

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 2024-2025 (PY2024), as part of the *Consolidated Plan* (ConPlan) 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 City and County of Honolulu (City), HHFDC will conduct virtual and in-person hearings with the City's Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, and Department of Community Services as follows:

Virtual Public Hearing:

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Connectivity information on attending the virtual public hearing can be accessed as follows:

Join on your computer or mobile app: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only): +1 808-829-4853, Phone Conference ID: 728805411#

In-Person Public Hearing:

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at HHFDC's Board Room; 677 Queen Street, Suite 300; Honolulu, Oahu

The ConPlan'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 State and City's AAP will describe funding plans for the coming program year and certifies program compliance with the CP, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), National Housing Trust Fund (HTF), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs. The City's AAP will also include its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

In addition to the PY2024 AAP, the City will cover its Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2022-2023 (PY2022), which describes its accomplishments during PY2022. A copy of the draft CAPER will be posted to the City's website, on or before August 29, 2023, at <http://www.honolulu.gov/cdbg>. A hard copy of the draft CAPER will be made available upon request by emailing bfscdbgmil@honolulu.gov. Interested parties may submit written comments on the City's draft CAPER by September 14, 2023 to the City's Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, Federal Grants Unit; 925 Dillingham Boulevard, Room 240; Honolulu, Hawaii 96817, or by email to bfscdbgmil@honolulu.gov. The final CAPER will be submitted to HUD on or before September 30, 2023.

For PY2024, the State anticipates receiving approximately \$3,000,000 in HOME 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 families and individuals in the State. Information on the City's programs can be found on its website at <http://www.honolulu.gov/cdbg>.

An Informational Packet describing the HOME, HTF, and HOPWA programs is posted on HHFDC's website at <http://hawaii.gov/dbedt/hhfdc> and are available for public viewing at the following public libraries: Hilo, Island of Hawaii; Lihue, Island of Kauai; Wailuku, 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

City and County of Honolulu

Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, Federal Grants Unit
925 Dillingham Boulevard, Room 240; Honolulu, Oahu

Department of Community Services

925 Dillingham Boulevard, Room 200; Honolulu, Oahu

To receive a copy by mail, interested persons may call (808) 587-0634; neighbor island county residents may call toll free, extension 70634:

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 and/or the City's AAPs, and on the City's CAPER.

Please make five copies of written testimony available to the presiding officer at the hearing. 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 or before the day of the hearing. Written testimony on the City's AAP or CAPER may be sent to the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, Federal Grants Unit; 925 Dillingham Boulevard, Room 240; Honolulu, Hawaii 96817; or by email to bfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov. Comments and testimony received will be considered in preparing the State's and City's final AAPs and the City's final CAPER. Written testimony and comments on the City's draft CAPER must be received by September 14, 2023.

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 at least ten business days before the hearing. Requests for access or communication assistance may also be made by contacting the City's Department of Budget and Fiscal Services by email at bfscdbgmil@honolulu.gov. Prompt requests help to ensure the availability of appropriate accommodations. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

HHFDC and the City do not discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, including gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, disability, familial status, ancestry, age, marital status, or HIV status.

Dean Minakami, HHFDC Interim Executive Director

August 29, 2023

