Legislative Briefing

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Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness

Homeless Programs Office

Hale 'O Malama

- Partners In Care
- PHOCUSED















Hawaii Interagency Council On Homelessness (HICH)

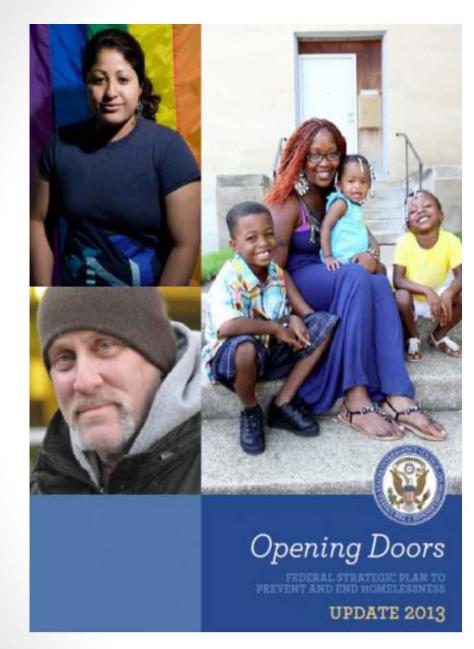
- Established By Statute to Bring Key Agencies Together to End Homelessness and Assure Continuity Over Time
 - Modeled After the USICH at Federal Level
 - HICH adopts USICH Plan "Opening Doors" and Tailors It To Hawaii's Needs





United States Interagency Council on Homelessness











HICH Membership

& BARTMENT OF **KEY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES ARE MEMBERS** OST AND EVELOP

- **Federal**
 - HUD
 - VA
 - DOD
- State
 - DHS
 - HPO
 - DOH
 - DLIR
 - DPS
 - DBEDT
 - DHHL
 - OHA
 - AG
 - DOE
 - HPHA
 - House
 - Senate
 - Office of the Governor







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HICH Membership (continued)

KEY COMMUNITY AND PRIVATE ENTITIES ARE MEMBERS

- Partners In Care
- Bridging The Gap
- Faith Based Community/Hawaii Pastors Round Table
- Business Community
- Counties
 - Hawaii
 - Honolulu
 - Kauai
 - Maui









Plan Adopted by the HICH

FOUR SECTORS OF THE PLAN

- Retool The Homeless Crisis Response System
 - Predictable
 - Understandable
 - Effective Rapid Rehousing
 - Systemic Approach
 - Data Driven Decisions Based on Evidence Based Practices
 - Common Assessment (VI-SPDAT)
 - Housing First Based on Evidence Based Practices
 - Individuals
 - Families

Increase Access to Stable and Affordable Housing

- Housing First
- Design and Build Prototype Housing (UH SOA, HHFDC/HCDA)
- Permanent Supportive Housing Approach
 - Federal
 - State
 - City and County
- Landlord Engagement and Education





Plan Adopted by the HICH

FOUR SECTORS OF THE PLAN (continued)

- Increase Economic Stability and Self-Sufficiency
 - Job Training
 - Resume Writing
 - Interviewing Skills
 - Job Access
 - Supportive Employment
 - Post Hiring
 - Ensure Sustainability
- Improve Health and Stability
 - Housing Is a Stabilizing Medical Intervention
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - DOH/ADAD SAMHSA Grant
 - DOH/AMHD
 - Medicaid







Aloha United Way

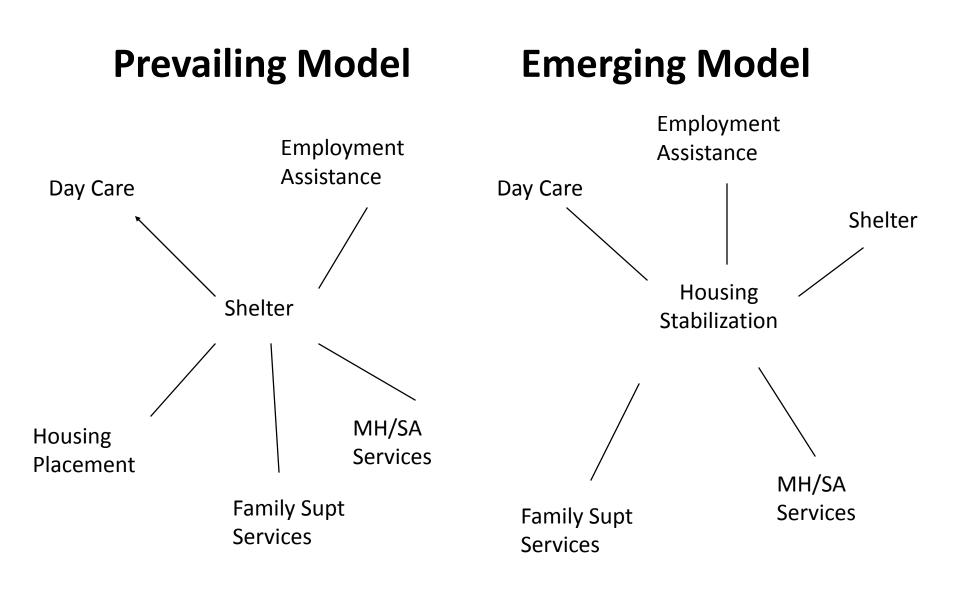


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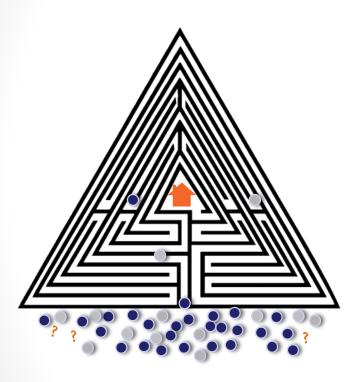




