











## Background:

**Locavore** is a general market and food hub that uplifts Hawai'i's food producers and craftspeople and connects our community with an entirely local selection of goods, gifts, and groceries. Since 2010, they have enjoyed working directly with hundreds of local families and farms to create an ever-expanding food hub for and from our community.

Their definition of "local" means that 100% of their products are grown or produced by Hawai'i residents and use ingredients, materials, and inspiration from Hawai'i. As a result, their selection reflects (the knowledge, skills, and livelihoods of) over 200 families and individuals living right here in Hawai'i. Every day they work directly with dozens of vendors to keep the shelves stocked with the best products they can find, from seasonal produce to artisanal crafts, sourcing organically whenever they can.

## Highlights:

- Offer a bottle buy-back program for their in-house beverages that allows customers to return these containers for credit, and they can sanitize and reuse these bottles in production again.
- All office paper is shredded and sent to a farm for soil-building.
- Requested that landlord install a bike rack for the store to offer employees and customers an alternative way of transportation.
- Send their minimal waste to local farmers for composting.
- Packaging:
  - Working directly with local farmers themselves, they can package items in-house with 100% recycled paper.
  - Liners and bins for products are reusable and biodegradable.
  - Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB) for customers.





