



The Voice of the Volcano Community Association



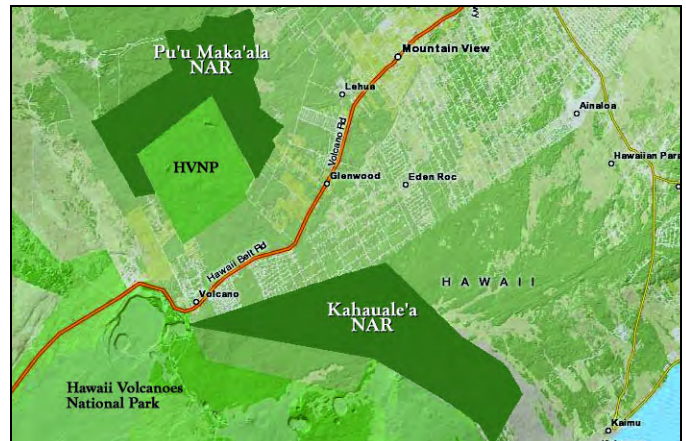
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Conservation Easements in Volcano

Conservation easements are a tool property owners can use to secure their land in perpetuity from future subdivision or clearing. Popular in the US mainland, conservation easements are often thought as intended for large properties. However, easements are now common for small properties, especially those that have scenic, historical, or biological value.

Interest in conservation easements is growing among property owners in the Volcano area, who desire to preserve an intact forest canopy that would eventually connect across the community to the protected areas around us: the Pu'u Maka'ala and Kahauale'a Natural Area Reserves and the National Park. The Hawaii Island Land Trust (HILT) is the only organization on the island that is able to carry out long term monitoring and enforcement of provisions of an easement.

The HILT Executive Director, Doug Sensenig, will be the feature speaker at a community meeting at Cooper Center, **Wednesday, February 10th, at 7:30 PM**. Mr Sensenig will describe the HILT purpose and explain the benefits of conservation easements for the Volcano area.



Puna Community Development Plan

Three members of the Volcano Community are serving on the newly-constituted Action Committee for the PCDP: Tim Tunison (967-8151), Larry Higgins (854-7654), and Dan Taylor (967-7155). These three are among a committee of nine, whose task is to promote implementation of the PCDP.

The Plan is community-driven and forward looking. It is the first participatory community plan in state history. Action Committee members are reaching to the communities for guidance and help in organizing, prioritizing, and implementing dozens of action items.

Feel free to contact any of the three Volcano members above, or attend the monthly Action Committee meetings. These are usually held in the Kea'au Community Center, on the third Thursday each month, from 3 - 6 PM.



Community Meeting
Cooper Center
Wed. Feb. 10th
7:30pm

For more information about the Hawaii Island Land Trust visit their website at:

www.hawaiiandtrust.org

or call 1-808-324-4458

Volcano Community Association Mission Statement

To improve and protect the quality of life in Volcano, County and State of Hawaii, on behalf of all residents of the area. To promote the social and educational advancement, increase recreational opportunities, ensure health, protect natural environment, and develop community spirit. Also, it will undertake any consonant project the community may be moved to assign to it. However, it will remain nonpartisan and nonsectarian.

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Building community since 1980

Benefits of VCA Membership

Your membership in the Volcano Community Association helps to support many activities and projects in Volcano such as: 4th of July Parade, Recycling, Long Range Planning, Native Forest Committee, Makahiki Ma'ukele, Building in the Forest Brochure and many other community projects.

VCA membership also entitles you to discounts on our Tee Shirts and Hooded Jackets which are available at the Sunday Farmers Market VCA table. Also many Volcano and Hilo businesses offer discounts to VCA members. For more information please visit our website at :

www.volcanocommunity.org

Business Partner of the Month

* Cafe `Ōhi`a - Lance Yamashiro

Lance Yamashiro is the third generation owner of Yamashiro Farm founded in Volcano by his grandfather in 1942. He grows calla lilies, daikon and fresh wasabi which he sells to local florists, hotels and sushi restaurants. He also uses them in his "Island-Style" Deli, Cafe `Ōhi`a, which opened this past October. The deli offers fresh baked goods like croissants, artisan breads, pastries and quiche along with daily hot entree specials, soups, salads, sandwiches and desserts. In support of the community that has given him so much, Lance is offering 10% off his already affordable prices to VCA members who show their cards. Open daily from 6am - 7pm, Cafe `Ōhi`a is located on Haunani Road, corner of Old Volcano Highway, in Volcano Village.

VCA Business Partners:

- **Ali'i Mauka Opala Service** 936-5045
10% off waste hauling
- **Fireplace & Home Center** 961-5646
\$50 Off a stove or fireplace (Hilo on Bayfront)
- **Hawaii Chimney & Vent** 217-1957
\$10 Off your fireplace or dryer vent cleaning
- **Hawaii Entertainment Services** 333-1928
DJ's, MC's, PA's + Live Bands & AV Services 10% Off
- **Interiors by Design** 934-8815
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- **John Moore Massage** 967-7936
20% Off Massage
- **Kiawe Kitchen** (Old Volcano Rd at Haunani)
10% off any pizza 967-7711
- **Kilauea Lodge** 967-7366
Complimentary dessert with dinner entree'
- **Kipuka Graphics & Design** 967-8553
20% off any design work
- **Volcano's Lava Rock Cafe** 967-8526
Complimentary dessert with dinner entree'
- **The Most Irresistible Shop** 935-9644
10 % Off your purchase
- **Tom Young Computer Services**
5% discount on labor 967-7249, 217-2343
- **Volcano Garden Arts** 985-8979
10% Off gallery purchases
- **Volcano Golf & Country Club** 967-7331
5% discount on food, Pro Shop or weekday golf
- **Cafe `Ōhi`a** (on the corner of Haunani Rd. and Old Volcano Hwy.) 10% discount 985-8587

