

Aloha KBR Members and Affiliate Members:



County of Kauaʻi - COVID-19 update:

- Mayor Derek S.K. Kawakami announces Kauaʻi last Emergency Rule 28 repealed on March 1, 2022, ending Kauaʻi's last emergency rule for COVID-19. Kauaʻi remains under Governor Ige's current Emergency Proclamation for COVID-19. State mandate includes the indoor mask requirement, and the state's Safe Travels program.

State of Hawaiʻi - COVID-19 update:

- Governor David Y. Ige - the state is ending the travel quarantine and the Safe Travels Hawaiʻi program ending effective 12:01am on March 25, 2022. Effective March 26, 2022. Please visit www.hawaiiicovid19.com for further descriptive information.

The State's mask mandate will remain in place for now.



Our magical day at **Alakoko/Menehune Fishpond** was truly that, a magical day, so magical that we have set a return date for August 2022. We have several dates pending, Thursday, August 18th or 25th. We are working with Malama Huleia and will share as soon as it is confirmed.

- **Mālama Hulē'ia** - A community nonprofit Mālama Hulē'ia has been restoring the privately owned property since 2018, leading thousands of volunteers in mālama 'āina activities. When the 102-acre property was listed for sale, Mālama Hulē'ia partnered with The Trust for Public Land to purchase the property for community benefit. The 600-year-old fishpond was purchased and permanently protected in November 2021. While purchasing the 'āina was a huge success, it is only the first stage in what will be a multi-generational effort to restore, steward, and bring life back to Alakoko so that it can once again feed our community. This is why the nonprofits are raising additional funding to help pay for continued restoration of the fishpond, transformational outdoor keiki education programs, and more.

Alakoko Fishpond will serve as a community gathering space and outdoor classroom where students and greater community can learn science, history, culture, traditional Hawaiian aquaculture, as well as native wetland and watershed management. Join us to kāko'o Alakoko, to ensure the land will thrive and be a community kīpuka (oasis) in perpetuity.

The recent RestoreTheFishpond.org campaign just closed 3/1/22. You are still able to participate, so please consider making a gift toward the community fundraising campaign. Because of supporters like you, Alakoko Fishpond will continue to thrive.

Takeaways shared by a few of our attendees:

- Lisa Ledesma, affiliate member with HomeBridge Financial Services - "I walked away wanting more knowledge of what our ancestors built and what they think looking down at us wondering why we didn't start earlier taking care of what they built. I want to help more and it's never too late to help."
- Chris Coscerella, REALTOR® Salesperson with Coldwell Banker Island Properties - "As a hunter and fisherman, I share lots of their core values when it comes to land and animal conservation. So many great insights shared among the group about how they are trying to rebuild and grow. My takeaway would be, the circle has been broken in a few spots and now needs outside help to make it whole again."

PR, COMMUNICATIONS, YPN COMMITTEES - SAVE THE DATES - Your committees have been working hard to fill your calendar with our community events.

- **March 24, 2022 - 9:00am - beautification of the Kekaha Neighborhood Park & Comfort Station** co-sponsored by the County of Kaua`i Department of Parks and Recreation.
- **June 1, 2022 through November 2022 - launching of our Kaua`i Independent Food Bank - Virtual Food Boxes.**

- **June 6-10, 2022 - Hygiene Drive, benefiting Nana's House and YWCA** - dropbox will be stationed at KBR for the week and items may be dropped off from 8:00am-4:00pm.
- **July 25-29, 2022 - Clothing Drive - for Child Family Services (CFS)** - dropbox will be stationed at KBR for the week and items may be dropped off from 8:00am-4:00pm.
- **August 2022 - Returning to Alakoko/Menehune Fishpond, Cultural Education Workshop Day.**
- **September 9, 2022 - Habitat for Humanity - BUILD DAY**

EDUCATION COMMITTEE - SAVE THE DATES

- **March 17, 2022 - 11:00am to 11:45am - Virtual Brown Bag Lunch with Mayor Derek S.K. Kawakami** - "Housing and Infrastructure" today and moving forward.
- **March 21, 2022 - 10:00am - Planning 101 with Kaaina Hull, County of Kaua`i Director of Planning.**

To register for these events, please contact our office at (808) 245-4049.

Stay tuned to our Weekly Wednesday's and monthly Newsletters for more information as we get closer to our dates and new calendar events are added.