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Aloha kākou!

Last month’s newsletter mentioned the presentation scheduled for May 18th and we are happy to report that it went quite well! We had a good mix of community members as President Steve Sparks shared the overall plans, the site development, and our goals to meet with state and local leaders for support.

There were some insightful questions and comments from attendees – some just hearing about the project for the first time, and some who were looking for updates. Overall, the presentation was a success, and we will plan more presentations to continue spreading the word. One excellent suggestion was to live-stream/record the meetings for those unable to attend. We will work on making this happen.

We need your help!

One big takeaway from our meeting was the need for additional fundraising. We do have grant options and some state funding, but we are a long way from our goal. Several ideas were floated at the presentation and several attendees expressed interest in working on a fundraising committee.

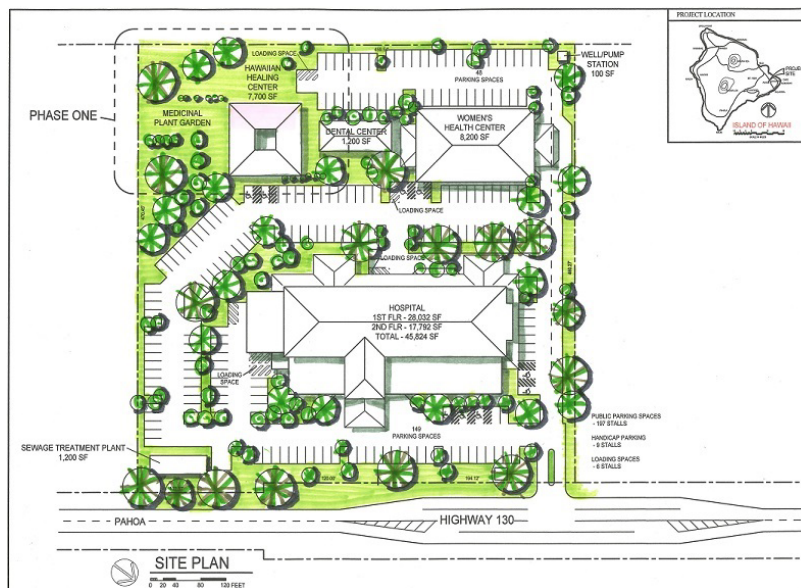
Some ideas:

- A mini-Ironman scheduled just prior to the main Kona event later this year
- A luau and concert
- Fundraising walks/runs
- Use your imagination!

We may be able to get some great sponsors for these events, and just need a couple of volunteers to lead the charge. Committee work is great for those who want to be involved but may not have time to spare long-term.

New Board Member

Earlier this month, we welcomed a new board member at our regular meeting. Neva Winter – owner of Winters Main Massage in Pahoa – was voted in unanimously. As a longtime Pahoa resident and business owner, Neva will provide valuable insight into our project. Welcome Neva!



For more information and updates, please visit our website: PCMCF.org (the site is currently undergoing some updates – thank you for your patience)

Mahalo for your kokua,

The Board of the Puna Community Medical Center Foundation