Kaka'ako Makai Area Plan Update



The Hawai'i Community Development Authority (HCDA) was created in 1976 as a way to plan for the future development of underutilized urban areas of Hawai'i. The Kaka'ako Mauka area was established in 1976, and the Kaka'ako Makai area in 1982. The HCDA holds this responsibility and trust with care and is updating the Kaka'ako Makai Area Plan to reflect stakeholder voices, land and infrastructure needs, and other possibilities.

It seeks to create a unified **Vision** and comprehensive planning framework for the Kaka'ako Makai Area, the makai portion of the Kaka'ako Community Development District. This plan update responds to shifts in land ownership, heightened community interest, and renewed legislative dialogue around land use policies, including potential residential development.



The plan update will address the area's complex mix of public open space, cultural assets, and infrastructure needs, aiming to guide cohesive development while preserving community values and shoreline integrity. Emphasizing inclusive public engagement, the planning process will assess existing conditions, evaluate constraints and opportunities, and develop and vet multiple land use scenarios. Ultimately, the Plan will provide detailed recommendations—including land use code updates—to support climate-resilient, community-driven development that aligns with HCDA's goals for balanced growth, access, and stewardship of the Makai district's unique coastal urban environment.

Most importantly, HCDA hopes that this plan is informed and shaped by those who live and work in, use, and have connection to Kaka'ako Makai, so that it includes history, stories, and stakeholder voices, and is informed by 'āina and culture. As such, HCDA contracted with a local company to coordinate the process, which includes local facilitators engaging with local communities.

Project Goals

- Craft a plan that honors and uplifts the voices of community members, landowners, business owners, and other stakeholders within the Kaka'ako Makai region and puts forward a shared vision for the future.
- Facilitate a public engagement program that allows the community to be a part of the conversation and able to stay informed and learn through the planning process. future.
- Identify constraints and opportunities related to land use, transportation, infrastructure, cultural resources, and environmental health.

- Encourage innovative and creative thinking around how to address existing issues and set forth policies to support actions for a vibrant and sustainable future.
- Create a final plan document that is meaningful, compelling, and accessible for all users.
- Amend the land use codes and rules to guide implementation.
- Explore and model multiple land use scenarios, including potential residential and mixed use. Provide analysis to support a preferred land use scenario and final master plan.

Project Elements

The project will include analysis on the following topics:





How to Get Involved

Community input will be critical to shape the vision of Kaka'ako Makai. We will be reaching out to the community and providing a variety of ways to get involved so your voices are heard.



Visit the Kaka'ako Makai project website

Visit https://ssfm.konveio.com/kakaako-makai-area-plan to learn more about the plan and upcoming engagement opportunities, and to sign up for the email list to receive the latest information available.



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