Welcome to Ka Mana: Hawaii’s Interfaith Energy & Climate Connection, a monthly project of Hawaii Interfaith Power & Light. Ka Mana aspires to connect Hawaii’s interfaith, decision-making, and advocacy communities together in Hawaii’s historic transition ASAP to a 100% renewable-energy and 100% carbon-neutral economy. Inspired by shared values, effective action, a sense of urgency for fossil-free Hawaii futures, and a vision of social, economic, and environmental equity for all, together we can do this! Welcome to this Historic Moment.

Asking the Right Question
Climate change Yes/No is the wrong question, as climate change is already upon us with increasingly costly consequences. The Right Question is, How do we accelerate effective social/economic/political solutions to decarbonize Hawaii’s economy ASAP?

Accelerating Effective Climate Solutions
Hawaii state law mandates 100% renewable energy by 2045. We generate 25% of our electricity from renewables now, and Hawaii’s Renewable Portfolio Standard calls for 40% by 2030. In fact, our most cost-effective pathway is 58 to 84% of Hawaii’s electricity from renewables by 2030 (Transcending Oil: Hawaii’s Path to a Clean Energy Economy, 2018, www.transcendingoil.com/). Clearly, options exist to accelerate effective climate solutions if we keep faith in each other and collaborate ASAP!

‘Leaps of Faith: Accelerating Solutions’
YOU ARE INVITED – Sunday, MARCH 3. Please join HIPL and the Newman Center for ‘Leaps of Faith’ to share social/economic/political options to accelerate Hawaii’s historic transition ASAP to 100% renewable energy! How do we unite traditional wisdom and climate science, provide leadership for What To Do, transform our economy into an engine for effective climate solutions, protect vulnerable populations and future generations, and inspire and engage our communities? Together, we can do this!

What We Can Do in January:
1. Hawaii Climate Conference 2019
HĀ O KE KAI – Breath of the Sea: Hawaii’s Response to Climate Change
WHEN: Monday, January 14, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.
WHERE: East-West Center – Imin Conference Center, 1777 East-West Center Road.
WHO: The Hawaii State Climate Commission and YOU – this Hawaii Climate Conference is open to the public without registration or fee!
CONTACT: http://climate.hawaii.gov/conference/.
Let’s put our shared values to work! The smarter we collaborate, the sooner we reach 100%.

2. Climate Action Plan - Public Meetings
Honolulu’s Office of Climate Change, Sustainability & Resiliency (CCSR) continues reaching out to engage all Oahu communities in Oahu’s first Climate Action Plan (see www.resilientoahu.org/). The following are the last two events in this series of Climate Action Plan public meetings:
– Wednesday, Jan. 16, 7:00 pm – Hau’ula. Hau’ula Community Center, 54-010 Kukuna Rd, Co-host: City Councilor Heidi Tsuneyoshi;
– Thursday, Jan. 17, 6:00 pm – UH Manoa. Campus Center Ballroom, 2500 Campus Center Rd, Cohosts: UH Office of Sustainability and the Institute for Sustainability and Resiliency.
You are invited! Please, lead your congregations in these Climate Action Plan meetings in your area!

Watch Ka Mana for ‘Leaps of Faith’ event details and a March 3 draft agenda!

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