

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 HIPL, [Hawaii Interfaith Power & Light](http://www.hiopl.org). *Ka Mana* connects Hawaii's interfaith, decision-making, and advocacy communities in Hawaii's historic transition ASAP to 100% renewable energy and a carbon-neutral economy. Inspired by shared values, effective action, a sense of urgency for fossil-fuel-free Hawaii futures, and a vision of social, economic, and environmental equity for all, together we can do this! Welcome to this Historic Moment.

Inspired by Shared Values

What exactly do we share when we talk about being inspired by shared values? A spiritual awareness of our living Planet? Ethical grounding in interdependence? Bold, effective Stewardship? Courage to speak economic and ecological truth to power? The underlying unity of traditional and new knowledge? Respect for the needs of future generations and vulnerable populations? Moral Ends through compassionate Means? These are the shared values that inspire us!

Green New Deal Values

When we read the Green New Deal, we see that it shares these same values plus lifting up one more. The GND values a holistic view of environment, society, and economy that treats our increasingly urgent social and environmental challenges as a single crisis, not as two separate crises. The GND asks what a living Planet and healthy communities really need, not what business-as-usual will allow! Inspired by these shared values, why aren't we asking when Hawaii will have its own *Hawaiian-style* Green New Deal?

And One Shared Value More

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," says one version of the Golden Rule, a

commandment that has parallel versions in every faith tradition. Suppose we paraphrase this shared wisdom to say, "**Do unto the Earth as you would have the Earth do unto you.**" Does this version still ring true? What do you think?



Earth Day 2019 – Monday, April 22

The theme for Earth Day 2019 is protecting life and our life-support ecosystems. Earth Day celebrates the beauty of our shared home and renews our commitment to reaffirm and restore our spiritual as well as stewardship connections with this living Planet.

What is your congregation, school, or advocacy group planning for Earth Day 2019?

Visit <https://www.faihtclimateactionweek.org/> for some great ideas, and please share your plans with kamana.hipl@gmail.com. April 22 is a good day to leave fossil fuels in the ground and to plant trees, what do you think?

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Blessings on your journey, Sister Joan Chatfield, 1932 – 2019.