Youth Congress 1976:
ACTION FOR CHANGE

A Report on Youth Congress Events and Positions
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It’s Our Future!

This booklet provides the details about Youth Congress IV and Hui ʻImi Pono with photos showing the actual events and the resolutions and positions approved by delegates and members.

We hope you will read this summary of our efforts and will want to join with us to help build the youth movement in our islands. The last page of this booklet tells you how you can get involved. Take the big step. We need you!

In the struggle for righteousness,
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Youth Congress IV—“ACTION for CHANGE”

Youth Congress IV took place last June 17-20 (1976) at the Hale Lehua dormitory on the University of Hawaii-Manoa campus. This unique gathering, sponsored by Youth Action, Inc. (a long-time social change catalyst in the community) with partial funding from the Hawaii Bicentennial Commission, brought together 130 young people coming from some 46 schools and organizations around the state.

Youth Congress delegates were involved in four days of intense and serious discussions, down-to-earth presentations, slide shows, speakers, and films on the major issues facing young people today. Tours of communities on Oahu threatened by evictions—Mokulua Island and Waiāhole–Waiʻalae—were also arranged, through the solidarity and aloha of these communities, and more than 50 youths took advantage of those great opportunities to learn first-hand about those inspiring struggles.

From these discussions and activities, the Congress was able to address and come to terms with many of the real issues and problems young people are up against, uniting behind “ACTION for change”—the theme and purpose of this fourth Youth Congress.

The first Youth Congress in 1970 played a major role in building the youth and student movement and launching anti-eviction struggles such as Kalama Valley. The second Youth Congress in November 1974, in Kaneohe, helped sum up some of the major struggles which were going on, and linked the workers’ and land movements to the need for a strong youth movement. The third Youth Congress on Molokai, and a later rally and workshop sponsored by the Niihau–Nawiliwili Tenants’ Association on Kauai spread the influence of the Youth Congress and its conclusions more broadly among neighbor island youth, especially those most threatened by disappearings and community evictions.

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Building upon the unity and relationships forged at these earlier Youth Congress workshops and conferences, including a planning workshop on Oahu in the spring of 1976, delegates to Youth Congress IV were able to unite around a strong program opposing all evictions and pledging full support to the threatened communities; fighting for more jobs and higher wages and resisting cutbacks in unemployment pay and welfare; completely changing the education system to make the schools serve the students and the people; and ending military control of land in Hawaii and U.S. military and economic domination over other countries and other peoples, particularly in the Pacific.

To accomplish these ends, Youth Congress delegates set up a follow-up committee which planned and held a 4-day organizing workshop on Molokai. From that workshop, Heal Imi Pono no Hawaii was formed as a state-wide youth organization to carry on the work of the Congress as advocates of youth and of social change.

Land and Housing Struggles

The Youth Congress delegates overwhelmingly approved these proposals:

No Evictions

We SUPPORT the people of Wai'ahole-Waikane, Chinatown, Molokai and all communities facing evictions, and forced relocations, and we will stand with them in their time of need. Stop all court proceedings against residents and tenants.

We believe in a people's law that says: "NO PERSON CAN HARM A WHOLE COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE FOR THE SAKE OF THEIR OWN PRIVATE PROFIT!"

Return the Land

We FAVOR winning the land back stolen from the people of Hawaii, not just being paid reparations for the loss.

We DEMAND the return of Kahoolawe and other lands held by the military which could be put into productive use or used for low-cost housing; we don’t want our lands used to hurt other peoples in the world.

Housing We Can Afford

We SAY improve the housing that exists now, and build low-cost housing. Enough of the high-priced junk that we cannot afford! Stop profiteering and speculation in housing, and build the kind of housing people want and can buy. We want controls on the amount of rent people have to pay.

Action Network

We want a youth organization to give us a communication network we can use to get the word around and mobilize youth and others when we are needed to support land and housing struggles. (See also “The Way Forward,” p.14)
War, The Military, and Pacific Peoples' Struggles

"We say we won't fight another rich man's war, like Vietnam. We want defense monies spent on the needs of the people both here and overseas, not on weapons and bombs. We support the independence and land struggle movements in Micronesia and other islands and countries. We say hands off these peoples—let them decide their own futures."

The Youth Congress strongly urged the return of lands held by the military, especially the island of Kahoolawe. Dr. Emmett Aluli addressed the Congress and moved the delegates with the passion and reason of his words, and his clear love for the "aina" (land).

