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Save the Reef orientation for volunteers at Puako

KAMUELA, Hawai'i—January 3, 2014—ReefTeach and Puako Makai Watch are seeking volunteers to educate visitors of Waialea Bay (Beach 69) and Paniau Beach in Puako about reef etiquette. An orientation for new volunteers will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, January 17, at Hukuloa Church, 1600 Puako Beach Dr.

Volunteers are needed to help save the reefs in the Puako area by educating visitors, swimmers, snorkelers, and divers on how to protect the delicate corals at these beaches and beyond. Healthy reefs are essential to the vitality and abundance of our marine life.

Volunteers set their own schedules and spend time at the beach!

To sign up for the training or for more information, please contact Cindi Punahaole at (808) 895-1010 or cpunahaole@kohalacenter.org or Makai Watch Ranger Randy Clarke at (808) 345-1345 or rpkclarke@hotmail.com.

Businesses and schools may contact Punahaole or Clarke for information on how to Adopt-a-Day for their team at Paniau or Waialea Bay.

ReefTeach is a volunteer program of [Kahalu'u Bay Education Center](#) and [The Kohala Center](#). The [Puako Makai Watch](#) program is organized by the community with assistance from the Department of Lands and Natural Resources (DLNR) and [The Nature Conservancy \(TNC\)](#).

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