

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS



Mākeke Kapolei

Mākeke Kapolei is a weekly farmers' and green market based at Kapolei High School featuring fresh, locally grown produce, food from various cultures, native plants, and hand-made crafts. MLC formed the market in 2011 with the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and Kapolei High School, and still participates as an educational partner.

Islander Scholars

This statewide program honors public high school juniors who exemplify the values that we love about Hawai'i and supports them not just for who they might become, but for who they are now. This program is coordinated by Islander Institute in partnership with MLC and a Dream Team of facilitators.

Camp Pālehua

Camp Pālehua is an environmental education facility in the hills above Kapolei and a place where MLC calls home. While we do not run the Camp, we are an active educational partner, bringing students, teachers, and community members for one- to multi-day learning experiences.



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Mālama Learning Center

Teaching and inspiring communities to live and work in a healthy, sustainable way



Mālama Learning Center

Mālama Learning Center (MLC) is a non-profit organization founded in 2004 with the mission to teach and inspire communities to create healthy living environments. We bring art, science, conservation, and culture together to promote sustainable living, primarily serving West O'ahu communities from Waipahu to Wai'anae.



Community Roots

MLC evolved as a collaborative response to address the challenges and opportunities of growth in West O'ahu. MLC's founders shared a vision of a place that unifies communities around a shared ethic of caring and conservation. Through place-based environmental and cultural education for students, teachers, and families, we prepare participants for diverse real-world experiences and 21st century careers, integrating culture and tradition with technology and science.

We help people adopt a lifestyle that practices *mālama* - caring for the environment and for each other.

Mālama Learning Center has created many programs, most in partnership with other groups allowing us to reach thousands of students, teachers, and community members every year. We pride ourselves in providing multiple, if not, multi-year experiences that deepen relationships and offer support that will change lives as well as the environment around us.

CORE PROGRAMS



Ola Nā Kini

Ola Nā Kini is an overarching program building on our site restoration experience within the watersheds of Honouliuli and Nānākuli. Ola Nā Kini is designed to heal the land, ocean, and multitude of life through engagement and education, offering school programs, conservation leadership internships, community work days, and more.



Hawai'i Green Collar Institute

This program offers short-term seminars and courses for students and teachers, providing hands-on experiences in "green collar" careers. Since 2010, we have held engaging seminars on topics such as watershed protection, marine debris, coastal ecosystems, aquaponics, and sustainable gardening.

Mālama 'Āina Field School

This credit-bearing summer school course for middle to high school students has been held in Nānākuli and Wai'anae since 2013. The curriculum provides students with academic content and hands-on experiences on understanding our environment, culture, and role as stewards of the land and sea.



WithOut Walls (WOW)

WOW hands-on workshops promote healthy living, sustainability, and culture with topics such as cooking with locally grown food, using Hawaiian plants for medicine and dyes, and creating art inspired by nature. Community practitioners teach these popular half-day workshops. Families are encouraged to come together.

School & Community Gardens

We are able to help schools and community groups start gardens as a way to connect people to the land. A partnership with agricultural businesses and hula practitioners created the Mālaola in Kunia to support Hawaiian cultural practices for students of all ages.