

## EDB Committee

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Aloha

Please take some consideration into what is being planned right now. Maui is a small island that has already lost much of its Aloha spirit. There are so many other things that need to be funded rather than more garbage shops for tourists. Let's live local. We should be putting money into farming and figuring out a better system for plastics and banning them outright. If any store is to be invested in it should be a grocery store that is packageless. They have one in Vancouver and it would help shape the future of Maui and bring forth so much positive change. We should be bringing the people of the island closer and to connect them with the land and powerful connection we have with it. Maui could be the inspiration for the rest of the USA. Please don't be cruel. Use your power for good and better our land so in the future we are in abundance of Aloha and not greed and money.

Mahalo  
Erika Pless

Peace, love and good vibes ♡