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#### STATE OF HAWAII KA MOKUʻĀINA O HAWAIʻI

#### **HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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December 26, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority Annual Report (2024), as required by Section 356D-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: https://hpha.hawaii.gov/plans-reports#hphas-annual-reports.

Sincerely,

Hakim Ouansafi Executive Director

**Enclosures** 





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## **PURPOSE AND INTRODUCTION**

This report is being submitted in accordance with section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This report fulfills the reporting requirements and duties assigned to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) under Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Section 356D-20(3), which states:

The authority shall submit an annual report to the Legislature on all program areas no later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session, that shall provide the following information on the status of its programs and finances:

- (A) A financial audit and report conducted on an annual basis by a certified public accounting firm; and
- (B) Recommendations with reference to any additional legislation or other action that may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Chapter.

In compliance with HRS Section 356D-20(3), this Report provides the status of its major programs: Federal and State Low Income Public Housing, Section 8 Subsidy Programs, and Construction Management. Additionally, this Report includes the activities and accomplishments of the administrative offices—Property Management and Maintenance Services, Section 8 Subsidy Programs, Contract & Procurement, Development, Planning & Evaluation, Compliance, Hearings, Information Technology, and Human Resources—that work to support the HPHA's three major programs.

This Report includes financial data on the HPHA's funds, including non-general funds required under section 37-52.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and an auditor's report, and summarizes legislation proposed by the HPHA for the 2025 Legislative Session that will allow the HPHA to better serve its tenants, voucher holders, the communities they live in, and the State's very low-income populations.

## **MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR**

Aloha Mai Kakou,

On behalf of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) Board of Directors, I am honored to present our Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024 to the Hawaii State Legislature, alongside Executive Director Hakim Ouansafi.

Over the past year, our Board has remained steadfast in providing policy guidance to the agency, with a dedicated focus on improving living conditions for the families and communities we serve. The HPHA has a proud legacy of delivering affordable housing and supportive services to low-income families, and we are resolute in our commitment to this essential mission.



As we look ahead, it is our sincere hope that the initiatives and work we undertake today will not only enhance the quality of life for our residents but also expand and secure affordable housing options for generations to come. Our determination to uplift and empower our community drives our efforts, and we eagerly anticipate continuing our collaboration with all stakeholders to cultivate a brighter future for those in need of safe and affordable housing.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Legislature for your unwavering support. Your investment in our programs and services has made a meaningful impact on the lives of our residents and the communities we serve.

RESPECTFULLY,

ROBERT J. HALL

CHAIR OF THE BOARD

# MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Aloha Legislators,

With immense gratitude and pride, I present the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024. This year, our agency has continued to make extraordinary strides in fulfilling our mission of providing safe, affordable housing to Hawaii's most vulnerable families, touching the lives of over 45,000 individuals across our islands.

It is humbling to serve such a meaningful cause alongside dedicated public servants and compassionate partners, guided by our committed Board. Reflecting on our progress fills me with hope and inspiration. The School Street Senior Affordable Housing Community is moving forward, with the first phase of 250 units—part of a planned 800—set for completion by 2026, setting a new standard for affordable housing for our kupuna.

At Kuhio Park Terrace, we are revitalizing and advancing redevelopment for a brighter future for residents. The Ka Lei Momi Redevelopment Project and our initiatives at Mayor Wright Homes, Kapaa Homes, Lanakila Homes, and Kaahumanu Homes further demonstrate our dedication to creating vibrant communities.

This year, we faced unprecedented challenges, especially following the devastating Lahaina fire. Our hearts go out to those affected, and we remain committed to their recovery, grateful for FEMA's support and Senator Brian Schatz's advocacy for critical funding. Our team has ensured that displaced residents find stability through relocation or housing vouchers. I am deeply grateful for the partnerships that drive our progress. The trust and support of the Governor, the Legislature, developers, nonprofits, and our Board have empowered us to expand access to affordable housing. Together, we are transforming public housing into inclusive, mixed-use communities that celebrate the diversity of Hawaii's people.

Mahalo nui loa for your continued support and commitment to our mission. Through our collective spirit of aloha, we will build a brighter future for generations to come.

RESPECTFULLY,

HAKIM OUANSAFI

## **HISTORICAL OVERVIEW**

89 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE

1935

The Hawaii Housing Authority was established by the Territorial Legislature to offer safe and sanitary housing for low-income residents of Hawaii. Federal construction funds for public housing were later made available by the U.S. Housing Act of 1937.

1941

Following World War II, Hawaii experienced a surge in population and defense building programs. Post-war, the state faced a severe housing shortage, with affordable options being rare. In 1945, the average monthly rent of an HHA unit was \$14.03.

1951

In the 1950s, Hawaii's largest rental agency, Hawaiian Housing Authority (HHA), completed eight new developments that added 1,752 units for families due to the increasing urban development of Windward and Leeward neighborhoods and economic growth on Oahu.

1960

In the 1960s, the HHA was placed under the Department of Social Services due to an executive order by Governor William Quinn. The HHA adapted to the changing demands of the housing market by opening housing projects for the special needs of Hawaii's senior and disabled citizens.

1970

In 1970, the HHA's duties were expanded through Act 105, which allowed the State to raise \$100 million to develop properties for low- and moderate-income households.

1988

In 1988, the HHA built 10,132 housing units under Act 105, including single-family homes, townhomes, duplexes, and apartments. The HFDC was also created in the same year to streamline affordable housing development programs, allowing the HHA to focus on Section 8 and Public Housing program management.

1990

During the 1990s, the HHA expanded its role by adding the State's Homeless Programs and implementing initiatives for crime and drug prevention, education, and job readiness to improve resident self-sufficiency. The Family Investment Center was opened to provide a computer lab, classrooms, GED classes, and employment training.







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## HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

89 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE

1998

Act 350 merged the HHA with the Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HFDC), resulting in the creation of the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii (HCDCH).

2005

In 2005, Governor Linda Lingle signed Act 196, dividing the Hawaii Community Development Corporation into two agencies: the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) and the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC). The HPHA was responsible for managing federal and state public housing, Section 8, and senior housing programs.

2010

The Homeless Programs Section was transferred from HPHA to the BESSD division of DHS under Act 89.

2012

The HPHA enters into the first Public-Private-Partnership (P3) to redevelop the two towers at Kuhio Park Terrace with future plans to redevelop the Kuhio Homes and Kuhio Park Terrace Low-Rise properties.

