# THE GENERAL PLAN OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI 1990 UPDATE



The 1990 Update of the General Plan was adopted by Ordinance No. 2039 which took effect on September 27, 1991. The General Plan was subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 2234. The effective date of Ordinance No. 2234 was April 23, 1993. The General Plan contained herein reflects the version adopted by Ordinance No. 2039, as amended by Ordinance No. 2234.

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# INTRODUCTION

Maui County's current General Plan was adopted by Ordinance No. 1052 and became effective June 24, 1980. The Maui County Charter in Section 8-8.3 Powers, Duties and Functions states that the planning director among other things shall "Recommend revisions of the general plan at least every ten years to guide development of the county."

Section 8-8.5 of the Maui County Charter requires that the general plan shall recognize and state the major problems and opportunities concerning the needs and the development of the county and the social, economic and environmental effects of such development and shall set forth the desired sequence, patterns and characteristics of future development.

### PREFACE

Since 1980, Maui County has experienced significant changes in its economic, demographic, social and physical environments which must be addressed in the scope of the General Plan's objectives and policies. There is a larger dependency on the visitor industry; greater demands upon infrastructure systems; significant new demands for affordable housing; and greater community awareness and sensitivity to land use/environment-related issues. These issues have created a need to reevaluate growth impacts upon our primarily rural way of life the need to maintain a desired open space environment.

Because the General Plan is a statement of resident's needs and desires, the initial draft of the 1990 General Plan Update incorporates recommendations of Decisions Maui, a County assisted program formed to address growing social and human needs of the County. This program consisted of eight (8) regional citizen teams from Molokai, Lanai and Maui meeting together through 1990 in order to gain broad-based community participation and to develop objectives and strategies to address challenges facing the County as a whole. The update process also incorporates community input gleaned from a series of public hearings held by the planning commissions in the following locations during the months of July and August 1990:

\* Lahaina, Maui

Lanai City, Lanai

\* Pukalani, Maui

\* Paia, Maui \* Haiku, Maui

\* Kihei, Maui\* Hana, Maui

\* Kula, Maui

\* Makawao, Maui

Wailuku, Maui

\* Kaunakakai, Molokai

Five major themes emerge.

# Theme No. 1: PROTECT MAUI COUNTY'S AGRICULTURAL LAND AND RURAL IDENTITY

Amendments to the General Plan will preserve agricultural lands for the continuing pursuit of both land intensive and labor intensive agricultural pursuits. This action will also achieve preservation of an open space resource.

# Theme No. 2: PREPARE A DIRECTED AND MANAGED GROWTH PLAN

Amendments to the General Plan will preserve a desired quality of life where areas of urban settlement must be managed and directed within a framework that consistently and concurrently balances growth demands against human service needs and physical infrastructure supply.

# Theme No. 3: PROTECT MAUI COUNTY'S SHORELINE AND LIMIT VISITOR INDUSTRY GROWTH

Amendments to the General Plan will discourage further urban development of the shoreline.

Theme No. 4: MAINTAIN A VIABLE ECONOMY THAT OFFERS DIVERSE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS

Amendments to the General Plan recognize the need to maintain a healthy economy and broaden our economic base so that we are not so dependent on tourism.

# Theme No. 5: PROVIDE FOR NEEDED RESIDENT HOUSING

Amendments to the General Plan address the development of resident housing as a major social need in our community.

# **OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES**

# I. POPULATION, LAND USE, THE ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

### A. POPULATION

# Objective

1. To plan the growth of resident and visitor population through a directed and managed growth plan so as to avoid social, economic and environmental disruptions.

### **Policies**

- a. Manage population growth so that the County's economic growth will be stable and the development of public and private infrastructures will not expand beyond growth limits specified in the appropriate community plans or negatively impact our natural resources.
- b. Balance population growth by achieving concurrency between the resident employee work force, the job inventory created by new industries, affordable resident/employee housing, constraints on the environment and its natural resources, public and private infrastructure, and essential social services such as schools, hospitals, etc.
- c. Maintain a balance between resident and visitor population by controlling and regulating growth of visitor facilities.
- d. Provide for population density and distribution patterns within the appropriate community plans which balance with the County's fiscal ability to provide necessary essential services.
- e. Participate in and support State and Federal programs which compliment the County's growth strategy.

