

Hawaii Community Development Authority  
**KALAELOA STRATEGIC PLAN FACT SHEET**

**1. Who is HCDA and what are doing at Kalaeloa?**

HCDA is a state agency established in 1976 to respond to areas in need of economic development and renewal. Kalaeloa was designated as such an area in 2002 by the Legislature. HRS 206E tasks HCDA to further the work of the former Barbers Point Redevelopment Commission that oversaw the initial planning and closure of the former air station. HCDA has the authority to establish the land use and zoning to facilitate redevelopment activities.

**2. Where and what is Kalaeloa?**

The Kalaeloa Community Development District (Kalaeloa) was created by the Legislature in 2002. It encompasses the entire former Barbers Point Naval Air Station and covers an area of approximately 3,700 acres. Kalaeloa presently contains an: elementary school, airport, National Guard, Coast Guard, Hale 'Ulu Pono shelter, veteran's services, post office, U.H. aerospace center, various Navy facilities, rental housing, commercial entities, public beaches, and recreational areas. Most of Kalaeloa however remains undeveloped.

**3. Who owns Kalaeloa?**

When Barbers Point Naval Air Station closed in 1999, roughly 1,050 acres was retained by the Navy, 472 acres were transferred to other federal agencies, and 2,165 acres were surplus and made available to various state and city government agencies. At present, only 44% of the land has been conveyed from the Navy. HCDA does not own any land in Kalaeloa

**4. Why is HCDA doing a Strategic Plan?**

Redevelopment interest and momentum at Kalaeloa have declined since the Barbers Point Naval Air Station closed in 1999. Since 2002, HCDA has struggled to move Kalaeloa forward in step with the changes & growth in the region over the past six years. We are now beginning the process to re-start that momentum. A strategic plan is a policy-level document intended to help HCDA reset it's the compass direction. It is the first of a number of activities intended to build upon and update previous efforts.

**5. Why is the community meeting important?** We want the community to tell us what they consider important at Kalaeloa. We need to listen to the community's values and short & long term needs at Kalaeloa so that we can better prioritize our activities and limited resources.

**6. Is this meeting the only opportunity for input? No.**

The redevelopment of Kalaeloa is a complex undertaking that will evolve over the next several years. All throughout this process, HCDA will continue to inform and seek input from the community. We will hold similar workshops and discussions in the coming months. Also, HCDA holds public meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month and discusses Kalaeloa matters. For more information, we post updates on our website at [www.hcdaweb.org](http://www.hcdaweb.org) or you can contact us at 587-2870 or email at [contact@hcdaweb.org](mailto:contact@hcdaweb.org).

**7. Will you displace the existing landowners?**

The current landowners at Kalaeloa are either federal or state government entities that provide services to the community. It is not HCDA's intention to displace these entities. Instead, it is HCDA's desire to recognize their importance to the community, build upon their presence, to hopefully foster other means of compatible private sector investment and development.

**8. What does HCDA see as the future for Kalaeloa?**

We envision Kalaeloa as a center for excellence or "wahi ho'okela" for education, research, industry, recreation, cultural, environmental, and commercial activities. Development plans for the leeward region show a significant growth in residential development. However, it seems that professional employment, educational, and recreational opportunities for the area have not kept pace. Given the history and diversity of uses that currently exist, HCDA hopes to build upon this so that Kalaeloa is known as a place that excels in providing services, education, careers, and recreation.

**9. Does HCDA see more homes in Kalaeloa?**

Given the current and projected amount of residential development in the surrounding community, HCDA believes that that Kalaeloa should focus more on providing services, education, careers, and recreation for the Leeward residents.

**10. What about the aircraft carrier decision?**

The Navy has indicated that they are currently examining where their forces are homeported and distributed. No decision has been made to locate a carrier strike group in Hawaii. They are further studying what additional support and infrastructure improvements would be necessary to homeport a carrier and air wing in Hawaii. The federal decision making process is expected to be completed towards the end of this year.