



Ka Mana

Hawaii's Interfaith Energy & Climate Connection

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Welcome

Welcome to *Ka Mana: Hawaii's Interfaith Energy & Climate Connection*, a monthly project of [Hawaii Interfaith Power and Light](#). *Ka Mana* aspires to connect Hawaii's decision-making, advocacy, and interfaith communities together with Hawaii's historic transition to renewable energy and a carbon-neutral economy. Inspired by shared values, effective action, a sense of urgency for a fossil-free Hawaii, and a vision of social/economic/environmental justice for all, together we can do this! Welcome to this Historic Moment.

Message of the Month

Act Global

Pollution from the transportation sector is now the largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. We need to ensure that national decision makers hear directly from religious leaders that the U.S. interfaith community champions responsible and effective transportation emission standards, the most significant policy the U.S. has for addressing climate change.

Act Local

Hawaii state law now mandates renewable energy and carbon neutrality. In December 2017, all Hawaii counties committed to transition Hawaii's ground transportation to 100% renewable fuel sources by 2045, and Hawaii's mayors pledged to transition all county fleet vehicles to 100% renewable power by 2035. Commit your congregation now to their next vehicles being electric!

What can our Communities do?

Honolulu's Office of Climate Change, Sustainability and Resiliency (<https://www.resilientoahu.org/>), is tasked with leadership in a **Climate Action Plan for Oahu**. The CCSR is now introducing communities around Oahu to the planning process and inviting us to engage. Please, *lead your community* in attending these meetings in your area! There will be four more Oahu meetings after the following three:

– **Wednesday, October 17, 7:00pm**, Hawaii Kai Public Library, 249 Lunalilo Home Road;

– **Monday, October 29, 6:00pm**, Neil S. Blaisdell Center, Hawaii Suites, 777 Ward Avenue;
– **Thursday, November 8, 7:00pm**, Waialua Elementary School Cafeteria, 67-020 Waialua Beach Road.

Take Action!

(1) Please sign this [faith sign-on](#) letter to demonstrate to the administration and members of congress that U.S. faith groups strongly oppose any federal rollback of climate safeguards, including the Clean Power Plan, clean car standards, and mercury standards. The national Interfaith Power & Light organization drafted this letter in collaboration with the Friends Committee on National Legislation, Creation Justice Ministries, and other faith groups. Please, read the full letter on this [sign-on page](#). Please, vote Clean in 2018!

(2) SUPPORT THE YOUTH - OUR CHILDREN'S TRUST LAWSUIT. On Monday, October 29, the "Children's Trust" climate lawsuit goes to trial in the U.S. District Court for Oregon. We urge congregations, church leaders, and all climate advocates to support of the 21 youth who are the plaintiffs in this case. See the story here, <http://www.eco-justice.org/E-181009.asp>, with links to read more and to several Action Options. See <https://actionnetwork.org/events/rally-for-the-trial-of-the-century> to RSVP for the Honolulu rally at the Prince Kuhio Federal Building on Friday, October 26 at 4:30pm.

Sharing Ka Mana

What is your vision for a fossil-free Hawaii? Do you feel the urgency? Please, share your energy/climate events and stories with kamana.hipl@gmail.com, and share *Ka Mana* with your communities. Transitioning Hawaii to renewable energy and a carbon-neutral economy will challenge us all, but together, we can do this!

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