# B. LAND USE

# Objective

1. To preserve for present and future generations existing geographic, cultural and traditional community lifestyles by limiting and managing growth through

environmentally sensitive and effective use of land in accordance with the individual character of the various communities and regions of the County.

### **Policies**

- a. Through a community needs assessment analysis, define urban and rural limits in each community plan.
- b. Provide and maintain a range of land use districts sufficient to meet the social, physical, environmental and economic needs of the community.
  - c. Identify and preserve significant historic and cultural sites.
- d. Formulate a directed land use growth strategy which will encourage the redevelopment and infill of existing communities allowing for mixed land uses, where appropriate.
- e. The County will explore ways to develop a Maui County Open Space Program which will preserve important scenic, cultural, recreational, environmental and open space resources.

# Objective

2. To use the land within the County for the social and economic benefit of all the County's residents.

### **Policies**

- a. Mitigate environmental conflicts and enhance scenic amenities, without having a negative impact on natural resources.
- b. Encourage land use patterns that foster a pedestrian oriented environment to include such amenities as bike paths, linear parks, landscaped buffer areas, and mini-parks.
- c. Encourage land use methods that will provide a continuous balanced inventory of housing types in all price ranges.
- d. Support the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands' development of homestead lands.
  - e. Encourage programs to stabilize affordable land and housing prices.

# Objective

3. To preserve lands that are well suited for agricultural pursuits.

- a. Protect prime agricultural lands from competing nonagricultural land uses.
- b. Promote the use of agricultural lands for diversified agricultural pursuits by providing public incentives and encouraging private initiative.

- c. Support the right to farm consistent with the identification of productive agricultural lands.
- d. Discourage the conversion, through zoning or other means, of productive or potentially productive agricultural lands to nonagricultural uses, including but not limited to golf courses and residential subdivisions.
  - e. Provide adequate irrigation water and access to agricultural lands.

# C. ENVIRONMENT

# Objective

1. To preserve and protect the county's unique and fragile environmental resources.

### **Policies**

- a. Preserve for present and future generations the opportunity to experience the natural beauty of the islands.
  - Preserve scenic vistas and natural features.
  - c. Support programs to reduce air, land and water pollution.
- d. Support programs to protect rare and endangered species and programs which will enhance their habitat.
- e. Discourage the introduction of noxious foreign species into Maui County's unique island ecosystems.

# Objective

2. To use the County's land-based physical and ocean-related coastal resources in a manner consistent with sound environmental planning practice.

- a. Preserve, enhance and establish traditional and new environmentally sensitive access opportunities for mountain and ocean resources.
- b. Evaluate all land based development relative to its impact on the County's land and ocean ecological resources.
- c. Support programs that protect the ocean's environment and ecology from the adverse effects of careless mining techniques.
- d. Discourage all types of shoreline development that impact on traditional community or native activities which include food gathering, religious and recreational uses.
- e. Establish shoreline rules to maintain traditional beach access, beach use and lateral access along shorelines.

# D. CULTURAL RESOURCES

# Objective

1. To preserve for present and future generations the opportunity to know and experience the arts, culture and history of Maui County.

### **Policies**

- a. Expand the opportunity for all age groups to experience and participate in the arts.
- b. Encourage the recordation and preservation of all cultural and historic resources, to include culturally significant natural resources.
- c. Establish programs to restore, maintain and interpret significant cultural districts, sites and artifacts in both natural and museum settings.
- d. Encourage the rehabilitation and adaptive use and reuse of historic districts, sites and buildings in order to perpetuate traditional community character and values.
- e. Identify and maintain an inventory of significant and unique cultural resources for special protection.

### II. ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

# A. GENERAL

### Objective

1. To provide an economic climate which will encourage controlled expansion and diversification of the County's economic base.

### Policies

- a. Maintain a diversified economic environment compatible with acceptable and consistent employment.
- b. Support programs, services and institutions which provide economic diversification.

## Objective

2. To provide a balance between visitor industry employment and non-visitor employment for a broader range of employment choices for the County's residents.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage industries that will utilize the human resources available from within Maui County rather than having to import workers.
- b. Encourage industries that will give incentives to the County's youth to seek higher education to be utilized in jobs within Maui County.

