



Safe Routes to Parks Action Plan ENGAGE: Who Is Involved



Blue Zones Project Hawaii
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Introduction

Old Stadium Park was once the site of Honolulu Stadium, a large venue for baseball and football games, rodeos, hula competitions, and concerts. Sports legends, including Babe Ruth and Joe DiMaggio, played in this stadium, and music icons, such as Elvis Presley and Billy Graham, entertained thousands of guests here. The stadium was demolished in 1977 and a public park was constructed in its place. For decades, Old Stadium Park was a hot spot for family picnics, cultural events, group fitness activities, and intergenerational relationships.

This section will introduce the lead organization, Blue Zones Project, Old Stadium Park, and the coalition and other involved stakeholders in efforts to revitalize this park, and share the community engagement process, thus far

Blue Zones Project



Blue Zones Project team members making healthy smoothies for elementary students

Blue Zones Project is a community-led well-being improvement initiative designed to make the healthy choice the easy choice through permanent changes to lifestyle, environment, policy, and community partnerships. Established in 2010, Blue Zones Project is inspired by Dan Buettner, a National Geographic Fellow and New York Times best-selling author who identified five regions of the world—or Blue Zones—with the highest concentration of people living to 100 years or older. Blue Zones Project incorporates Buettner's findings and works with cities to implement policies

and programs that will move a community toward optimal health and well-being.

A critical element of the Blue Zones Project work is our policy and project initiatives around the built environment. When the Blue Zones Project was launched in the cities of Mānoa, Makiki, McCully, and Mō'ili'ili (also known as 4M) in June of 2018, Old Stadium Park was unanimously identified as the project with the greatest potential to positively improve lifestyles by being a hub for physical activity, healthy food access, and social connections. Given this, Blue Zones Project 4M, in partnership with the McCully-Mō'ili'ili Neighborhood Board, decided to establish a community coalition to lead efforts to revitalize Old Stadium Park and identify opportunities to reactivate this important piece of Honolulu green space.



Blue Zones Project hosted our first Old Stadium Park community workday on May 26, 2018



A neighborhood grocery store is promoting healthier snack options at the check-out lane

In addition to our work at Old Stadium Park, the Blue Zones Project team works to engage worksites, schools, restaurants, grocery stores, and faith-based organizations in creating system and programmatic changes to improve individual and organizational well-being. With over 120 community members serving on 8 different committees—including built environment, food policy, tobacco, schools, and engagement—the Project works to comprehensively address the social determinants of health and partner with critical public, private, and non-profit organizations who are already doing great work in these areas.

Mālama Old Stadium Park

Mālama Old Stadium Park is our community effort, led by the Blue Zones Project 4M Built Environment committee, members of the McCully-Mō‘ili‘ili Neighborhood Board, and Councilmember Ann Kobayashi, to revitalize this historic, urban park.

Mālama (Hawaiian)

- 1. (noun) To take care of, tend, attend, care for, preserve, protect, beware, save, maintain; to keep or observe, as a taboo; to conduct, as a service; to serve, honor.

Committee Members of Mālama Old Stadium Park

Name	Organization/Affiliation	Role
Dylan Armstrong	Planner, AECOM	Co-Chair
Tim Streitz	Department of Planning and Permitting, City and County of Honolulu (McCully/Moiliili Neighborhood Board Chair)	Co-Chair
Tom Heinrich	Legislative Aide, Office of Senator Brian Taniguchi (District 11)	Co-Chair

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Angela Marshall	Culinary Student, Kapiolani Community College Yoga Teacher, CorePower Yoga	
Ann Kobayashi	Councilmember (District 5), City and County of Honolulu	City Council Champion
Austin Chun	Designer, AM Partners Former landscape architecture student at the University of Hawaii	
Catie Cullison	Senior Associate, PBR Hawaii	Liaison to DHHL and Complete Streets team
Chris Johnson	Planner, Department of Transportation Services, City & County of Honolulu	
Christy Nishita	Consultant, Age-Friendly Honolulu, Researcher, UH Center on Aging	
Claire Fukuoka	Traffic Engineer, Austin, Tsutsumi, & Associates	
Colby Takeda	Community Program Manager, Blue Zones Project 4M	Staff Lead
Da Yea Shim	Master's Degree Candidate, University of Hawaii, Department of Urban and Regional Planning	
Daniel Dinnell	Executive Director, Tree's for Honolulu's Future	
Debbie Millikan	Sustainability Coordinator, 'Iolani School	
Huiyi Chen	Junior Designer, Pacific Architects	
Jacce Mikulanec	President & CEO, Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii	
Jacqueline Chan-Mee Lee	Adjunct Professor, Loma Linda University	Food Policy Committee Co-Chair
Jason Akamine	Science Teacher, Washington Middle School	
Jason Nakata	Environmental Planner, Limtiaco Consulting Group	
John Rose	Retired	
Jordan Sakumoto	Civil Engineer, G70 Engineering Firm Resident of Scenic Towers (adjacent to park)	
Julius Lorenz Fischer	Project Coordinator, Hawaii Green Growth & Ala Wai Watershed Collaboration	Liaison to ASU Design Team
Justine Espiritu	Bikeshare Hawaii	
Kelsie Sasabe	Design Engineer, Bow Engineering & Development, INC Resident of Scenic Towers (adjacent to park)	
Marc Koga	Manoa Complex Supervisor, Department of Parks & Recreation	

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Matt Gonser	Coastal & Water Program Manager, City & County of Honolulu, Office of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Resiliency	
Megan Kira	Office Manager, Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto	
Michelle Tagorda	Program Coordinator, Health Careers Opportunity Program, University of Hawaii Member, University of Hawaii Board of Regents	Food Policy Committee Co-Chair
Molly Mamaril	Engagement Lead, Blue Zones Project 4M	Volunteers & event support
Patricia Johnson	Board Member, Hawaii Bicycling League	
Peggy Mierzwa	Statewide Policy Lead, Blue Zones Project Hawaii	Policy support
Raytan Vares	Special Action Committee Chair, Moiliili-McCully Neighborhood Board	Neighborhood Board SAC Chair
Scott Nishimoto	State Representative, State House of Representatives (District 21)	
Tim Schuler	Freelance Writer	
Vanessa Buchthal	Assistant Professor, University of Hawaii at Manoa, Office of Public Health Studies	
Vicki Bunao	Public Health Nurse, Hawaii State Department of Health	
Wendy Loh	Owner, Towered Up	

In addition to the planning committee members listed above, many other community leaders, residents, and supporters have given their time, experience, and energy to support revitalization efforts at Old Stadium Park. Through our outreach efforts, we been able to establish alignment and support with the following key stakeholders:

- AARP
- Bikeshare Hawaii
- Department of Hawaiian Homelands
- Halau Inana
- Hale Mahana
- Hawaii Bicycling League
- Honolulu Department of Transportation Services
- Honolulu Parks & Recreation Department
- Honolulu Police Department
- Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii

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- Kamehameha Schools
- Kanu Hawaii
- McCully-Moiliili Library
- McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board
- Moiliili Community Center
- Moiliili Community Garden Association
- Nearby businesses (Down to Earth, Manoa Dentistry, Kim Chee III, First Hawaiian Bank, etc.)
- Oahu Pickleball Association
- The Men's Shed
- Tree's for Honolulu's Future
- Trust for Public Land - Hawaii
- University of Hawaii – Various departments
- Various schools in the area

Community Engagement Process



Community Workday Launch - With guidance from the Blue Zones Project built environment committee and the McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board's special action committee, our Mālama Old Stadium Park outreach efforts began with a community park workday on May 26, 2018, which attracted over

45 people. Also in attendance were members of Bikeshare Hawaii, Bridge Club Hawaii, and Maryknoll School.

Community Parks Survey - This event also marked the launch of our Community Park Survey, a 13-question tool to learn about the interests of various park stakeholders and hear their ideas for a revitalized Old Stadium Park. Following this kick-off event, our team made a strong push to collect survey responses through any communication channel possible; we reached out to nearby



associations, called upon our partners to share it with their members in the area, led a social media campaign, and distributed at neighborhood board meetings and other public events. The survey could be completed online and in person using a single paged, double-sided printed survey. Our team also went door-to-door to collect survey responses and promote our upcoming community meetings.

