

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
(for consultation on housing needs)

Pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91, notice is hereby given that the State of Hawaii (State); Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism; Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC), will prepare an Annual Action Plan (AAP) for Program Year 2023-2024 (PY2023), as part of the Consolidated Plan (CP) process. In preparation for this AAP, HHFDC will consult with local governments and residents at public hearings to be held in each county. In the County of Maui (County), HHFDC will conduct virtual and in-person hearings with the County's Office of the Mayor's CDBG Program Office and the Department of Housing and Human Concerns' Housing Division as follows:

Virtual Public Hearing:

Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Connectivity information on attending the virtual public hearing can be found at:

Click here to join on your computer or mobile app: <https://bluejeans.com/299921067>
Or call in (audio only): +1.408.915.6290, Phone Conference ID: 299 921 067

In-Person Public Hearing:

Friday, October 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Kalana O Maui Building, 200 South High Street, 9th Floor, Mayor's Conference Room, Wailuku, Maui.

The CP's purpose is to ensure that jurisdictions receiving federal assistance plan for the housing and related needs of low- and moderate-income families in a way that improves the availability and affordability of decent, safe, and sanitary housing in suitable living environments. To receive funding under certain U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs, the State must have a housing strategy that has been approved by HUD.

The AAP describes the State's funding plans for the coming program year and certifies program compliance with the CP, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), National Housing Trust Fund (HTF), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs.

For PY2023, the State anticipates receiving approximately \$3,000,000 in HOME funds, \$450,000 in ESG funds, and \$250,000 in HOPWA funds, for use primarily in the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui. Approximately \$3,000,000 is anticipated under the HTF program, which may be used in the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, and the City and County of Honolulu. These HUD programs provide funding to expand the supply of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families, reduce homelessness, and provide preventative programs and activities for homeless individuals and families in the State.

An Informational Packet describing the HOME, HTF, ESG and HOPWA programs is posted on HHFDC's website at <http://hawaii.gov/dbedt/hhfdc> and available for public viewing at the following public libraries: Hilo, Island of Hawaii; Lihue, Island of Kauai; Kahului, Island of Maui; Kaimuki, Kaneohe, Pearl City, Hawaii State Library's Documents Center, and UH

Library's Serials Receiving, Island of Oahu. A copy may also be picked up at the agencies listed below between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from Monday through Friday (except for weekends and State holidays).

AGENCIES:

HHFDC, 677 Queen Street, Suite 300, Honolulu, Oahu

County of Maui
Department of Housing and Human Concerns
2200 Main Street, Suite 546, Wailuku, Maui

To receive a copy by mail, interested persons may call (808) 587-0577; neighbor island county residents may call toll free, extension 70577:

From Kauai: (808) 274-3141

From Maui: (808) 984-2400

From Molokai/Lanai: 1-800-468-4644

From Hawaii: (808) 974-4000

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearings and state their views, orally or in writing, related to the housing and homeless needs to be considered in developing the State's AAP.

Please make five copies of written testimony available to the presiding officer. Written testimony may also be submitted via email to hhfdc.consolidatedplan@hawaii.gov, by U.S. mail to HHFDC, 677 Queen Street, Suite 300, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813, or by fax to (808) 587-0600 by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the hearing. Comments and testimony received will be considered in preparing the final State AAP.

If access or communication assistance and/or services (e.g., large print, taped materials, sign language interpreter, or translator) are required to participate in this public hearing, please contact the HHFDC's Human Resources Office at (808) 587-0501, by email at hhfdchr@hawaii.gov, by fax at (808) 587-0600, or by written request as soon as possible, preferably by Monday, October 10, 2022. If a response is received after October 10, 2022, we will try to obtain the auxiliary aid/service or accommodation, but we cannot guarantee that the request will be fulfilled. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

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Denise Iseri-Matsubara, HHFDC Executive Director

October 4, 2022

