

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE LANI-KAILUA OUTDOOR CIRCLE

We are an all-volunteer organization that relies on its volunteers to get things done in our community. We have several volunteer opportunities available, described below. If you are interested in any of these, please let us know by emailing us at lani-kailua@outdoorcircle.org

A. Beautification Projects:

We have an active Beautification Committee of volunteers, that oversees our many beautification projects in Kailua. These include ongoing landscape maintenance of numerous public areas around Kailua. You can learn about these on our website:

<https://www.lkoc.org/LKOC-Projects.html>

Our Beautification **volunteer activities** are posted on our **Upcoming Events Page**:

<https://www.lkoc.org/Upcoming-Events.html>

Beautification Volunteer activities include:

- **Kalama Beach Park:**
We periodically do a volunteer clean up day at Kalama Beach Park (where we trim trees, plantings, rake leaves, etc.) on the property, not on the beach, as part of the city's Adopt-a-Park Program (LKOC adopted Kalama Beach Park a few years ago). We do this in conjunction with the Pali Lions Club.
- **Pohakupu Park:**
We hold periodic landscape refurbishment days
- **Kawainui/Hamakua Marsh**
We hold periodic cleanup days (where we remove overgrown brush and debris along the canal at the entrance to Kailua)

B. "I Love Kailua" Town Party:

We are always looking for volunteers to help at our annual "I Love Kailua" Town Party, put on in late April each year. Details about the event can be found at:

<https://www.lkoc.org/Town-Party.html>

All the proceeds from this event go towards our beautification, environmental and educational outreach projects in the community, which you can learn about on our website

<https://www.lkoc.org/LKOC-projects.html>

Because it is held on a public street, there are numerous city safety rules in place for the participants, so as not to endanger the public/attendees. It takes **scores of volunteers** to put on this event once a year.

Town Party volunteer activities include:

- Volunteers to **monitor the 3 street barricades**, (during setup 9-11 AM, and breakdown 4-5 PM) to prevent vehicle access, which is strictly prohibited by the city, (and which all participants are aware of beforehand). Some vehicles are allowed in (food vendors, etc) and they are given a Vehicle Pass to present. Paid private security is available to assist.
- Volunteers to **monitor Craft and Artisan Booths** (during setup) to make sure each booth has a compliant fire extinguishers. (This is a C&C rule which all participants are aware of beforehand). Our on-site Event Planner is available to deal with any infractions that the monitors alert her to.

- Our team of dozens of volunteers handles **Setup** (they put up all the tents for our Scrip Booths, Plant Booth, T-Shirt Booth, and the Stage area on Kailua Road) and they always welcome volunteers. They have a daunting task of setting up between 9-11, and then taking everything down and off the street from 4-5. The road is opened at 5 PM and must be clear for traffic.
- Dozens of volunteers to **help in our LKOC Booths**, where we sell Scrip, Town Party Buttons, plants, and commemorative T-Shirts.

C. Learning to Grow:

We have a team of volunteers for our “Learning to Grow” Program at the Women’s Community Correctional Center, where the inmates grow hydroponic lettuce for sale at Foodland stores. You can learn about this life-changing program on our website

<https://www.lkoc.org/LKOCWCCC-Partnership.html>

Learning to Grow volunteer activities include:

- Volunteers who **mentor the women** in the program, in hands-on horticultural activities. We have a team of 5-6 people now, who each come for 2 hours a day, 2-3 times a week, but we are always looking for volunteers to participate in this rewarding experience.
- Volunteers to **deliver the already boxed lettuce** to the Foodland Distribution Center in Waipahu, once a week, which requires a car, and takes a few hours round trip. We have a team of 2-3 people now, who each take one week per month, but can always use more people.

D. Advocacy:

We have an active volunteer advocacy team that works with municipal entities and other community organizations on a regular basis, concerning environmental issues in our Windward community, and we can always use added expertise and manpower. You can learn about this activity on our website:

<https://www.lkoc.org/Public-Affairs-and-Advocacy.html>

E. Signs:

We have an active volunteer Signage team that promotes education and enforcement of our City and County of Honolulu, and State of Hawaii sign laws. We can always use added manpower in our efforts to prevent the proliferation of illegal outdoor advertising signage in our community. You can learn about this activity on our website:

<https://www.lkoc.org/Signs.html>

F. Our Board of Directors:

We have an all-volunteer Board of Directors, elected by our membership each May. The Board meets once a month, and we welcome people to attend board meetings. We are always looking for people to participate on our board, and we welcome your expertise and ideas. It’s a rewarding experience and we hope you will join us! You can learn about our Board of Directors on our website:

<https://www.lkoc.org/LKOC-Board-of-Directors.html>

As you can see, our all-volunteer organization relies on its volunteers to get things done in our community. Please join us in keeping Kailua clean, green and beautiful!