"We have to work for the day that our beautiful islands like Kahoolawe are not subjected to ravages and bombings that destroy their beauty and render them useless—not only for the sake of the aina and the Hawaiian people, but to stop these lands from being used to hurt other peoples in other lands which might be targeted for these bombs," Aluli declared.

Ian Lind's slide show presentation on the nuclear arsenal of the US and the storage of nuclear weapons on Oahu really shook up many delegates—as did the words of Salvadoran Katonang, a young, committed Palauan graduate student at the University of Hawaii who spoke against the proposed oil super-port in Palau which would wreck the beautiful reefs there and destroy the people's way of life. She also criticized the US military's plan for using Micronesian land for more bases and weapons testing.

Group A report passed overwhelmingly by full Youth Congress delegation.

Carl Young, a native of Hawaii but now a resident of Guam, presented a well-researched slide show on ruling class and corporate connections and plans in the Pacific region, linking up developments there with some of the problems and "bosses" we face in Hawaii.

The moving presentations from this panel brought strong support from the delegates and at the conclusion of the Congress a series of resolutions were passed which are printed below. The Congress proposals on Land and Housing and on Education also contained suggestions on the role of the military in Hawaii. For instance, Jessie "Yasu" Parinas from Lanai, in summing up his discussion group, urged the return of all military lands for agricultural and recreational uses, and felt students would turn to working for that in school and outside of school. Byron from Kona, an active delegate from Hālau Hōoponopono School supported the fight for the return of Kahoolawe.
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED
on the Military and the Pacific

For a Nuclear-Free Pacific

Youth Congress IV supports the strong stands taken by the April, 1975, Conference for a Nuclear-Free Pacific (held in Suva, Fiji), representing people's organizations from 22 Pacific and Pacific-rim nations, against the Western colonial powers (France, Britain, U.S.) continued domination of Pacific countries. We of the Youth Congress resolve to support and work together with others in the Pacific region towards the goal of a Nuclear-Free Pacific.

On the U.S. Military Plans for Tinian Island

WHEREAS the U.S. military has made public its plans to build a joint Navy/Air Force base on Tinian, in the Marianas Islands (Trust Territory of Micronesia); and

WHEREAS two-thirds of Tinian's prime agricultural land will be taken by the military for the base; and

WHEREAS thousands of alien personnel will have to be brought in to operate the base, and the base will have economically and socially devastating effects on the present small island populations; and

WHEREAS the Tinian people have opposed these U.S. plans for a base since they became public in 1973, and plans to partition the Trust Territory and make the Northern Marianas a U.S. Commonwealth would further these plans,

THEREFORE the Youth Congress IV, representing many of Hawaii's youth and people's organizations, unites with the Tinian people's struggle against the base and demands that the U.S. military stop all plans to construct a base on Tinian at any time—and to cease all plans to carve up Micronesia, annexing more territory to the U.S.

STOP THE PALAU SUPERPORT

WHEREAS the Japanese and American big business interests want to see a huge oil supertanker port built in Palau, Micronesia; and

WHEREAS the pollution resulting from the construction and operation of the superport will destroy the reefs and the marine life from which the people of Palau make their living; and

WHEREAS the Save Palau Organization was formed in Palau with broad support from the people to oppose the superport because of its potentially damaging social, economic and environmental costs,

THEREFORE, Youth Congress IV resolves to strongly support the Save Palau Organization and to stand with them in their struggle against the superport.

“...we must defend our lands for the sake of the people... not for weapons and bombs... Return military-held lands to the people, for productive use.”

Suggestive Kusmorong, a Palauan woman, strongly opposed the oil superport and U.S. military plans in Micronesia.
Education and Our Schools

Kalani Obelo, a young organizer from Palolo who has been active in many struggles in Hawaii, who is currently a youth outreach worker for the Nuuauu YMCA, addressed the Congress on problems in the education system. He stressed that "the education problem is a class problem," and that the class struggle is the main feature of America. A panel of youth from Molokai, Molokai, and Oahu reacted to Kalani's remarks, stating problems in their schools. Kalani summed up:

"The education system divides us all, by race and class. Much of the material we get in school is full of bullsh*t. They don't really teach us about ourselves or how we have fought for and built everything we have and all we see in this society. It's time for our people to begin writing our own literature, our own texts and schoolbooks."