2014

The HPHA achieved a 98% occupancy rate in its public housing programs and received a "High Performer" rating for its Section 8 Program. It was managing approximately \$150M in federal and state funds for the redevelopment of its aging housing inventory by 2014.

2016

The HPHA had closed the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher waitlist after ten years due to the overwhelming number of applicants. The waitlist was re-opened and new residents are being assisted with their housing needs.

2017

In 2017, the HPHA's independent auditors reported no financial or compliance issues related to internal controls over the HPHA's major programs. This was a significant accomplishment for the HPHA, who had made progress since 2012 in reducing and removing all audit findings of errors, noncompliance, and programmatic deficiencies.







## **HISTORICAL OVERVIEW**

89 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE

2019

The HPHA has signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Hawaii System to conduct research on its public housing programs. They have collaborated with various departments such as the Community Design Center, School of Architecture, and Department of Urban and Regional Planning, among others.

2020

In 2020, HPHA took significant steps to address the pandemic and provide assistance to those in need. They organized outreach events, offered testing, and introduced an online Section 8 application and lottery system. Direct deposit was implemented for rent payment, and new public housing units were constructed while vacant units were repaired. HPHA played a crucial role in providing housing security and aid during a challenging year.

2021

Amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, the agency partnered with stakeholders to coordinate various programs such as vaccination clinics, housing, and emergency feeding. Other achievements include successful projects and a revenue of over \$201M, with zero audit findings for four years in a row.

2022

The HPHA has expanded affordable housing by opening Kamaoku Village, a Kauhale housing project with 37 tiny home structures for formerly unsheltered people. It has also applied and received the only Moving To Work designation from HUD to increase funding and policy flexibilities through various programs, helping to address Hawaii's affordable housing shortage and promote self-sufficiency for low-income families. Act 251 allows the HPHA to develop all forms of mixed-income and mixed-financed housing projects.

2023

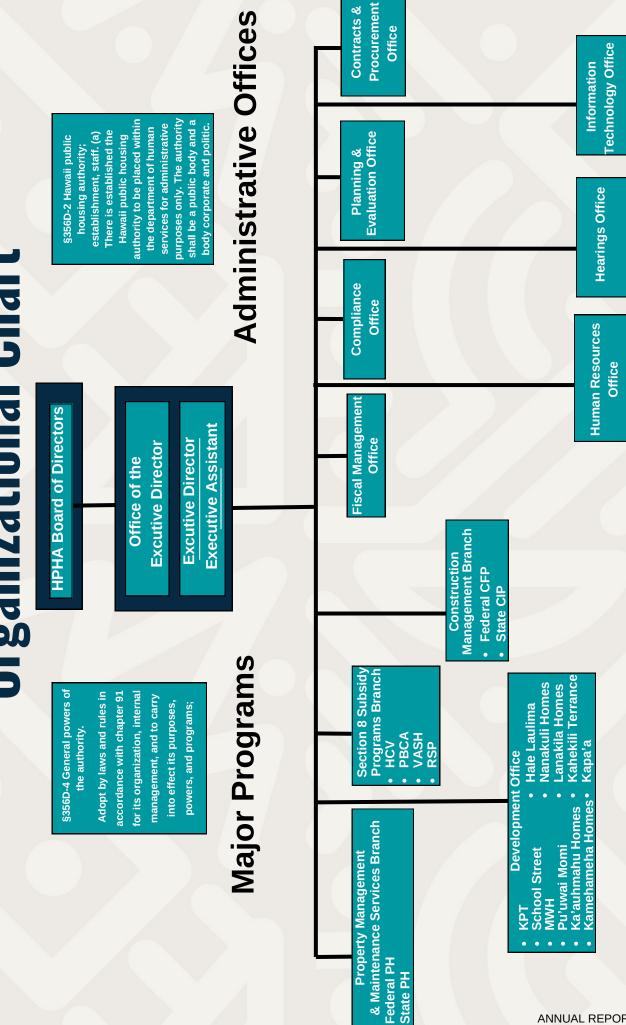
The Hawaii Public Housing Authority chose Highridge Costa Development Company as the developer to construct over 10,000 additional affordable housing units for sale and rental across nine properties in the state.







# Organizational Chart



## **24 Board of Directors**

REGARDING POLICY MATTERS. INTERESTS. THE BOARD PROVIDES THE AGENCY WITH GUIDANCE AND RECOMMENDATIONS THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD REPRESENT A CROSS SECTION OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES AND THE HPHA IS GOVERNED BY AN ELEVEN MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

RESIDENT MEMBER **PUBLIC HOUSING VICE CHAIR CEORGE DEMELLO** 



**OAHU MEMBER CHAIR** ROBERT HALL



**ADVOCATE DISABILITIES PERSONS WITH BETTY LOU LARSON** 



**MAUI MEMBER** SECRETARY ОИАМЛОЧ ІНТІТЬТЬ



**KAUAI MEMBER** CHRISTYL NAGAO



HUMAN SERVICES **DEPARTMENT OF** DIRECTOR **EX-OFFICIO BYAN YAMANE** 



AT-LARGE MEMBER **TODD TANIGUCHI** 



HUMAN SERVICES **DEPARTMENT OF** DEPUTY DIRECTOR DESIGNEE **JOSEPH CAMPOS II** 



**OFFICE OF THE** EX-OFFICIO, **SCOTT GLENN** 



HOMELESS ADVOCATE **LOW-INCOME/ SECRETARY ROY KATSUDA** 



HAWAII MEMBER **SUSAN KUNZ** 



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# FEDERAL AND STATE PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMS

Federal Public Housing is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program first established in 1937 to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. The HPHA is the sole provider of Federal Public Housing statewide. The HPHA also administers State Public Housing which operates similar to, but independent of the federal program. Both programs combine to serve approximately 5,200 families, or approximately 13,000 individuals.

#### HPHA serves Low-Income families earning 80% Area Median Income (AMI) or less:

- 80% of the AMI for the Honolulu Metropolitan Statistical Area in FY 24 was \$120,100.
- At least 40% of Federal family public housing units are restricted to Extremely Low-Income families that earn 30% of the AMI or less.

