

# HFC Committee

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Aloha Honorable Committee Members

I live just a hop skip and a jump from the County Bldg. on Kaohu St. At the intersection of Kaohu and Church there exists a serious chicken infestation. Welcoming me last night after a day's work--for the umpteneth time, the chickens had been in my yard digging up beds and my garden.

Not only are these chickens a hazard to motorists and children walking to the schools, the neighborhood is outraged at the noise and nuisance.

There are common sense solutions. Atul Gawanda, in the Jan 24, 2011 New Yorker outlined a phenomenon that indicates a solution to the high cost of medicine that we could use not only in medicine but with chicken infestation. . Hot spots exist where super high cost and hospital visits occur in concentrated buildings, neighborhoods and areas. We could adopt an approach whereby citizens could care the contractor (The Humane Society) on a hot line and they could send out a trapping team to eradicate in the areas of greatest infestation.

Another idea would entail the community work line at MCCC building cages and setting traps as a function of work furlough-- in addition to the "white ;line" already weed whacking etc. for the county.

This problem is solvable. We need to take action. Please continue to hold hearings and recommend solutions until WE GET RESULTS.

Please contact me by email  
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