

Welcome to the 2024 PUBLIC HEARING

Agenda & Information

- Background of the County of Hawai'i 5-Year Consolidated Plan
- Brief explanation of the 2020-2024 priorities and objectives
- Brief explanation of CDBG/HOME/HOME-ARP/HTF/ESG Program & requirements
- State of Hawai'i Consolidated Plan and Programs – HOME/HTF/HOPWA (State of Hawai'i Informational Packet)
- Public Input: Needs; Priorities and Objectives; Past use of funds.
- 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan Community Engagement Process
- Questions & Answers

Virtual Meeting Housekeeping Items:

- This Public Hearing is being recorded
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- Slides are available on the OHCD's website housing.hawaiicounty.gov/grants-funding

County of Hawai'i
Office of Housing & Community Development
and
State of Hawai'i
Housing and Finance Development Corporation



2024 INFORMATIONAL PACKET

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I 2020-2024 Overview

- **Consolidated Plan**

Contact person: Royce Shiroma

- **Community Development Block Grant**

Contact persons: Brian Ishimoto & Alisa Hanselman

- **HOME Investment Partnerships Program**
- **HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)**

- **National Housing Trust Fund**

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- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
- HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)
- National Housing Trust Fund (HTF)
- Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

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PURPOSE

To ensure that jurisdictions receiving direct federal assistance utilize and develop a plan for its housing and related needs of very low-, low-, and moderate-income families in a way that improves the availability and affordability of decent, safe and sanitary housing within a suitable living environment.

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RECIPIENT OF HUD FUNDS

(Approximate amounts)

County of Hawai'i

- CDBG Program: \$2,600,000
- ESG Program: \$ 200,000

State of Hawai'i

- HOME Program: \$3,000,000

(3 year rotation basis between Hawai'i County, Maui County, and Kauai County)

- HTF Program: \$3,000,000

(3 year rotation basis between Hawai'i County, Maui County, and Kauai County)

- HOME-ARP: \$1,977,568

(One-time allocation)

- HOPWA Program: \$ 250,000

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- Citizen Input by:
 - Public Hearings on Needs and Priorities;
 - 30-day review and comment period on the Consolidated Plan, Yearly Action Plan, and any substantial amendments;
 - Meeting of the Hawai'i County Finance Committee (initial review);
 - Meeting of the Hawai'i County Council (final approval); and
 - Public Notice to notify the public of the approval and submittal of the final plan.

SCHEDULE

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE	
Month	Tasks
August 2023	Public Hearing on needs/priorities
Sept. 1, 2023	Proposal Applications available
Nov. 15, 2023	Proposal Due to County
Nov. 2023 to Jan. 2024	Review, Rank and Recommend Projects
Jan. to Feb. 2024	Draft Yearly Action Plan
Feb. to March 2024	30-Day Public Review/Comment Period

SUBMISSION DATES

5-year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) submitted:

- May 15, 2020

Annual Action Plan (funded projects only) submitted:

- Year 1: May 15, 2020
- Year 2: May 15, 2021
- Year 3: May 15, 2022
- Year 4: May 15, 2023

Annual Action Plan (funded projects only) due:

- **Year 5: May 15, 2024**

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Five-year Plan

- ◆ General Information
 - Citizen participation
 - Consultation
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- ◆ Housing and Special Needs Housing
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 - Priority Needs table w/narratives
 - Needs
 - Housing and market analysis
- ◆ Homeless
 - Goals (Logic Model) w/narrative
 - Priority Needs table w/narrative
 - Strategy
 - Needs
- ◆ Community Development
 - Goals (Logic Model) w/narrative
 - Priority Needs table w/narrative
- ◆ Citizen Participation Plan

PRIORITIES for allocating funds

- Way to allocate future CDBG, HOME, HTF, and ESG funds. (Higher points awarded for high priority activities in the rating system for project selection).
- Priorities will be used to determine if projects applying for other HUD funds are consistent with the County of Hawai'i's Consolidated Plan. (High Priorities will be considered as consistent with Plan).