# Objective

3. Utilize an equitable growth management program which will guide the economic well-being of the community.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage a sustainable rate of economic development which is linked to the carrying capacity of the infrastructure systems and the fiscal ability of the County to maintain those systems.
- b. Encourage consensus building wherein growth conflicts are addressed in advance of critical infrastructural shortfalls.
- c. Encourage managed growth by concurrency wherein the administration and council regulate, tax and spend revenue in order to guide economic development by concurrently balancing growth demand with infrastructure supply and capability.
- d. Encourage the adoption of a resource allocation program which gives a high priority to affordable residential projects.

# B. VISITOR INDUSTRY

# **Objectives**

- 1. To encourage exceptional and continuing quality in the development of visitor industry facilities.
- 2. To control the development of visitor facilities so that it does not infringe upon the traditional social, economic and environmental values of our community.

- a. Limit visitor industry development to those areas identified in the appropriate community plans, and to the development of projects within those areas which are in conformance with the goals and objectives of those plans.
  - b. Discourage any additional shoreline resort development.
- c. Provide for the concept of a hotel room limit in community plan areas as part of the managed and directed growth plan.

- d. Require that new developments contribute their fair share to infrastructural costs.
- e. Encourage enhancement of existing visitor facilities without substantial increases in room count.
- f. Encourage the use of local manpower in the construction of visitor facilities, and the use of local manpower at facilities at all employment levels including management in the operation of those facilities.
  - g. Locate buildings so as to retain scenic vistas.
- h. Relate visitor industry development to housing opportunities for employees.

# Objective

3. To ensure that visitor industry facilities shall not disrupt agricultural and social pursuits and will not be allowed to negatively impact the County's natural and cultural resources.

### **Policies**

- a. Restrict the transient rental use of single-family housing in residential zones.
- b. Encourage the use of apartment zoned lands for the long term housing of visitor industry employees.
- c. Encourage developers to minimize urban encroachment of ocean front lands by establishing increased shoreline setbacks and by requiring the public dedication of continuous lateral access parallel with the shoreline.
- d. Encourage the preservation of open beach space by maximizing the use of lands presently designated by community plans for visitor facility use and discourage rezoning of other lands for such use.

# Objective

4. To develop a visitor industry which will enhance the social and economic lifestyles of Maui County's residents.

- a. Cooperate with the State Department of Education and the University of Hawaii to provide educational and training facilities to residents employed in the visitor industry.
- b. Support programs which will provide residents with an awareness of the role of the visitor industry in our economy.

- c. Emphasize the importance of the "Aloha Spirit" as a common good for all, and encourage the visitor industry to be sensitive regarding its impacts on traditional lifestyles, environment and natural resources of each community plan area.
- d. Promote water, beach and open space conservation in areas devoted to services for visitors.
- e. Protect residents whose lands border visitor industry activity from excessively high taxation.
- f. Encourage "kamaaina" incentives within the visitor industry to allow Hawaii residents to enjoy commercial visitor facilities.

# C. <u>AGRICULTURE</u>

# **Objective**

1. To foster growth and diversification of agriculture and aquaculture throughout Maui County.

### Policies

- a. Support programs to maintain the viability of the sugar and pineapple industry.
- b. Support and promote programs to maintain the viability of diversified agriculture, specialty crops, forestry and aquaculture.
- c. Support educational and training programs and advocacy organizations that provide existing farmers and our youth with knowledge and skills for use in diversified tropical agricultural pursuits.
- d. Seek improved methods of exporting Maui County agricultural products to off island consumers.
- e. Encourage marketing methods which will help make local products competitive with mainland products on local markets.

# **Objective**

2. To maximize the use and yield of productive agricultural land throughout the County.

- a. Ensure the availability of land that is well suited for agricultural production.
- b. Encourage the development of agricultural parks throughout Maui County.
- c. Ensure the availability of adequate irrigation water for agricultural purposes during periods of limited rainfall.
- d. Provide incentives to help the small farmer maintain a viable farm operation.

- e. Continue to support tax incentives for on-going agricultural activities.
- f. Support "right-to-farm" provisions in the event potential conflicts arise from adjacent residential uses.
  - g. Discourage establishment of pseudo-agricultural subdivisions.

