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MAUI ISLANDS
NUI OUR FUTURE

PROFILE

The individuals featured here are your neighbors, friends, co-workers. They all share one thing: a true concern for the future of our island home and the willingness to become part of the building process.



Name:
Kaipo Rocha

Residence:
Pukalani

Occupation:
Volunteer,
Maui Food Bank

How have you been inspired to take action or involve others in building the future we all want? My mom found out about the Maui Food Bank from a couple friends. So we started working here two years ago and enjoyed it so much, we came back this year. It's like a process...when people bring in food, you have to clean, sort, then shelve them. Mostly churches come and get the food, then give it to people who can't afford to go to the store and shop for their families.

Focus Maui Nui is also about building community. How do you see yourselves fitting into that strategy? Last year, we helped out a lot in the community, not just with Food Bank but other places too. We racked up so many hours, we decided to form a volunteer group called "Girls in Motion." There are about five of us. We like helping out families and it helps us, because we know we're doing something good for the community.

What message do you want to send out to your fellow residents? For those people just sitting at home, watching TV this summer, you need to come down and VOLUNTEER. I love volunteering at the Food Bank because it's fun, exciting and you're doing something to help the community.

FOCUS MAUI NUI: *The future rests with us...*

For information on how you, your group or company can get involved, contact 875-2300 or visit www.focusmauinui.com.

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