Stakeholder Outreach – During the summer of 2018, our coalition continued to meet regularly to share progress with the survey and strategize around desirable community partnerships. Collectively, the coalition canvassed the neighborhood to meet with public, private, and non-profit organizations, community leaders and policymakers, nearby businesses, faith-based groups, and residents to both share about our work thus far and gain their support and partnership. During this time, our Mālama Old Stadium Park committee also doubled in size.

Community Meetings – In the fall of 2018, our coalition began planning sorting through the Community Parks Survey feedback and worked to develop ideas for a reimagined Old Stadium Park. After a few design workshops, we were ready to share some concepts to the general public and hosted a very succesful community meeting on October 1, 2018.



With over 80 people in attendance, including three elected officials and two City & County of Honolulu department directors (parks & recreation and facilities maintenance), the audience had a chance to hear about this community-led initiative and provide input through a variety of activities. At this event, the coalition also shared four different proposals for a revitalized Old Stadium Park that included adapted amenities, upgraded landscaping, and explorative features such as a urban orchard, pickleball courts and a continuous fitness path.



“Quote from feedback activities (Share a favorite memory from Old Stadium Park)”

DAVID JONES, MONTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENT

Public Exhibition – Following the October 1st Community Meeting, we launched a photo exhibition at McCully-Moiliili Public Library featuring photos taken by youth and older adults during an intergenerational photovoice project in our green spaces. This accompanied a board showcasing the four different park designs for visitors to provide public comment, and our Community Parks Survey. Over 150 new visitors used this venue to provide input on the Mālama Old Stadium Park project and express interest in continuing to support activities, moving forward.



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Mālama OLD STADIUM PARK

Earlier this year, Blue Zones Project 4M (Mānoa, Makiki, McCully, and Mō'ili'ili) and the McCully-Mō'ili'ili Neighborhood Board launched a community-led effort to revitalize Old Stadium Park and make it a space that supports a healthier, happier community for all. These renderings reflect some of the expressed interests of the community and have been created to further collect input from park stakeholders. Please take our Old Stadium Park Community Survey and provide feedback on these designs.

DESIGN #A Minimize Build, but Improve Visual Appeal



- 1 Great Lawn for picnicking, play, & special events
- 2 Upgraded Play Structures for leiki
- 3 Additional Landscaping along paths to increase visual appeal
- 4 Natural Sitable Space around beds of trees & plants
- 5 Shared Pavilions with picnic tables and BBQs
- 6 Expanded Pedestrian Paths with table and chair sets
- 7 Covered Stage for performances, movies, and group gatherings
- 8 Grass surfaced permeable path for food truck events
- 9 Fitlet Fitness Area with body weight resistance training equipment
- 10 Exercise Equipment for Older Adults
- 11 Continuous Fitness Path around park
- 12 Pickleball Courts
- 13 Sand Volleyball Court

DESIGN #C Increase Recreation and Fitness Areas



DESIGN #D Create an Innovative and Fun Park for All



DESIGN #B Add Facilities for Events and Group Use



Top Issues/Concerns

- Safety, and the feeling that the park is a safe place
- Poor visual appeal - it's not interesting to look at
- Park facilities do not support programming

Top Interests

- Improve safety and cleanliness, and address park vandalism
- Improve visual appeal, add outdoor space, and provide facilities that promote regular park use
- Make the park unique by adding innovative features (i.e., intergenerational park, urban orchard, etc.)

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Other Potential Features

- Improved pathway lighting
- Better wayfinding
- Better People's Open Market location
- Bike racks, bike repair station, and additional bike stations
- Additional benches, outdoor kitchen and other amenities
- Security guards, video cameras, and other safety mechanisms
- Environmental and historical education
- Weathering station
- Waste, recycling, and composting receptacles

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Resolution 18-225 – Simultaneously, our coalition worked with Councilmember Ann Kobayashi to draft and present Resolution 18-225, requesting a new master plan for Old Stadium Park, before the Honolulu City Council. Through our growing network of partners and residents, multiple letters of testimony were submitted in support and the resolution was unanimously passed in November, 2018.

Reactivate the Park – With passing of Resolution 18-225, our coalition has since began focusing on keeping the community engaged through various activities to reactivate the park. These included starting walking moai (groups) that start and end at the park, coordinating bike rides using the Bikeshare Hawaii's Biki bikes, and conducting additional workdays, the most recent one in partnership with AARP and the City & County of Honolulu's

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Neighborhood Commission Office. The coalition has also encouraged supporters to use the park and to reach out to the Blue Zones Project if they need any assistance.

During a meeting with Councilmember Ann Kobayashi, Michele Nekota, director of the City & County of Honolulu Department of Parks & Recreation, Tim Streitz, Chair of the McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board, and some concerned residents, it was mentioned that we should explore a security guard system to help enforce park rules. From this suggestion, the Department launched a pilot security guard program at nine parks in Honolulu, which has been extremely successful in creating a sense of safety and security at our parks. Since the implementation of this program, many families, sports teams, and community groups have started to come back to the park and use it again, which we're extremely thrilled about.



Green Infrastructure and Design Project with ASU – In early 2019, one of our partners, Hawaii Green Growth, approached our coalition about having a team of Arizona State University landscape design students complete a design project for Old Stadium Park. Hawaii Green Growth is a public-private partnership that convenes a network of public, private, and non-

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profit organizations all working to address climate change. Over three different visits to Hawaii, the team from ASU studied the current site, reviewed data from our Community Parks Survey, and created various design concepts that could meet the interests of the community and help with storm water management, a focus of the project. Through this effort, the team from ASU, Hawaii Green Growth, and Blue Zones Project partnered to host a community design workshop on March 6th to share stories from the park and explore possible ideas for park designs. With over 40 people in attendance, the group dove into the area's history, explored some of our community priorities, and listed stakeholders who curren't are not being heard and who should be brought to the table.



Following this visit, the ASU developed several park concepts and returned to Honolulu in April, 2019 to share these designs and collect more feedback. Through six different pop-up events, the group went where the community is and explained their process and their three different concepts (Activating the Lei of Parks, Discovery + Adventure Play, and Park as Preserve), collecting input about these designs. These pop-ups were held at the McCully-Moiliili Public Library, Longs Drugs Store, Waiola Shave Ice, Glazers Coffee, and Old Stadium Park. Over the three days, the group met with over 350 residents and collected 130 new e-mail addresses from people that wanted to stay in touch about this project.

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ASSESS: The State of Park Access In Our Community



Blue Zones Project Hawaii

May 17, 2019

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The State of Park Access in Our Community



Introduction

Prior to the Blue Zones Project's launch in the Moiliili area, the McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board's Special Action Committee was tasked with assessing the parks in the community and looking for opportunities to improve their condition and use. In addition, various community organization were concurrently working to address elements of street safety, livability, and urban forestry.

Summary of Existing Policies, Plans, Programs, and Other Efforts

Summarize existing policies that impact park access.

Over the past 5 years, much improvements have been made to the livability of our communities. This has been championed by a few organizations, including AARP, the Hawaii Bicycling League, Age-Friendly Honolulu, city and state agencies, and the Blue Zones Project. Moving forward, there are a lot more than can be done to move our city forward, and it'll take the joint efforts from a diverse range of stakeholders to accomplish these goals.

Below is a summary of some of the existing and ongoing efforts to increase the livability of our community and promote safe and equitable access to our parks.

