

Building Relationships through Community Engagement Programs

Awareness Raising and Outreach

The educational component of the Makai Watch program provides volunteers with useful, site-specific information related to the marine ecology, geography, culture, history, applicable resource regulations, safety, best fishing practices and proper reef etiquette.



The Makai Watch Program

Modeled after the successful Neighborhood Watch Program, the Makai (*Ocean*) Watch Program engages resource managers and enforcement officers with community stewards to build and strengthen relationships that will perpetually sustain healthy marine resources for generations to come.



Observation and Incident Reporting

Although awareness raising and outreach may help to encourage compliance, the observation and incident reporting component of the Makai Watch program provides training to accurately observe, identify and report resource violations to the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE). The Makai Watch volunteers provide additional capacity to DOCARE serving as the “eyes and ears” in the community.



'Ike Kai

A Curriculum on Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR) Rules for the Makai Watch Program



Makai Watch Training

The Makai Watch program provides training for volunteers and communities interested in stewarding their area and marine resources. A standard observation and incident reporting training was developed in 2010. In 2015, an 'Ike Kai curriculum was created covering rules and regulations of the Division of Aquatic Resources and Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation.



Makai Watch Lessons Learned



Outreach Event Support



Report Filtering System



Conflict Resolution



Vigilantism



Government Agency Facilitation



International Community Exchange



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