#### 6,270 dwelling units across 85 properties:

- 5,406 Federal Units (HUD subsidized)
- 864 State Units (no federal subsidy)

Properties are organized into 18 Asset Management Projects (AMP):

- 9 AMPs managed by State employees
- 9 AMPs managed by private contractors

#### Number of Families Served in FY 24

Federal Elderly 1030 families
Federal Family 3,296 families
State Elderly 540 families
State Family 238 families
TOTAL 5,104 families

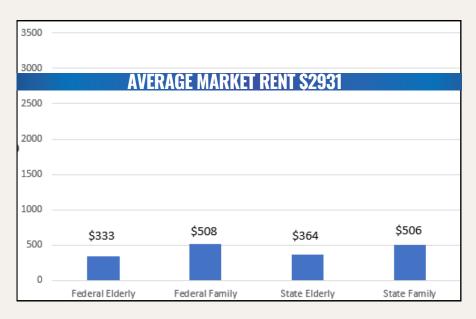
#### Number of Individuals Served in FY 24

Federal Elderly
Federal Family
State Elderly
State Family
TOTAL

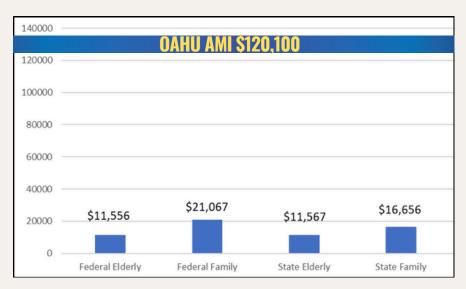
1,149 individuals
10,302 individuals
670 individuals
723 individuals

# FEDERAL AND STATE PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMS

#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY RENT PAYMENTS**



#### **PUBLIC HOUSING MEDIAN INCOME**





## **SECTION 8 SUBSIDY PROGRAMS**

The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program, commonly known as "Section 8," is a HUD initiative that offers rental subsidies for tenant-selected private market units via tenant-based vouchers.

As the largest rental subsidy program administered by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA), the HCV program operates exclusively on Oahu. The HPHA also oversees several Special-Purpose Vouchers, including Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers (NED), Veteran's Affairs Supportive Housing Vouchers (VASH), Performance-Based Contract Administration (PBCA), Tenant Protection Vouchers (TPV), Foster Youth Initiative Vouchers (FYI), and Section 8 Project-Based Vouchers (PBV). HCV vouchers are portable, allowing tenants to use their assistance anywhere on Oahu or across the country while maintaining the same level of support, regardless of location.

The State of Hawaii also funds the Rent Supplement Program (RSP), which operates similarly to the HCV program and provides shallow rent subsidies for units statewide.

3,672 HCVs and Project-Based Vouchers (PBV):

Average HCV Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) is \$1,438 per month

417 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Vouchers:

Average HAP is \$940 per month

208 State Rent Supplement Program:

Average HAP of \$433 per month

123 Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers:

Average HAP is \$1,285 per month)

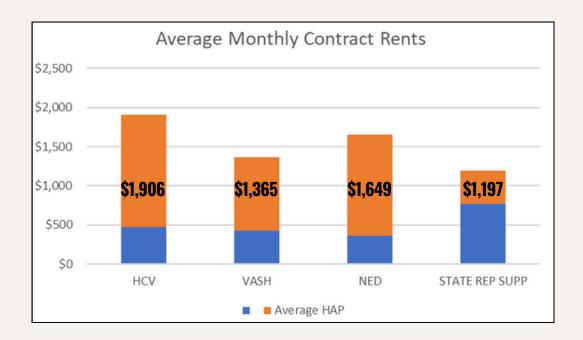
162 Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV):

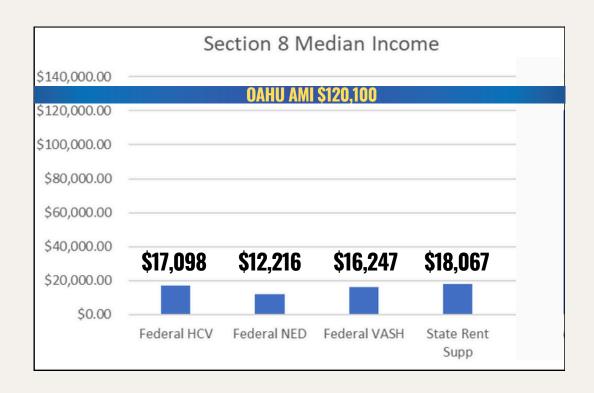
Average HAP is \$1,438 per month

83 Tenant Protection Vouchers (TPV):

Average HAP is \$1,477 per month

## **SECTION 8 SUBSIDY PROGRAMS**





## NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR THE PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF REAL ESTATE (NSPIRE)



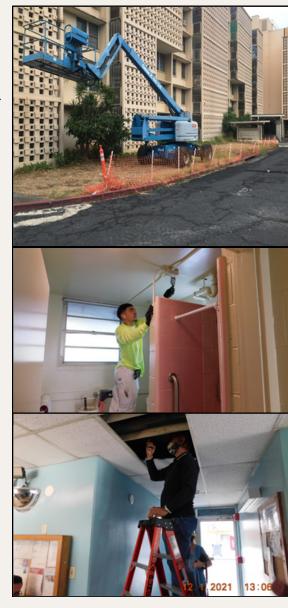
In FY 24, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) launched the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) for both public housing and Section 8 units ahead of the federal implementation deadline of October 1, 2025. HUD previously required public housing agencies to enforce two separate sets of inspection standards for both programs. The unified NSPIRE model prioritizes health, safety, and function defects over appearance. It also implements instructions that better reflect the true physical conditions of a property and supports the adoption of sound, year-round maintenance practices.

Under NSPIRE, all inspection findings are organized into three areas: inside of a unit, common areas, and the exterior of a unit/building. There are also new and expanded deficiency ratings which allows inspectors to give more precise details on possible impacts to safety and whether or not an issue is creating a life-threatening condition. Among the most impactful changes are updates to smoke alarm requirements; tamper-proof smoke alarms are now required in all bedrooms, hallways, kitchens, stairwells, and common areas.



The Construction Management Branch (CMB) provides overall administration for all capital improvement projects including ensuring timely encumbrance, obligation and expenditure of State and Federal program funds; administering design and construction contracts for all major non-routine repairs and renovations statewide of existing structures and the redevelopment of those that have reached the end of their useful; and performing construction inspection services to assure conformance to plans and specifications, compliance with State and Federal prevailing wages and assure compliance with Federal Section 3 requirements of hiring low-income persons or businesses.

The priorities are health (sewer repairs; mitigation of hazardous materials such as lead based paint, asbestos, contaminated soil, etc.); safety (such as concrete and other structural repairs, fire alarm systems, leaking gas lines, electrical upgrades, and other hazards); accessibility (individual unit accessibility, office, all common areas and paths of travel); and occupancy (making vacant units safe, decent and sanitary to house those in the lowest social-economic bracket.



