VISION AND GOALS

Līhu‘e is Kaua‘i’s most important trade and business center, and in the minds of most residents, the Civic Center is its heart. Several sources and planning efforts helped to define the vision and goals for the Līhu‘e Civic Center Master Plan including the General Plan, the Development Plan, and the 2002 AIA charrette.

Building upon these efforts, the following goals were refined for the Civic Center project through comment and input gathered from State and County staff, the County Council, the mayor, the LBA and Kaua‘i Chamber of Commerce, and business and community members through surveys and meetings:

- Create a campus-like Civic Center by increasing public open spaces and landscaped areas. Beautify and expand the County Lawn. Provide more shade by planting more trees.
- Develop a sense of place, have pride in the area. Embody and exude the spirit of a Civic Center.
- Create a safe, convenient, and pleasant pedestrian environment with continuous, ADA-accessible walkways.
- Provide a balanced design solution that supports multi-modal transportation systems and provides accommodations for pedestrians, bicyclists and transit service – not just cars.
- Preserve and accentuate historic buildings.
- Improve safety around the area. Eliminate cut-through traffic.
- Simplify and organize parking.
- Bring the community back to the Civic Center. Create a place where people can gather, hold special events, enjoy spending time.
- Develop implementation plan for the phased improvement of the master plan.

Inspired by concerned citizens and businesses and guided by a community-based vision for Līhu‘e, this master plan is the coordinated effort to revitalize the Civic Center.