Policies, Plans, and Programs that Align with Safe Routes to Parks Efforts

Name of Policy/Program	Adopting Agency	Relevance to Safe Routes to Parks Efforts	Page
Resolution 18-225- Resolution to prepare a park master plan for Old Stadium Park (Adopted in Fall 2018)	City & County of Honolulu	OSP is the focus park for this year's efforts; this provides an opportunity to engage community members to understand what in-park improvements they want to see and plan for those in-park improvements	
https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rcf=j&q=&esc=s&source=web&cd=1&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKEwid4dKs-6PiAhU8uZ4KHc9tDzQQFJAegQIBBAC&url=https%3A%2F%2Fhonolulu.granicus.com%2FMetaViewer.php%3Fview_id%3D3%26clip_id%3D821%26meta_id%3D63862&usq=AOvVaw0CoEOm8ndniP7Lk2rB5tB			
Oahu Pedestrian Plan Update		The Ped Plan is currently being updated. There is an opportunity to align SRTP priorities with the development of this new plan.	p. 62-64
http://www.honolulu.gov/completestreets/pedplan			
State Pedestrian Plan (2013)	Hawaii Department of Transportation	Align asks w/ what is in	
http://hidot.hawaii.gov/highways/statewide-pedestrian-master-plan-and-hawaii-pedestrian-toolbox/			

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Bill 26 (2012) - City and County of Honolulu Complete Streets Design Manual		It is highly likely that traffic safety improvements around the park will align with the city's Complete Streets policy and design manual.	
https://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-126869/6_3g_8rv.pdf			
Resolution 18-219 - Urging City administration to adopt Vision Zero	City & County of Honolulu	Making improvements to traffic safety around OSP, most notably speed management, will support the city's VZ goals.	
https://honolulu.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=3&clip_id=852&meta_id=67723			
Oahu General Plan		Section 4, Objective C. "To provide residents with a choice of living environments which are reasonably close to employment, recreation, and commercial centers and which are adequately served by transportation networks and public utilities." Section 5, Objective A, Policy 6, "Support the development of transportation plans, programs, and facilities that are based on Complete Streets features. Maintain and improve road, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities in existing communities to eliminate unsafe conditions." Policy 11: "Enhance pedestrian-friendly and bicycle-friendly travel via public and private programs and improvements."	p. 33
http://www.honoluludpp.org/Planning/GeneralPlan.aspx			
Oahu Regional Transportation Plan 2040	Oahu MPO	**need to look at project list for alignment w/ potential traffic safety improvements around OSP	
https://www.oahumpo.org/plans-and-programs/oahu-regional-transportation-plan-ortp/			
HB757 – Statewide Vision Zero (Passed 3rd reading, pending Governor's signature)		DOT and county transportation departments shall adopt vision zero policies, and the state highway safety council and county highway safety councils shall develop an action plan	
https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2019/bills/HB757_CD1_.htm			

Proclamation declaring March 9, 2018 Trees for Honolulu's Future Day	Tree's for Honolulu's Future	The Mayor announced the City's commitment to the goal of 35% urban tree canopy by 2035 and to plant 100,000 trees by 2025.	
www.treesforhonolulu.org/news			

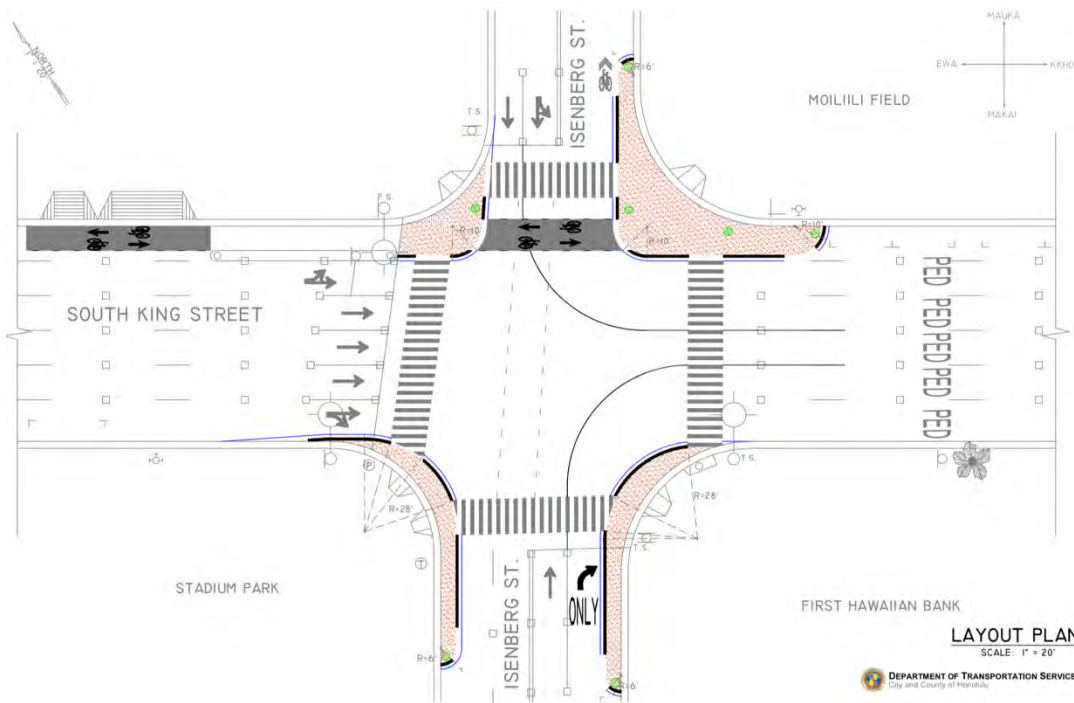
Existing Infrastructure



The King Street cycle track is Honolulu's first protected bike lane. It was opened in 2014 and ends at the corner of Old Stadium Park.

Old Stadium Park sits at the corner of Isenberg and King Street, end of Honolulu's first cycle track, a pilot project that has since come a permanent. This biking facility was installed at the end of 2014 and responses to Charter Amendment 8 (which voters passed in 2006), making it a priority to make Honolulu bicycle and pedestrian friendly.

This intersection is also the site of the very first Complete Streets demonstration project in Honolulu. This project was part of the City's effort to act on the Complete Streets ordinance (2012) that makes it a City policy to develop "transportation facilities or projects that are planned, designed, operated, and maintained to provide safe mobility for all users."



Community-Identified Challenges

The following quantitative and qualitative data comes from the Blue Zones Project's 2018 Malama Old Stadium Park Community Survey, which collected survey responses from 553 people, 47% of which were from the McCully/Moiliili zip code.

- The top Old Stadium Park concerns were identified as safety (84%), bathroom/facility maintenance (58%), encampments (52%), and lack of visual appeal
- 90% of respondents agree that revitalizing Old Stadium Park is "very important" or "extremely important"
- Visitors want a park where they can feel safe (87%), enjoy the outdoors (55%), spend time with family/friends (43%), and exercise (42%)
- Respondants' top interests include:
 - Improving general park cleanliness
 - Renovate pavilion and bathroom facilities
 - Improve lighting and accessibility
 - Restore drinking fountains
 - Improve visual appeal with landscaping
- Currently, only 6% of survey respondents visit daily, 20% visit weekly or monthly, and 74% visit rarely or never
- 92% of respondents who "rarely" or "never" visit Old Stadium Park would visit if the issues mentioned above were addressed

Other Comments:

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- With climate change impacts becoming more and more of a reality, we need more beautiful green spaces with ample canopy trees to mitigate the urban heat island effect, but also to provide a cool, shaded, place of refuge, relaxation, and recreation.
- When my daughters were young, I felt safe taking them there to play on the equipment. I would never go in the restroom there due to the homeless. I'm sure the inside is even worse.
- It seems like in some cultures it's considered acceptable to spit in the ground near people. Perhaps signage in multiple languages that spitting is not prohibited MAY help. I don't think it would but those are my personal views, the sanitary conditions for the young children is what kept me away. I feel that a dog park, a mini urban garden, an exercise area would be wonderful additions
- To encourage more community events
- I grew up in Mo'ili'ili and used to rollerblade and bike with my cousins. We would picnic there and celebrate birthdays. It is so important to have a park that can be used by the public in an area that has so many small apartments without an outdoor area. I have a 2-year-old, and drive to parks that are safer, when I live right next door to Stadium park.
- Open green space is critically needed in urban Honolulu.
- I think that many residents in the area - especially seniors and university students - would find this such a great place to rebuild community and civic engagement if the park could be renovated. It really only needs bathrooms and some tables that are kept clean.
- More flowers
- Maybe you could have community work days to help clean up.
- Lots of UH Manoa students live nearby and pass by. This would be an opportune place for them to socialize or study outdoors
- Also updated play equipment would benefit the park. Including a section for dogs would be great too since a lot of surrounding apartments are dog friendly. Plus I've seen the humane society volunteers walk almost that far.
- Good paths for kids to bike. Used to get shave ice & eat at park
- More opportunities for senior citizens should be provided such as an exercise groups, tai chi, or gardening class. Activities to get the seniors outside of their home and interact with others. Group activities is vital to their physical and mental health longevity.
- Built sculptures to enjoy, both aesthetically and functionally.
- I am passionate about parks but also believe that mental health services, genuinely affordable housing and care and support for the homeless is a critical means of improving our parks. This park is central to many local Micronesian families' health, well-being, social and cultural cohesion and lifestyle. This community should be consultants in this process as they will be most impacted.

