

## Spring Workshop Offerings

Since 2002, our workshops have been designed to help organizers plan successful community projects, find funding, and write proposals. This spring we're offering Building Budgets, Finding Funders and Writing Successful Proposals. Class dates will be set based on participant response.

The workshops are free to organizers of projects that have been accepted for fiscal sponsorship. Participants without our sponsorship may attend on a fee basis. Classes are held at our office on Akoni Pule Highway in Hawi. Please call the Center for more information or to register, 889-5523.



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## Coming Soon! NKCRC's 6th Annual Online Auction April 21 – May 1

We've switched it up a bit and are holding our annual online auction this spring! The launch date is Friday, April 21 at noon. Our annual auction always features varied and eclectic items including golf packages, adventure tours, dining certificates, jewelry, art, décor and more. It's a great way to have fun and support the Center!

If you'd like to receive e-mail reminders about the auction, please send your email address to: [megan@northkohala.org](mailto:megan@northkohala.org).

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A great way to love Kohala!

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## Happy 15th Birthday NKCRC!

Aloha Kakou,

When I think about how NKCRC started in a tiny office in the old Luke's Place with a volunteer staff, fifteen years ago, I am amazed at what we have accomplished. Over the years the Center moved to a bigger, more visible space and created a Welcome Center for our visitors. It has become a familiar place where community volunteers present and receive the guidance and support they need to make their projects successful. The Center has sponsored over 170 community projects, raised over 11.8 million dollars for North Kohala and trained over 220 folks in planning, fundraising and writing proposals. This is astonishing for a community of 6,300 people!

As the Executive Director for the past thirteen years, I am humbled and deeply proud to be a part of this meaningful work. Our dedicated staff, Juanita Rivera and Megan Solís, and our committed Board of Directors are a big reason for our success. Truly, *all* of Kohala has made this work possible. The hundreds of volunteers and donors who loyally support us year after year have kept us going. As we reach this significant milestone, I extend my sincere gratitude for your support and invite you to read the list of our 2016 donors, our Funders since 2002, and project organizer testimonials on the inside pages. Thank you for supporting the Center and all of our community projects.



Mahalo Nui,

*Christine*



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# How NKCRC Has Made a Difference in Kohala

Jamie Eversweet Belmarez, Keiki Yoga Kohala  
"I appreciate all that NKCRC does for the community, not just their service of Keiki



Yoga Kohala. I am grateful for the guidance I have received from Megan and Christine in grant writing and proposals; budget creation and maintenance; and fund sourcing. As a project coordinator, I am so fortunate to have your expertise and dedication so that I may focus on creatively directing Keiki Yoga Kohala."



Johnelle "Amoo" Kainoa, Kohala Unupa'a  
"If not for the Resource Center, my dreams of having this program to teach the keiki about their home -- Kohala -- would never have come true."

Leslie Nugent, North Kohala Eat Locally Grown  
"The professional support and services provided by the NKCRC have proven to be invaluable in enabling our project to excel to new levels of organization and funding. It is through the guidance, assistance and commitment of the thoughtful and efficient Resource Center staff that we are able to continue to offer meaningful services in our community."



Nani Svendsen, Konea 'O Kukui Garden Restoration  
"Being a sponsored project has enabled me to serve others beyond my capacity -- reaching schools and the public statewide in sharing the garden and the essence of Kohala's history and its values."



Kim Takata, Kohala Coqui Coalition  
"NKCRC has played a vital role in the battle to 'Keep Kohala Coqui Free.' Their expertise in raising funds and reputation for fiscal responsibility gives donors confidence in knowing their contributions benefit our community."



Joe and Kelly Vitorino, Kohala Youth Ranch  
"We could not have provided equine-assisted services for Kohala for five years without the support and guidance of the NKCRC. We stress leadership and teamwork in our program and not only do they lead the charge and vision for community service in Kohala, they are also truly part of our team. They provide the foundation for the backend operations and allow us to focus on what we do best."



Sharon Hayden, Kamehameha Statue Maintenance  
"They helped us receive the funding we needed to conserve our beloved statue. NKCRC is awesome!"



Sa'o Vaefaga, 'Ohua O Nā Kia'i No Nā Keiki O Ka 'Āina  
"With NKCRC's help we are able to perpetuate the dream of our kupuna, to continue to malama 'aina and to pass on the Ike kupuna to our keiki, the great knowledge of our ancestors. Thank you for all you do for our great land and people of Kohala."



Shay Van Zandt and Renee Perez, Kohala Ride Wild and 4-H Clubs  
"When we came to NKCRC we really needed help! In one year they have helped us secure a trailer, put on better fundraisers, and make a long term plan for keiki horsemanship and our animal rescue work in Kohala."

Kumulani Kaai, 2016 KHS Intern  
"My Kohala High School internship at NKCRC helped me so much with my work-study job at UH Hilo. Mahalo!"



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