HIGH PRIORITY ACTIVITIES

- Housing for households earning less than 80% of the median income.
 - Rental
 - Homeowner
 - Special needs
 - Homeless
 - Activities which will produce new housing production. (i.e. water, streets, environmental assessments, planning, etc.)
- Activities that protect the health and safety of the residents in Hawai'i County. (i.e. Fire, Police, Environmental)
- Activities to meet legal obligations and/or federal mandates. (i.e. ADA)
- Activities to address designated Disaster Relief Areas (i.e. Infrastructure, Economic Development, Health Facilities)

HIGH PRIORITY ACTIVITIES **(Cont'd)**

- Public Facilities
 - Child Care, Youth, and/or Senior Centers
 - Centers for Persons with a Disability
 - Homeless Facilities
 - Health facilities
 - Neighborhood facilities
 - Parks & Recreation
 - Infrastructure
 - Economic Development
 - Health Facilities
- Infrastructure in support of the development of affordable housing
 - Water/Sewer/Street Improvements
 - Solid Waste Disposal
 - Flood Drainage Improvements
- Public Services
 - Seniors, Persons with a Disability, Youth, Childcare, Transportation, Substance abuse, Employment, Health, Lead Hazards, Crime, etc.
- Economic Development which provide jobs for low- and moderate- income persons

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LOW PRIORITY ACTIVITIES

- Public Facilities
- Parking Facilities
- Non-Residential Historic Preservation
- Infrastructure
- Sidewalks

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GOALS

- ▶ Activities the County will COMPLETE between 2020 and 2024
- ▶ Funds: Activities will utilize CDBG, HOME, HTF, and ESG funds
- ▶ Does not include activities utilizing other HUD sources, other government sources or private funds

HOUSING GOALS

1. Provide Tenant Based Rent Assistance
2. Construct rental units for low- income families & elderly
3. Provide homebuyer education and counseling
4. Construct affordable for-sale housing
5. Provide loans/grants for home rehabilitation
6. Provide effective program administration & conduct an update to the Housing study
7. Provide funds for the construction of multi-family rental housing
8. Provide funds for infrastructure in support of affordable housing
9. Provide funds for land acquisition for low- and moderate- income housing

FAIR HOUSING GOALS

1. Conduct Training
2. Update Fair Housing Video
3. Increase participation in training
4. Update and maintain Fair Housing website
5. Provide Technical support and disseminate information
6. Conduct an Analysis of Impediments Study/Assessment of Fair Housing
7. Participate in Statewide meeting and coordinate events
8. Develop policies to address fair housing impediments

HOMELESS GOALS

1. Rehabilitate Domestic Abuse Shelters
2. Provide homeless services (i.e Transportation / Medical / Counseling)
3. Provide funding to renovate / construct homeless shelters
4. Provide funds for an Emergency Family Shelter in West Hawai'i

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GOALS

1. Provide infrastructure or other activities that will increase the production of new affordable housing and public facilities
2. Provide new public health & safety facilities (Fire/Police)
3. Remove architectural barriers at facilities
4. Improve and rehabilitate public facilities / senior centers / homeless shelters
5. Provide transportation services for elderly and low-income households
6. Provide funds for land acquisition for low- and moderate-income housing
7. Provide funds to prevent, prepare, and/or respond to disaster related events
8. Provide funds for job training for low- and moderate-income persons
9. Provide effective CDBG program management

2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

- Planning, consultation and community engagement for the next 5-year Con Plan will commence in the next couple months.
- Surveys will be sent out and available on our website to collect input from the community on:
 - Housing (including special needs housing)
 - Homelessness
 - Community Development
- Public input on the upcoming 2025-2029 Con Plan are welcomed at the end of this hearing.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Overview

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

- Allocation to the County
 - Formula-based
 - Approximately \$2,600,000 per year
- Primary Objective:
 - To encourage the development of viable communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments, and expanding economic opportunities for persons of low- and moderate- income.
- Distribution of funds in the County
 - Request for Proposal process
 - Due to the OHCD on **November 15, 2023**

