

Kaiser West Oahu  
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Heat in Waianae continues to be a problem

Concerns about people with disabilities in heat

We heard from Nalani, who spoke of her daughter who is on continual oxygen with high electric bills

Concerns about violence in community

issues Kupuna are staying indoors/rather than go outside, because of safety

in Waianae, consequently they are indoors where it is hotter

Concerns about heat education

Kupuna do not know as much about about dehydration, heat stroke

Some elderly people think that the AC makes them sick

Do they need to find a cooling center? They use Waianae comp

Drinking warm water out of the tap, the water is not cold

Kupuna could be used as the first group for education about heat because they will pass this information on to family, friends, younger folks

Stress Anxiety Depression/Grief/PTSD is present in the community

Seeing this in home visits in Waianae Community

Water

not good quality

Not cold water

Kupuna don't want to drink and then have to get up and go to the bathroom

Kupuna

Culturally the older people are embarrassed to ask questions

Ewa concerns

Every day the temperature has hovered 92/94

Drought continues to be a problem as well as environmental degradation

Wildfires every day

- Not thinking about masking/respiratory protection
- No alerts
- Arson/homeless population starting fires
- Community clean ups

Wildfire risk is a huge problem

Failures of the government systems

NO Firewise community on the West Side that we are all aware of

Heritage Park

All areas affected

Hot because it is a coral ground

But inside hale the temperature is lower

Heat, fire, drought continue to be an issue

Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle

Impact of this pest is on shade and food supply

Affecting the landscape

Quansen hut living in the military – hot

Power cuts

Farrington highway: new developments now with flooding/no drainage

Dangerous driving/mud

Man made bern rain and flooding

New developments

900 units across the street from Walmart

Concerns about environmental impact

What is the best way to spread the word?

Youth climate forum NOV 16 8:30-2pm ☐ health connection

Non profits in the area

- Heritage park
- Cultural organizations that have time to put towards these efforts

KSSK/coconut wireless

Talking about storms and hurricanes ☐ feels negative, is this from climate change?

This is on the radio/misinformation

How do we drive the importance of this issue without talking about it?

Military presence on this side of the island

Resources

Community associations? What are their priorities?

## Ideas

### To Do:

- use of Hawaii National Guard
- Social Media Account/Tik Tok
- Malama Aina health fair
- small incentives for people to come and children □ gift cards
- UH student film □ please let us know if you want to be in it
- email out to the group the results of the listening sessions
- training community health officers in Waianae comp about climate and health and heat  
In language and cultural appropriate manner
- have providers talk about some of these issues rather than us/outsideers
- translate Climate and Health wheel graphic information into 'Olelo Hawaii (Nalani idea)
- homeless outreach for Fire Safety □ education of homeless, education
- help communities organize around health needs
- put out the wheel at food pantries, community organizations for students and community members
- portal for climate and health issues from community members
- present to food sustainability group
- youth challenge
- stories for each part of the wheel □ a trusted face in your community talking about the health impacts of what we are seeing (video idea) from Dr. Lum; trusted voices from the community to talk about these ideas

[] message of family and people on health, not necessarily climate change

[] change the vocabulary to child level   [] recreate it for elementary school level and do some sort of activity with the wheel; make this some sort of activity or contest/essay contest; DOE prize

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