Community-Identified Assets

Through survey data, stakeholder meetings, and other community feedback channels, we have identified the following community assets:

- Close proximity to McCully-Moiliili Public Library, Waikiki Health Center, Honolulu Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, and Moiliili Community Center
- Strong connections to the University of Hawaii at Manoa, particularly the landscape architecture department
- Former Bowl-o-Drome property (adjacent to Old Stadium Park) to become future Department of Hawaiian Homelands housing project
- Nearby schools and other out-of-school programs, including Voyager Public Charter School, Washington Middle School, 'Iolani School, Halau Inana, and Boys & Girls Club of Honolulu, are supportive
- Nearby businesses and residents are strong advocates and are very interested in seeing positive change come to the park
- The intersection of Isenberg and King Street was the first pilot site for Complete Streets street infrastructure treatments

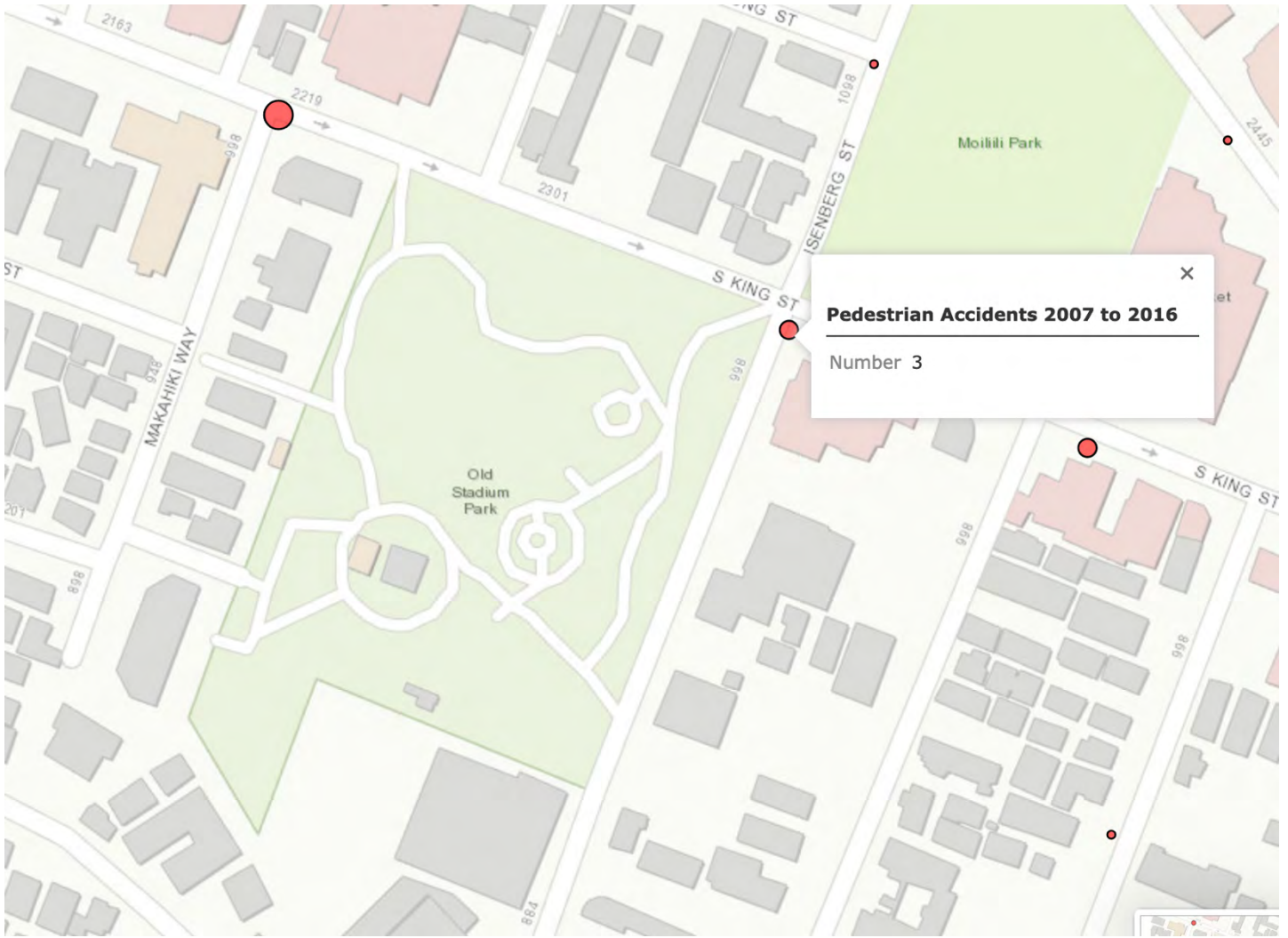


Collision History/Data Summary

According to Hawaii State Department of Health data, there were 20 pedestrian crashes within a block from Old Stadium Park between 2007 and 2016, three of which occurred at the intersection (King & Isenberg) of our proposed project.

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State of Hawaii Department of Health

Additional car, truck, motorcycle, and moped crash data (2007-2018) shows a disproportionate amount of crashes at the intersection of King and Isenberg.

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Hawaii State Department of Health car, truck, motorcycle, and moped crash data (2007-2018)

King & Isenberg Street

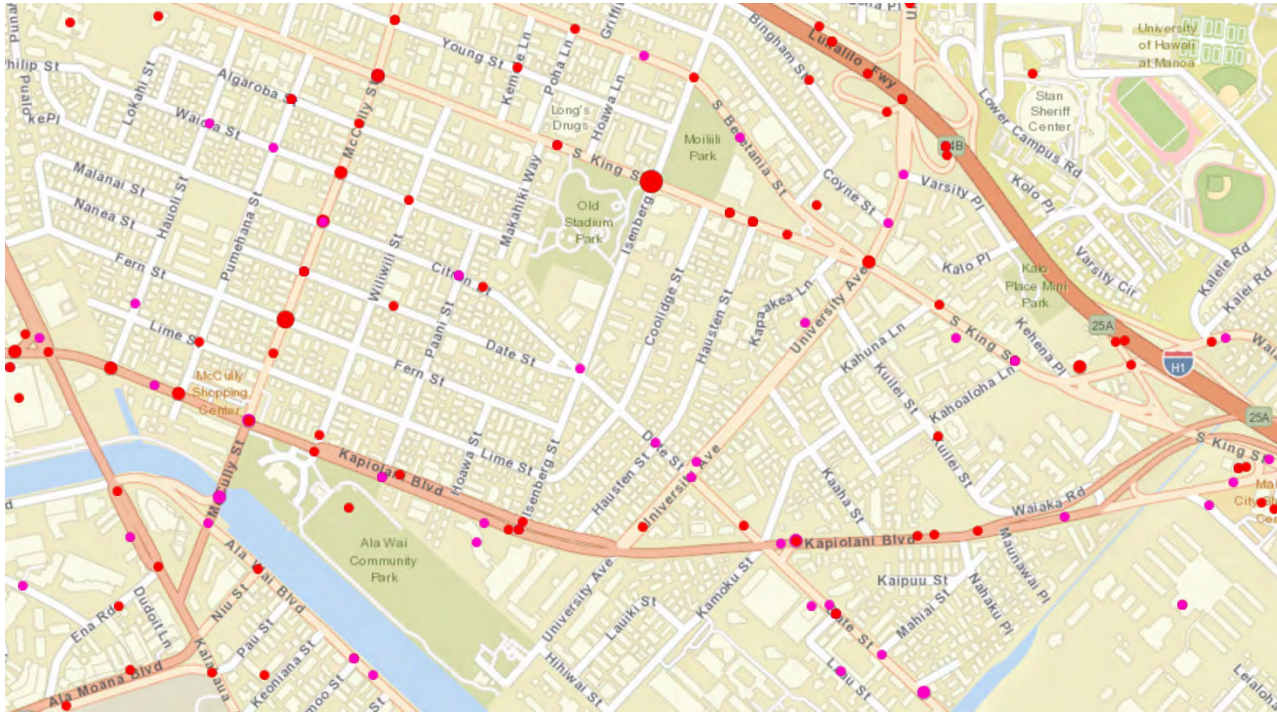
Year	Car/Truck	Motorcycle/Moped	Bicyclist	Pedestrian	Total
2018	1	0			1
2017	4	3			7
2016	2	2			4
2015	3	1		1	5
2014	8	2			10
2013	7	2			9
2012	7	1			8
2011	3	1		1	5
2010	5	2	1	1	9
2009	1	0	1		2
2008	0	1			1
2007	6				6
TOTAL	47	15	2	3	67

