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# **Your KPAA Newsletter Subscription**

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## New Features at www.KauaiNetwork.org



We have added some new features to the KPAA website to involve and assist the community. To gauge public opinion on issues of importance to the island, on occasion we'll include a KPAA Quick Poll. We've launched the KPAA Blog to launch a dialog on current issues. The first topic is "Sustainability – What will it take?" Become a blog subscriber and share your comments. And we have activated a new searchable Directory of Community

Organizations. If you are looking for health programs, for example, just type

"health" and you'll see listings of groups providing health services. To list your nonprofit or community group, click on the "Add Your Organization" link at the bottom of the directory page and complete the short form.

## Citizen and Stakeholder Long-Range Land Transportation Advisors Needed

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) is seeking applicants to serve as advisors on two important Advisory Committees.

 Citizen Advisory Committee for Regional Plan. Applicants are needed for the Regional Long-Range Land Transportation Plan Citizen



- Advisory Committee (CAC) for Kauai. This plan will define Kauai's land transportation goals, needs and solutions within the island and will set direction for system improvements over the next 25 years.
- 2. Stakeholder Advisory Committee for Statewide Plan. Applicants are also needed to serve on a Stakeholder Advisory Committee for the Statewide Long-Range Land Transportation Plan. The purpose of that plan is to guide land transportation policy and programs within the state. The plan will set the direction for system improvements over the next 25 years.

Both committees will provide HDOT with comprehensive input related to long-term land transportation planning. It is intended that the groups represent a range of transportation users, communities and populations and will serve as a communication link between the project, the community and interest groups. As a volunteer committee member, you will be asked to participate in approximately 5 meetings (during typical working hours) between the Fall 2010 and Spring 2012 and commit to approximately 4-6 hours per months to review materials, provide feedback and attend meetings. **The deadline to apply is August 31.** Application materials are available at <a href="http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways">http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways</a> or contact David Zevenbergen, HDOT at 808-587-6341 or <a href="David.L.Zevenbergen@hawaii.gov">David.L.Zevenbergen@hawaii.gov</a>.

### **KPAA Rideshare Study**



One of the goals set by KPAA's membership was to mitigate traffic on the island and pursue transportation alternatives. We were very fortunate to have Arizona State graduate student Richard Brockmyer as an intern two days a week this summer to research and prepare a report on establishing rideshare programs on Kauai. (Richard is the son of KPAA board member and KCC

Chancellor Helen Cox.) Through his research, he identified three viable rideshare options for Kauai to supplement our bus system: 1) expanding the **Vanpool Hawaii** program which now has three routes on Kauai that serve PMRF and Pioneer Hybrid; 2) developing a **carpool and online ride matching** service; and 3) creating a **school pool** program that encourages parents to share rides to school to alleviate congestion – and carbon emissions – in school areas. The report includes information on government and employer incentive programs, model programs, financing, and recommendations to pursue on Kauai by employers, government and nonprofits. If you would like to learn more about rideshare programs for Kauai, the <u>report is available</u>.

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