### III. HOUSING AND URBAN DESIGN

# A. HOUSING

# Objective

1. To provide a choice of attractive, sanitary and affordable homes for all our residents.

### **Policies**

- a. Provide or require adequate physical infrastructure to meet the demands of present and planned future affordable housing needs.
- b. Encourage the construction of housing in a variety of price ranges and geographic locations.
- c. Encourage the use of innovative performance standards and building methods to reduce housing costs to the consumer.
- d. Streamline or "fast-track" the governmental review process for affordable single-family and multi-family housing projects.
- e. Make full use of State and Federal programs that provide financial assistance to renters and home buyers.
- f. Encourage large land owners in the context of new projects to provide land and/or housing for their employees.
  - g. Expand the County-wide housing programs.
- h. Establish creative tax legislation and rental and lease programs in order to minimize speculation on affordable housing.
- i. Ensure that each community plan region contains its fair share of affordable housing.

# Objective

2. Provide affordable housing to be fulfilled by a broad cross-section of housing types.

### **Policies**

a. Identify Federal, State, County and private lands for affordable housing development, and make a dedicated effort to reserve these lands.

- b. Support the establishment of a non-profit County, business and community based housing alliance to provide financial assistance for housing development, purchase and rental.
- c. Identify and support community organizations in the development of various types of emergency shelters.
- d. Encourage the establishment of additional senior citizen housing in various locations.

# B. URBAN DESIGN

# Objective

1. To see that all developments are well designed and are in harmony with their surroundings.

### **Policies**

- a. Require that appropriate principles of urban design be observed in the planning of all new developments.
- b. Encourage expansion in the process to require all nonsingle family development to be reviewed by the Urban Design Review Board.

# Objective

2. To encourage developments which reflect the character and the culture of Maui County's people.

### **Policies**

- a. Establish urban design guidelines and standards which will reflect the unique traditional architectural values of each community plan area.
  - b. Encourage community design which establishes a cohesive identity.
- c. Encourage the establishment of continuous green areas, bike-paths, active and passive recreation areas and mini-parks in new subdivision development.

### IV. TRANSPORTATION

# A. <u>TRANSPORTATION</u>

## Objective

1. To support an advanced and environmentally sensitive transportation system which will enable people and goods to move safely, efficiently and economically.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage the development of more efficient water and air transportation systems.
- b. Support environmentally sensitive development or modernization of major transportation facilities such as new harbors and airports when they are needed by our residents.
- c. Explore alternative interisland modes of freight transportation and ongoing modernization and improvement of our harbor facilities.
- d. Seek an efficient and economical means of transporting local agricultural products to major off-island markets.
- e. Support the development of specialized transportation systems for the young, the elderly, and the handicapped when such systems do not unfairly shift the burden of cost to others.
- f. Support the development of a county-wide network of bikeways and pedestrian paths.

# **Objective**

2. To develop a program for anticipating and enlarging the local street and highway systems in a timely response to planned growth.

### **Policies**

- a. Support the development adoption and regular update of a county-wide roadway study.
- b. Ensure that transportation facilities are anticipated and programmed for construction in order to support planned growth.
- c. Streamline maintenance methods for public highways to encourage a prompt response to road repair needs.
- d. Support Maui County's street tree plan and encourage landscape planting, irrigation and maintenance programs along all public highways and rights-of-way.

# Objective

3. To develop a Maui County transportation system linked to land use planning that is less dependent on the automobile as its primary mode of moving people.

### **Policies**

a. Support the completion and cost benefit analysis of the State Department of Transportation transit study for Maui County.

- b. Plan for the establishment of centrally located and well developed park-and-ride facilities within the appropriate community plan areas.
- c. Direct economic development toward existing communities in order to minimize employee commuting and foster a healthy job/housing balance.
- d. Support the enhancement of our "Visitor Experience" through creative transportation programs which accommodate visitors from the airports to their hotels and return.
- e. Provide the opportunity for car rental and tour bookings as normal hotel services.
- f. Support and expand programs to reduce automobile dependent employee commuting for hotel, commercial and industrial projects.