Hawaii State Department of Health car, truck, motorcycle, and moped crash data (2007-2018) at the King and Isenberg Street intersection

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Isolating motor vehicle (car, truck, motorcycle, and moped) crash data from just 2017 & 2018, it is clear that the intersection of King & Isenberg is a hot spot for crashes in comparison to other areas of the neighborhood. Source: <https://arcg.is/1Kr1TS>

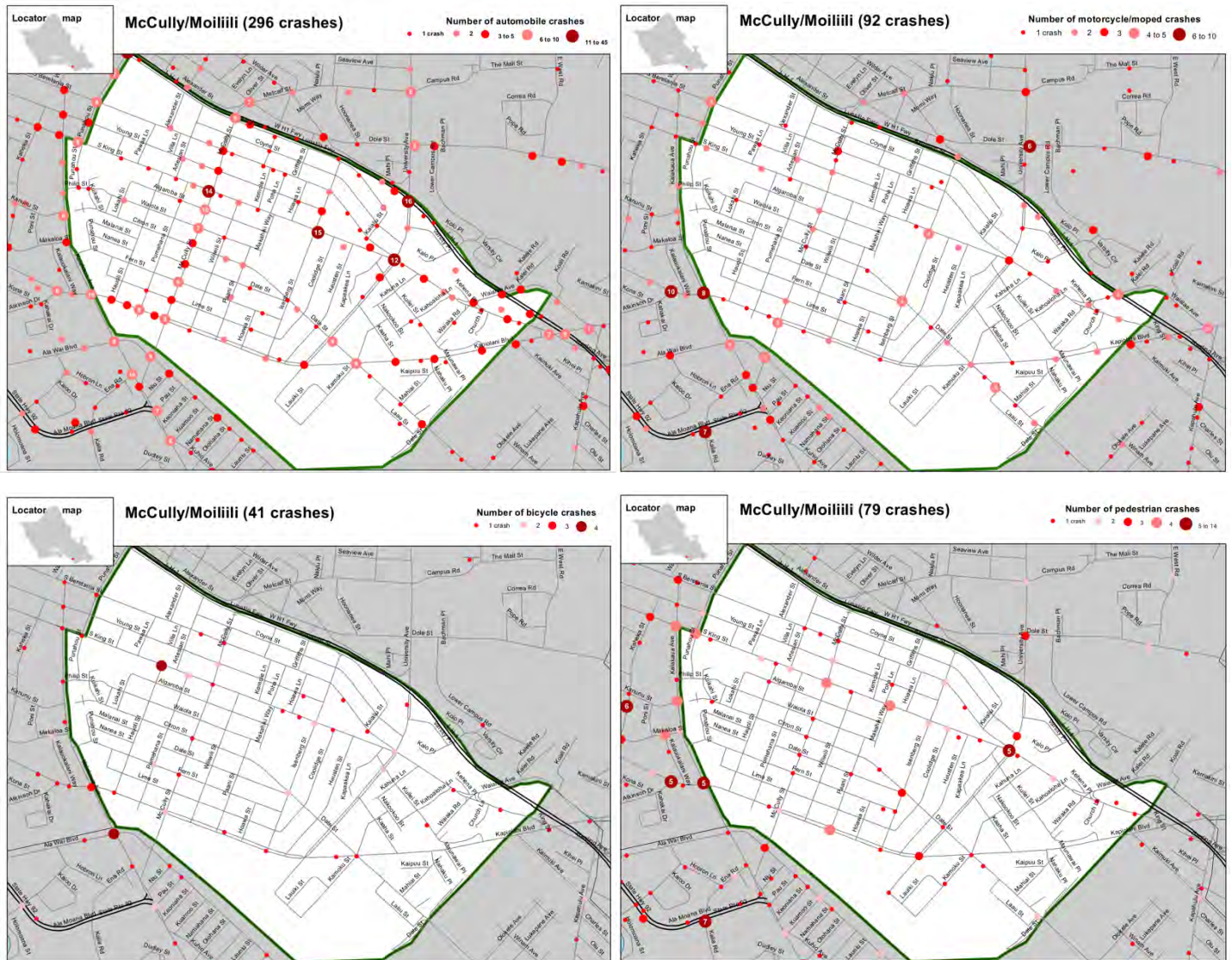


Hawaii State Department of Health car, truck, motorcycle, and moped crash data (2017 & 2018)



Hawaii State Department of Health bicycle crash data (2007-2018)

Maps of EMS-attended motor vehicle crashes (2007-2011)

