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In a perfect world, all of Hawai'i's food would be grown and produced right here in the state. While many are working towards this goal, we are not there yet. **Hoku Foods** sources as much as they can locally from organic farmers and food producers. They offer a large bulk food section for their community to buy as much or as little as they like.

## Highlights:

- Use only biodegradable/compostable bags for bulk and produce.
- Encourage customers to bring their bags or containers as well.
- Expired or extra food is donated to the Kauai Food Bank or other outreach programs.
- Use only compostable/biodegradable packaging and utensils for grab-and-go food, as well as recycled paper towels and napkins for customers and store cleaning.
- Use biodegradable cleaning products for store cleaning.
- Farmers pick up older produce to compost.
- Use LEDs in all lighting.
- Monitor water and electricity consumption through low-flow and low-use options.
- Recycle EVERYTHING from our store, as well as leaving recycling bins out for customers.
- Always look for ORGANIC, fair trade when sourcing products.
- 90% of shelved food products are organic.
- Use Rolly Receipts for register paper—biodegradable BPA-free receipt paper, and one tree is planted for each case ordered.