"The education system must be changed to teach us our true history—not to brainwash us." —Kalani Obelo

On Teachers and Working Together:

The Kind of Teachers We Need

With cuts in the State budget, classes are getting larger and larger, and teachers are fewer. We need more teachers who are really committed to the students and the community. Teachers must be re-educated to develop every youth's potential and not just pass the buck so that many of our youth do not read and write. If the teacher cannot communicate with the youth, she or he should not blame the youth, but look at the kind of teaching first.

Right to Evaluate Teachers

Teachers are to serve the student. Students do not go to school to serve the teacher, but to learn. Students should have the right to evaluate their teachers so incompetent teachers can be replaced.

"Education today is oriented to the past, not the future. We've gotta make students want to come to school, have more choice in Hawaiian culture and history, and learn to work with our own hands." —Eric Wynn

The youth panel on education and youth mobilizing for change included: Trevor Wang (Kamehameha-olde), Joseph Aiaha, Leilani Obelo, and Marie Lane (Kauai).
Jobs, Income and Immigrants

One discussion group, led by Job Corps delegates Leni Mataele and Scott Kouch, talked about jobs, runaway plantations, unemployment, and immigrants. Here are their group's recommendations which were approved by voice votes of the full Congress:

1. Stop plantation shut-downs on Molokai. Youth and workers take the lead to defend every job and stop these runaway plantations. We must and do support the Hawaiians' demands — access to the beaches, more farm lands, and return of military-held lands.

2. Fight for guarantees that any new development approved or built (like Kaulakoi on Molokai) should hire the local people first for construction and on-going employment.

3. Demand jobs for youth and all unemployed, more job training programs, special job-oriented schools for drop-outs, more relevant education in our schools — education that teaches us our true history, prepares us for our future, and doesn't put us down.

4. Full unemployment pay at a living rate for all unemployed, whether they ever worked before or not, as long as they're looking for work, for the whole period of unemployment, not just three months or so, higher welfare benefits, stop all attacks on unemployment compensation and welfare payments. Jobs or income for all!

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"We've gotta run our unions when we start work, and refuse to build housing we can't afford. If they hassle us, we'll strike. We gotta make union leaders do what we want, and stop bulldozers from knocking down our homes, the way the Waialu-Walkane people have done.

— Philip Gentry

On Immigrants:

We do not see immigrants or aliens as our enemies, but as victims like us. They are not to blame for the lack of jobs and housing. It's the system that is screwed up, by those on top. We must fight for jobs with decent wages for all unemployed, local people as well as immigrants. We must not wear ourselves out and weaken our movement fighting each other. Because we face the same problem and the same enemy, we should unite and fight.

Another discussion group added these good proposals:

"Add more job training courses at the high school and community college level. (More nursing courses suggested, for instance.)

"Equal opportunity for both sexes and all races — in jobs, pay, respect for language, culture and differences.

"Stop speed-ups and wage-cutting moves. Students should support workers' struggles for better pay, working conditions and more staffing. We need to have more jobs, and workers now on the job are often over-worked. Workers, students and the unemployed should work together and fight for their common goals.

Lei Mataele, Job Corps student from Tonga, addresses the Youth Congress delegates on jobs and unemployment.

5. Make the government spend money to create jobs, diversify our economy, build up agriculture, the fishing industry and light industry so we have a better trade balance and are more self-sufficient. Tourism is not a stable basis for our economy. When conditions get bad, tourists aren't gonna come, and hotel rooms will be empty, and many people will be out of work. And you can't eat concrete and hotel rooms. The world is hungry, and we can grow and export our good local foods.

6. Cut back military spending and wasting money building huge bombs and weapons systems that threaten our lives as well and are only meant to scare other people into doing the bidding of the same rich people who boss us around; use the money saved for education, jobs, health, and welfare.

7. Raise the minimum wage from $2.40 an hour to $3.50 or $4.00.

8. Workers refuse to build what we cannot afford and strikes if necessary to back each other up. If trade union leaders oppose us, fight to control our unions, and make them fighting organizations of their members. Be active in the unions. Organize the unorganized, and make our unions fight for us.

"Immigrants aren't our enemies. They're the same like us. We're all human beings and workers. We can't let our side be divided."

— Stacy Kelima

"This sign sums up the anxieties of the plantation workers at Honolulu, on Molokai — 'What Now, People of O'ahu?'

