



# *The Plantation Peacock*

MARCH 2025

**Welcome to our community newsletter with the latest updates and insights:**

- Exclusive interview with the newly appointed board president, Lyn Kaaihue
- Upcoming infrastructure projects to enhance community facilities and services
- Innovative weatherization initiatives aimed at boosting energy efficiency
- Exciting new vending machine selections
- Board member contact information for easier communication

<https://makahavalleyplantation.org/owners-portal/>

# Project Updates

## WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM



The Weatherization Program offers eligible households energy-efficient upgrades such as LED lightbulbs, smart power strips, low-flow fixtures, and energy-efficient appliances like refrigerators and stoves—all at no cost. This income-based program, available to both owners and renters (with owner approval), helps save money by improving energy efficiency. The process involves an application, a home walkthrough to assess needs, and free installation of the necessary equipment. The estimated time from approval to completion is about two months. To make it easy for our community, MVP has scheduled a session for applications on Thursday, March 27th, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM and 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM at Kiana Cabana.

- Applications are available on the portal or they can be picked up at the front office

## HEAT PUMP/WATER HEATER UPDATE



The functioning of our water heaters and ensuring everyone has access to hot water continues to be our top priority. Due to the complexity of replacing the water tanks across the entire complex, it took some time to assess and research if existing equipment could be sourced and replaced or if a redesign of the systems and spaces was necessary. We are pleased to share that we've been able to source the replacement equipment. This should make the project simpler and reduce the scope for the contractor to manage. With a clearer picture, we will now get quotes for this scenario and will bring a proposal forward to the board. Lynn, Trey and Jodie have been advancing this work.

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## REPLACEMENT WINDOWS FOR JALOUSIES



The Window Replacement Committee has made significant progress in selecting a contractor for our window upgrade project. After careful consideration, the committee has narrowed it down to two reputable companies that design, manufacture, and install windows.

Both companies are preparing detailed bids, which will be ready for Board review by March 21, 2025. Once the Board approves the selected window option, all condo owners will be informed of the details.

At that time, owners will have the opportunity to replace their jalousie windows with the approved window option at their own expense and on their own schedule.

## HOT TUB & POOL UPDATE



The Kiana Jacuzzi project is on hold pending approval from the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP). Contractor Marmol Hawaii has submitted a permit application requiring detailed plans and an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP). A meeting was held on March 14, 2025, where the contractor requested original stamped jacuzzi drawings, which the Board and office staff are working to provide. The Board appreciates your patience during this process.

### WiFi details:

- Ala Mahiku Pool: MySpectrumWiFi09-5G, Password: Watchgrain625
- Kiana Pool: MySpectrumWiFi24-5G, Password: formalocean851





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## VENDING MACHINES



New vending machines have been set up outside the office. Residents participated in voting for the items to be included. The company will keep track of sales and make replacements as needed. Keep an eye out for a poll to express your preferences for specific items you'd like to see in the vending machines.

## PROPERTY ACCESS (ENTRANCE/EXIT GATES AND POOLS)



Our security gates are currently malfunctioning and need replacement. We are considering various solutions, including replacing the existing gates and pool access system, as well as software options that automate access requests and provide a direct interface for owners.

We are obtaining quotes for new gates and evaluating software solutions suggested by Touchstone. Once our research is complete, we will share our findings and present recommendations to the board. Jodie and Trey are spearheading this effort and will keep the community informed as we progress.

## Something not quite right? We're here to help...

Noticing a crack near your sliding doors, a loose upright on your lanai, or water seeping into your unit during heavy rain? These issues can sometimes go unnoticed with a simple visual inspection but can cause bigger problems over time. If you see something, please report it! It's always better to address these issues early. Send photos and a description of the problem to [chester@touchstoneproperties-hawaii.com](mailto:chester@touchstoneproperties-hawaii.com), and we'll make sure it gets added to the "to-do" list for prompt attention.



# MEET THE BOARD

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**Welcome to the  
New President of  
MVP Owners  
Association**

We're thrilled to announce the appointment of our new President of the MVP Owners Association! In this engaging Q&A, we delve into the motivations, values, and vision that guide our new leader, along with their plans for fostering a vibrant and inclusive community.

**[Read more ->](#)**

# MAKAHA VALLEY PLANTATION INFORMATION

## Access Important Documents Anytime

Need a copy of the house rules, bylaws, meeting minutes, or master insurance certificate? Great news! All of these documents are available on our website and owner's portal:

<https://makahavalleyplantation.org/owners-portal/> If you don't have an account, just contact the office, and they'll help you get set up!

## Office Location:

- Address: 84-786 Ala Mahiku Street, Waianae, HI 96792
- Phone: (808) 695-9566
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## Social Committee

In Hawai'i, connection and community—known as pilina—are at the heart of life. Celebrating together and sharing stories are key parts of the culture, and we want to bring that spirit to our community here in Makaha Valley Plantations

We're excited to launch a new social committee to strengthen our bond and create more opportunities for everyone to connect. Whether you've been here for years or just moved in, this committee will help foster a sense of 'ohana through events and gatherings. Please be on the lookout for an upcoming survey where you can share your ideas and preferences. Let's come together and keep our community thriving!

Some event ideas include:

- MVP beach party
- Aloha market with resident swap meet and food trucks
- Food truck night
- Pot luck pupu happy hour once a month with wine, setups
- Promotion of local events/ local businesses/community businesses
- Craft and Game Events - Paint & Sip, Trivia, Music Trivia, Karaoke, etc
- Educational events: CPR, cultural presentations/dinners, surf lessons, SUP lessons
- Holiday parties
- Book/Movie/Game exchanges

If you are interested in participating on the social committee please email [mvpcommunicationcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:mvpcommunicationcommittee@gmail.com)

## Local Business

We value community and support for local businesses in Makaha Valley Plantations. To uplift local entrepreneurs, we will be conducting a survey in the next newsletter to identify residents with businesses or services. Whether you run a small shop or offer goods, we want to highlight and support you! Stay tuned as we create a network to keep resources within our community and help our neighbors thrive!