

Ka'ū Community Development Plan

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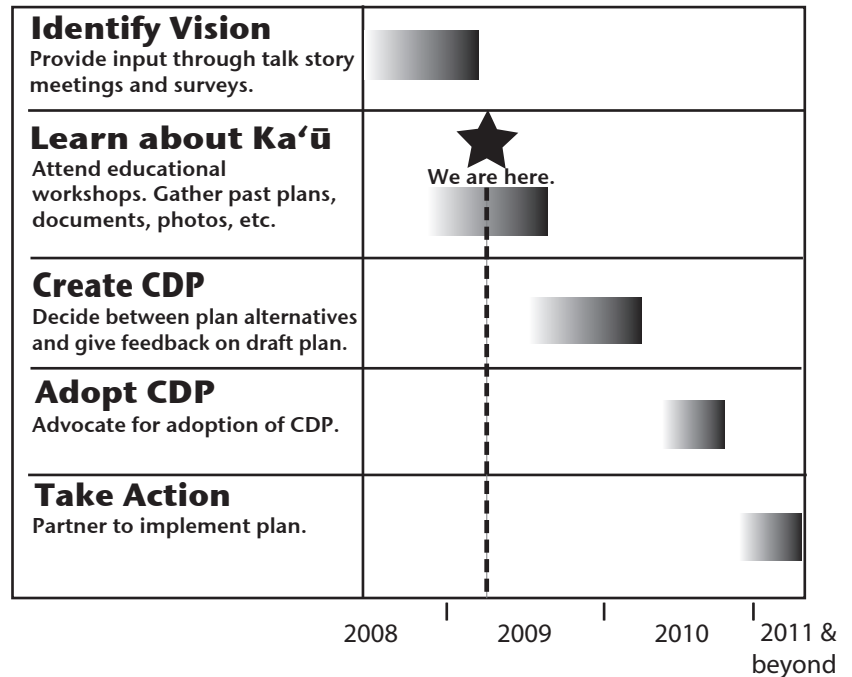
April 2009

Ka'ū Set the Record for CDP Input!

Congratulations! Ka'ū now holds the County record for number of people who provided initial CDP input. Over **1,200 people**, representing more than **14% of the estimated population** of the district, completed a survey or participated in a small group talk story meeting to share what they value about Ka'ū and what they want to see in their community in the future.

Participation data and the thousands of ideas you've shared are still being compiled. Stay tuned in coming months for a more thorough analysis of participation and a summary of ideas. The ideas will drive the research conducted this year by the community and the consultants, which, in turn, will drive the planning process.

Tenative Ka'ū CDP Timeline



Meet Your Steering Committee



On Tuesday, March 17, the County Council's Planning Committee recommended confirmation of the following Mayoral nominees to serve on the Ka'ū CDP Steering Committee:

- Donna-Marie Ambrose
- Patti Barry
- Robert DaMate
- Ron Ebert
- Leina'ala Enos
- Michelle Galimba
- Loren Heck
- Eldridge Naboa
- Marino Ramones
- Simon Torres.

vote during its meeting in Hilo on Wednesday, **April 8**. Go to http://www.hawaii-county.com/council/agendas_and_actions.htm for the meeting agenda, which will be published by April 2. Updates and additional meeting information will be shared via the Ka'ū CDP email announcements list (see "How to Stay Informed" at www.kaucdp.info) and posted in the "Steering Committee" section of www.kaucdp.info.

The principal job of the Steering Committee

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is to represent you – to make sure the CDP truly reflects what stakeholders value in Ka’ū and what they’d like to see in the future. To help you get to know them (and them you), Steering Committee members will be available to “meet and greet” the people of Ka’ū at the following upcoming events at a designated Ka’ū CDP table or booth:

OVCA Pancake Breakfast - Saturday, April 18, 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. @ OVCA Community Center: Patti Barry, Ron Ebert, Bob DaMate, Leina’ala Enos, Loren Heck and Simon Torres.



More Opportunities to Learn about Ka’ū

While your values and vision ideas are being compiled, the Steering Committee is being seated, and the consultant is being selected, we continue to schedule opportunities to learn about Ka’ū and issues related to community planning.



Stories from Ka’ū’s Kupuna: In February and March, we heard rich stories from kupuna in Pāhala and Nā’ālehu about the pre-statehood plantation era. A final storytelling session about the Ocean View/Kahuku area through the 1960s is being planned for May. For more information, contact Nālani Parlin (217-6893 or nparlin@hcr.info).

Kahuku Hike: Once again, the Hawai’i Volcanoes National Park is hosting “**People and Land of Kahuku**”, on **Sunday, May 17.**

Ka’ū Coffee Festival - Saturday, April 25 @ Pāhala Community Center

10 a.m. - noon: Patti Barry and Eldridge Naboa

Noon - 2 p.m.: Donna-Marie Ambrose, Ron Ebert and Marino Ramones

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.: Loren Heck and Simon Torres

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.: Bob DaMate and Michelle Galimba

The ‘Ohana Health and Fun Day - Saturday, May 2, 10 a.m. - noon @ Nā’ālehu School: Donna-Marie Ambrose, Patti Barry, Bob DaMate, Leina’ala Enos, Michelle Galimba, Loren Heck and Marino Ramones.

The event includes a 3 hour, 2½ mile hike through pasture, quarry, airstrip, and the beauty of 1868 lava fields. Boots, long pants and protection from weather are recommended. Meet at Kahuku’s gate at 9:00am (the gate is on the mauka side of Hwy 11, between mile markers 70 and 71). Call 985-6011 for information.



View past workshops online! Presentation slides from the March natural resource management presentation as well as the presentation slides and videos from the land use and County government workshops presented in January and February are now available in the “Planning Resources” section of www.kaucdp.info.



Want More Information about the Ka’ū CDP?

- www.kaucdp.info
- Email announcements: “How to Stay Informed” section of www.kaucdp.info

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