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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Acquisition, disposition of real property, relocation payments, clearance
- Public facilities
- Public service (15% of total grant amount)
- Payment of non-federal share
- Homeownership
 - Subsidize interest
 - Mortgage guarantee
 - Down payments
 - Closing cost
- Rehabilitation and preservation
- Economic development, microenterprises
- Planning and administration (20% of grant amount)

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INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Building used for the general conduct of government
- General government expenses
- Political activities
- Purchase of equipment
- Operating and maintenance
- New housing construction
- Income payment for housing

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NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Principally benefit low- and moderate- income families;
- or
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight;
- or
- Meet other community development needs having a particular urgency

LOW AND MODERATE INCOME

Area Benefit

1. Must benefit 51% or more low- and moderate-income families in the area. (Families earning less than 80% of the median income for the County of Hawai'i based upon 2010 or 2020 Census information)

Limited Clientele

1. Must benefit clientele who are generally presumed to be low- and moderate- income (i.e. Abused children, victims of domestic violence, elderly persons, severely disabled, homeless persons, illiterate adults, persons with AIDS, migrant farm workers); or
2. Must provide income information to substantiate that 51% or more of beneficiaries are low- and moderate-income families; or
3. Must have income eligibility requirements that limit activity to only low- and moderate-income families

Housing Activities

1. Must be occupied by 51% or more low- and moderate-income families

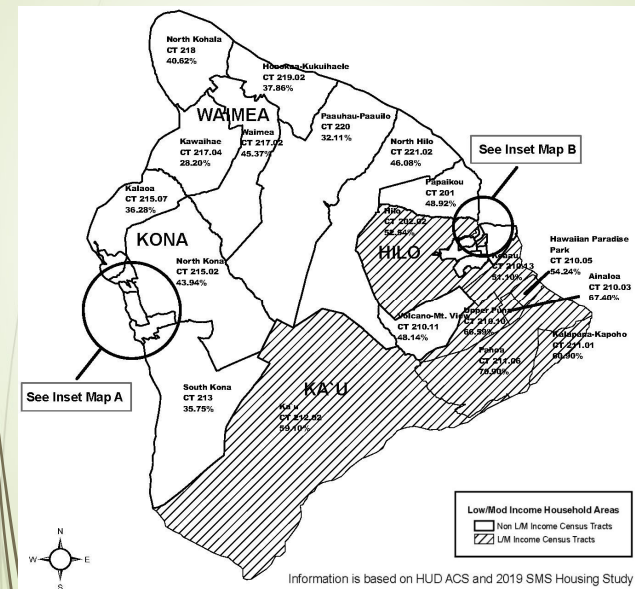
2023 HUD INCOME LIMITS (CDBG)

Annual income as established by HUD. Low- and moderate-income households or lower income households means a household whose annual income does not exceed 80% of the median family income for the County of Hawai'i. Very low income is defined as 50% of the median income.

Family Size	Low & Moderate Income (80% AMI)	Very Low Income Limit (50% AMI)
1	\$56,500	\$35,300
2	\$64,550	\$40,350
3	\$72,600	\$45,400
4	\$80,650	\$50,400
5	\$87,150	\$54,450
6	\$93,600	\$58,500
7	\$100,050	\$62,500
8	\$106,500	\$66,550

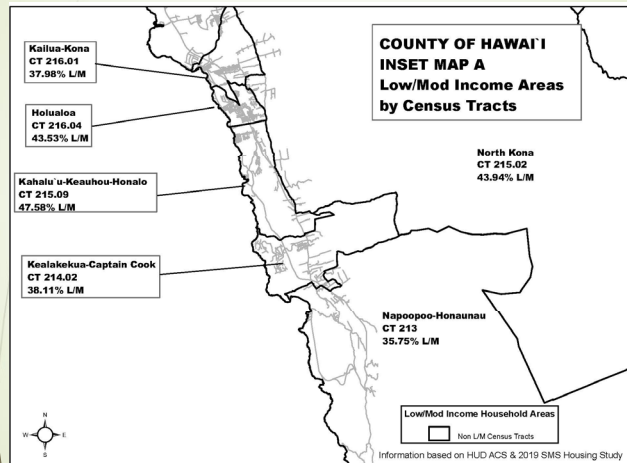
Effective date: June 15, 2023
Median Family Income: \$90,600
Income Limits are updated annually

LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME AREAS BY CENSUS TRACT



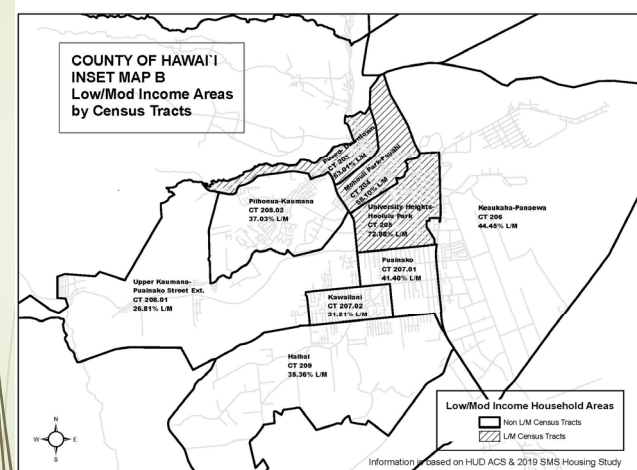
Based on 2010 Census

LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME AREAS INSET MAP A (KONA)



Based on 2010 Census

LOW- AND MODERATE- INCOME AREAS INSET MAP B (HILO)



Based on 2010 Census

PROJECT THRESHOLDS

- Applicant must be eligible; must submit proof of Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number and registration in the System for Award Management (www.sam.gov)
- Project must be eligible
- Consistent with the County General Plan and priorities
- Consistent with the Consolidated Plan goals and priorities
- Project Schedule - completed within 12 months
- Relocation Plan if applicable
- Environmental Compliance
- Site Control
- Project Funding

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PROJECT EVALUATION

- Project
 - Priority/Needs
 - Project outcomes/goals
 - # of persons to benefit
 - Environmental consideration
 - Site selection standards
 - Additional actions needed
- Funding and Budget
- Applicant capacity / Past performance

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LAWS (CDBG)

- Civil Rights Act
- Fair Housing Act
- Section 109 - cannot exclude participation
- Section 3 - employment generated by HUD assistance
- EO 11246 – prohibits employment discrimination on contracts > \$10,000
- EO 11063 - prohibits housing discrimination
- Rehabilitation Act
- Age Discrimination Act
- Labor Standards (Davis Bacon)
- Flood Insurance
- 2 CFR Part 200
- Architectural Barriers Act
- Uniform Relocation and Acquisition Act
- Conflict of Interest
- Lead-based Paint
- Anti lobbying
- Drug free workplace
- Environment Policies
- Americans with Disability Act
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
- Build America, Buy America Act (BABA)

HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Overview

HOME PROGRAM

- Allocation to the County by the State
 - The HOME funds will be allocated on a 3-year rotation basis.
 - Approximately \$3,000,000 per cycle for each county
 - \$2,250,000 for projects
 - \$450,000 must be given to special non-profits (CHDO'S)
 - \$150,000 for County administration costs
 - \$150,000 for State administration costs
- Distribution of funds in the County Request for Proposal process

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HOME PROGRAM

Primary Objective:

To expand the supply of decent and affordable housing for low- and very low- income persons, enable local design and strategies for developing housing, to provide financial and technical assistance for housing to the states, and develop public / private / non-profit partnerships.

