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Kaua‘i Resource Center main facility to reopen May 3

The Kaua‘i Resource Center (KRC) main facility is set to reopen to the public on Monday, May 3, with a blessing and raffle drawing for the County’s School eWaste contest.

Reynolds Recycling operates the HI5 redemption center at the KRC which has remained open. However, the main facility has been closed to the public since March of 2020 due to COVID-19. During this closure, staff established modified operations to continue serving the public in a limited capacity.

“Now that more people are vaccinated, and there are clear guidelines for safe operations, we’re ready to open the doors again and work directly with the public,” said Acting Solid Waste Chief Allison Fraley.

The KRC accepts alkaline (dry-cell), Nickel-Metal, lithium batteries, donations of clothes and other saleable items for the Salvation Army ARC, packing peanuts bubble-wrap for reuse, and now will start accepting compact and tube fluorescent light bulbs.

“We just received our Department of Health permit to accept the fluorescent bulbs from residents. It’s very exciting as there is nowhere else on the island that accepts these items regularly,” said Solid Waste Project Manager Shantelle Rego.

The KRC is also a distribution point for free Earth Machine Home Composting Bins, which are available by appointment only. Residents must call 24-4841 to schedule a time to pick up the bin. Same-day pick-up may not be available.
“During the re-opening, we will draw the names of winners of the school eWaste recycling contest that took place from March 1 through May 1, 2021. There is a total of $4,000 in gift cards that are funded by a grant from the State Department of Health,” Rego said.

The Kaua‘i Resource Center will open to the public Monday through Friday, from 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM. Services at the KRC are for residents and visitors only. Businesses, government agencies, and non-profits are not allowed. For more information, visit our website at www.kauai.gov/kauairesourcecenter or call 808-241-4841.

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