TAKE BACK OUR LAND AND OUR LIVES FROM MILITARISM. WE DEMAND:

1. No Military Expansion!
2. Clean Up, Restore and Return the ʻāina.
3. End Hawaiʻi’s dependency on military spending by redirecting funds to environmental clean up and community based economic alternatives based on human needs.
4. The military must pay just compensation for its use and damage to Hawaiian lands.

CLEAN UP, NOT BUILD UP - STOP THE MILITARY EXPANSION!

• Get the facts about the impacts of militarism on our land and our lives.
• Organize! Build a movement to reclaim Hawaiian land from militarism. Get your organizations to oppose military expansion in Hawaiʻi.
• Speak Out and Educate. Circulate flyers and petitions. Write letters to the editor and call-in to radio shows opposing the military theft of more land in Hawaiʻi.
• Protest! Demand military clean up, not build up.
• Join the DMZ Hawaiʻi - Aloha ʻĀina Campaign. Support future calls to action. For more information about stopping the military land grab in Hawaiʻi contact the DMZ-Hawaiʻi / Aloha ʻĀina c/o American Friends Service Committee Hawaiʻi (808) 988-6266, kkajihiro@afsc.org on O'ahu; or Malu ʻĀina Center for Nonviolent Education and Action, (808) 966-7622, www.malu-aina.org/ on Hawaiʻi.
WHO WE ARE

DMZ-Hawai‘i / Aloha ‘Āina is a network of organizations and individuals working to counter the military’s negative social, cultural, and environmental impacts in Hawai‘i. We support Hawaiian human rights, promote the Kanaka Maoli cultural value of “aloha ‘āina” – love for the land – and foster solidarity with other movements for peace, justice and freedom. “DMZ” is a military term meaning “demilitarized zone” that we have reclaimed to describe places and social institutions that have been liberated from militarism.

THE MILITARY’S ENDLESS APPETITE FOR HAWAIIAN LAND

- In 1898, the U.S. militarily occupied Hawai‘i, in violation of international law and treaties, to fight a war with Spain, and it never left. In 2002, the U.S. launched another global war for empire, and now threatens to seize more land in Hawai‘i.
- The U.S. military already controls 200,000 acres of land in Hawai‘i and nearly 25% of the land on O‘ahu. This is comparable to other military-occupied territories like Okinawa, Puerto Rico and Guam.
- 56% of the military’s land-holdings consist of occupied Hawaiian national lands (“ceded lands”).
- The military has continued expanding in Hawai‘i, despite a 1990 Department of Defense moratorium on new training land acquisitions, and the fact that the Pacific Command in 1995 said that it would reduce its land holdings in Hawai‘i. In 1998, the Army condemned 8,000 acres of Campbell Estate land in Kahuku and is in the process of purchasing another 1000 acres in Pōhakuloa.
- A 1997 Army report stated that the Army needed an additional 79,000 acres of training land.
- Access to the beaches at Nohili, Kaua‘i and Mökapu, O‘ahu and the mountains above Keawa‘ula, O‘ahu have been restricted since 9/11/01. Missile defense tests and harmful sonar experiments are conducted off of Kaua‘i. Military-related research is conducted on sacred mountains: Mauna Kea and Haleakalā.

MILITARY EXPANSION: BIGGEST LAND GRAB SINCE WW II

Army Expansion plans:
- Seize an additional 23,000 acres of land at Pōhakuloa, Hawai‘i and 1,400 acres at Honouliuli, O‘ahu, threatening 70 endangered species and cultural sites.
- Station 400 19-ton armored vehicles, additional C-17 cargo planes, and 480 troops. Increased maneuvers and overflights would be done in Kahuku, Wahiawā, Mokulēia, Kawaihao and Pōhakuloa.

Marine Corps Expansion Plans:
- Expand training in Moloka‘i. The Marines wanted to resume training in Waikāne, but community opposition forced them to cancel these plans.

Missile Defense / “Star Wars” Expansion:
- Missile launches from Nohili, Kaua‘i over the north Pacific as part of the Missle Defense system, affecting burials and sacred sites, endangered species, and access to the beach.

Other Military Expansion:
- Proposal to homeport a nuclear aircraft carrier battle group in Pearl Harbor.
- Sale of land to private developers to finance new housing on Moku Umeume (Ford Island).

A TRAIL OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION: Fires, Bombs & Toxins

- The U.S. military is the largest polluter in Hawai‘i, with over 1,000 identified contaminated sites.

- After bombing Kaho‘olawe for decades, the Navy spent $400 million but failed to clean up the unexploded bombs to a safe level, in violation of a legal agreement.

- The Marine Corps condemned Kamaka family land in Waikāne after leasing it for live fire training and contaminating it with unexploded munitions.

- When Mākua residents were evicted during World War II, the Army promised to return the land 6 months after the war. The Army continues to train there. Fires, toxic chemicals and unexploded ordnance threaten human health, endangered species and Hawaiian cultural practices.

- Formerly the site of 36 Hawaiian fish ponds, Ke Awala o Pu‘u‘u‘o‘a (Pearl Harbor), a designated “Superfund” site, is now extremely contaminated. The Navy identifies 749 contaminated sites within the Pearl Harbor Naval Complex.

- Military unexploded ordnance is a serious hazard at the 123,000-acre former Waikoloa Maneuver Area, the 108,000-acre Pōhakuloa Training Area, and former military training areas in He‘eia and Maunawili.

- The military conducted secret biological and chemical weapons tests in Hawai‘i in the 1960s.