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Kaua`i's Quality of Life Topic of KPAA Meeting

Lihu`e, Kaua`i, HI – Kaua`i Planning & Action Alliance (KPAA) invites the public and its members to its Winter Membership Meeting on Thursday, December 1, 2011, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., at Kaua`i Community College, OCET Building, Room 106.

The recently published community indicators report *Measuring What Matters for Kaua`i* will be presented and discussed. The report looks at the island's quality of life and sustainability through 50 indicators related to the economy, public education, civic engagement, neighborhood and community health and well-being, land use and rural character, natural environment, and cultures and arts. Information was gathered through telephone surveys and gathering data from a wide variety of agencies.

The indicators reveal how the economy has impacted families in both positive and negative ways, the status of our public education system, the strength of the island's aloha spirit, how many have Internet access at home, and much more. This information is useful to government, business and nonprofit decision-makers as they consider needed policies, programs and resource investments.

Also on the agenda, Kaua`i Complex Area Superintendent Bill Arakaki, State Department of Education, and Dr. Helen Cox, Kaua`i Community College Chancellor will present an overview of a new cradle to career learning initiative that uses a cross-sector collective impact approach and takes a holistic approach to the development of young people.

The event is free. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. for refreshments and the program will begin promptly at 3:30 p.m.

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To view or download free copies of the 105-page report, visit the Publications section of KPAA's website at: www.kauainetwork.org. Copies are also available at all branches of the public library on Kaua`i. To purchase a printed color copy of the report, contact KPAA at 632-2005 or email kpaa@kauainetwork.org.

KPAA is a non-profit organization that serves as a neutral convener, providing a forum to the community to discuss, develop and implement effective solutions to issues that matter to Kaua`i.

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