#### **Lead-Based Paint (LBP) Testing & Abatement**

HPHA initiated another Lead Risk Assessment of all properties that are still indicating positive to Lead-Based Paint (LBP) that were not removed from ongoing modernization projects. HPHA is reviewing the results of the recent Lead Risk Assessment reports to assess where the agency stands with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) revised stricter standards so that we can take further action as necessary.

HPHA was able to encapsulate LBP at 47 vacant units at larger public housing properties such as Mayor Wright Homes, Kalihi Valley Homes, and Puahala Homes. Palolo Valley Homes is in the process of having all LBP removed, all LBP in the exterior foundations were removed from Ele Ele Homes on Kauai, and all LBP on meter room cages were also removed at Puuwai Momi to render this site Lead-free.



Before: Main Entry at Punchbowl Homes

After: New panels, ADA ramp constructed

#### **Infrastructure Upgrades**

Upgrades to all gas lines, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and electrical upgrades were completed at the Kahale Mua federal site on Molokai. The state units at Kahale Mua are currently under construction to undergo a similar upgrade as the federal site. The Sewer Lift Station at Wahiawa Terrace is under construction and is scheduled to be completed by the spring of 2025. Water heaters were replaced at Kaahumanu Homes and Kamehameha Homes with construction scheduled to be completed late summer 2025. Upgrades to generators at all towers has been awarded and is awaiting permit issuance to start construction. Gas line replacement at Makani Kai Hale on Maui is under construction and is scheduled to complete in the fall of 2025. Utilizing the Governor's Emergency Proclamation relating to affordable housing, HPHA was able to enter into a Design-Build contract to address the much-needed electrical upgrades at Kahekili Terrace on Maui.

#### Fire Alarms and Sprinklers

With recent changes to the Fire Code as a result of the Marco Polo tragic fire, HPHA is in the process of upgrading the fire alarms at several of its sites. The Fire Alarm upgrades at Punchbowl Homes will be out to bid in the fall of 2024. Utilizing the Governor's Emergency Proclamation relating to Affordable Housing, the HPHA was able enter into Design-Build contracts to address the fire alarm upgrades at Laiola (a state site), Puuwai Momi and Waimaha-Sunflower to quickly address upgrading the fire alarms. HPHA has selected a consultant to add fire sprinklers at Pumehana and its 139 elderly units together with a major modernization since the units will need to be vacated for the fire sprinkler installation.



Before: Paokalani exterior After: Spall repair completed

#### **Structural Assessments and Repairs**

Many of HPHA's public housing buildings are aged and are reaching the end of their useful life and therefore in urgent need of structural assessments and repairs to ensure that the structures are still sound. This is especially important of tower buildings where falling concrete can be extremely dangerous. This past fiscal year concrete spall repairs were completed at Punchbowl Homes, Makua Alii and Paoakalani. Hale Poai, a state elderly public housing site, continues to be under construction and has completed two of ten phases of a multi-year major modernization of 203 units plus sitework and utilities upgrades in addition to the structural repairs.

#### Security upgrades

The security improvements at Asset Management Property (AMP) 34 in the Waikiki area, Makua Alii, Kalakaua Homes, and Paoakalani, is in the permitting process. Security improvements at this elderly site are to add security cameras and monitoring systems, upgrading keyed doors to an electronic FOB based technology, installing or strengthening fences, trimming back overgrown vegetation for visibility, and upgrading site lighting. Once the permit is approved the project should be going out to bid shortly thereafter in the first quarter of 2025.

CMB remains committed to providing affordable housing and services that improve quality of life, enhanced safety, and promote personal success for the people it serves and the surrounding community.

#### **Funding Status as of June 30, 2024**

As of June 30, 2024, the HPHA met State encumbrance and Federal obligation and expenditure funding deadlines.

HPHA successfully reached 100% obligation of Federal CFP 2018 and 2019 funds, 89.3% of 2020 funds, and 96.92% of 2021 funds, but had no obligation for 2022 funds. In terms of expenditure, HPHA reached 100% of 2018 funds, 67.6% of 2019 funds, 41.5% of 2020 funds, and 43.3% of 2021 funds, totaling 40.6% of all open Federal Capital Fund grants.

As of June 30, 2024, HPHA has encumbered \$74.8M of all open State CIP funds, with a deadline of June 30, 2026, to encumber FY23-24 and FY24-25 appropriations. HPHA has expended \$34.3M of all open State CIP funds, with varying percentages spent for each fiscal year.

#### FY 24 Funding (as of June 30, 2024)

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Budgeted	
\$84,386,253	Federal CFP Funds
	(Appropriated and Budgeted)
\$112,591,188	State CIP Funds
	(Appropriated and Budgeted)
\$209, 977,441	Total Budgeted
In Contract	
\$52,641,050	Federal CFP Funds
	(Obligated)

\$127,436,242	Total In Contract
	(Encumbered)
\$74,795,192	State CIP Funds
	(Obligated)

\$74,787,218	Total Expended
\$34,284,176	State Funds
\$40,503,042	Federal Funds, Construction
<u>Expended</u>	

<u>Budget Balance</u>	
\$50,102,077	Federal Funds, CFP 727-732
\$82,088,146	State Funds, CIP FY 16-22
\$132,190,223	Total Budget Balance

New Contracts	
\$2,140,771	6 New Consultant Contracts
\$8,831,719	5 New Construction Contracts
\$7,072,488	15 New Service Contracts
\$18,044,978	Total New Contracts

#### **DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS COMPLETED IN FY 2024:**

- · 8/8/2023 DAVID MALO CIRCLE LEAD-BASED ABATEMENT DES: ENVIROSERVICES & TRAINING CENTER, LLC, \$105,000 (CIP); CONST: TITAN INDUSTRIES, LLC, \$354,195.00 (CFP) UNFORTUNATELY, THIS PROJECT WAS CONSUMED IN THE LAHAINA FIRE ON 8/8/23.
- · 8/8/2023 PI'ILANI HOMES SITE AND DWELLING IMPROVEMENTS DES: ARCHITECTS PACIFIC, \$668,974.27 (CIP), CONST: MEI CORPORATION, \$6,764,680.65 (\$4,824,836.43 CFP, \$1,939,844.22 CIP) UNFORTUNATELY, THIS PROJECT WAS CONSUMED IN THE LAHAINA FIRE ON 8/8/23
- · 9/22/2023 KAHALE MUA (FEDERAL) UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS DES: INSYNERGY ENGINEERING, INC., \$94,734.00 (CIP); CONST: PAUL'S ELECTRIC, \$225,700.00 (CIP)
- · 12/20/2023 MAKUA ALI'I AND PAOAKALANI ADA IMPROVEMENTS DES: USHIJIMA ARCHITECTS \$693,670.28 (\$552,258.50 CFP, \$141, 141.78 CIP); CONST: STARCOM BUILDERS, INC., \$8,894,772.13 (\$6,625,700.62 CFP, \$2,269,071.51 CIP)