# B. WATER

# **Objective**

1. To provide an adequate supply of potable and irrigation water to meet the needs of Maui County's residents.

- a. Support the improvement of water transmission systems to those areas which historically experience critical water supply problems provided the improvements are consistent with the water priorities and the County's Water Use Development Plan provisions for the applicable community plan area.
  - b. Meet or exceed Federal quality standards for the potable water supply.
  - c. Develop improved systems to provide better fire protection.
- d. Monitor growth activities throughout Maui County in order that development of new water sources is concurrent with approval of new developments.
- e. Support the Board of Water Supply in its determination of future water needs consistent with the General Plan, Community Plans and the growth management strategy.
- f. Support expeditious action on legislation providing replacement of inadequate water transmission systems.
- g. Seek new sources of water by exploration in conjunction with other government agencies.
- h. Maintain the right to manage the County's water sources and transmission systems at the County level.
- i. Develop sufficient water supply during drought seasons so as to keep agricultural activities viable.
- j. Support the planning, preservation and development of water resources and systems which service Hawaiian Home Lands.

# Objective

2. To make more efficient use of our ground, surface and recycled water sources.

### **Policies**

- a. Reclaim and encourage the productive use of wastewater discharges in areas where such use will not threaten the integrity of ground water resources.
- b. Create means of supplying low cost water for agricultural purposes especially in areas where water systems can be diverted for agricultural needs while continuing to meet domestic needs.
- c. Create water distribution practices during droughts favorable to farmers who use water efficiently during non-drought periods.
  - d. Improve catchment systems and transmission systems to reduce runoff.
  - e. Maximize use of existing water sources by expanding storage capabilities.
  - f. Discourage the use of standpipes for fire protection purposes.
- g. Promote water conservation practices to make the most efficient use of existing water sources.
- h. Support the establishment of potable groundwater use priorities which prohibit the use of potable water for the irrigation of golf courses, golf driving ranges, parks and landscaped open space.
  - i. Develop a method of allocation of water based on community need.

# C. LIQUID AND SOLID WASTE

### **Objective**

1. To provide efficient, safe and environmentally sound systems for the disposal and reuse of liquid and solid wastes.

- a. Explore new waste disposal methods that are safe, economical, environmentally sound, and aesthetically pleasing, and that minimize the disposal of wastes in landfills.
- b. Establish programs for the development of waste disposal systems which anticipate planned growth.
- c. Establish comprehensive environmental and public health standards for the treatment, disposal and/or reuse of liquid and solid waste.
- d. Develop comprehensive and publicly acceptable methods of recycling solid and liquid waste.
- e. Encourage and promote public awareness to reduce, reuse, recycle and compost waste materials.

# D. ENERGY

# Objective

1. To make Maui County more self-sufficient in its need for non-renewable energy and more efficient in its use of energy.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage programs to test the feasibility of alternative sources of energy production.
- b. Maintain an ongoing assessment of the County's energy resources, as well as an assessment of alternative sources in the context of a comprehensive integrated resource plan.
  - c. Publicize the need to conserve energy.
- d. Create incentive programs to encourage the use of solar heaters and other energy saving building design concepts and devices.
- e. Seek to incorporate energy-saving building design concepts and devices in government buildings.
- f. Encourage the incorporation of energy-saving building design concepts and devices in all new private and public developments by providing energy efficient urban design guidelines and amendments to the Maui County Uniform Building Code.

# E. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND FACILITIES

# Objective

1. To anticipate and provide public utilities which will meet community needs in a timely manner.

- a. Maintain all power and utility systems so as to meet public health and safety standards.
- b. Encourage new and expanded power generation facilities to be community planned based on sound land use and environmental planning principles.
- c. Assure the availability of power systems and sources that meet public health and safety standards.
- d. Locate energy producing plants in areas where they will not create health hazards.

# Objective

2. To improve the quality and availability of public facilities throughout Maui County.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage the design of multi-purpose public facilities accessible to all age groups and the handicapped.
  - b. Continue the development of community centers throughout the County.
  - c. Seek improvement in the maintenance and operation of public facilities.
- d. Encourage the development of public facilities which will be architecturally and ecologically compatible with their surroundings and foster community development.

# V. SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

# A. ACCESS TO HUMAN SERVICES

# **Objective**

1. To coordinate through the Maui County Department of Human Concerns the establishment of quick and reliable access to human services.

### **Policies**

a. Coordinate the services of government (Federal, State and County) and private non-profit agencies, in order to insure the quickest and most reliable access to needed services.