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HOME ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Eligible Programs
 - ▶ Rental housing
 - ▶ Homeownership
 - ▶ Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- ▶ Eligible Costs
 - ▶ Hard costs
 - ▶ Relocation costs
 - ▶ Acquisition
 - ▶ Tenant-Based Rent Assistance
 - ▶ Soft costs

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HOME INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Project Reserve account
- ▶ Non-federal match
- ▶ Assist previously assisted HOME Projects
- ▶ Acquire property owned by County
- ▶ In conjunction with other housing funds
 - ▶ Section 9, Public Housing Modernization, Prepayment of low- income housing mortgages, etc.

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HOME OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Matching - \$1 federal to \$0.25 matching funds
- ▶ Beneficiaries - 100% of HOME funds must benefit low- income persons.
- ▶ Program Requirements - each has its own (i.e. property standards, income limits, occupancy requirements, property value, long-term affordability, targeting HOME funds, etc.)
- ▶ Request for Proposal – similar to CDBG
- ▶ Laws – similar to CDBG

HOME PROJECT THRESHOLDS

- Applicant must be eligible; must submit proof of Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number (formerly DUNS number) and registration in the CCR system with project proposal
- Project must be eligible
- Consistent with the County General Plan and priorities
- Consistent with the Consolidated Plan goals and priorities
- Project Schedule (completed within 12 months for CDBG, 18 months for HOME & 24 months for HTF)
- Relocation Plan if applicable
- Environmental Compliance
- Site Control
- Project Funding

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LAWS (HOME)

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- Rehabilitation Act
- Age Discrimination Act
- Labor Standards (Davis Bacon)
- Flood Insurance
- 2 CFR Part 200
- Architectural Barriers Act
- Uniform Relocation and Acquisition Act
- Conflict of Interest
- Lead-based Paint
- Anti lobbying
- Drug free workplace
- Environment Policies
- Americans with Disability Act
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

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HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program Overview

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HOME-ARP PROGRAM

- Allocation to the County by the State
 - The HOME-ARP funds is a one-time allocation in the amount of \$1,977,568.
 - \$1,817,225 for projects
 - \$160,343 for County administration costs
- Distribution of funds in the County Request for Proposal process

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HOME-ARP PROGRAM

- HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) was established under section 3205 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) for the HOME Program to provide homelessness assistance and supportive services.
- These funds are administered by the County through the State HHFDC whose HOME-ARP allocation plan provides for the distribution of HOME-ARP funds for the acquisition, rehabilitation, or construction of affordable rental housing primarily for “Qualifying Populations”.

HOME-ARP PROGRAM ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing, including reconstruction as defined in 24 CFR 92.2. Acquisition of vacant land or demolition may be undertaken only with respect to a HOME-ARP project for which construction is expected to start within 12 months of commitment.

HOME-ARP PROGRAM PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES AND FEES

- HOME-ARP may not be used for any of the prohibited activities, costs or fees in *24 CFR 92.214

https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=26a9688d45fe6fb22c4b6c73cd6ac83a&mc=true&node=se24.1.92_1214&rgn=div8 as revised by the **Waivers and Alternative Requirements For Implementation of the HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program* .

<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/cpdWaiverHOMEARP.pdf>

* Hard copies available upon request.

HOME-ARP PROGRAM QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

- “Qualifying Population” means individuals or families who are:
 - (1) homeless;
 - (2) at risk of homelessness;
 - (3) fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking;
 - (4) other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family’s homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability; or
 - (5) veterans and families that include a veteran family member that meet the criteria in one of (1)-(4) above.

HOME-ARP PROGRAM OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Program Requirements - each has its own (i.e. property standards, income limits, occupancy requirements, property value, long-term affordability, targeting HOME funds, etc.)
- Request for Proposal – similar to CDBG/HOME/HTF
- Laws – similar to HOME

HOME-ARP PROJECT THRESHOLDS

- Applicant must be eligible; must submit proof of Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number (formerly DUNS number) and registration in the CCR system with project proposal
- Project must be eligible
- Consistent with the County General Plan and priorities
- Consistent with the Consolidated Plan goals and /or State HHFDC (Hawaii Housing Finance & Dev Corp) Allocation Plan priorities
- Project Schedule (completed within 12 months for CDBG, 18 months for HOME & 24 months for HTF, 12 months for HOME-ARP)
- Relocation Plan if applicable
- Environmental Compliance
- Site Control
- Project Funding