#### **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION VACAN UNIT PROJECTS COMPLETED IN FY 2024:**

- ·7/23/2023 PUMEHANA HOMES EP VACANT: 8 UNITS DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: T. IIDA CONTRACTING, LTD., \$492,183.70 (CIP)
- ·9/28/2023 MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES EP VACANT UNITS: 9 DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: CONSTRUCTORS HAWAII, INC., \$ 792,000.00 (CIP)
- ·10/11/2023 SPENCER HOUSE EP VACANT UNIT: 1 DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: AMETHYST BUILDERS, LLC., \$59,210.00 (CIP)
- ·10/31/2023 MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES EP VACANT UNITS: 6 DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: \$865,759.00 (CIP)
- ·06/13/2024 MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES EP VACANT UNITS: 8 DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: \$368,232.77 (CIP)
- ·06/20/2024 MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES EP VACANT UNITS: 9 DES: IN-HOUSE; CONST: \$710,758.00 (CIP)983210

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## PLANNING AND EVALUATION

The Planning & Evaluation Office (PEO) performs planning, policy evaluation, and research activities for all HPHA programs and policies. PEO is also responsible for developing legislative proposals and reports, administering rule-making procedures, assisting with development efforts, and revising the agency's rules and bylaws.

#### **COLLABORATION AND LONG-RANGE PLANNING**

HPHA works closely with its partnering agencies at every level of government. PEO staff regularly attend Housing Directors' meetings, Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit Oriented Development meetings, Neighborhood Board meetings, and policy meetings with legislators. PEO also updates the HPHA's short— and long-range functional plans (i.e., the Annual PHA Plan and the 5-Year PHA Plan) which describe the agency's objectives and how it will achieve various HUD programmatic requirements. These plans can be viewed online at: <a href="http://www.hpha.hawaii.gov/housingplans/index.htm">http://www.hpha.hawaii.gov/housingplans/index.htm</a>

#### KAMEHAMEHA HOMES WATER SAVING PILOT PROJECT

The Kamehameha Homes Water Saving Pilot Project, a collaboration between HPHA and the City & County of Honolulu BWS, installed water saving upgrades to increase water efficiency in the housing units and common areas, potentially saving 900,000 gallons annually.

#### MOVING TO WORK DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

HPHA joined the MTW Demonstration Program in January 2022 to enhance housing choices for low-income families by increasing administrative efficiency and increasing project-based vouchers towards redevelopment projects to address the shortage of rental housing.

HPHA will utilize the following waivers to achieve the MTW statutory objective of increasing housing choice for low-income families. HPHA has found that many families struggle to use tenant-based vouchers because of scarce rental housing as well as property owners' reluctance to participate. HPHA can ensure that assisted units will be available exclusively to voucher families. Expanding the PBV Program will also support ongoing and future development efforts.

- Biennial reexaminations for all Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher families;
- HPHA may increase the number of authorized units that can be project-based up to 50% of the agency's total authorized HCV units or annual budget authority.
- HPHA may increase the amount of non-excepted dwelling units at a single covered project up to 100%.
- For the initial and re determined contract rents for a PBV project could be set up to the lower of (a) 110% of the applicable SAFMR minus any utility allowance, or (b) the reasonable rent.

For more information on these and other upcoming Moving to Work initiatives, please visit: http://www.hpha.hawaii.gov/mtw.

## PLANNING AND EVALUATION

### PARTNERSHIP WITH HAWAII PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE

The HPHA has partnered with Hawaii Public Health Institute to create the Community Garden Pilot Program at Punchbowl Homes, Pumehana, and Kalanihuia elderly public housing communities. In collaboration with the State Department of Health, Pear Suite, and Punchbowl Homes and Pumehana residents, this pilot program strengthens resident engagement and wellness.











THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF UPDATE OF HPHA'S MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OVER THE LAST YEAR.

SCHOOL STREET: The HPHA is partnering with Highridge Costa Development Company (HCDC), to redevelop its administrative campus located at 1002 N School Street. The redevelopment will deliver 800 affordable housing units for our kupuna over the course of three phases. The HPHA anticipates all phases will be completed over an 8 to 10-year development horizon.

In January 2024, HPHA celebrated a symbolic groundbreaking ceremony of Phase 1, a new affordable housing complex for seniors on School Street, marking a significant step in addressing Hawaii's senior housing crisis. The project will provide 250 new units designed specifically for elderly residents, ensuring long-term affordable housing options for the state's kūpuna.

The ceremony, attended by Governor Josh Green, Honolulu Mayor Rick Blangiardi, and key development partners, underscored the importance of the project in meeting the pressing housing needs of Hawaii's senior population. In April 2024, the project received remaining permits to start Construction. The construction financing closed successfully in May 2024 and site grading began shortly thereafter.

Construction completion is anticipated in-Mid 2026 with Lease-up later that year.







#### THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF UPDATE OF HPHA'S MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OVER THE LAST YEAR.

KA LEI MOMI REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT: In January 2023, the HPHA issued a request for qualifications (RFQ) for a master developer to play a lead role in transforming a portion of the HPHA's portfolio of public housing properties. This effort includes master planning and redevelopment of several sites across the state, including Mayor Wright Homes.

Through the RFQ process, HPHA selected a master developer, Highridge Costa, to begin evaluating and master planning the redevelopment of the following nine targeted sites: Mayor Wright Homes, Puuwai Momi, Kaahumanu Homes, Kamehemeha Homes, Hale Laulima, Nanakuli Homes, Lanakila Homes, Kahekili Terrace, and Kapaa.

All nine of these targeted sites, totaling nearly 80 acres of land, have significant potential to become mixed-income, mixed-use, transit-oriented developments. The redevelopment effort is targeting delivery of a minimum of 10,000 additional housing units in addition to the one-for-one replacement of public housing units.

