



2019 Highlights

New Stadium

It's been a very exciting year. The legislature decided to build a new world-class stadium and set aside \$350 million for HCDA to develop the property. Fortunately, the Stadium Authority and the State Department of Accounting and General Services have made a great deal of progress towards planning and compiling a solicitation for a new stadium, and together the three agencies have developed a great team focused on creating a vibrant new gathering place where the people of Hawaii can live, congregate, recreate, attend schools, and shop, as part of a thoughtfully integrated experience, not just a stadium but an entire district to support and enhance the experience for residents and visitors alike.



Several sites for the new stadium were analyzed considering site access, transit connections, regional demographic and development opportunities, and incentives. The study concluded and recommended that the current Halawa site is the most appropriate, viable and development ready site for a new 35,000 seat stadium with surrounding ancillary development.

The iconic Aloha Stadium was built in 1975 and is owned and operated by the State of Hawaii. Over its lifetime, it has hosted world-famous artists, National Football League Pro Bowl games, NCAA Division I football and bowl games, Minor and Major League Baseball games, the Great Aloha Run, and numerous high school events. A considerable amount of effort is put forth annually to maximize its usefulness and service to the community, including health and safety repairs to extend its operational life, while it continues to host over 300 events per year.

The collective vision is to build on the success of the past coupled with modern technologies and new private enterprise and government partnerships to advance in a thriving environment.

Kalaeloa

The Kalaeloa Energy Corridor is well on its way. In March 2019 Phase 1 was completed. It consisted of the installation of underground utility systems on Fort Barrette Road, from Kapolei Parkway to Franklin D. Roosevelt Avenue; and Enterprise Street, from Franklin D. Roosevelt Avenue to Langley Street. Phase II began in July on Enterprise Street, from Langley Street to Midway Street, and is expected to be completed in March 2020.

Heeia

At Windward Community College, the Authority held a meeting in the evening and updated the community on its plans for the Heeia Community Development District and its process to create plans and rules for the area. The public was appreciative of the improvements to date and very supportive of the proposed planning efforts.

Kakaako

HCDA approved a development permit for Victoria Place, a single 400-foot tower that will include 350 residential units and 465 parking stalls on the former Ward Warehouse site. An exciting aspect of this project is that the site was previously slated for two luxury condos, but now there will be only one, and Howard Hughes has agreed to expand the Victoria Ward Park across Auahi Street next to Victoria Place creating an open green all the way to Ala Moana Boulevard.

For more information visit <http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hcda>. Mahalo.

Parks transfer to city

After years of struggling to maintain public safety across 16 parcels of land in Kakaako on the makai side of Ala Moana Boulevard, the HCDA transferred control of the state property to the City and County of Honolulu.

A great fit, the city's Department of Parks and Recreation which oversees 300 city parks and has a staff of over 750 people is well equipped and has the expertise to better manage the Kakaako parks, the roads HCDA improved and created when constructing the parks, and the Children's Discovery Center. The city hired nearly 20 fulltime landscapers and several park rangers dedicated to the Kakaako Makai parks. To assist the city in making greatly needed repairs to the public facilities HCDA gave the city \$2.25 million upon the transfer.

Not only will the parks be better maintained with the new resources, the adjacent roads and properties that now also belong to the city, make it easier for the city's Honolulu Police Department to enforce public safety in the entire area without concerns over jurisdiction.

Kewalo Basin Park was built by HCDA in 1990 with funds from the Legislature, the Kakaako Waterfront was transformed from a city dumpsite into the over 30-acre park in 1992, and the Gateway parks were completed by HCDA as a part of an Improvement District in 1998.

