

# Ka'ū Community Development Plan

Nū Hou/Update — November 2009

## No Come, No Grumble

A once-in-a-generation opportunity to shape the future of Ka'ū is here. Starting **Monday, November 16**, join your friends, neighbors, government officials, and planning experts at the **Nā'ālehu Community Center** to create the first draft of Ka'ū's Community Development Plan (CDP).

We're using the best, most participatory way to create a plan – a "charrette." Don't be put off by the name. It's simply a planning workshop where we will consider a



range of paths forward, see what they look like (in drawings and maps), test them for viability and feasibility, and agree on a preferred plan.

Everything you need to know about when and how to participate in the Charrette is included in this update. Charrette materials are also available at [www.kaucdp.info](http://www.kaucdp.info). You can also always **contact your Steering Committee members for more information.** (See the box at the bottom of page 2.)

### Why should you care?

The CDP will address some of the Ka'ū community's highest priorities – jobs, shopping, agriculture, parks, beach and mountain access, and buses.

Maybe more importantly, the CDP can also preserve the lifestyle you love – the natural beauty, open space, 'ohana, the sense of community, and Ka'ū's unique cultural heritage.

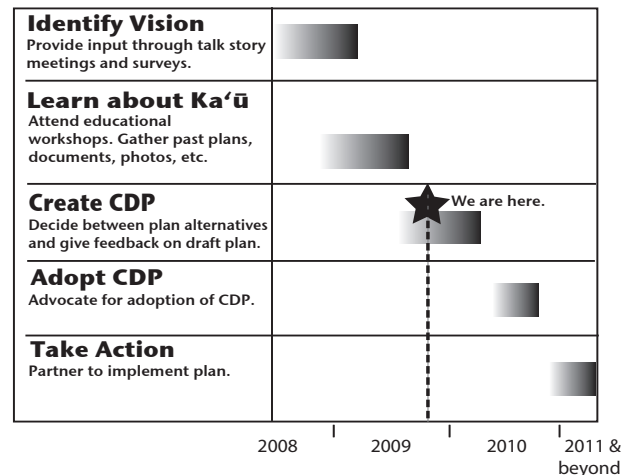
If you care about the future of Ka'ū's keiki, you should care about the CDP. And don't forget, the CDP will become law, and a community Action Committee will take over from the Steering Committee to guide CDP implementation.

### Why should you come out again?

Maybe you completed a CDP survey or came to a talk story meeting. You might have also come to one of the recent Community Summits. So now you wonder, "Why do they need my mana'o again?"

To make sure the CDP truly reflects the community's wishes, your input is needed at each step of the process. The surveys and talk story meetings helped identify community values and a vision for Ka'ū's future, which serve as the foundation of the CDP. The Community Summits helped document historical and

### Tentative Ka'ū CDP Timeline



current conditions and trends in Ka'ū, which provide critical information for planners.

But now we need your help to choose the best strategies for achieving the community's vision while preserving its lifestyle. Questions to be considered at the charrette will include:

- How can we build a diverse, local economy?
- How can we grow and eat more local food?
- How can we preserve local access to the shoreline and forests but manage public access?
- How can a town center be created in Ocean

(More information on the other side.)

**View?**

- Is there a role for resorts in Ka’ū’s economy? If so, where?
- What infrastructure and public services are needed as the population grows?

**When are the best times to come?**

Everyone’s welcome all of the times in the schedule designated as public presentations, focused topic meetings, and open studio times. (See the schedule below.) Come to the group sessions or, if you don’t like meetings, just drop by. If you can come to only one meeting, make it to the final presentation on Saturday, November 21. If you want to weigh in as ideas evolve, check out the work-in-progress “pin-ups” on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

To help refine the issues to resolve and the range of strategies to consider during the Charrette, come to one or more of the focused topic sessions on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The topics for the focused topic sessions were chosen from key issues revealed in community surveys and talk story sessions.

**What is the Steering Committee’s role?**

Prior to the Charrette, the Steering Committee has been helping to make the week’s activities inviting and productive. Likewise, Steering Committee members are helping people understand how the CDP will affect their lives and how the Charrette will shape the CDP.

During the **November 10** meeting (at **5:30pm** at the **Nā’ālehu Community Center**), the Steering Committee will help focus Charrette activities. Specifically, the Steering Committee will:

- Review the updated Community Profile information
- Use the Community Profile along with the Values and Vision Statement adopted in September to define community Objectives and Criteria for Success. Those Criteria will be used to evaluate alternative development scenarios during the Charrette.
- Use the Criteria for Success to narrow the range of scenarios that will be considered during the Charrette.

More information about the Steering Committee, as well as meeting agendas and minutes, are available in the “Steering Committee” section of [www.kaucdp.info](http://www.kaucdp.info).

**No Update in December**

Due to budget cuts, funding for materials such as this monthly update has been reduced. So it’s likely that there won’t be an update in the December edition of the Ka’ū Calendar. Look for the next update in January. Because the Project Team needs time to translate the Charrette outcomes into the first draft of the CDP, there aren’t any CDP activities scheduled again until early February.

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	Monday 16-Nov	Tuesday 17-Nov	Wednesday 18-Nov	Thursday 19-Nov	Friday 20-Nov	Saturday 21-Nov
8:00 AM	Studio Set-Up	Team Meeting	Team Meeting	Team Meeting	Team Meeting	
9:00 AM	Base Material Overview	Focused Topic Meeting: Economic Opportunity	Focused Topic Meeting: Parks and Recreation	Repeat Pin-Up	Repeat Pin-Up	DESIGN & PRODUCTION
10:00 AM	Area Tours	DESIGN	DESIGN	DESIGN	DESIGN & PRODUCTION	Luncheon & Final Presentation
11:00 AM						
12:00 PM						
1:00 PM						
2:00 PM						
3:00 PM	Focused Topic Meeting: Health & Education	Focused Topic Meeting: Natural Resources Conservation/Access	Focused Topic Meeting: Appropriate Real Estate Development		DESIGN & PRODUCTION	
4:00 PM	Presentation Setup					
5:00 PM		DESIGN				
6:00 PM						
7:00 PM	Opening Presentation		Pin-up & Community Input	Pin-up & Community Input		
8:00 PM						

Public Presentations  
Public Meetings  
Studio Open to Public  
Studio Closed

**Ka’ū CDP Charrette Schedule**

**Want More Information about the Ka’ū CDP?**

- [www.kaucdp.info](http://www.kaucdp.info)
- Email announcements: “How to Stay Informed” section of [www.kaucdp.info](http://www.kaucdp.info)



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