Carpenter Soli Nisuse has been a great speaker at a meeting of Youth Congress conference.

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What Did You Learn In School Today?

The following is a song performed at Youth Congress IV by the May Day Dancers—a group organized to take the lessons we have learned in our struggles and develop them into a powerful cultural weapon to challenge the system and take a stand.

What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
I learned that brave men never cry
I learned that everybody’s free
In this great democracy
That’s what I learned in school today,
That’s what I learned in school.
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
I learned that Hawaii was discovered by Cook
And the missionaries came and taught us by the Book
Teaching ‘love thy neighbor’ is a mighty goal
And in return they took our land
That’s what I learned in school today,
That’s what I learned in school.
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
I learned that police use my friends
I learned that justice never ends
I learned that murderers die for their crimes
Even if they make a mistake sometimes.
That’s what I learned in school today,
That’s what I learned in school.
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
What did you learn in school today, dear child of mine?
I learned that war is not so bad
I learned about the great ones we have had
We fought in Korea and Vietnam
And we could have saved them with one big bomb

What did you learn in the world today,
Dear child of mine?
What did you learn in the world today,
Dear child of mine?
I learned that the struggle is everywhere
In the schools and at work there are people who dare
To challenge the system and take a stand
In Unity WE KNOW WE CAN!
THE WAY FORWARD

The Land and Housing discussion group led by Phillip Gernier, Coco Needham, and Lisa Hanberry led the Congress in a "great leap forward" with its strong recommendation that a statewide youth organization be formed to be an advocate for youth and to get communication going on all the important issues the Congress took up. They proposed calling the organization a Hawaiian name such as "Youth Advocate," and getting it chartered and incorporated. Officers would be elected, and a steering committee formed with representatives from each island.

The main headquarters, they suggested, would be in Honolulu, which would serve as the communications center, with each island sending in information. The Honolulu office would gather all the information and mail or phone it back to all the members. "In this way we feel we can help each other out in all issues and struggles. For example, if Waialawe-Waikane needs more support or more petitions signed, we could get the word out, and gather support from every island, not only from Honolulu," Coco pointed out.

This organization would also be able to represent the youth who have little or no representation today. Adults would play only an advisory role in the new organization.

After some discussion of this idea, the proposal was passed unanimously, and a date set for an organizational meeting on the island of Molokai to hammer out a plan and structure for the new organization—which soon came to be named "Hui Ilimi Pono no Hawaii"—Organization for Hawaii's Rights.

(See also report on Molokai meeting and afterward.)

"We've gotta take all this seriously, and be willing to fight and die for our goals and beliefs. Otherwise, it's just waste-time. We've been carrying the rich for 200 years. Now it's time we form a third force, a third "government." Today we get the present government, the first government, the rich people's government... and the syndicate, the second government. What we need today is a third force, or government, by the people, for the people, and of the people, to sweep these other two governments away.

Building this force, this people's movement, is what we all gotta do—take our ideas out, educate and mobilize others, little by little building our forces and growing stronger. It won't happen overnight, but this Congress could be a powerful beginning."

Introduction of Report to Youth Congress
by Leni Mataele and Scott Keough
Hui Imi Pono No Hawaii

Twenty-seven young people from five different islands converged on Molokai from July 15-19 to meet and form a new statewide youth organization. The informal five-day meeting was spent campsing out at two parks on Molokai and planning sessions and discussions were held on the beach, under the trees, and at campsites.

Naming the group Hui Imi Pono No Hawaii (group seeking rights/rightness for Hawaii), the Molokai representatives united around a strong action program calling for: 1) stopping the Del Monte pineapple phase-out on Molokai; 2) supporting the Waiahole-Waikane struggle and other anti-eviction fights; 3) challenging the education system—to make the schools be for the students, not the administration and teachers; and 4) setting up inter-island communications by forming Hui Imi Pono branches on each island and printing a regular newsletter.

Oahu was named as the central office for coordinating these actions throughout the islands. A steering committee was elected from the Oahu representatives with the other islands having 2 representatives each on the steering committee's board.

The way forward...

The group emphasized the reasons for continuing work around these goals: "We have to stop the Del Monte phase-out because it is going to put a lot of us out of jobs and the only other places to find work will be in hotels or off-island—which means encouraging tourism that will destroy the way we live on Molokai. Besides, tourism isn't a stable base for our economy."

