

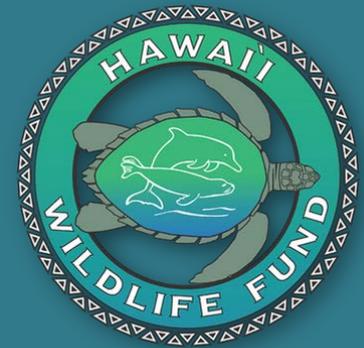


HAWAI'I WILDLIFE FUND

PROTECTING NATIVE WILDLIFE IN HAWAI'I

Aloha from HWF!

Together with thousands of volunteers over two decades, we have saved more than **11,000 endangered hawksbill and green sea turtle hatchlings**, protected hundreds of basking green turtles, recovered miles of sensitive native coastal habitat (by **removing over 375 tons of marine debris**, protecting native and endemic plants, and restoring native wildlife), hosted six symposia (including one this year focused on **anchialine pool fauna**), trained hundreds of marine naturalists and interns, reached over **4,250 students** on three islands since 2014, assisted in setting local, national and international marine conservation policy, educated more than a million people about ocean and coastal habitats... and so much more!



As we continue to move forward as leaders in Hawai'i conservation efforts, we'd like to share projects we have successfully completed in 2022.

Without the help of our volunteers and donors, none of this would have been possible!

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Hawai'i Wildlife Fund Team

Highlights from our work in 2022



HATHLINGS EMERGING ON MAUI

- Monitored and protected 3 suspected hawksbill (honu'ea) and 3 green sea turtle nests (honu) on Maui during the 2022 nesting season, 4 of which hatched out successfully, resulting in 255 green turtle hatchlings and an unknown number of hawksbills.

Two of the hawksbill nests were false nests, and we were unable to locate the third nest after it hatched out, despite a heroic effort by our Hana community members watching this nest.

- This is our 12th year protecting a resident metapopulation of approximately 200 green turtles at Ho'okipa Maui while simultaneously educating the public.



CHERYL KING RELEASES A WEDGE-TAILED SHEARWATER THAT HAD BEEN DISORIENTED BY LIGHTS. PC: MAUI NUI SEABIRD RECOVERY PROJECT

- Settled our lawsuit against Maui County to prevent illegally installed streetlights from causing the deaths of seabirds and sea turtles, and participated in the passing of a county lighting ordinance to reduce the threat of light pollution to wildlife and human health.



KA'Ū HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEERS CLEAN ANCHIALINE POOL

- Continued to host wetland workdays at various estuaries (fishponds and anchialine habitat) in Ka'ū with the support of local NGO partners and schools.
- Continued to clean marine debris off beaches that are important wildlife habitat, and recovered over 21,000 pounds (during 65 cleanups YTD) with over 3,100 logged volunteer hours.

Flora Restoration & International Symposium



PĀ'Ū O HI'IAKA PAINTING BY JOAN YOSHIOKA
AS SHARED IN LĀ'AU LETTERS: NATIVE PLANTS OF KA'Ū

- Continued to remove invasive plants from along the banks of two coastal wetlands, and within 500 acres of coastal vegetation in the Ka'ū Forest Reserve (Hawai'i).
- Helped remove invasive fish (guppies and tilapia) from 5 native anchialine pool habitats in Kona.
- Hosted biweekly native seed collection workdays which provided seeds from over 20 different dry forest and coastal plants for future restoration efforts with the Hawai'i Island Seed Bank partnership.
- Helped a South Kona community save and grow out seeds from endangered loulu palm trees (*Pritchardia maideniana*).
- Scattered native coastal seeds we had previously collected over a fire-impacted landscape in Ka'ū.
- Added to our collection of *Lā'au Letters: Native Plants of Ka'ū* posts, [in our blog](#).



The 5th International Symposium on Anchialine Ecosystems

HWF and partners hosted this event in Kailua-Kona, from November 3rd – 5th!

We welcomed more than 125 scientists, resource managers, students, and community members from around the world to learn more about the beauty, fragility, and importance of anchialine pools.

Find out more about this symposium on [our blog post](#).



'ŌPAE 'ŪLA, OR TINY RED ANCHIALINE POOL SHRIMP, BY LINDSEY KRAMER

Hawai'i Wildlife Discovery Center & Environmental Education



This holiday season give the gift of a sea turtle or other marine animal adoption!

Your donation to **Hawai'i Wildlife Fund** will contribute to the survival and protection of Hawaii's native wildlife and coastal habitats by supporting our research, education and conservation programs.

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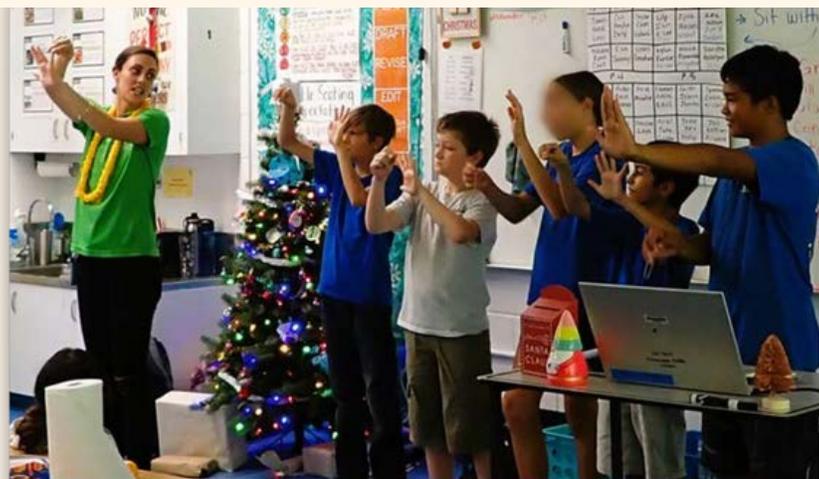
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HAWAII WILDLIFE DISCOVERY CENTER

- Hosted over 20,000 people in our **Hawai'i Wildlife Discovery Center** on Maui (opened October 2021), inspiring visitors and residents to learn more about our native wildlife and Hawaiian cultural values.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WITH HWF STAFF, 2022

- Expanded our Environmental Education activities, including a virtual huaka'i to Kamilo, created 'āina-based learning curriculum at Ka'ehu, Maui, and hosted a dozen undergraduate interns from UH Hilo and other colleges on Hawai'i Island and Maui during the 2021-22 school year. We are gearing up for a busy 2022-23 school year with classroom visits implemented and more planned on two islands.