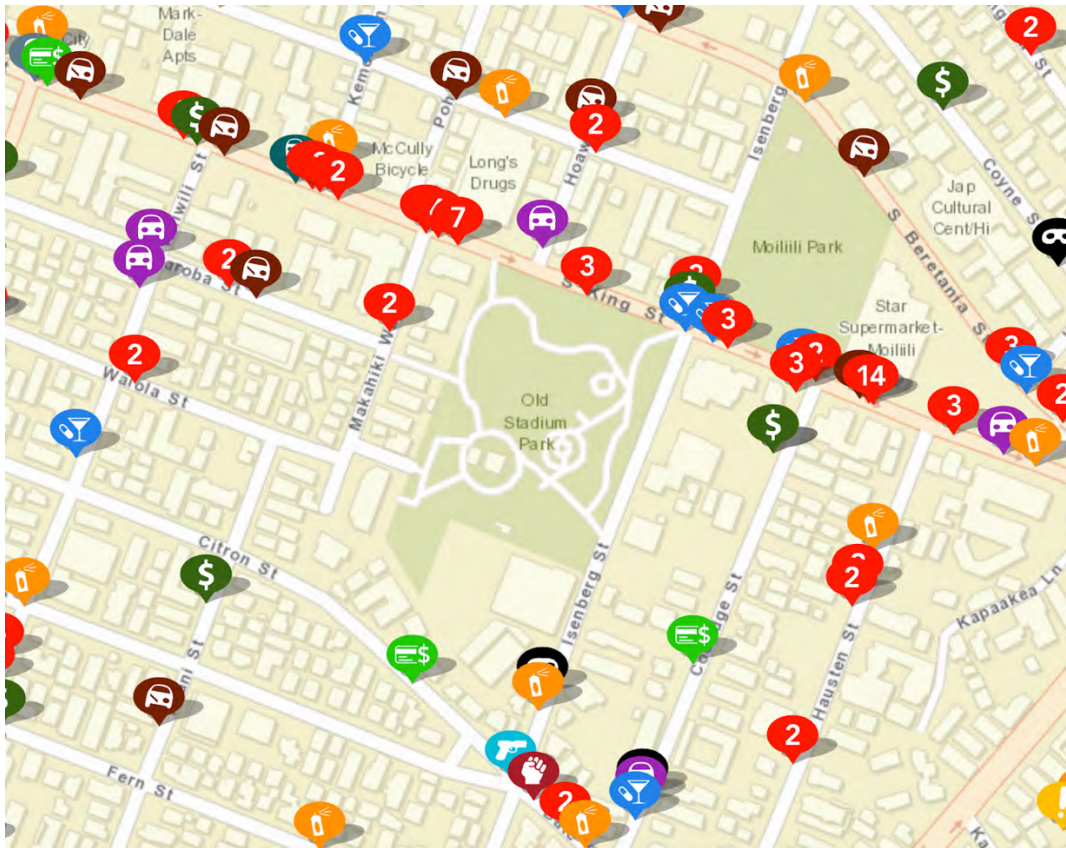


Crime and Violence Statistics

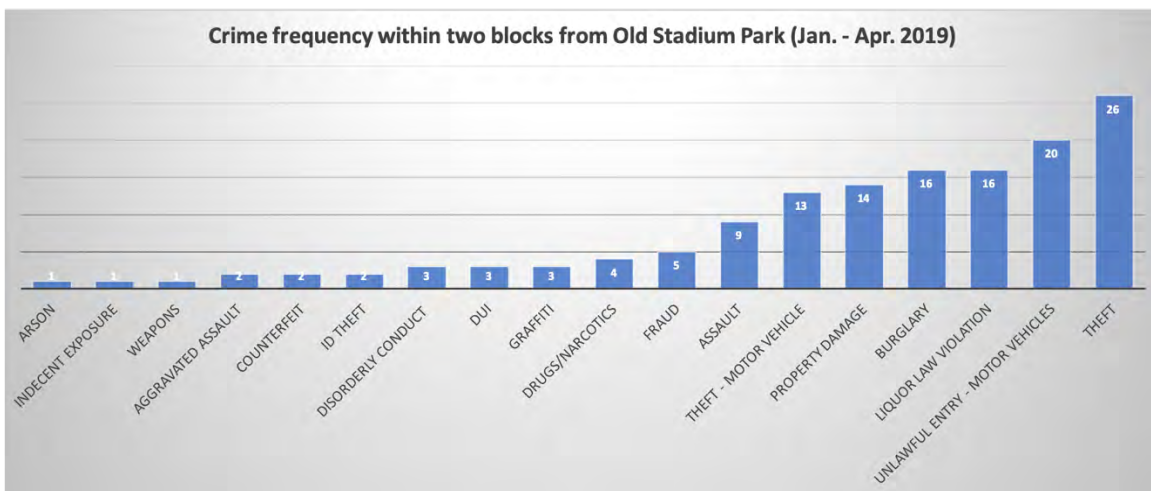
According to Honolulu Police Department crime data logged on www.crimemapping.com, there were 141 reported crimes within 2 blocks of Old Stadium Park between January through the end of April (4 months). Of these 141 crimes,

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Crime map within 2 blocks of Old Stadium Park (www.crimemapping.com)

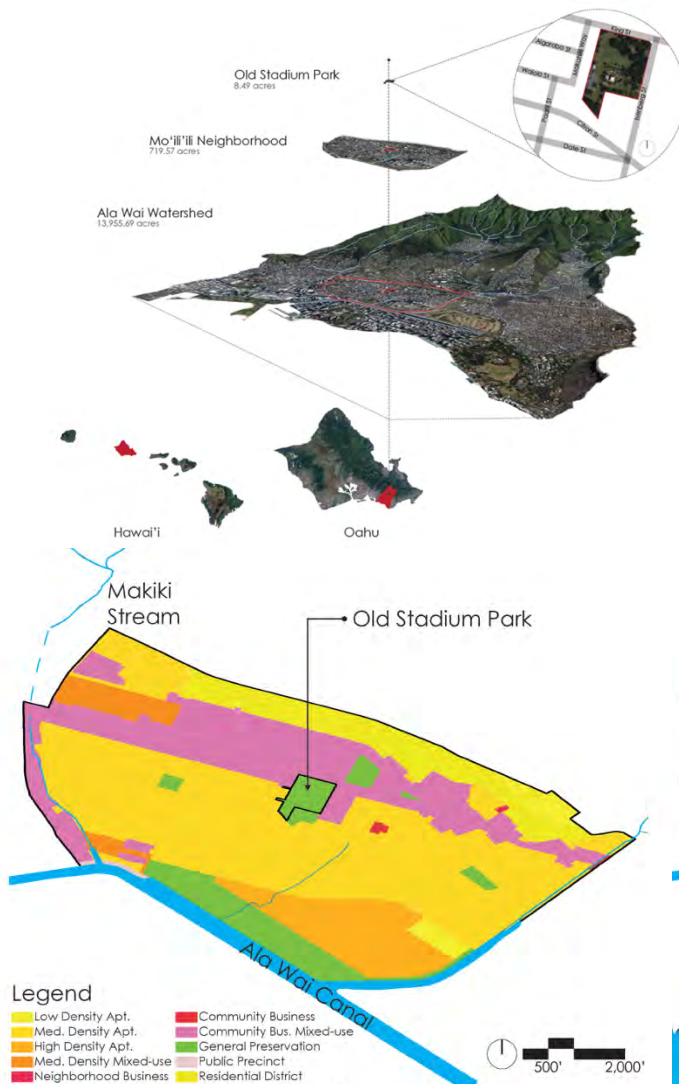


In addition, multiple sex offenders have been found to report their place of residents at our public parks (<https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/38743071/dozens-of-sex-predators-are-registered-as-living-in-oahu-parks-review-shows/>).

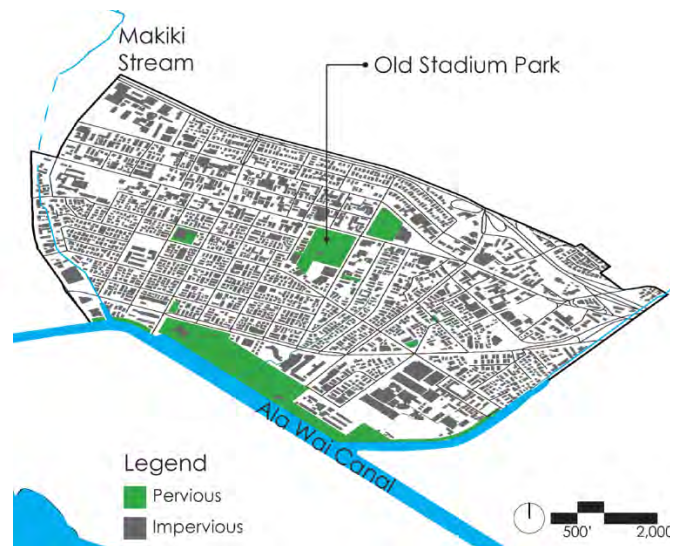
Data Collection Plan				
Data Collection Ideas	Timeline	Resources Needed	Lead Responsible Party	Supporting Partners (including community residents)
<u>Safe Routes to Parks Walk Audit/Other Assessment Tool</u>	June 2019	Audit tool, relevant participants	BZP	Nearby student and community groups, Age-Friendly Honolulu
Collision history/data summary	Ongoing	https://arcg.is/1Kr1TS	Department of Health, EMS & Injury Prevention System Branch	DOH, EMS
Crime and violence statistics	Ongoing	Crimemapping.com	Honolulu Police Department	HPD
Interviews with residents on community perceptions of park access	Ongoing	Survey instrument	BZP	McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board, Council Member Ann Kobayashi's office
Photovoice Project	June 2019	Cameras, photovoice materials	BZP	Department of Health (YPAR)

Community Profile

Include community demographics, number of parks, population (this can be useful for future grant applications).



Old Stadium Park (8.5 acres) sits in the heart of Moiliili, a neighborhood spanning over 700 acres in the Ala Wai Watershed. Within the McCully-Moiliili neighborhood, there are seven other parks, two community gardens, four schools, and a variety of other public facilities for the community of over 6,300 residents to benefit from. Of these residents, over 2,200 of them are over the age of 50 (35% of the population), making this a community with one of the largest older adult populations.