The Ka Lei Momi redevelopment is expected to be completed in multiple phases estimated at roughly two (2) years per phase over a total period of at least 10 years; although, this timeline is contingent upon permit approvals, market forces, funding, and the availability of financing.

The HPHA will play a secondary role in the redevelopment effort by lending assistance and support, when necessary, and will conduct normal monitoring activities as dictated by applicable regulations.





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**HOMES:** The HPHA is collaborating with Michaels Development Corporation to redevelop Kuhio Park Terrace Low-Rise and Kuhio Homes in Kalihi, Honolulu, into approximately 650 affordable housing units across eight new buildings. The first phase will create 304 units in four mid-rise

KUHIO PARK TERRACE LOW-RISES AND KUHIO

buildings.

In May 2024, the HPHA Board approved the predevelopment budget for KPLR, with an updated budget planned for approval in October 2024. Financial closing for Phase 1 is expected in early 2025, with construction starting in Quarter Two or Quarter Three of 2025. The building permit process is progressing, with approvals from various agencies, including the City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) and the Honolulu Fire Department. As of July 2024, the DPP approved the traffic management plans, and the HPHA is finalizing construction pricing.

Albert C. Kobayashi, Inc. is finalizing pricing based on the construction set and value engineering. The HPHA and TMO held a community update on July 11, 2024, for KPLR residents and are collaborating with Seneca on the relocation plan. The HPHA received HUD approval for its Section 18 application in August 2024 and plans to send relocation notices to residents in October 2024. They applied for 60 Tenant Protection Vouchers, expected in December 2024. The HPHA and TMO submitted the 201H application to the City DPP for final approval, anticipated in November 2024.





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**MAYOR WRIGHT HOMES:** In 2023, Mayor Wright Homes joined the Ka Lei Momi Project.

In May 2024, the HPHA Board approved a \$10M predevelopment loan for Phase I of the redevelopment, pending execution by HCDC

The HPHA and HCDC received a "Determination of No Hazard to Air Navigation" from the FAA in June 2024.

HHFDC approved the project's 201H Master Plan application, which is currently under revision with studies on Phases 1A and 1B. The HPHA and HCDC are considering Faircloth-to-RAD, PBVs, TPVs, and LIHTC options, along with for-sale units up to 120% of AMI and 501(c)(3) rentals up to 100% of AMI.

By August 2024, architectural and engineering teams were selected, and work on the drawings and permit sets had begun. The HUD Special Applications Center initiated the Section 18 application, establishing boundary areas for Phases 1A and 1B. The HPHA is awaiting a complete boundary survey report. A Section 18 community meeting occurred in September 2024 with residents and neighboring community members, with additional meetings to be scheduled.





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**KAPAA HOMES:** In 2023, Kapaa was included in the Ka Lei Momi Project.

In 2024, the HPHA's Board of Directors approved the project's budget, schedule, and predevelopment loan.

The subcontractor list for design work has also been finalized. Kick off for the working drawings began in Quarter Three of 2024.

The project's 201H entitlement application was approved in early 2024 by HHFDC. An application for the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit was submitted in early 2024 and is pending approval in the fourth quarter of 2024.

The HPHA anticipates building permits submittal in the fourth quarter of 2024 or in the first quarter 2025.

The HPHA and HCDC are considering the use of Faircloth-to-Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD), project-based vouchers, and tenant-based vouchers at the project site. Additionally, the County of Kauai is considering the use of project-based vouchers for the project.





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**LANAKILA HOMES:** In 2023, Lanakila Homes was included in the Ka Lei Momi Project.

A new Master Plan was completed in the spring of 2024. In June 2024, the HPHA and HCDC submitted a revised Long-Term Environmental Hazardous Management Plan to the Hawaii Department of Health, Hazardous Evaluation and Emergency Response Division in response to the agency's comments.

A response to comments are still being worked on. The geotechnical fieldwork study has been completed and concept design refinement has commenced.

In September 2024, the HPHA and HCDC held a town hall meeting with residents and neighboring community members to discuss the upcoming development.

In November 2024, a 201H entitlement application has been submitted to HHFDC. The project is anticipated to proceed in HHFDC's January Board Meeting and it being transmitted to the Planning Department for approval thereafter.





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**KAAHUMANU HOMES:** In 2023, Kaahumanu Homes was included in the Ka Lei Momi Project.

The HPHA and HCDC have finalized the Master Plan, but continues to work on associated technical studies, and entitlements work. The development team continues to work on its 201H entitlement application, which includes the preliminary Master Plan, with the goal of submission to the City DPP in the fourth quarter of 2024.

The HPHA and HCDC continue to weigh the use of Faircloth-to-RAD, PBVs, TPVs, and LIHTC at the project site.

Throughout the current and next fiscal year, the HPHA will continue discussions with Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) and the City Board of Water Supply as each party determines required infrastructure upgrades and requirements.

Although a preliminary HECO will-serve letter has been received, HECO's response to the pre-service request is still pending.

In August 2024, the HPHA held two town hall meetings with existing residents and surrounding community members.





## **COMPLIANCE**

The Compliance Office performs activities to ensure the HPHA manages and operates programs in accordance with federal and state requirements, and agency policies and directives. Specifically, the Compliance Office covers fair housing, accessibility, reasonable accommodations, language access, the Violence Against Women's Act, Declarations of Trust, the Uniform Relocation Act, and responded to over 750 tenant requests for reasonable accommodation requests.

The Compliance Office worked with EMG to address barriers to accessibility at HPHA properties. Site assessments for mobility and visual/hearing accessibility were completed at all HPHA federal and state public housing properties, management offices and administrative offices. HPHA's DRAFT Title II Transition Plan was approved by the HPHA Board of Directors, and a public hearing was held. EMG has updated the estimated costs and the HPHA is in the process of finalizing the Section 504 Transition Plans.

As of June 30, 2024, out of a total of 5,535 units, 368 units or 6.65% are accessible for mobility and 191 units or 3.45% are accessible for the visual/hearing impaired. With another 10 units for mobility and 15 units for the visual/hearing impaired currently under construction.

With continued legislative support, HPHA will be achieve its goals of expanding housing accessibility for the most disadvantaged members of our community.



## HEARINGS

The Hearings Office manages the Federal Low Income Public Housing Evictions pursuant to Chapter 356D, HRS, and Chapter 17-2020, HAR. There are seven (7) Federal eviction boards, three (3) boards for the island of Oahu and one (1) board each for Kona, Hilo, Maui/Molokai and Kauai. There is one (1) State eviction board to hear and resolve State project lease violations.

