

FOCUS OUR
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.



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How has Focus Maui Nui inspired you to take action or involve others in building the future we all want? I work for the Maui Economic Development Board and part of what we do is brainstorm projects that can be undertaken to improve the overall conditions on Maui. We came up with a cell phone drive to benefit Women Helping Women. The donated phones help women who need access to 911, need to keep in touch with their family or want communications that will help them get back on their feet. Also, recycling these phones keeps toxic metals and chemicals out of the landfills and out of the environment.

How do you see Focus Maui Nui contributing to a better community? Focus Maui Nui stresses community involvement and through the basic act of donating a cell phone, people can be inspired to make a difference. When people know their donation is going to a worthy cause, it triggers a sense of worth that trickles down to where they start to feel a part of the community.

What message do you want to send out to your fellow residents? Begin to incorporate the Focus Maui Nui findings into our lives. So, as a first step, if you have an old phone lying around in your desk drawer, drop it off at 590 Lipoa Parkway, Suite 103 in Kihei to recycle it and it's going to benefit Women Helping Women and our 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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