# B. RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE

### Objective

1. To provide high-quality recreational facilities to meet the present and future needs of our residents of all ages and physical ability.

- a. Maintain and upgrade existing recreational facilities to meet community needs.
  - b. Maintain recreational facilities for both active and passive pursuits.
  - c. Maintain the natural beauty of recreational areas.
- d. Develop facilities that will meet the different recreational needs of the various communities.

- e. Develop multi-purpose recreational facilities.
- f. Establish a vigorous paid and volunteer maintenance program of County controlled beach rights-of-way and all other recreational facilities.
- g. Expand,improve and create new beach rights-of-way, parks, campsites, and other facilities designated for family use.
- h. Encourage the transfer of under-utilized State and Federal land to the County for public recreation and cultural use.

# Objective

2. To provide a wide range of recreational, cultural and traditional opportunities for all our people.

### **Policies**

- a. Expand the County's recreational programs to include cooperative program development with private agencies to meet the needs of all residents, our children, the elderly and the handicapped.
- b. Publicize the availability of the County's recreational programs and facilities.
- c. Encourage the use of public facilities for both cultural and recreational activities.
- d. Foster an increased awareness of the ethnic and cultural heritage of our people.
- e. Encourage the identification, restoration, and preservation of important archaeological, historical and cultural sites.
- f. Accelerate the expansion and upgrading of Maui County's beach access facilities, to include parking, and both mauka/makai and lateral access.
- g. Provide for adequate public and volunteer staff to expand recreational and cultural activities.
- h. Support Federal, State and County and community initiatives to preserve open space, expand recreational facilities and provide after school programs for youth.
- i. Encourage the use of public lands to expand and enhance outdoor recreational and cultural opportunities.

# C. HEALTH AND FAMILY

# Objective

1. To meet the health needs of all residents and visitors.

### **Policies**

- a. Encourage the expansion and improvement of our hospitals and our public and private medical facilities.
- b. Encourage the State to provide prompt and adequate 24-hour emergency services available to each community throughout the County.
- c. Encourage programs and incentives to enable qualified individuals to pursue a career in nursing.

# Objective

2. To focus on the quality of family life including the young, the elderly, and the handicapped as the basic building block of community well-being.

### **Policies**

a. Support an expanded role for community churches and voluntarism in family support and delivery of services.

# D. EDUCATION

# Objective

1. To provide Maui residents with continually improving quality educational opportunities which can help them better understand themselves and their surroundings and help them realize their ambitions.

- a. Support educational and training programs that will equip our people with knowledge and skills that can be utilized in our basic industries and encourage those industries to be innovative so as to provide new and different employment opportunities.
- b. Require that quality educational facilities and services be available to all residents.
- c. Seek continual improvement in the quality of education at all levels for all residents.
- d. Encourage the development of a wide range of informal educational and cultural programs for people of all ages.
- e. Support the State in its efforts to recruit quality teachers and develop expanded and upgraded facilities in a timely manner.
- f. Encourage the support and participation of Maui residents in the State Board of Education's "School/Community Based Management (SCBM) Program" as the forum for local education decision making.
  - g. Support the State and the Maui community in the provision of:

- More local determination
- Improvement and timely development of facilities
- Lower student/teacher ratios
- Improved salaries and faculty support and conditions
- Pre-school curriculum for four year olds
- After school care
- Expansion of the community school library concept
- Improved adult and technical education
- Expanded opportunities for non-classroom, "hands-on" educational experiences
- h. Encourage the completion of a quality high school education by all students.
- i. Support the establishment of a four year university campus in Maui County.
- j. Encourage the State to continue funding preschool language immersion programs.

# E. PUBLIC SAFETY

# Objective

1. To create an atmosphere which will convey a sense of security for all residents and visitors and aid in the protection of life and property.

- a. Provide a wide range of social programs to help eliminate conditions that lead to crime and social disorder.
- b. Make more efficient use of the police force by transferring some of its non-professional functions to civilian employees.
- c. Maintain a proper state of preparedness for man-made or natural disasters.
- d. Maintain efficiency of police and firefighters at the highest attainable level through in-service educational and training programs.
  - e. Publicize public safety and fire protection programs.
- f. Encourage private industries to provide for themselves protection services to meet their special needs.
  - g. Reduce fire losses by improving and maintaining fire fighting apparatus.
  - h. Locate fire, police and life saving stations in convenient areas.
- i. Encourage residents and visitors to support law enforcement and to develop a spirit of mutual cooperation between the police and the public.
  - j Improve personal and community safety programs.
- k. Restore and encourage the sense of neighborhood and community caring throughout Maui County.

