## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

(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 2026-2027 (PY2026), 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 a hybrid hearing with the City's Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, and Department of Community Services as follows:

## Hybrid (In-person and Virtual) Public Hearing:

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at HHFDC's Board Room; 677 Queen Street, Suite 300; Honolulu, Oahu

Connectivity information to attend the public hearing virtually may 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: 479080365#

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 ConPlan, 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 PY2026 AAP, the City will cover its Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2024-2025 (PY2024), which describes its accomplishments during PY2024. A copy of the draft CAPER will be posted to the City's website, on or before September 10, 2025, at <a href="http://www.honolulu.gov/cdbg">http://www.honolulu.gov/cdbg</a>. A hard copy of the draft CAPER will be made available upon request by emailing <a href="mailto:bfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov">bfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov</a>. Interested parties may submit written comments on the City's draft CAPER by September 25, 2025 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 bfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov. The final CAPER will be submitted to HUD on or before September 30, 2025.

For PY2026, the State anticipates receiving approximately \$3,000,000 in HOME funds and \$300,000 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. 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.

An Informational Packet describing the HOME, HTF, and HOPWA programs is posted on HHFDC's website at <a href="http://hawaii.gov/dbedt/hhfdc">http://hawaii.gov/dbedt/hhfdc</a> 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) 587-0577; 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 and/or the City's AAPs, and on the City's CAPER.

Those who provide written testimony are asked to provide five copies of written testimony to the presiding officer at the hearing. Written testimony may also be submitted via email to <a href="https://hhfdc.consolidatedplan@hawaii.gov">hhfdc.consolidatedplan@hawaii.gov</a>, 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 <a href="https://honolulu.gov">hfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov</a>. 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 25, 2025.

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 <a href="mailto:hhfdchr@hawaii.gov">hhfdchr@hawaii.gov</a>, 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

<u>bfscdbgmail@honolulu.gov</u>. 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 Executive Director

August 20, 2025