

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 County of Maui (Maui County), HHFDC will conduct virtual and in-person hearings with the Office of the Mayor's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Office, and the Department of Housing and Human Concerns' Housing Division as follows:

Virtual Public Hearing:

Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

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

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: 313862000

In-Person Public Hearing:

Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the J. Walter Cameron Center, Conference Room #1; 95 Mahalani Street; Wailuku, Maui.

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, HHFDC must have a housing strategy that has been approved by HUD.

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

For PY2024, HHFDC 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 individuals and families in the State.

Maui County is also required to prepare an AAP for PY2024, as part of its ConPlan. For PY2024, Maui County expects to receive approximately \$1,829,334 for its CDBG Program.

PY2024 CDBG program funds will be administered by Maui County CDBG Program office to facilitate recovery from the Maui wildfires.

Additional information on the CDBG Program is available on Maui County's Website at www.mauicounty.gov/mayor/community. You may also contact the CDBG Program Office at (808) 270-7213 or via email at patience.m.kahula@co.maui.hi.us.

An informational packet describing the HOME, HTF, 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; Wailuku, Island of Maui; Kaimuki, Kaneohe, Pearl City, Hawaii State Library's Documents Center, and University of Hawaii 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 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 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, at least ten business days before the hearing. Prompt requests help to ensure the availability of appropriate accommodations. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

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Dean Minakami, HHFDC Interim Executive Director

October 10, 2023

