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Aloha Friends,

A bumper sticker caught our attention recently – *Get Involved! Decisions are made by those who show up.*

Frequently we see examples where those who show up demonstrate their power to inform and influence. That can mean testifying at public meetings or talking with leaders to offer useful information to help guide their decisions.

Think about the people who serve on nonprofit boards, government commissions, advisory boards, and elected legislative bodies. Each of those individuals made the decision to get involved – to show up. Policies and programs that impact our future are decided every day by those bold individuals willing to take the risk to get involved.

But is getting involved enough? Is there also a willingness to listen and learn from others and to collaborate to create decisions that benefit everyone? These too are valuable traits that aid good decision making.

Whatever label you put on yourself – concerned citizen, maverick, conservative, progressive, activist, free thinker, environmentalist – if you care enough to show up, are willing to put in the work needed to learn about the issue and generate a beneficial outcome for the greater good, there is huge value to your participation. Get involved. Keep showing up. Remember:

*If you think you’re too small to have an impact, try going to bed with a mosquito in the room.*

-- Dame Anita Roddick, 1942-2007, British businesswoman, humanitarian, founder of The Body Shop

Mahalo nui loa,

Eric Knutzen, Chairman, Board of Directors
Diane Zachary, President & CEO

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**KPAA 2009 Programs & Activities**

**Measuring What Matters for Kaua‘i - Update of Community Indicators Report**

- Published in July 2009, *Measuring What Matters for Kaua‘i: Community Indicators Report 2008* is the second biennial report that looks at 57 indicators on economic and business climate; public education; neighborhood and community health and well-being; civic engagement; natural environment; land use and rural character; and cultures and arts.
- Report’s purpose is to assist government, business and nonprofit decision-makers determine needed policies, programs and services.

**Growth Management Tools & Strategies**

- Drawing on our 2008 work with the American Institute of architect’s Sustainable Design Assessment Team (SDAT), KPAA worked with the LBA’s Lihu’e Tomorrow Committee to provide input to the County Planning Department on incorporating smart growth and sustainability principles into the Lihu’e district development plan process.
- Hosted a one-day public workshop, *Win-Win Transportation Solutions for a Sustainable Kaua‘i* featuring Todd Litman, Executive Director and founder of the research organization Victoria Transit Policy Institute.

**Assessing Kaua‘i’s Sustainability**

- Convened a Safety Net task force of health and human services agency representatives to assess the impact and social needs caused by the economic downturn. An Emergency Resource List was developed and widely distributed.
- Coordinated outreach for SENTECH Hawai‘i to secure community input for the County’s *Kaua‘i Energy Sustainability Plan (KESP)* by convening 11 stake-holder and 6 public meetings around the island. To be released in May 2010, the plan will include analysis of energy needs and goals and recommendations on how to reduce the island’s dependence on imported fossil fuels by developing local, sustainable energy over the next 20 years.

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**Chair, Board of Directors Diane Zachary, President & CEO**
KPAA 2009 Programs & Activities – continued

Nonprofit Capacity Building Training
- Received a grant from the Annie S. Knudsen Memorial Fund to provide four workshops and opportunities for networking for nonprofit staff and boards.
- Conducted a survey in February 2009 to determine how nonprofits were being impacted by the economic downturn.
- Hosted a discussion with nonprofit directors and board members on Managing in Tough Times: How Kaua’i Nonprofits Are Coping to share responses and strategies to address impacts and explore ways to collaborate.
- Hosted a half-day workshop on Strategic Nonprofit Collaborations. Panelists explored innovative ways of working together to save money, increase effectiveness and extend reach.

State Park Improvements
- Grant-in-aid funding to KPAA was released by Governor Lingle to restore the first two miles of the Kalalau Trail in the Napali Coast Wilderness State Park and, in collaboration with Hui ‘O Laka, to renovate the historic Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camp buildings in Koke’e State Park.
- Pono Pacific Land Management LLC, assisted by Native Hawaiian Conservation and Hiking Expeditions, began work on the trail to address drainage and erosion control. They are training Friends of the Kalalau Trail volunteers to maintain the trail after the restoration project is completed, scheduled for December 31, 2010.
- Cover Photos: Volunteers help maintain facilities and trails in Koke’e State Park while others work on the Hanakapi’ai Trail Restoration project to address drainage and erosion control along the Napali Coast.

KPAA Member Services
- Hosted a workshop on the Hawai‘i Clean Energy Initiative and What it Means for Kaua‘i’ with a panel discussion by national, state and local energy experts assessing the island’s potential to implement sustainable energy practices.
  - Held annual membership meeting in June with a program on Trails, Tallies and Towns highlighting the work on the Kalalau Trail, the results of the new community indicators report, and a discussion of new ideas in community planning.
  - Presented Sustainable Design in Affordable Housing, co-sponsored by the Kaua‘i Association of Architects, featuring guest speakers discussing progressive practices being used to make housing more affordable, including innovative community and building design and new construction materials and building techniques.
- Published bi-monthly e-newsletters to keep members and friends informed of KPAA activities.

Contract Services
- Completed consultation with the County of Kaua‘i Parks and Recreation Department to develop the department’s first strategic plan.
- Worked with the Kaua‘i County Anti-Drug Office to facilitate Drug Treatment/Integration Committee planning.
- Continued participation in a Cross-Sector Collaboration Study Group to identify effective strategies for convening and facilitating diverse groups working on complex public issues.
- Facilitated three talk story sessions around the island for Kaua‘i National Wildlife Refuge Complex (KNWRC) staff in preparation for scoping meetings to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan.
- Facilitated the kick-off meeting on the Kaua‘i Seabird Habitat Conservation Plan for the Department of Land and Natural Resources’ Division of Forestry and Wildlife.
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REVENUE
Contracts 61,127
Contributions 3,173
Grants 299,956
Membership Dues 5,451
Registration Fees 360
Total Revenue 370,067

EXPENSES
Advertising & Promotion 645
Bank Fees 278
Depreciation 995
Dues 351
Equipment Rental & Leasing 3,071
Insurance 3,139
Meetings, Conferences & Events 2,492
Postage & Shipping 511
Printing & Publications 576
Professional Services 146,215
Rent/Occupancy 22,812
Salaries, Wages & Benefits 169,911
Supplies 1,542
Telephone/Fax/Broadband/Web Server 2,515
Travel-Staff & Consultant 3,126
Total Expenses 358,179

Excess or (Deficit) for Year 11,887
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year 42,424
Fund Balance at End of Year 54,511

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KPAA relies on the wonderful volunteers who offer advice and support on our programs.
A warm mahalo to members of the Community Indicators Advisory Committee, SDAT Steering Committee, Kalalau Trail Citizens Advisory Committee, Friends of the Kalalau Trail, and Nonprofit Training Advisory Group.