



Dear Neighbors,

In this newsletter, I would like to give you an update on some of the latest news and events related to our community.

I had a chance to visit and meet with the staff of Maui Memorial Medical Center, the Maui Correctional Center, the Maui Farm Inc., Aloha House, Women Helping Women, and the Makawao History Museum. I also visited with our senior citizen groups in Pukalani, Makawao, Haliimaile and Kula.

I will be visiting all of the school principals in the district and plan to visit the Kahului Airport and Kula Hospital. These visits give me a perspective on needed repairs so I can work to secure support and funding that are vital to our community.

Many of you have reached out to me this past year. I encourage you to continue to share issues that are important to you.

One of the joys this coming holiday season is the opportunity to say thank you and wish you the very best for the new year.

Aloha,

## **TOWN & UPCOUNTRY UPDATE**

November and December 2018

# Interim Report

### **Cesspool Working Group**

In accordance with Act 132 of 2018, the Department of Health was authorized to establish a cesspool conversion working group. The purpose of this working group is to develop a long-range, comprehensive plan for cesspool conversion statewide for all cesspools by 2050.

The first meeting was held on Thursday, September 13, 2018. For updates of the working group, please go to <u>www.health.hawaii.gov</u>. Environmental Health, Solid & Hazardous Waste Branch.

Cesspool Working Group Members	Organization
Bruce Anderson, Chair	Director, Department of Health
Ted Bohlen	Deputy Attorney General
Stuart Coleman	Surfrider Organization
Senator Kalani English	Senate
Charlene Lani Fernandez	Bank of Hawaii
Ken Hiraki	Hawai'i Association of Realtors
Jason Kagimoto	Chief, Wastewater Division, County of Kauai
Lori Kahikina	Director, Department of Environmental Services, City and County of Honolulu
William Kucharski	Director, Department of Environmental Management, County of Hawaii
Dr. Darren T. Lerner	Interim Director for the University of Hawaii Water Re- sources Research Center
Representative Nicole Lowen	House of Representatives
Mike Montgomery	EPA Region 9
Eric Nakagawa	Chief, Wastewater Division, County of Maui
Erica Perez	Coral Reef Alliance
Sina Pruder	Wastewater Branch, Department of Health
Dr. Kawika Winter	Manager, He'eia National Estuarine Research Reserve, Hawai'i Institute for Marine Biology

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### Happening At Hale Mahaolu Ewalu

Hale Mahaolu Ewalu is currently under construction in the Kulamalu Town Center Subdivision in Pukalani. This is the second senior rental housing campus in the Upcountry area.

Phase I will include 38 affordable rental units, a manager's unit, a Senior Center, a laundromat, beauty salon, administrative offices and a maintenance shop. This phase is planned to be completed in the next few months.

The County has already completed its application and lottery method and is currently in the process of screening applicants for qualification under the voucher program. The applicants will be further screened by Hale Mahaolu to ensure compliance with the federal tax credit program.

Phase II will include another 22 affordable rental units and construction will commence in 2019. For more information, please check their website at <u>www.halemahaolu.org</u>.



Landscape Concept Plan

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Makawao Hongwanji Seniors





Kula Elementary School Certificate Presentation for the GLO Stars



Flooding at the Keokea Homestead

Capitol Improvement Projects (CIP)

#### **Released Funding**

#### Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders <u>Association, Inc.</u>

\$500,000 will provide construction funds for the partial completion of Phase 2 of a community center in Kula.

#### Maui Memorial Medical Center

\$127,612 for plumbing, life and fire safety upgrades and to replace two chillers.

#### Hui Noeau Visual Arts Center

\$95,000 for construction on improvements to the visual arts center.

#### Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Center

\$705,000 for construction, renovations and improvements for permanent supportive housing on Maui.

#### <u>Piilani Highway</u>

\$900,000 for additional design and construction for improvements.

#### King Kekaulike High School

\$467,388 for Amphitheater improvements.

#### Keokea-Waiohuli Development

\$5,480,000 for 76 residential lots of Phase 2 of the Keokea-Waiohuli Subdivision, Maui.

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# **Events**

• Kula Elementary School's 31st Annual Harvest Festival

500 Kula Highway, Kula

#### Saturday, November 17, 9:00am to 4:00pm

Makawao History Museum

**Guided Walking Tour** 

3643 Baldwin Avenue, Makawao

#### Sunday, December 2, 10:00am

• Upcountry Farmer's Market at Kulamalu Town Center

55 Kiopaa Street, Pukalani

#### Saturday, December 8, 7:00am

• King Kekaulike High School– Football Field

Life Champion Bowl (Statewide Seniors)

Saturday, December 8, 12:00pm



