



Featured
Cleanup Site:
Kalaeloa
Beach

Learn more about the
history and status of our
restoration efforts at
Kalaeloa Beach, also
known as Nimitz Beach.

The 808 Cleanups regular event at Kalaeloa (Nimitz) Beach aims to engage the entire community in nature and volunteer work. It also serves as an important resource for visitors to participate in community work that gives back to Hawai'i. Every Wednesday from 4-6, volunteers are given the choice of how they want to spend their time. Some begin by removing any debris and trash from the work area to improve safety and protect community access to the park. Others focus on removing invasive species and reintroducing native species, which improves biodiversity, protects important coastal ecosystems, and enhances the resilience of this vital area against climate change impacts.

808 Cleanups has held programming in Kalaeloa for the past 10 years. The space has improved dramatically, encouraging the community to return in droves. Kalaeloa is now listed as one of O'ahu's top 10 beaches.

Before:

BEACH EROSION

Extensive damage was caused by off-roading vehicles. In this photo, the cliff drop highlights the push back occurring at the beach.





SAFETY CONCERNS

Rubbish from nearby encampments - often containing fecal matter, sharp objects, and fire material - was not disposed of properly.

With a partnership through the Hawai'i Tourism Authority, 808 Cleanups has continued our site maintenance hosting 58 cleanups since January 2025. Over 640 locals and visitors alike have joined together to care for this special space and continue to build on the progress made over the last 10 years. So far this year, volunteers have removed almost 4,700 pounds of rubbish along with over 38,000 sq. ft. of invasive species. Judi Fenton Plumer has volunteered since the early days the site was adopted. "The progress was and is infectious; knowing all this work was done by hand and wanting to make it a better place" keeps her coming back to steward the space.

After:

MAINTAINING A REGULAR PRESENCE

When people see that a space is taken care of, they are less likely to damage it. If incidents do arise, we can respond to them in a more timely manner.



FOSTERING BIODIVERSITY

Increasing the deep root systems of native trees planted will continue to stabilize soil, which reduces erosion and will protect the shoreline from storms in the long-term.

Stewards of the Community

We hope you can join us for an event at Kalaeloa soon to take part in our restoration efforts. Mahalo to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority for your partnership!



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Mahalo nui!

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