Old Stadium Park is at the border of a community business mixed-used district (including King Street and Beretania Street) and a medium density apartment zoned area (between King Street and Kapiolani Boulevard). As one of the largest parks in Urban Honolulu, it is important that access to the park is safe and enjoyable for people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities. In fact, a recent article cited that over the past four years, Honolulu has lost 76,000 trees across the island (<https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/2019/04/16/study-estimates-urban-honolulu-lost-trees-group-hopes-reverse-that/>).



Safe Routes to Parks Action Plan

PLAN: Improving Safe Routes to Parks



Blue Zones Project Hawaii

June 20, 2019

Plan:

Improving Safe Routes to Parks



Introduction

Through our Built Environment Committee, with input from our community park survey, other Old Stadium Park stakeholders at various events, and community leaders, it was decided that the group explore several projects improve access to the park and beautify the spaces in and around the park. To do this, we explored the following projects:

- **Host a park pop-up event to activate the park**
- **Paint a mural at the park using community members of different generations and backgrounds**

- **Paint the planters at the intersection of Isenberg and South King Street**
- **Paint the bulb-outs at the intersection of Isenberg and South King Street**
- **Utilize students from the nearby area to do a photovoice project to evaluate walkability and create ideas to improve the route of Old Stadium Park**

With the support of our partners, we decided to plan a week-long workshop series to help community members understand the historical and cultural context of the park, complete streets, watershed ecology, age-friendly communities, wayfinding, placemaking, design thinking, and art, and then use their ideas to paint culturally-relevant artwork in the bulb-outs at the intersection of Old Stadium Park. With support from Hawaii Bicycling League and AARP volunteers, we also re-painted the curbing at this intersection which was once white, but has been significantly blackened over the years. In addition, our volunteers and team co-hosted a park pop-up event to activate the park and bring awareness to our painting efforts.

Program Structure, Operations, Coordination, and Capacity-Building

Describe how the lead organization, coalition, and partners will advance this work.

Throughout the process of planning for our project, we continued to reach out to new community partners and stakeholders. Several new partners proved to be very beneficial, including AARP and the Moiliili Community Center. Through AARP's livable communities initiative, Old Stadium Park could be the recipient of a fully-funded FitLot, a fitness area for older adults. In addition, AARP Hawaii is interested in funding an intergenerational mural to be co-design by residents of the area and youth.

In addition, our team has been busy working to obtain policy wins through the Honolulu City Council. With the passing of Resolution 18-225, urging the City and County of Honolulu's administration to create a new master plan for Old Stadium Park, we were on focused on ensuring that the City Council would allocate the funds necessary to proceed with this project.

Thankfully, the planning of our Safe Routes to Parks project helped to build significant publicity around our efforts at Old Stadium Park. In the weeks leading up to our project, we were able to:

- **Present at the McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board about the intersection project**
- **Speak to a news station about the Master Plan process at Old Stadium Park**
- **Make a connection to the Moiliili Community Center and present for their Board of Directors about our intersection project and overall efforts to revitalize Old Stadium Park**
- **Host a meeting with the Parks & Recreation Department, Honolulu City Councilmember Ann Kobayashi, the McCully-Moiliili Neighborhood Board Chair, AARP, and Moiliili Community Center to talk about next steps at the park.**

Priorities and Solutions

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Describe community-identified Safe Routes to Parks priorities and solutions, remembering to focus on improvements that target low-income communities and communities of color.



Community members painting the bulb-outs at the intersection of Isenberg and S. King Street

Given the high proportion of older adults in this community and the disproportionate rate of older adult pedestrian fatalities on our streets, our primary priority was to slow motor vehicle speeds and draw more attention to the bulb-outs. By painting the bulb-outs at the intersection of Isenberg and South King Street, and repainting the curbing around the bulb-outs, we hope this will make drivers more aware of this traffic calming measure and slow down.

Another benefit of this project is that we are able to learn more about the City & County of Honolulu's processes for community-led street art projects. What we quickly learned was that this type of project is very new for the department and that while they are interested in supporting these such projects, they have yet to determine the necessary internal

approval and facilitation processes. Therefore, they were learning about this process with us and wanted to use it as a framework for future projects.



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Action Table

Community-identified priority	How is this aligned with community efforts?	What group(s) or agency(ies) are responsible for the outcome?	What is the level of importance? (High or low)	How ready are you for this?	What is the timeline?
Park pop-up event	Will help to activate the park	Parks & Recreation, nearby business owners, recreation organizations	Medium	90%	Ongoing
Mural at the park	Art can share about the history of the park and beautify the space	Parks & Recreation, Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts, building owner, muralist, community members that assist	Low	30%	Fall 2019
Paint planters in bulb-outs	Beautify route to park and increase awareness for bulb-outs	Businesses near bulb-outs, Department of Transportation Services, artist, volunteers	Medium	50%	Fall 2019
Paint bulb-outs	To draw attention to the bulb-outs and slow traffic	Businesses near bulb-outs, Department of Transportation Services, artist, volunteers	High	70%	Completed
Photovoice and walkability audit with students	To better understand the concerns and opportunities in and around the park	Community members	Medium	90%	Completed
Malama agreement with city	Make a commitment to maintain intersection	City & County of Honolulu Department of Facility Maintenance	High	100%	Completed
Installation of workout equipment at Old Stadium Park	Increase physical activity at Old Stadium Park	City & County of Honolulu Parks & Recreation, AARP, C&C Honolulu Design & Construction	High		Spring 2020

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Participate in Park Master Plan Development process by sharing community input received to date	Incorporate community voice in this master planning process	City & County of Honolulu Design & Construction, consultants, City Council	High	30%	Winter 2019
Continue to engage community members in Park Master Plan process	Be a liaison between the City and the community	City & County of Honolulu Design & Construction, Neighborhood Board,	High	0%	Ongoing
Share community identified concerns from survey, meetings, and Photovoice with City of Honolulu	Promote equity and access on our streets, and especially in and around parks	City & County of Honolulu Department of Transportation Services, Department of Transportation Pedestrian Coordinator	Medium	20%	Winter 2019

Safe Routes to Parks Action Plan IMPLEMENT: Creating Safe Routes to Parks



Blue Zones Project Hawaii
July 31, 2019

Implement:

Creating Safe Routes to Parks

Early Improvement Actions

Our community had great success during our June intersection bulb-out painting and park pop-up event. Over the course of 5 days, 140+ community members joined us to hear from guest speakers, share stories and ideas, complete a walk audit, repaint the bulb-out curbing, and paint the artwork.

Excitement from this event led to additional plans to install a FitLot at Old Stadium Park, which is being donated by AARP, and complete a mural on a wall facing the park along South King Street.

Our experience with the intersection early action project has certainly helped us to better understand the permitting process and other requirements through the City & County of Honolulu. Therefore, we look forward to a smoother planning and implementation process for our mural, set to be painted in January of 2020.



Mālama OLD STADIUM PARK
- Intersection Project -

Community members of all ages are invited to help us activate Old Stadium Park at the intersection of South King & Isenberg Street!

Join us for series of workshops to learn about the history of Mō'ili'ili, ongoing efforts to revitalize Old Stadium Park, and strategies in traffic engineering, city planning, placemaking, urban forestry, and street art. We will also co-design artwork that will then be painted in the intersection bulb-outs and create and test solutions to make our neighborhood more livable.

Old Stadium Park Pop-Up (6/14) - On Friday, join us for free, family-friendly activities and demonstrations in and around Old Stadium Park.

DESIGN SPRINT at Hālau 'Īnana (2438 S. Beretania St.)

- June 10th 2:30-5:00pm | History of Mō'ili'ili, walk audit, art co-design
- June 11th 2:30-5:00pm | Age-friendly cities, wayfinding, pop-up ideas
- June 12th 2:30-5:00pm | Placemaking, park ecology, art workshop

BUILD OUT at Old Stadium Park (2237 S. King St.)

