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With this community support, KISC has been successful at eradicating species such as fireweed (below) and coqui frogs.

Community and partnerships provide:
- Increased “eyes and ears” for detecting new pest arrivals
- Opportunities to educate as well as to be educated about Hawaiian culture, places, and priorities
- A workforce that is connected and invested in protecting the place where they and their families live
- Resources that can help to increase capacity
- Property access for pest surveys and control activities

Protecting Kaua‘i’s biodiversity

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Protecting Kaua‘i’s best natural places targeting priority plant, animal, and insect pests like miconia, coqui frogs, and little fire ants

Prioritizing new pests species finding, catching, and treating pests before they have time to become established

Building partnerships to help increase capacity “filling the gaps” between agencies to address invasive species issues on Kaua‘i

Hard working and dedicated staff that are highly trained to work safely and effectively using science-based methods

Engaging and educating the public working in the schools, at fairs and events, with professional groups, and with neighborhood associations