

Mālama Hawai'i

High School Hikers exists to provide a program through which high school students can experience the many different forms of environmental protection, perpetuation, and advocacy. By doing so we give them the tools with which they may best decide how to *Malama* (cherish) Hawai'i's spectacular natural resources.



Hikers enjoy a Moloka'i waterfall.



Students help rebuild a native Hawaiian fishpond.

Help *Malama* Hawai'i...
Join the Sierra Club's
High School Hikers!



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High School Hikers Program

The Sierra Club's Hawai'i Chapter has been helping to develop such environmental advocates since 1971, the year it first implemented its High School Hikers Program. Through this program, over 10,000 young people of Hawai'i have learned how to be responsible environmental stewards through hikes, camping trips, community service projects, and other activities designed to promote an appreciation of the natural world and to illustrate the need for its protection.

GOAL:

To create strong environmental advocates for the state of Hawai'i by providing opportunities for local high school students to become educated about this fragile ecosystem and involved in its protection.

Background

The Sierra Club High School Hikers Program began with just three Oahu high schools in 1971. Since then, more than 25 Oahu and neighbor island schools have participated in this exemplary environmental education program.



Students help build a new *lo'i* (Hawaiian taro patch).

The Program

Each participating school is provided a Sierra Club hike leader and a blend of environmental inter-school activities throughout the school year. The schools in turn provide a student managed club and a faculty advisor.

*This program **provides key opportunities** for teenagers to meet and socialize with others their age, allowing them to learn and practice environmental conservation as a positive peer-group activity.*

Events & Projects

Fall Hiker's Workshop

Introduces our young environmentalists to various activities including camping and hiking skills, native flora and fauna, Hawaiian crafts, and first aid skills.

Halloween Camp

A great opportunity for students to enhance their camping skills while interacting with others in an enjoyable evening program.

Ecology Camp

Students and adults are introduced to a wider range of environmental programs and activities designed to deepen their knowledge, experience, and appreciation of our island home.

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