HOME-ARP PROJECT EVALUATION

- Project
 - Priority/Needs
 - Project outcomes/goals
 - # of persons to benefit/tenant selection
 - Environmental consideration
 - Site selection standards
 - Additional actions needed
- Funding and Budget
- Applicant capacity/Past performance

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LAWS (HOME-ARP)

- Civil Rights Act
- Fair Housing Act
- Section 109 - cannot exclude participation
- Section 3 - employment generated by HUD assistance
- EO 11246 - prohibits employment discrimination on contracts >\$10,000
- EO 11063 - prohibits housing discrimination
- Rehabilitation Act
- Age Discrimination Act
- Labor Standards (Davis Bacon)
- Flood Insurance
- 2 CFR Part 200
- Architectural Barriers Act
- Uniform Relocation and Acquisition Act
- Conflict of Interest
- Lead-based Paint
- Anti lobbying
- Drug free workplace
- Environment Policies
- Americans with Disability Act
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

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National Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Program Overview

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NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND (HTF)

- Allocation to the County by the State
 - The HTF funds will be allocated on a 3-year rotation basis.
 - Approximately \$3,000,000 per cycle for each county
 - \$2,700,000 for projects
 - \$150,000 for County administration costs
 - \$150,000 for State administration costs
 - Distribution of funds in the County Request for Proposal process

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NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND (HTF)

Primary Objective:

To increase and preserve the supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing, with primary attention to rental housing for extremely low-income households.

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HTF ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Eligible Programs
 - Rental housing
 - Land acquisition
 - Purchase and/or rehabilitation of rental housing
 - Preference will be given for New Construction
- Eligible Costs
 - Hard costs
 - Relocation costs
 - Acquisition
 - Soft costs

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HTF INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Assist previously assisted HTF projects
- ▶ Acquire property owned by County
- ▶ Pay for delinquent taxes or fees
- ▶ Pay for political activities, advocacy, lobbying, counseling services, travel expenses, preparation of tax returns

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HTF OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Beneficiaries – 100% of HTF funds must benefit extremely low-income persons
- ▶ Program Requirements – each has its own (i.e. property standards, income limits, occupancy requirements, property value, long term affordability, targeting HTF funds, etc.)
- ▶ Request for Proposal – similar to HOME
- ▶ Laws – Similar to HOME

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HTF PROJECT THRESHOLDS

- ▶ Applicant must be eligible; must submit proof of Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number (formerly DUNS number) and registration in the CCR system with project proposal
- ▶ Project must be eligible
- ▶ Consistent with the County General Plan and priorities
- ▶ Project Schedule (completed within 12 months for CDBG, 18 months for HOME and 24 months for HTF)

HTF PROJECT THRESHOLDS (Cont'd)

- ▶ Relocation Plan if applicable
- ▶ Environmental Compliance
- ▶ Site Control
- ▶ Project Funding

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- EO 11063 – Prohibits housing discrimination
- Rehabilitation Act
- Age Discrimination Act
- Flood Insurance
- 2 CFR Part 200
- Architectural Barriers Act
- Uniform Relocation and Acquisition Act
- Conflict of Interest
- Lead-Based Paint
- Anti Lobbying
- Drug free workplace
- Environment Policies
- Americans with Disability Act
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

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Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program Overview

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EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM

- Was previously State Administered
- Now County Administered
 - Anticipates receiving approximately \$200,000 for next fiscal year
- Grants for costs associated with homeless activities and shelters
 - Street Outreach
 - Emergency Shelter
 - Homeless Prevention
 - Rapid Re-housing
 - Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
 - Administration

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CONSOLIDATED PLAN INFORMATIONAL PACKET
 For
Program Year 2024 Annual Action Plan
 (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

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5. Description of Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program