Hui Imi Pono Priorities for Action

On the Waiahole-Waikane struggle, the group stressed, in the words of Koni Batelona:

"The valleys of Waiahole and Waikane are the roots for guys like you and me... folks who want to see the land perpetuated in righteousness, not corrupted by buildings and high priced living.

"The landlord says they have the right to take us off the land since the "law is the law." Imagine, just paperwork makes the laws. Laws, but what about us? What makes people and the land as how it is today? So we ain't moving! And we need everyone to support us."

From Fay Hidalgo’s discussion group came this position on education:

"What we learn in school doesn't prepare us for the real world. We don't learn about our true history and culture. Instead we're taught how to fit into this system and when we ask questions we're told 'don't rock the boat.' The only way to change this is to organize ourselves and make the schools meet our needs.”

On communication, Giff Johnson, the elected President, stressed, "By keeping in touch, with our newsletter and inter-island communications, we'll be able to support each other and fight to defend the rights of the people of Hawaii, especially the youth.”

Koni Batelona speaks for Hui Imi Pono in support of the Ethnic Studies program at the University of Hawaii. "I can say it's right, right, right what you're doing," Koni told the U.S. staff, "and we hope you will keep it up. We're behind you all the way.

Officers Elected

The Hui Imi Pono No Hawaii officers, besides Giff Johnson, included Coco Needham (Vice-President), Leroy Baba (Secretary), Scott Kough (At-Large), and Glenn Pasadera (Treasurer). Fay Hidalgo will serve as an advisor.
The Birth of Hui Imi Pono No Hawaii

Serious discussions were made at the organizational meeting on Molokai for the new statewide youth group.

Hui Imi Pono Molokai Workshop,
July 15 to 18, 1976

Hours and hours spent on getting to know each other and building an organization, a movement from that knowledge and trust.

"Gotta get palms to speak up and fight for a future, especially on Molokai. The adults all think we're nuts. Lots of them have given up. But we cannot just lie down and die, or be forced to leave our island. We have to fight for jobs—and access to our beaches—and we'll hope you'll help us."

—Anita Talio, Molokai

The Molokai meeting took place outdoors at a beach park. Above, the Puaolea and Fei Hidaka led a discussion group on a program for Hui Imi Pono No Hawaii.
Quotations and Evaluations

"The rich people need raw materials, resources to get money and power. That’s why they want and need a big military."
—Leni Mataele

"We’ve gotta make a law which says no person can do harm to one whole community just to make money, like with evictions and plantation shut-downs."
—Scott Keough

"If a person gets to be too rich, and it’s hurting the community. If the man is too rich and is hurting the community then we got to deal with him, like they’re doing with Joe Pasc. We’ve gotta let these people know they’re not going to make their profits by taking our land."
—Leroy Dabahuz

"You get a feeling of solidarity, of being close and of being friendly to each other."
—Cecile Needham

"Old people, or adults, are not our enemies. As a group they are hardly represented any more in the community."
—Koki Kihara

"The youth of Waikiki is organizing, and that’s what we need to do. The youth of Waikiki is organizing, and we have to support them."
—Rochelle Kekuewa

"We need to define adult and youth. Like always, the adults tend to dominate discussions."
—Fay Hidalgo

"I learned more at this Congress than I did in a whole school year."
—Lisa Hanberry

"We’ve gotten to the point where we’ve got to do something. We’ve gotta look at the root of the problems."
—Janet Oyama

"Micronesians can learn from Hawaii’s experience, and so can Tongans. We cannot allow foreign ownership of our lands, or open our doors wide to the military and foreign businessmen—or we’ll be lost."
—Leni Mataele

"What we got done at the meetings was good—everybody got a little bit of what they wanted and are now ready to begin the fight for change. Now everybody knows each other’s feelings and about what is happening around the island."
—Carrie K. Palama (Kauai)

"I feel as a member of Youth Congress, that it gives me the courage to fight for our islands, and lands that we need to survive in."
—Herbert Udall

"I love Kauai and the rest of the Hawaiian Islands and I care a lot about what is happening and I hope we fight hard enough to win!"
—Rochelle Kekuewa

"We the people of Youth Congress will accomplish our goals if the people will support and back us up."
—Leroy Dabahuz

