



KAUAI PLANNING & ACTION ALLIANCE  
*Bringing people together to create a better future for Kauai*

**ALLIANCE IN ACTION**

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***Kauai Receives Approval for AIA Sustainable Design Assessment***

The Center for Communities by Design, a program of the American Institute of Architects, has announced that Kauai has been selected as one of nine communities across the country to receive technical assistance under the Sustainable Design Assessment Team (SDAT) Program.

Kauai requested technical assistance to design a new model for regional development planning based on principles of sustainability and increased citizen participation, using the Lihu'e region for planning purposes. It is intended that the new model can be utilized in other regions of the island as their development plans are updated. This project was the result of discussions by members of the County Council, Planning Department, Office of Economic Development, Lihu'e Business Association, Kauai Planning & Action Alliance, Apollo Kauai and Malama Kauai and the UH School of Architecture.

The collaborative SDAT program assembles a team of architects and other professionals from around the country to provide a roadmap for communities seeking to improve their sustainability - as defined by a community's ability to meet the environmental, economic, and social equity needs of today without reducing the ability of future generations to meet their needs. KPAA will assist with coordinating the SDAT visit to take place in late 2008.

***KPAA Annual Meeting May 22 – Voices of the Future: A Dialogue with Kauai Youth***

**Save the Date!** Kauai Planning & Action Alliance will hold its Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 22 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM in the KCC Fine Dining Room. Pupus, networking and registration will begin at 2:30. There will be a short business meeting with an update on KPAA activities and the election of directors to the KPAA Board. The program topic is "Voices of the Future: A Dialogue with Kauai Youth," featuring a panel of young people as they talk about their hopes and ideas of the future – and what we as a community can do to support them. An invitation is extended to KPAA members and the public. To RSVP please call KPAA at 632-2005.

***"Building Capacity in Kauai Nonprofits" Conference Materials Online***



More than 90 board members and staff gathered on March 4 for a one-day conference to help increase the organizational effectiveness of our island's nonprofits. Participants shared ideas and challenges faced in working to achieve their nonprofit's mission. Guest speaker Jan Masaoka "told it like it is" with nonprofit boards, while David La Piana offered tips on managing nonprofits. Who knew nonprofit accounting could be enjoyable? Somehow Laura Wiley managed to share great information while making finances seem entertaining. The panel of funders from A&B Foundation, Hawaii's Community Foundation, Annie S. Knudsen Fund, and Grove Farm Foundation offered insights on how organizations can strengthen their grant proposals and emphasized the benefits of collaboration. Support for the conference came from the Annie Sinclair Knudsen Memorial Fund, Grove Farm Foundation and Kauai Marriott Resort. The

presentations and resource materials distributed at the conference may be found on KPAA's website [www.kauainetwork.org](http://www.kauainetwork.org).

### ***KPAA's February 14<sup>th</sup> Fundraiser a Success***

Many thanks to all those who attended our Valentine's Day fundraiser on NCL's Pride of America. We enjoyed great music, good food, fabulous silent auction items, and kicking up our heels. In addition to the generosity of NCL, KPAA would like to thank all those who donated to our silent



auction: Alexander Day Spa & Salon, Big Island Candies, Big Save, Inc., Blue Hawaiian Helicopters, Brennecke's Beach Broiler, First Hawaiian Bank-Lihu'e Branch, Gaylord's, Grand Hyatt Resort & Spa, Grove Farm Co., Inc., Kauai Nursery Landscaping, Lawai Beach Resort, PS&D (Napa Auto Parts), Sheraton Kauai Resort, Smith's Motor Boat Service, Inc., Starbucks/Coffee Partners Hawaii, and TriHealth Ayurveda Spa.



### ***Mahalo to KPAA's New and Renewing Members***

KPAA welcomes the following General and Supporting Members who have joined or renewed their membership since January 11, 2008. We appreciate their continued support of our mission and goals!

#### **Renewing General Members**

Kaua'i Health and Wellness Association  
Kaua'i Public Land Trust  
Leadership Kaua'i  
Royal Order of Kamehameha I, Chapter 3, Kaumuali'i

#### **Renewing Supporting Members**

Crystal Chu  
DataSpace Industries

#### **New General Members**

Anahola Hawaiian Homes Association  
Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative  
United Church of Christ

#### **New Supporting Member**

Anna Chavez

### ***Show Your Support of KPAA's Initiatives – Become a Member***

To join KPAA and to provide support for our work, simply complete the online application at [www.kauainetwork.org/pdf/KPAAMembershipForm2008.pdf](http://www.kauainetwork.org/pdf/KPAAMembershipForm2008.pdf). Or call KPAA for more information.

### ***Questions about KPAA? Comments? Please visit or contact us!***

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***Aloha: It's Kaua'i's Spirit  
One Island, Many Peoples, All Kauaian***

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