For Fiscal Year 2024, the Hearings Office received 36 case referrals, and all cases were related to criminal activities, drug use, or misconduct. For this period, a total of 22 families were evicted statewide, no families were placed on conditions, no families were offered voluntary departure, and no cases are currently pending.

## **CONTRACTS & PROCUREMENT**

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) utilizes federal and state funds for various goods and services, overseen by the Contracts and Procurement Office. Their objectives include maintaining a quality procurement system, ensuring fair treatment in purchasing, achieving efficient procurement at the best value, promoting competition, and complying with all regulations. In the fiscal year, the office processed 106 contracts and 5 change orders totaling \$52,023,544.19, along with 4,638 small purchases amounting to over \$6.2 million.

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

People, processes, and technology form the foundation that enables the Information Technology Office (ITO) to support HPHA's critical operations.

Our employees are the most valuable asset for the IT Office, and we are committed to delivering responsive, efficient and effective services to fulfill HPHA's IT needs and/or requirements at a high level.

ITO successfully dealt with many challenges such as high cost of inflation and diminishing supplies over the previous years. ITO is in the process of migrating our core application to a hosted environment, thus increasing efficiencies, and lowering administrative tasks and costs of maintaining physical infrastructures.

Another improvement is the increase on the bandwidth for network connectivity by implementing a 1,000 Mbps speed on the network backbone. This change allows for more dynamic and uninterrupted operations and enables data driven processes to continuously flow in an efficient manner.

Embracing new technology allows ITO to support and improve operational processes which in turn allows allocation of staff to more productive activities.





## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The Human Resources (HR) Office provides personnel staff support and advisory services to the Executive Director, managers, and employees of the HPHA; and manages the personnel programs and activities for the agency. The HPHA currently employs over 340 Full-Time and Tenant Aides in various Civil Service and Exempt capacities statewide as of June 30, 2024. Pursuant to Section 356D-2 HRS, the HPHA provides the following on the employment of civil service positions.

Under the Governor's Emergency Proclamation on Affordable Housing, the agency was able to identify positions that are directly involved in construction, development or redevelopment of housing, filling public housing vacancies, processing Housing Choice Vouchers, or in the processing of development-related permits, licenses, or approvals. Since it would be impractical or untimely to hire an employee for these positions under the civil service system Chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, these positions were converted from civil service to exempt positions. In FY 2024, the agency converted over 25 positions from civil service to exempt positions.

Alongside the service awards, the agency launched the "HPHA Ohana Outreach Team." Their first event featured baked goods and a white elephant gift sale, creating a festive atmosphere and bringing employees together to celebrate the new outreach team.



## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

30 YEARS OF SERVICE

Barbara Arashiro
Office of the Executive Director

Marie Onato
AMP 31

Jose Agosto Application

Paul Pasion MSWPP

Craig Chaves
AMP 39

**20 YEARS OF SERVICE** 

**Shirley Befitel** 

**Human Resources Office** 

Brian Bonga

**AMP 34** 

**Rory Camara** 

**AMP 39** 

**Benjamin Chai** 

**AMP 32/33** 

Jorge Garcia

**AMP 39** 

**Andrew Medeiros** 

**MSWPP** 

**Benjamin Park** 

**Planning & Evaluation Office** 

**Ernesto Pasion** 

**AMP 38** 

**Bernard Rabut** 

**AMP 31** 

**Francisco Santos** 

**MSWPP** 

Vaoau Tuimalealiifano

**Housing Information Office** 

Brandon Viernes

**MSWPP** 

Siho Vongsackda

**AMP 30** 

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

10 YEARS OF SERVICE

Randy Albano MSWPP

Eric Richards
Construction Management Branch

Norberto Apuya MSWPP Kenneth Sasaki AMP 34

Robert Dadis
MSWPP

Lance Shimamoto

AMP 37

Wilson Dela Cruz
AMP 32/33

George Stehlin
AMP 35

Gerome Garcia
MSWPP

Cesar Tabula

AMP 30

Gary Hashimoto
AMP 39

Aaron Tolentino
AMP 37

Betty Lee-Mara
MSWPP

Stacie Manivanh

Cirilo Martin AMP 31

Adam Quon Section 8



The Fiscal Management Office (FMO) plays a critical role in overseeing all budgeting and accounting activities for the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA). This oversight ensures compliance with financial regulations and supports the effective management of public housing programs. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) managing 250 or more housing units to establish and maintain a budgeting and accounting system for each asset management project (AMP). This system must provide detailed analysis of actual revenues and expenses associated with each property.

HPHA employs a project-based budgeting and accounting model for all its programs and revenue sources. This includes the Operating Fund and Capital Fund Programs (CFP), which are essential to the operations of the AMPs. Under this asset management model, HPHA also maintains a Central Office Cost Center to account for non-project-specific costs. These costs are funded through property management fees, including asset management fees collected from each property and program.

To meet HUD requirements and support sound financial management, HPHA uses fund accounting to track its financial position and operational performance. Each program and project is designated as a separate fund, which serves as an independent accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. This approach ensures legal compliance and enables the clear segregation of transactions related to specific government functions or funding sources.

In Fiscal Year 2024, HPHA managed 50 distinct funds, with 26 allocated for major housing projects and programs, demonstrating a commitment to effective financial resource management. Operating budgets for each major project were meticulously crafted, reviewed, and approved by the HPHA Board of Directors before the fiscal year began, ensuring alignment with organizational priorities and regulatory compliance.

#### FINANCIAL DATA AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

All financial statements are prepared in-house and adhere to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as mandated by federal and state regulations. HPHA has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to financial accountability, achieving compliance improvements over the years. For seven consecutive fiscal years, HPHA has had no audit findings and has been recognized as a low-risk auditee since Fiscal Year 2019.

These accomplishments highlight HPHA's dedication to maintaining transparency, accuracy, and accountability in its financial practices. To further enhance its operations, the FMO invests in continuous staff training, implements rigorous quality control measures, and consistently applies operational procedures. These efforts aim to improve operational efficiency, strengthen compliance, and ensure effective financial management across all programs and projects.

HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY Condensed Statements of Net Position June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 (In thousands of dollars)

		Governmental Business Activities Activities			Tota1	
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Assets						
Current and other assets	103,104	86,079	116,363	108,241	219,467	194,320
Capital assets	3,608	3,786	348 <u>5</u> 85	358,752	352,193	362,538
Other assets	-		9,662	7,178	9,662	7,178
Total Assets	106,712	89,864	474,610	474,172	581,322	564,036
Deferred Outflows of Resources	617	467	8,273	6,532	8,890	6,999
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows of Resources	107,329	90,331	482,883	480,704	590,212	571,036
Liabilities						
Current and other liabilities	8,067	6,217	17,468	8,774	25,535	14,990
Long-term liabilities	5,236	5,094	70,719	68,312	75,955	73,406
Total Liabilities	13,303	11,310	88,186	77,086	101,489	88,396
Deferred Inflows of Resources	452	708	6,247	9,276	6,699	9,984
Net position						
Investment in capital assets	3,608	3,786	348,421	358,752	352,028	362,538
Restricted	248	1,537	1=	-	248	1,537
Unrestricted	89,719	72,990	40,030	35,590	129,748	108,579
Total Net Position	93,574	78,313	388,450	394,342	482,024	472,655
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources		<del></del>				
and Net Position	107,329	90,331	482,883	480,704	590,212	571,036

#### FINANCIAL DATA AND AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

#### HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

Government-Wide Statements of Activities
June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023
(In thousands of dollars)

_	Governmen Activitie		Busines: Activitie	50	Elimina	tion	Tota	ıl
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
Revenues								
Program Revenues:								
Charges for services	113	154	31,320	28,838	(1,630)	(1,545)	29,803	27,447
Operating grants and contributions	116,297	110,717	37,287	37,556			153,584	148,273
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	4,963	7,335			4,963	7,335
Other income	2	1	885	492			887	493
General Revenues:								
State allotted appropriations, net of lapsed funds	38,635	19,403	=	-			38,635	19,403
Total revenues	155,047	130,275	74,455	74,221	(1,660)	(1,545)	227,871	202,951
<b>E</b> penses								
Governmental Activities								
Rental housing assistance program	117,560	107,960			(1,60)	(1,545)	115,930	106,415
Business-type activities								
Federal low rent housing program			84,950	73,310			84,950	73,310
State and otherhousing program			11,921	11,504			11,921	11,504
Other program			5,701	2,380			5,701	2,380
Total government-wide expenses	117,5 <b>6</b> 0	107,960	102,573	87,194	(1,630)	(1,545)	218,508	193,609
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenses	37,487	22,315	(28,118)	(12,973)	Ξ	-	9,369	9,342
Net transfers	(22,226)	(18,764)	22,226	18,764			0	_
Changes in net position	15,261	3 <i>,</i> 551	(5,892)	5,791	-	Œ	9,369	9,342
Net position, beginning of year	78,313	74,762	394,342	388,551			472,655	463,313
Total net position, end of year	93,574	78,313	388,450	394,342	-		482,024	472,655

#### FINANCIAL DATA AND AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

Pursuant to section 37-52.5 Hawaii Revised Statutes, this unaudited report on non-general funds is being submitted listing all administratively established funds or accounts along with a statement of the revenues, expenditures, encumbrances, and ending balance for each fund or account. Copies of the HPHA's full audited financial statements can be found at <a href="https://www.hpha.hawaii.gov">www.hpha.hawaii.gov</a>.

Fund Name	Cite of Law	Intended purpose	Current program activities
Equipment Rental Revolving Fund	Administratively Established	The fund purchases equipment by its administrative office and rents to various programs administered by HPHA.	Purchasing and renting equipment
Housing for Elderly Revolving Fund	356D-72, HRS	The fund supports the management, operation, and maintenance of housing for the elderly and the disabled.	Serving the housing needs for the elderly and the disabled
Payroll Clearing Trust Account	Administratively Established	The account is used as overdraft account to support the payroll activities of HPHA.	Whenever there is a balance due, HPHA clears it promptly.
Public Housing Revolving Fund	356D-28, HRS	The fund supports developing and administering public housing for low-to-moderate income families.	Serving the housing needs for low-to- moderate income families
State Low-income Housing Revolving Fund	356D-45, HRS	The fund supports developing and administering public housing for low income families.	Serving the housing needs for low income families
Vehicle Rental Revolving Fund	Administratively Established	The fund collects vehicle rental fees to purchase replacement vehicles for HPHA administrative and area offices.	Purchasing and renting vehicles

Below is the financial activity report on all administratively established funds or accounts, which includes a statement of the revenues, expenditures, encumbrances, and ending balance for each fund or account.

#### NON-GENERAL FUND REPORT FOR FY ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 (IN \$1,000)

Fund	Fund Name	Beginning Balance	Expenditure	Revenue	Trausferin	Encumbrance	Ending Balance
Number	r und Name	06/30/23	FY23-24	FY23-24	FY 23 -24	06/30/24	06/30/24
308	State Low-income Housing Revolving Fund	1,184	1,265	1,093	(0)	277	1,013
332	Public Housing Revolving Fund	5,256	3L986	30,897	0	0	4167
335	Vehicle Rental Revolving Fund	232	0	110	0	0	342
336	Equipment Rental Revolving Fund	815	5	28	0	0	838
337	Housing for Elderly Revolving Fund	2362	3.168	2.134	0	348	1,328
912	Payroll Charing Trust Account	0	26,619	26,619	0	0	0

# ACTS AND LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

#### 2024 ACTS

During the 2024 legislative session, the following bills were enacted which will positively impact the HPHA and its residents:

Title	Description	Bill No.	Act No.
RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET	Adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2023-2025 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.		Act 230

#### 2025 BILL PROPOSALS

The HPHA will seek the enactment of the following legislative proposals during 2025 legislative session. This section of the report is required under Section 356D-20(3)(B), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Title	Description	DHS No.
RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY	Clarifies the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's powers relating to housing projects.	HMS-06(25)
RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY	Allows the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) to sell, donate, or dispose of property abandoned or seized in federal public housing projects. Requires the HPHA to notify the known owner of the abandoned or seized property. Creates procedures for persons entitled to the abandoned or seized property.	HMS-07(25)
RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY	Amends section 356D-6.7, HRS, to include all Hawaii Public Housing Authority parcels as areas that may be closed to the public.	HMS-08(25)
RELATING TO TENANT SELECTION	Repeals the tenant selection preferences for disabled veterans and the spouses of deceased veterans in the State Low-Income Housing Program.	HMS-09(25)
RELATING PUBLIC HOUSING EVICTIONS	Reduces the time required to store unclaimed personal effects of an evicted tenant.	HMS-10(25)



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