

The Hui Alaloa Holistic Green Space

Creating New Pathways for Abundance in the `Ewa Moku



Developing a lei of community stewardship projects along the Pearl Harbor Historic Trail that reactivate the region as a source of healthy food systems and waters



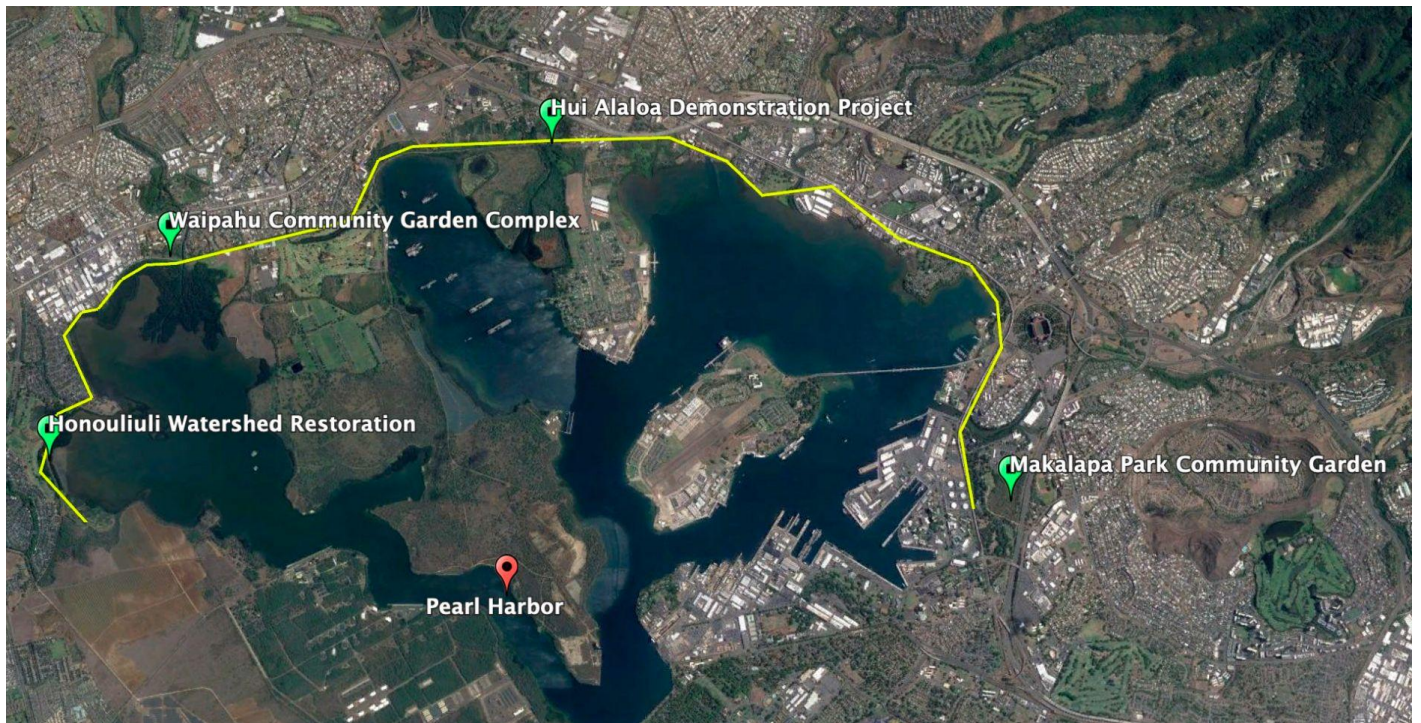
Project Overview: The Hui Alaloa (sacred path) project brings together Hawaiian cultural practitioners, artists, schools, and residents' visions for holistic green space. Historically, this area was `āina momona, literally "fat lands" that provided healthy food and clean waters to thousands. Visions for this demonstration project include community engaged art pieces, plantings that include native, medicinal and food species along a well traveled path along the Pu`uloa shoreline.

Project Goals: The Hui Alaloa Pillars were developed from an extensive community engagement process. These pillars and this on-going project create a mechanism for addressing equitable climate resiliency, community empowerment and green job creation.

HUI ALALOA PILLARS



Project Location



Current Project Partners and Supporters

- Hui o Ho`ohonua: Mālama Pu'uloa Program - www.malamapuuloa.org
- DLNR Div. of Forestry and Wildlife Kaulunani Urban & Community Forestry Program - www.kaulunani.org
- USDA Forest Service, Urban & Community Forestry Program - <https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/urban-forests/ucf>
- National Park Service (NPS), Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) Program - <https://bit.ly/3zdyxAD>
- Pearl City Neighborhood Board - <https://pearlcitynb.com/>
- Honolulu City and County, Mālama o ka `Āina Program - <https://cutt.ly/RPI3csL>
- Hawaiian Electric, via a generous donation
- The University of Hawai'i Center for Indigenous Innovation and Health Equity
- The University of Hawai'i Natural Resource and Environmental Management Program
- The University of Hawai'i School of Landscape Architecture
- Trees of Aloha Arborist and Landscaping
- Safe Haven Waipahu
- Waipahu High School Academy of Natural Resources
- Pearl Highlands Intermediate School

Mahalo to our Current Project Funders



Proposed Project Expansion It is proposed that this project will expand and connect four successful, community-driven demonstration projects that have developed along the Leeward Bikeway to date. These projects include a 21 acre wetland and Hawaiian fishpond site in Ewa Beach, a community garden complex in Waipahu, a holistic greenspace demonstration project in Pearl City and community garden in Aiea - all located along the Leeward Bikeway on lands managed by both the Honolulu City and County and the Department of Defence. Over the last four years, the Hui o Ho`honua non-profit and its extensive public-private network has facilitated the implementation of community-driven projects that are addressing the limitations apparent in the decades-long governmental management of the Leeward Bikeway and the lands that surround it.

While these demonstration projects have provided community “hope spots”, additional funding is needed to expand and connect them to create a holistic green space corridor in the Ewa Region of Oahu. While long-time residents of this region include some of the island’s most vulnerable, yet resilient communities on the island, they have witnessed the restoration of Waikiki and the Ala Wai Canal largely focused on island visitors as well as the deterioration of public spaces in their region. This project addresses long-standing environmental injustice and inequity issues while providing a scalable model for areas throughout Hawaii that face similar challenges.

This project expansion creates a mechanism for addressing equitable climate resiliency, community empowerment and green job creation that can be implemented throughout the state without impacting state and county budgets. With expanding funding and support, this project will create 10 green jobs, a 20 mile green transportation and free food corridor, multiple educational opportunities, and enhanced potential for sustainable funding streams and local entrepreneurs.

Proposed Funding Streams for the Project Expansion

- The year long HOH National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Coastal Resilience Grant
- Outreach to prospective business and community donors
- A NOAA Transformational Habitat Grant proposal for 2024 with the Coral Reef Alliance to support this project as one of several to create positive, regional level impact on 4 watersheds and the near shore waters of Pearl Harbor
- Community outreach and community leadership training that includes grant writing as small grant proposals can support portions of the Hui Alaloa Green Space Corridor

Hui - A Group of People United in Purpose
Alaloa - A Sacred Path

A`ohe Hana Nui ke Alu `ia
No Task is Too Big When Done by All
‘Ōlelo No`eau - Hawaiian Proverb

