

## HAWAI'I'S FOOD SYSTEM OVER TIME



### AHUPUA'A SYSTEM

- Water flows mauka to makai
- Land and resources held in the commons and collaboratively managed
- Community based food system that is self-sufficient and resilient
- Nearly all food consumed in Hawaii is produced locally

### PLANTATION SYSTEM

- Large-scale water diversions built to irrigate plantation agriculture
- Land increasingly owned by wealthy foreign landlords
- Thousands of acres of farmland used to grow sugar and pineapple for export
- By 1937, over 60% of food consumed in Hawai'i is imported

### PESTICIDE SEED SYSTEM

- Genetically engineered (GE) seed industry continues to divert water and threaten water quality
- Companies lease and buy former plantation land, fail to provide jobs with fair pay
- GE seed corn becomes new cash crop for export
- By 2010, nearly 90% of food consumed in Hawai'i is imported

## Which Food Future Would You Choose?



## THE CHOICE IS YOURS! HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO!

### IN YOUR HOME

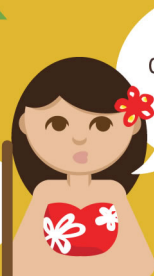
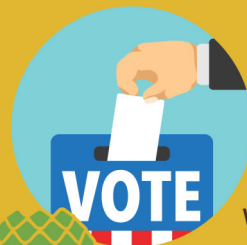
- Learn How to Cook with Local, Native Ingredients
- Use Natural Alternatives to Pesticides
- Grow Your Own Garden
- Compost

### WITH YOUR WALLET

- Shop at Your Local Farmers' Market
- Buy Produce in Season
- Join a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Initiative
- Eat at Farm-To-Table Restaurants

### IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- Educate Yourself
- Register to Vote
- Run for Office
- Volunteer on a Local Farm



Start a conversation with a friend!

**FARMERS MARKET**