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Blessing held Wednesday for Laukona Park Improvements Project

HANAMĀ'ULU – The Department of Parks and Recreation held a blessing at Laukona Park in Hanamā'ulu for the Laukona Park Improvements Project grand opening.

"Mahalo to the Department of Parks and Recreation, all stakeholders involved, and the Kaua'i Junior Youth Squad for having the foresight and initiative to make this project come to reality," said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami. "Back in 2019, this youth group brought their ideas to our administration and conducted door-to-door outreach in Hanamā'ulu so others could share ideas to improve the park."

The improvements include new ADA walkways, ADA parking stalls, a playground, a pavilion with benches and tables, a bike rack, repairs and repainting of a basketball court, a seating area along the basketball court, and seating throughout the park.

"The park improvements represent the vision of these youth, the input of the neighborhood residents, and collaboration with our administration," said Mayor Kawakami. "This is an achievement of neighbors and families, nonprofits and community coalitions, faith-based groups, and government all working together."

Contracted by Cushnie Construction Inc., the \$750,000 project was administered through a CDBG grant by the County of Kaua'i Housing Agency. The architect for this project is Palms Hawai'i Architecture.

Construction began in January 2022 and was completed in August 2022.







