The Lanakila Reunion in August 2023 is an opportunity to gather in celebration of friendship and community. These hallmarks of the Lanakila experience are nurtured and fed perhaps nowhere more directly than in the camp’s dining room.

Each summer, the entire community comes together here three times a day to share family-style meals and make personal connections. Amidst the buzz of conversation and laughter, the dining room is a place where campers and counselors recount stories of camp adventures, learn from others’ diverse backgrounds and perspectives, find inspiration from peers and mentors, listen to others and feel heard. In honor of Lanakila’s 100th Anniversary, the Aloha Foundation is making improvements and renovations to this space and needs your help.
The first part of this project is the extension of the Old Stage dining area and the addition of a fully roofed fire escape in the rear of the building, providing egress from the upstairs Counselor space or “Old Shop.”

**WHY?**

Lanakila’s growth has resulted in 270 diners sitting at each meal — compared to about 240 in the mid 1980s — creating a more crowded dining room. In addition, the noise in the space has increased significantly, and will be addressed by moving six tables out of the indoor dining room to the new extended covered porch dining area known as the Old Stage. Spreading diners out, while maintaining the current camp population, will lower the noise level and allow for more meaningful, table-wide mealtime conversations. With enhanced square footage and circulation, it will also improve the health and safety of the space.
The second part of this project is the refurbishment of the Counselor space, including finished walls, new windowsills, furniture, lighting, and updates to the Costume Room and Rental Clothing space. Finally—and not to be underestimated—bathroom refurbishments would be included in the project scope, depending on total funding and budget.

WHY?

The Counselor space above the Upper Dining Room will be finished, providing Lanakila staff with a space to hold trainings and other professional development sessions. It will also become a more inviting social space for staff to gather after taps. Outside of the summer months, a refurbished Counselor space will enable Hulbert to host a wider array of programming here. The ability to attract more professional adult groups for retreats and trainings will be a financial benefit to the Foundation.
BUDGET
The Aloha Foundation is seeking to raise the necessary funds for the entire cost of the project, in order to maintain fiscal focus on delivering the highest level of quality in its core operating functions.

The cost of the project is estimated at $200,000 and includes design, materials, and labor. The Foundation is working with an independent architect on design and Aloha’s talented Buildings & Grounds staff will do much of the construction.

HOW YOU CAN HELP
Please consider making a contribution to honor friendship and community at Lanakila. These important changes will have a lasting impact on the experience of future generations of campers and counselors.

To make your gift online, visit: alohafoundation.org/lanakila-reunion-2023

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