



TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN THE OUTDOOR CIRCLE!

1. Improve Hawaii's quality of life.

The Outdoor Circle plants trees to improve our quality of life, build community spirit, encourage volunteers and to cool our communities. We have planted over half a million trees statewide! You can get involved by joining one of our many branches in communities from Kauai to Hawaii Island.



2. Teach citizens to be good environmental stewards.

The Outdoor Circle engages with schools and other community members and organizations to provide them a lifelong appreciation for Hawaii's environment. Join us in our educational outreach and tree planting programs to increase Hawaii's tree canopy and protect Hawaii's environment for future generations.



3. Protect historic trees.

The Outdoor Circle encourages the protection of rare and historic trees by nominating them for Exceptional Tree status. Contact us to find out how to receive a tax deduction for an Exceptional Tree on your property.



4. Promote open space and protect our scenic and natural resources.

The Outdoor Circle advocates for parks, playgrounds, and open space, and works to protect mauka-makai view planes, our watersheds and shorelines, and our historic, cultural, and natural resources. Today, as Hawaii experiences unprecedented growth and development, increasing environmental threats to our quality of life, and a declining urban tree canopy, our green and tree-shaded spaces become more than just beautiful, they are essential to the very well-being, economic viability, and livability of our communities.



5. Keep Hawaii billboard free.

Hawaii is one of only four states to ban billboards, thanks to the efforts of the Outdoor Circle! However, the battle against billboards and visual signage blight is an ongoing one that the Outdoor Circle continues to wage. Join us in our advocacy efforts to uphold Hawaii's exemplary outdoor signage laws and to protect Hawaii's urban and rural view corridors and scenic view planes.



6. Advocate for underground utility wiring.

thanks to The Outdoor Circle. The undergrounding of utility wiring protects our scenic environment and mitigates threats of severe weather and other environmentally destructive events.

7. Stay informed and get involved.

The Outdoor Circle and its branches regularly send out newsletters informing Hawaii's citizens about environment issues across the state. Members can get involved by joining one of our many branches in communities from Kauai to Hawaii Island or join at the Statewide level.

8. Voice your concerns.

The Outdoor Circle regularly fields calls and inquiries concerning trees, signs, inappropriate development, and other environmental issues. We welcome your input!

9. Keep Hawaii the #1 Health State

The benefits of trees to our health and well-being are well known. They provide beauty and cooling as well as clean our air, land and water and provide a sense of well-being. Join us in our efforts to increase Hawaii's tree canopy.

10. Protect Hawaii's environment for future generations.

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www.outdoorcircle.org/Membership.html



TO VOLUNTEER, VISIT:
www.outdoorcircle.org/Volunteer.html



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A Message from our Executive Director



I am delighted to share this issue of *The Greenleaf*, where you will find highlights of what our statewide office and our hardworking branches have been doing over the past few years. The pandemic has challenged us to find new ways to connect and we are excited to be sending out our newsletter on a more regular basis.

If you have received this hardcopy of our newsletter it means we do not have your email address. If you would prefer a more sustainable approach and receive the newsletter by email, please contact us at mail@outdoorcircle.org. We do not sell our contact list so your email will never be shared and you can unsubscribe at any time.

E komo mai! - please do not hesitate to let me know your thoughts on what you would like to see covered here.

Thank you for your continued support -- The Outdoor Circle thrives because of you!

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Winston Welch, Executive Director



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