- June 13th 9:30-11:30am | Paint curbing (*Volunteers needed*)
- 2:30-5:00pm | Paint & build pop-up solutions
- June 14th 2:30-6:00pm | **Old Stadium Park Pop-Up**
- 3:00pm - Park Workshop (*Volunteers needed*)
- 5:00pm - Free Yoga
- 5:00pm - Free Biki Workshop

To learn more and RSVP, please visit: tiny.cc/stadiumpark





Design Workshop Agenda (2 hours):

- 7:45 - 8:00 - Registration and get breakfast
- 8:00 - 8:15 - Introductions, background, share history of the mural program, other efforts
- 8:15 - 8:40 - Small group breakouts (tables of 4-5 people) to share stories and write on paper, have the small groups report back
- 8:40 - 8:50 - Small groups report back to big group
- 8:50 - 8:55 - Explain next portion of workshop
- 8:55 - 9:30 - Then we'll form 3 table groups and each student and an adult ally will present to a table group using the following format (3 rotations, 10 minutes each):
 - Student presents design on poster board (1 min)
 - Table members ask questions about the design (2-3 min)
 - Table members share what they like about the design (2-3 min)
 - Table members give suggestions that can be incorporated (2-3 min)
- 9:30 - Students leave and return to school
- 9:30 - 9:45 - Luke (artist) will share more about himself and how everyone's input will be incorporated to finalize the design, continue debrief of designs, if needed
- 9:45 - 10:00 - Share the next steps and timeline for painting, share how they can get involved, explore partnerships to increase volunteers
- 10:00 - End event

Early Action: Old Stadium Park Mural

How do you plan to accomplish it?	We will work with the City & County of Honolulu Parks & Recreation Department, community partners (AARP, Voyager Public Charter School, nearby businesses, Moiliili Community Center, etc.), and artist Luke DeKneef to plan and paint the mural.
What group or agency is responsible or has the most influence over the outcome?	The project leads are Blue Zones Project, AARP, and the City & County of Honolulu Parks & Recreation Department
What groups or agencies should be aware or a part of the outcome?	Other businesses, schools, and land owners in the area should be notified and included. One key stakeholder is the owner of the building, who has already given us permission to paint the mural.
How will you engage residents during implementation and after the change has been made?	Through our growing mailing list of stakeholders, social media, and AARP's membership in the area, we plan on getting the word out about both our design workshop and our painting.
How will you align it with other community efforts (plans/policies/programs)?	Since money has been allocated by the Honolulu City Council to complete a park master plan, which has always been our long-term goal, this project will continue to build more excitement around efforts to activate Old Stadium Park and grow our coalition of supporters. This project is also being closely planned with the City & County of Honolulu Parks & Recreation Department, which is a strategic partnership.
What is the timeline?	• August ◦ DONE – 30th - Meet with artists, students. • September ◦ DONE – 5th - City & County of Honolulu, Commission on Culture & the Arts meeting for presentation of project (Jackie) • October ◦ 17th - Community design meeting at Ka Waiwai ◦ Send draft design to DPR for approval, draft up gift resolution with Nate for review at September 5th meeting ◦ 22nd - Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting - Gift resolution 1st reading • November

	○ 6th - City Council Meeting - Vote to accept gift resolution ○ 7th - City & County of Honolulu, Commission on Culture & the Arts meeting to present artwork • January ○ (first two weeks of January) - FitLot ribbon cutting event, share mural project ○ 16th-24th - Painting days ○ 25th - Celebration event?
How will you measure the impact of this change on people of color, low-income communities, and other marginalized populations?	We are strategically collaborating with organizations and schools that primarily serve people of color, low-income communities, and marginalized populations. One of the largest groups that utilize Old Stadium Park are a few church groups with large Micronesian populations, who we are reaching out to help complete the mural.
How will this generate momentum to further implement this plan/Safe Routes to Parks efforts?	As people go to the park, we know that this will make the park feel safer and will increase food traffic. Therefore, we hope to regularly host activities at the park, such as organized bike rides, yoga classes, movies in the park, etc. Overall, the more we do at Old Stadium Park, the bigger our support gets. This growing advocacy group will be critical if we start to drive policy change and when the park master plan process starts.

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SUSTAIN: Keeping the Work Going



Blue Zones Project Hawaii

August 30, 2019

Sustain:

Keeping the Work Going

Sustainability Actions

Malama Agreement - One of the requirements from the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Facility Maintenance was that we enter into a Malama Agreement to continue to care for the intersection at Isenberg and South King Street. Blue Zones Project committed to helping to clean up the area of trash, replanting plant and watering them, fixing any problems with the artwork, and potentially re-painting the white curbing.

Park Master Plan – throughout the Safe Routes to Park program, we have been able to establish many new partnerships, bringing in new stories about Old Stadium Park and the Moiliili Area, recruiting more volunteers, and even securing some funding. Recognizing the master planning process can be long and time intensive, Blue Zones Project will take the lead in organizing all interested stakeholders to ensure they are including in future planning processes.

Planters – Now that the bulb-outs are painted, we wanted to finish with also painting the 7 planters at the intersection and replanting plants that can maintain themselves. We have already been in touch with a few artists and are finalizing plans to complete this work in the next 3-4 months.

Mural – We are currently planning to paint a large-scale mural at Old Stadium Park, utilizing some of the ideas from our week-long design workshops and incorporating nearby youth and older adults. The mural is set to be painted in January 2020. For this project, three students at Voyager Public Charter School, which is in walking



distance to Old Stadium Park, are working with artist Luke DeKneef to design that art and will be leading a public feedback workshop in October.



Moving Beyond One Park

One of the great dreams that have been circulated around Hawaii for decades have been the Lei of Parks; a strand of parks connected by pedestrian- and bike-friendly streets that can support community well-being. What's great about our work in Old Stadium Park is that it has had impact beyond this park and beyond the streets surrounding this park.

Lei of Parks



Knowing that this work must continue, Blue Zones Project is committed to extending our work throughout the community, helping other groups who may want to utilize street art, advocating for more policies for improved access to parks, and further growing our coalition of partners.



We have also begun working closely with the Complete Streets Administrator to create a simple framework for other community groups to easily implement their own street art projects. Our goal is to use our project at Old Stadium Park to improve access and fun at many more Honolulu parks.

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Sustaining Activities

How will you sustain your efforts and expand to additional parks?	How is this tied to a community-identified priority?	Who has influence over or is key in moving the sustaining activity forward?	What partners can support you in moving this sustaining activity forward?	What help do you need to move this sustaining activity forward (e.g., resources, technical assistance)?
Policy change – Explore policies to increase tree canopy in and around parks, improve walkability, and expand use of fruit trees to support food access	Improve health and well-being	City Administration, City Council	Submitting testimony, speaking to city councilmembers, joining coalition activities	Resources from other municipalities that have strong policies in the areas of street safety, edible landscaping, etc.
Funding – Continue to apply for grants to build strategic partners and acquire funds. Already applied for First Hawaiian Bank Foundation grant	Funding for our future mural project	First Hawaiian Bank Foundation, other donors and foundations	Provide letters of support	Insights into other community grant opportunities
Partnerships – Continue to support coalition-building around efforts at Old Stadium Park and with state-wide partners	Park stewardship, especially by stakeholders in close proximity, can establish long-term support and maintenance	First Hawaiian Bank, Department of Hawaiian Homelands, nearby businesses, Trust for Public Land	Stay involved in joint activities	N/A
Community Champions – Establish alignment with incoming community champions. In 2020, new elected officials will come into office, so it will be	Political support is critical to project success	Neighborhood Board, key community leaders	Support smooth transition, make introductions	N/A

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critical that we obtain strong support for the incoming policymakers.				
Evaluation – Evaluate the effects of the painted bulb-outs at Isenberg & S. King Street	Collect relevant data to show changes due to street art	Ulupono Initiative, Safe Routes Partnership	Will be meeting with Ulupono Initiative, who has the resources to begin to collect this information	Understand what evaluation tools are available and what methods have been effective
Partnerships – Continue to build a strong partnership with the City & County of Honolulu's Complete Streets branch	Stronger partnerships with public agencies are important	C&C Honolulu, Safe Routes to School, State Department of Transportation	Utilize connections to grow the partnership	Better understanding of the city and state resources, structure, and function