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Rather than come to KKCR, let KKCR come to you!

For years, KKCR has invited callers and guests to its studio to express viewpoints, opinions, concerns, and ideas on a wide range of topics. Now, KKCR has decided to come to you — the community — by launching a series of town hall meetings near your neighborhood.

Here's Why

One purpose of "Community Radio" is to provide a means for under-represented voices throughout the community to *be heard* - to encourage and facilitate a dialog that will help identify both the problems, and the resources that can help solve the problems.

Our First Set of Meetings Will Focus on *the Current Economic Conditions*

In particular, we are looking to hear from the local families and residents living through and coping with the economic downturn. It is important that our focus is "bottom up" and "grass roots" rather than "top down".

By sharing concerns and ideas, perhaps individuals can gain insight from each other and can leverage the resource of Community Radio to reach across neighborhood boundaries to help each other. In addition, they may be able to identify common concerns and problems and, with a single voice, appeal to government officials, businesses, and other organizations who can help.

The Goals of the "Be Heard!" Town Hall Meetings are:

- 1) Gain a shared understanding of each other's *unique* concerns and problems,
- 2) Identify *common* concerns and problems,
- 3) Gain visibility into all the valuable resources around Kauai, wherever they exist in various neighborhoods,
- 4) Identify ways to connect resources to problems between neighborhoods, to help each other, and
- 5) Unify around common problems and join together across neighborhood boundaries to speak with the strength of one voice to ask for solutions - to gain the support of politicians, government officials, local businesses, and other organizations that are in a position to further help.

In short, we are looking to help uncover problems and match them up with the local resources that can help.

We hope to see you there! Here is how to get more information:

Visit www.kkcr.org/beheard for

- Meeting details
- Location addresses & maps
- Take a short survey
- Twitter a comment
- Post a blog
- Send an email
- Suggest a future topic

or call KKCR at (808) 826-7774.

Dates & Locations

Tuesday, August 11, 2009 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Waimea Neighborhood Center

Thursday, August 13, 2009 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Koloa Neighborhood Center

Tuesday, August 18, 2009 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Hawaiian Studies Hale, Kauai Community College

Saturday, August 22, 2009 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Kilauea Neighborhood Center