



NEW ADDITION TO THE MyCOE PARTNERSHIP

The US Office of Naval Research (ONR) has provided a seed grant to involve MyCOE with the Maui Digital Bus Project and bring geographic learning resources to their educational activities. Operated by Akimeka, LLC, a Native Hawaiian Company, the program facilitates hands-on, field-based learning for K-12 beginning the 2004-2005 school year. A brightly painted bus serves as mobile science and technology lab equipped with wireless laptop computers, digital video cameras, GPS devices, digital microscopes, and more. Funding from the ONR will support a teacher workshop on GIS, with assistance and collaboration from the US Geological Survey; assembly of curriculum resources for use in the Wireless Bus Project that cover topics in geography and GIS; and collaboration in the development and preparation of a funding proposal for future joint activities.



PLEASE ATTEND THE MyCOE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 13, 2004, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

at AAG, 1710 16th St NW in Washington, DC

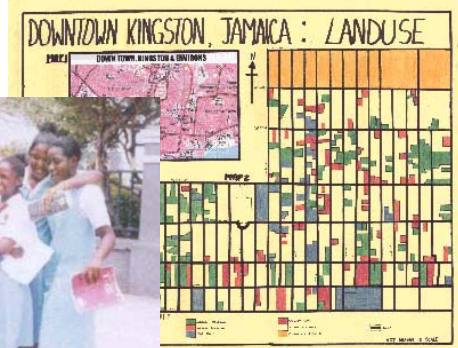
ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- RECENT EXHIBITION of MyCOE include the AAG's Centennial Meeting in Philadelphia, White Water to Blue Water in Miami, the UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD-12) in New York.
- MyCOE is featured prominently on the US Government's front home page for Sustainable Development Partnerships. See www.sdp.gov.
- UPCOMING OUTREACH include the National 4-H Technology Leadership Conference this July at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri; and the July meeting of the Constitutive Assembly, inaugurating the International Center for Sustainable Development in the City of Knowledge, Panama.

DOCUMENTARY FILMING BEGINS IN JAMAICA

Production begins on location in Jamaica for a 5 minute documentary short / public service announcement featuring a 2002 MyCOE project from Kingston. The documentary is being directed by Jose Luis Lobera and Catalina Walsh, staff at the InterAmerican Development Bank's IDB América TV. Assistance is also provided by the AAG, ESRI, and in consultation with NGS. For the MyCOE program, a group of six students from the Wolmer Girls School undertook a broad community effort to rejuvenate a neglected downtown area. Mapping the results of a questionnaire,

team members identified several tangible policy recommendations for sustainable development and received recognition from their local and national leaders.



My Community, Our Earth (MyCOE) is a multi-institutional educational initiative and World Summit on Sustainable Development Partnership involving secondary, college, and university students worldwide in using geographic methods and tools to address local sustainable development. Partners include the AAG (Secretariat), National Geographic Society, ESRI, UNEP, State Department, USAID, USDA, NOAA, IDB, ONR, and USGS. **FOR MORE INFORMATION** point your browser to www.geography.org/sustainable or email the MyCOE Secretariat at psolis@aag.org. **ADDITIONS TO THE MAILING LIST**, should be sent with the name and email address to Dr. Patricia Solís at psolis@aag.org.