

DDPH Participates in Earth Day Cleanup

By LCDR Chris Anderson, DDPH Operations Officer



Above, *DDPH Operations Officer LCDR Chris Anderson sweeps debris from the parking lot as HM2 Armandarez from NEPMUSIX assists.* Below, *HM1 Pangilinan, co-chair of the event, also helps with the cleanup effort.*



Defense Distribution Depot Pearl Harbor, HI (DDPH) employees, in conjunction with Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) and Navy Environmental Preventive Medicine Unit Six (NEPMUSIX), held a beach park cleanup event to support Earth Day 2004.

As part of DDPH's commitment to the community and to the environment, Hospital Corpsman Chief Petty Officer (HMC) Edgar Dimagiba, USN, and Hospital Corpsman First Class (HM1) Fernando Pangilinan, USN, contacted Bob Rock, Environmental Information Specialist for the City and County of Honolulu, to find out what they could do locally to celebrate Earth Day. "The project was intended to contribute to island-wide pollution control initiatives and to provide a cleaner environment for families to visit," said HM1 Pangilinan.

Choosing the Neal S. Balisdell Park near the Pearl Harbor Naval Station, HMC Dimagiba and HM1 Pagilinan recruited other area commands that were also

interested in helping, and soon an Earth Day cleanup partnership between DDPH, COMSUBPAC, and NEPMUSIX was formed. The beach park clean up started with an early morning kickoff that included comments from Rock. "It is great that the military is involved in the community and it makes sense because the military has been a presence here for so long," said Rock.

The DDPH team, comprised of six military and five civilians, cleaned the coastline, park, parking lots, and the surrounding area, collecting more than 60 bags of litter and debris. "I volunteer to give back to the community," said team member Danny Baker of DDPH.

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our community,
and our environment -
their safety and
their diversity.



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