# F. SPECIAL PROGRAMS

# **Objective**

1. To create a community in which the needs of all segments of the population will be recognized and met.

### **Policies**

- a. Provide a variety of services and programs that meet the special needs of recent immigrants and of the young, the elderly and the handicapped.
- b. Support Federal, State and County programs and services designed to improve the general welfare and conditions of Native Hawaiians.
- c. Publicize the various services available to recent immigrants and to the young, the elderly and the handicapped.
- d. Incorporate special facilities for the handicapped in all public and quasi-public buildings.
- e. Encourage the development of leisure activities that will help bring people together in harmony.

### VI. GOVERNMENT

# **Objective**

1. Improve the delivery of services by government agencies to all community plan areas.

- a. Support programs that will increase the overall effectiveness of government so as to provide greater responsiveness to the needs of our people.
  - b. Minimize governmental growth while not diluting the quality of its services.
  - c. Avoid duplication of effort by the various governmental agencies.
- d. Coordinate government services to avoid unnecessary expenditure of funds.
- e. Insure that necessary services not provided by the private sector are made available by government.
- f. Bring services out to the community by establishing mobile/satellite government facilities.

# VII. KAHOOLAWE, MOLOKAI AND LANAI

# A. <u>KAHOOLAWE</u>

# **Objectives**

- 1. To return the island of Kahoolawe to the jurisdiction of Maui County and the State of Hawaii.
- 2. To halt the bombing operations and protect the island from further desecration.

### **Policies**

- a. Seek executive, legislative, and judicial action to change the governmental jurisdiction of the island.
- b. Support legal activities which seek to return the island to State and County jurisdiction.
- c. Encourage immediate programs for restoration, preservation and revegetation activities.

### B. MOLOKAI

# Objective

1. To encourage the independent economic revitalization of the island of Molokai.

- a. Encourage diversified industries to locate to Molokai that will form a stable employment base.
- b. Ensure that necessary infrastructure and social services are available to support new development.
- c. Promote alternate agricultural and aquacultural pursuits consistent with the human resources available on the island of Molokai.
- d. Discourage lengthening of the existing Molokai Airport runway, and discourage the State's efforts to relocate Molokai Airport's facilities to the west end of the island.
- e. Support constructive efforts by the Molokai community to evaluate the feasibility of Molokai becoming its own County.

# C. LANAI

# **Objective**

1. To carefully monitor and evaluate the changing economic base of the island of Lanai.

- a. Encourage the retention of the traditional town center with its associated community based and community supported retail businesses.
- b. Carefully monitor the melding of the traditional agrarian culture with the new visitor industry.
  - c. Retain an agricultural base by encouraging diversified crops.
- d. Through the community plan update, establish defined resort areas and encourage developers to provide sufficient on site activities so as to discourage island wide proliferation of rental car travel.
- e. Ensure that as resort areas are developed, an acceptable level of local use is maintained for beaches and other traditional recreational, food gathering and religious areas.
- f. Encourage development of land management plans to prevent deterioration of watershed areas.
  - g. Discourage lengthening of the Lanai Airport runway.

### **IMPLEMENTATION**

As the initial component of the total planning process, the General Plan is, by design, a broad policy document establishing in a comprehensive manner a set of guidelines which portray the overall direction of the County's future. It serves as a basis for an implementation program to effectuate desired changes and improvements in the social, economic, and environmental atmosphere of the County.

The implementation program to effectuate the General Plan requires the continued coordination and integration of various actions as well as assigning priorities to the various objectives and Policies. These actions include:

- a. Updating the Community Plans to incorporate the concepts promulgated by the General Plan and providing a timing mechanism to implement the various objectives and policies.
- b. Budgeting and Capital Improvement Programs shall be guided by the objectives and policies of the General Plan. All county agencies shall have due regard to the General Plan.
  - c. All county laws shall be consistent with the intent of the General Plan.
- d. Public participation in the continuing planning process is necessary to insure that right directions are taken and overall objectives are met.