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## News Release

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### **OED invites public to Earth Day celebration on April 22**

LĪHU'E – The County of Kaua'i Office of Economic Development invites the public to Ho'olaule'a no ka Honua, A Celebration for the Earth, on April 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kaua'i Community College (KCC).

This cross-organization collaborative event, hosted by the County of Kaua'i, Kaua'i Community College, and Kaua'i Economic Development Board, aims to improve long-term sustainability by familiarizing Kaua'i residents with islandwide efforts and inviting all to get involved.

The day's agenda includes opportunities to connect to more than 20 community-based organizations and learn about agricultural and conservation efforts on Kaua'i. There will be free chili bowls and a station where participants can create their own pizza using fresh local toppings and KCC's woodfire pizza oven.

The event will also include prize giveaways and fun-filled demonstrations where attendees can learn how to throw net, explore native sea cucumbers, learn about breeding queen bees, and enjoy entertainment by the event's emcee and local comedian Xavier Cummings, also known as Howsdisguy.

"A huge mahalo goes out to Hawai'i Crop Improvement Association, Hartung Brothers Inc., and Grove Farm Foundation for their help in making this event possible," said Nalani Brun, director of the Office of Economic Development. "We hope that our community comes out to join in the fun and learning at this inaugural event which will honor agriculture and sustainability efforts across the island."

For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, please contact Ana Espa ola at [aespanola@kauai.gov](mailto:aespanola@kauai.gov) or Mariah Opalek at [mopalek@hawaii.edu](mailto:mopalek@hawaii.edu).

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# HO'OLAULE'A NO KA HONUA

## CELEBRATION FOR THE EARTH

Honoring Agriculture & Sustainability on Kaua'i

Celebrate Earth day with this free   Ohana Day event to honor people and groups that work to sustain our island's community food systems and improve our long-term sustainability.

**10 AM TO 2 PM**  
Mauka side of  
Kaua'i  
Community  
College

**FREE ADMISSION**  
Free Food- Make Your  
Own Pizza Station  
Fun Learning Booths  
Volunteer Opportunities  
Win Prizes!

Contact Mariah Opalek for more information (808) 245-8395 or email at [mopalek@hawaii.edu](mailto:mopalek@hawaii.edu).

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 22**

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