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STATE OF HAWAII CONSOLIDATED PLAN CYCLE
PY2024 Annual Action Plan
 (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025)

DEVELOP PY2024 Annual Action Plan

August – December 2023	Hold Series of Consultation Meetings for the PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .
August 10, 2023 (Thursday, 1:00 pm)	COUNTY OF HAWAII: Virtual Public Hearing via ZOOM. Host: Office of Housing and Community Development (OHCD). For access to ZOOM, see instructions and link on OHCD's website: https://www.hawaiicounty.gov/office-of-housing .
August 23, 2023 (Wednesday, 9:00 am)	COUNTY OF HAWAII: In-Person Public Hearing. Host: OHCD. Location: 1990 Kinoole Street, Existing Housing Conference Room, Suite 104, Hilo, Hawaii Island.
TBD	COUNTY OF KAUAI: Information forthcoming.
TBD	CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU: Information forthcoming.
TBD	COUNTY OF MAUI: Information forthcoming.
January 2024 – February 2025	Develop PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .
February 9, 2024	HHFDC-FIN & DHS-BESSD: Deadline to submit <i>Annual Action Plan</i> information to HHFDC-PECB.
March 1, 2024	Mail Draft <i>Annual Action Plan</i> to Counties and libraries for public review and comment.
March 8, 2024	Publish Notice of Public Comment on Draft PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .
March 9, 2024	Start 30-day period to accept public comment on the Draft PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .
April 7, 2024	End of public comment period.
April 12, 2024	Deadline to respond to public comments.
May 9, 2024	HHFDC Board consideration of PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .
May 15, 2024	Submit PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> to HUD.
July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025	Implement PY2024 <i>Annual Action Plan</i> .

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PURPOSE OF THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN

The *Consolidated Plan* is an application by the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for funding through the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program, the National Housing Trust Fund (HTF) program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. HHFDC's allocations of HOME and HOPWA funds are utilized in the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui; the City and County of Honolulu receives a separate allocation of these funds from HUD. HHFDC's allocation of HTF funds are utilized statewide, including the City and County of Honolulu.

The *Consolidated Plan* process is mandated by HUD to ensure that jurisdictions receiving direct federal assistance develop and utilize a plan for its housing and related needs of extremely low-, very low-, low-, and moderate-income families in a way that improves the availability and affordability of decent, safe, and sanitary housing within a suitable living environment.

In May 2020, HHFDC adopted the *Consolidated Plan* for the period between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2025. The *Consolidated Plan* established these priorities:

- Construction of affordable rental units for both the general and special needs populations;
- Provision of tenant-based rental assistance;
- Development (new construction or rehabilitation of existing buildings) of transitional housing units;
- Project development and construction of affordable for-sale homes;
- Provision of down payment/closing cost assistance and gap loans;
- Housing information and rental assistance to persons with HIV/AIDS; and
- Support for fair housing education and training.

HHFDC will be adopting an *Annual Action Plan* for the one-year period between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025. HHFDC administers the HOME and HTF programs, and the State's Department of Human Services - Benefits, Employment and Support Services Division administers the HOPWA program.

Citizens may participate in the planning process through public hearings on needs and priorities, through the review and comment period on the *Annual Action Plan* and any substantial amendments.

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or toll-free from the Neighbor Islands:

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STATE OF HAWAII
HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
(Program Year 2024-2025)

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) is a federally funded program created by the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. This program is intended to be a locally designed and administered program which: 1) expands the supply of decent, safe, affordable, and sanitary housing, with primary attention to low-income rental housing; 2) strengthens the abilities of state and local governments to design and implement affordable housing strategies; and 3) provides both federal financing and technical assistance.

According to the HOME Program regulations, the State of Hawaii (the "State") is the Participating Jurisdiction (PJ); the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) is the agency designated to administer the HOME Program for the State. The HOME Program requires that all HOME funds be utilized to assist households earning 80% of the area median income and below.

Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determines by formula the amount of HOME funds that states and units of local governments are eligible to receive. In Program Year 2024 (PY2024), the State anticipates receiving approximately \$3,000,000 in HOME funds. The State distributes its HOME funds in accordance with the State *Consolidated Plan*, which provides information on the State's housing needs, primarily in the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui; and a strategic plan to address those needs. The State has designated the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui as HOME State Recipients to administer the State's HOME funds and address their respective housing needs. In accordance with HHFDC's allocation policy, the County of Hawaii is designated to receive the State's entire HOME allocation in PY2024, less five percent for HHFDC's administration of the program.

HOME funds may be used to expand and/or preserve the supply of safe, decent, and affordable rental housing. This includes new construction or acquisition and/or rehabilitation of rental housing units affordable to very low- and low-income families. HOME funds also can be used for tenant-based rental assistance and new construction, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of housing for affordable homeownership.

The State's HOME Program encourages any program or activity funded in whole or in part with HOME funds to avoid the displacement of individuals and families unless it is the only practical alternative. Should HOME funds be utilized for such an activity, HHFDC and the State Recipients, will comply with Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and the Uniform Relocation Act.

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HOUSING TRUST FUND PROGRAM
(Program Year 2024-2025)

The National Housing Trust Fund Program (HTF) is a federally funded program, which was created by Section 1131 of Title I of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. This program is intended to be locally designed and administered to increase and preserve the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing, with primary attention to rental housing for extremely low- and very low-income households, including homeless families. HUD launched this program in Program Year 2016 (PY2016), and the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) was designated to administer the HTF program for the State of Hawaii.

HUD has issued the HTF Interim Rule to establish regulations that will govern the program. HUD will determine annually by formula the amount of HTF that states are eligible to receive. By statute, HUD will provide states a minimum annual allocation of \$3,000,000 or, if funding is insufficient, HUD will publish an alternative methodology for public comment. HTF funds may be used for the new construction or acquisition and/or rehabilitation of rental housing units affordable to extremely low-income families ($\leq 30\%$ of the Area Median Income [AMI]), and some operating costs for rental projects. Up to 10% of HTF funds may also be used for homeownership housing, restricted to first-time homebuyers with incomes at or below 30% of the AMI.

HHFDC's HTF allocation plan sets forth the distribution of HHFDC's HTF funds in accordance with the State's *Consolidated Plan*. Due to the limited amount of HTF funds available, HHFDC's allocation plan allows for the utilization of its HTF funds solely for rental housing activities serving households earning incomes at or below 30% of the AMI in all four counties. Under the plan, HHFDC retains 5% of the annual allocation for administration. In past allocations, HHFDC annually distributed 50% of the HTF funds to the City and County of Honolulu (City) and rotated the remaining 50% to one of the neighbor island counties, in accordance with the rotation of HOME funds.

HHFDC is in the process of determining how it will allocate its PY2024 HTF funds. HHFDC will draft and present the PY2024 HTF Allocation Plan to HHFDC's Board of Directors in October 2023.

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Benefits, Employment and Support Services Division
Homeless Programs Office
HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS
(Program Year 2024-2025)

The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program, authorized by Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 574, provides resources and incentives to states, local governments, and private non-profit organizations to devise long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing needs of persons with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) or related diseases and their families. HOPWA funds may be used to support all forms of housing designed to prevent homelessness including emergency housing, shared housing arrangements, apartments, single-room occupancy (SRO) dwellings, and community residences. Eligible uses of HOPWA funds also include housing information services; resource identification; acquisition, rehabilitation, conversion, lease, and repair of facilities to provide housing and services; new construction for SRO dwellings and community facilities; project or tenant-based rental assistance; short-term rent, mortgage, and utility payments to prevent homelessness of the tenant or mortgagor of a dwelling.

The State anticipates receiving approximately \$250,000 of HOPWA funds for Program Year 2024-2025.

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- State-administered
 - State anticipates receiving approximately \$250,000 for next fiscal year
 - Grants to meet the housing needs of low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families and to prevent homelessness
 - Housing assistance
 - Supportive services
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