

FOCUS OUR  
MAUI ISLANDS  
NUI OUR FUTURE

## Talk Story at Walk Story

Own it!

When we stop and look around, we immediately notice that Maui County is changing. As residents, we are the stewards of the county's future.

The General Plan Update process is about to begin. This gives residents of each of our islands the opportunity to voice our opinions, express our concerns and make suggestions about what our county will look like in years to come.

Approximately every ten years county officials draft a blueprint— known as the General Plan—which addresses the challenges and opportunities associated with physical development while taking into account the impact on the community's social, cultural, economic and environmental values. A well-thought-out-plan "B" prescribes the order, patterns and characteristics of future growth based on both good data and the community's vision.

The General Plan is a statement of residents' needs and desires. In our ongoing effort to realize the vision you defined for the future of Maui County, Focus Maui Nui in association with the County of Maui is hosting a community event to launch the General Plan Update process. WalkStory will take place at Iao School in Wailuku on Saturday, June 24. Here you will have

a chance to play a part in determining the issues that need to be considered as the plan evolves.

How can a plan that is intended to provide direction for the physical layout and growth patterns reflect values such as improving education, protecting the natural environment, addressing infrastructure challenges, adopting targeted economic strategies and preserving local culture and traditions? We think the answer is "It must, or else it isn't the right plan for Maui."

"I'm really excited about WalkStory because it is being designed to encourage participants to think about community development in a holistic way and to see that it is possible to create a community that builds these values into its framework," said Jeanne Skog, President and CEO of Maui Economic Development Board, which is spearheading Focus Maui Nui.

So how will you plan your community?

The future of Maui County rests in our hands! Come talk story at WalkStory.



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> Focus Maui Nui Youth Alliance member  
Hilary Chow,  
student at Moloka'i High School

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