 1, 1969. He is the first American police chief of Chinese descent

HPD rose to national prominence during Chief Liu's tenure. His term was marked by strict enforcement programs, improved working conditions and benefits, and first-rate police training. Many of the changes he instituted are still in place today, including the redesigned police badge and the establishment of the chaplaincy corps, canine corps, and Police Activities League.

Chief Liu was the first police official from Hawaii to be elected president of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell described Chief Liu as "one of the greatest policemen in the world." At his retirement, Governor John A. Burns presented Chief Liu with the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii's highest honor, the Order of the Splintered Paddle, given to an individual who has made significant contributions to mankind.

The HPD Downtown Chinatown Substation was named in Chief Liu's honor.