

# **YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT**

**April 28, 2023**

**The Youth Services Committee met on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.**

We had Ade Ogunniyi from Vivistop Honolulu, and the Honolulu Tool Library come and give a presentation on what they both are.

Vivistop is a creative lab located in Kakaako and is one of 12 studios being the first one in the US. It helps kids explore and innovate and provides space and tools.

Ade also explained the Honolulu Tool Library which is essentially a lending library for tools reducing the carbon footprint and saving users money, 1.93 million saved by their community by borrowing instead of buying. They also hold workshops.

Isaia Souza from Mapunawai presented on how to become a creator/entrepreneur and how the younger generation are preparing for future work. He went into the programs that can be found at Mapunawai.com. The objective of the programs is to generate cashflow through online businesses and leveraging the power of the internet.

Both are young innovators helping create more young innovators. Chair Kitajima invited them to speak because he wanted to understand where are young people learning new skills, and if they are not in college, or working in restaurants, coffee shops, or in hotels, where are they learning and working? We now know about three places. Did you know?