"Everybody was there and I wanted us to do something."
—Pauline Brighter

"I didn’t think Youth Congress accomplished its goals... but like someone said, we just planted the seeds."
—Koki Batala

"Should plan proposals and follow up sooner than the last day. That way we can really put it into action."
—Anonymous

"We need to define adult and youth. Like always, the adults tend to dominate discussions..."
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Youth Congress IV Delegates

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Wanda Koiva
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Colin Kurata
Dennis Lambert
Maia Lanu
Greg Lau
Terry Lee
Polly Lee
Raddy Lono
Joyce Lorenzo
Gloria Lucas
Beverly Lum
Kat Lum
Robert Mathews
Leni Matsue
Daviana Melger
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SCHOOLS:
Castle High School
Central Intermediate
Dole Intermediate
Farrington High School
Hale o Hoomaluhia School
Hawaii Job Corps
Honolulu Community College
Kahului High School
Kalihi Intermediate
Kailua-Kona School
Kamehameha Schools
Kaaawa Community College
Kauai High School
Kawananakoa School
Kaneohe High School
Kapolei High School
Kawainui Community College
Kaimuki High School
Kamehameha Schools
Kaneohe High School
Kaneohe High School
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Waiakolu High School

Sherman Napolea
Chris Navaro
Coco Navas
Florence Neveza
Candice Neveza
Mae Ahil
Donna Nunes
Janice Ojito
Hanao Ojito
Kalani Ojito
Lincoln Oki
Lona Onori
Joan Olen
Joel Oyama
Annette Pacalin
Kathleen Pacific
Carrie Palma
Jesse Paman
Dana Park
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Aki Park
Glen Park
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ORGANIZATIONS:
For Alternatives for Youth
American Friends Service Committee
Ethnic Studies Program, UH-Manoa
Farm Workers Support Committee
Friends of the Filipino People
Guam United with Micronesian Assn.
Hui O Ilima Hale
Job Corps Student Council
Kahuna Village Youth Council
Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board No. 15
Koaholalani Teen Club
May Day Dancers
Micronesian Support Committee
Moe Kaua Fishermen
Molokai Student Task Force
Molokai Youth Congress
No Ho Pau Kaluhi-Waikine
Niuaua-Waikine-Teragui Assn. (Kauai)
Office & Professional Employees International
Unions, AFL-CIO Local 660
Okina O Maka hely (Kauai)
Opihi Ohana
People Against Chinese Exclusion (PACE)
People's Fund, Inc.
Protect Kauai Hawaii Association
Third Arm
Union of Democratic Filipinos (KOP)
Waikiki-Waikiki Community Assn.
Youth Action, Inc.

To assist youth in organizing for social change, we include a list of some of the resources available in our community—some of which we used for our last Congress.

**Films, Slideshows, Speakers and Resources**

Eco-Book Program: Landmarks, 547 Hulaakoolo St., Rm. 216, Hon. 94813 (ph. 536-4945)

American Civil Liberties Union: Defends constitutional and political rights of groups and individuals. Literature: student rights, speakers. Site, 218, 217 S. King St., Hon. 94113 (ph. 338-7176)

American Friends Service Committee: Community organization—speakers, films and slides shown are for educational and general awareness information. Especially good: "Hunger in Hawaii." Site, 2326 Ohau Ave., Hon. 94814 (ph. 567-2270)

Committee for Justice for the Reineis: Community committee which works toward the recertification of action takers in 1969. Speakers available.

Committee for Justice for the Reineis: Community committee which works toward the recertification of action takers in 1969. Speakers available.

Friends of the Filipino People: Community group opposing martial law and U.S. domination in the Philippines. Literature: speakers, slide show, community events. Literature, national organization. Site, 1004 Kamehameha Hwy., Kailua, Kailua, Kailua (Kauai), (ph. 941-2376)

Hawaiian Coalition of Native Claims: Coalition of Hawaiian groups working for reclamation of land rights as compensation from U.S. Government (Kal Pau, R. H. Kauai). Literature: speakers, slide show, community events. Literature, national organization. Site, 404 S. King St., Hon. 94814 (ph. 337-9525)

Hula Ho'i-a: Anti-eviction community struggle in woodward Ohau. Speakers, slides. Site, Kailua-Kona, Hilo. Literature, national organization. Site, 204 Kamehameha Hwy., Kailua, Kailua, Kailua (Kauai), (ph. 941-2376).
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