Turning the Continuum of Care Inside – Out?

Source: Culhane, Homeless Assistance: A Paradigm Shift?

Re-tooling our Current System for Homeless Services



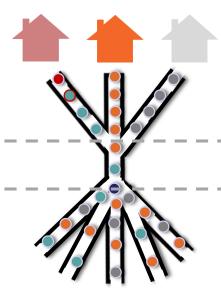
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- Our Current System is a "Maze"
 - Clients & case workers can't navigate it
 - Resources are not optimally utilized
 - Hardest to serve get left behind
- HEARTH Act Requires a Coordinated Assessment System
 - Coordinates intake, assessment, & referral
 - Includes a common assessment tool
 - Applies to the <u>entire continuum of</u> <u>homeless services</u>
- Hale O Malama is building Hawaii's System
 - Began in October 2013
 - Includes cross-sector collaboration
 - Leverages public & private investment

Vision for Hale O Malama

Links needs to resources

- Level of support matches a person's need (based on the VI-SPDAT)
- Services are less-costly and more efficient
 - Better coordination reduces duplication of service
 - Resources are allocated appropriately, based on assessed community need.
- Stronger collaboration among providers
 - Increased awareness of services
 - Using a "team" approach to placement and follow-up



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Hale O Malama:

A Multi Phased Effort to Implement National Best Practices

October 2013 – January 2014 Establishing a Baseline

- Identify key partners and stakeholders
- Collect weekly housing placement data from outreach & shelter providers
- Established a baseline of 28 chronically homeless into permanent housing each month

June 2014 – September 2014 Building a Coordinated Entry System

- Use the Common Assessment Tool to match clients with housing resources
- Provide system-wide training on 'Housing First'

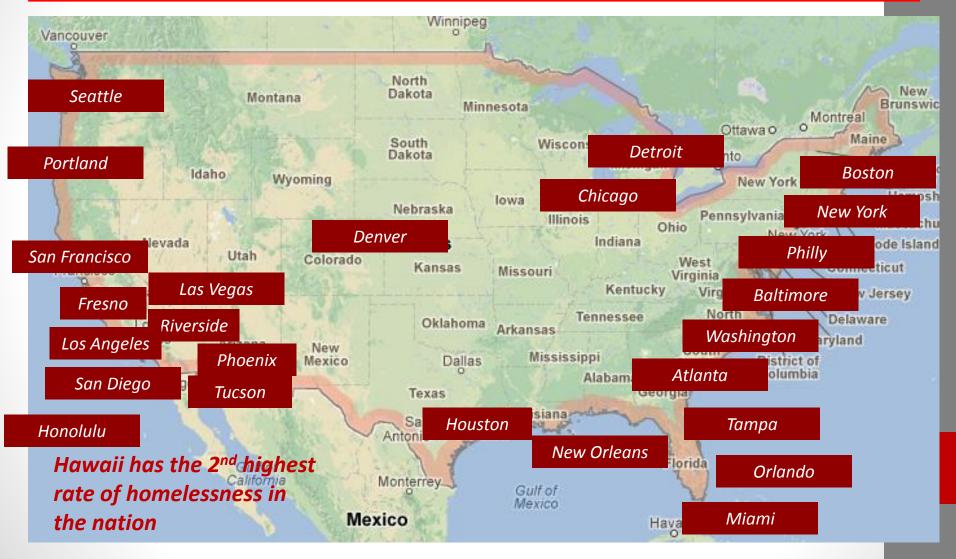
February 2014 – May 2014 Selecting a Common Assessment Tool

- Selected the VI-SPDAT
- Implemented the tool in 2 regions of Oahu
- Implemented bi-weekly case conferences for homeless providers

October 2014 - Present Scaling the System

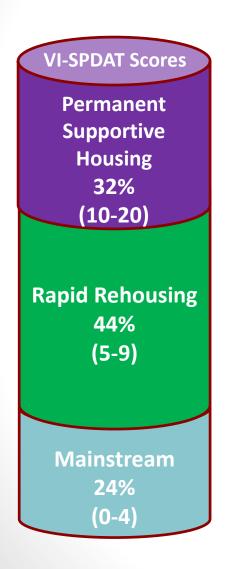
- Expand use of the Common Assessment Tool in all areas of Oahu
- Expand use of the tool and resource matching to the Neighbor Islands (i.e. Maui, Kauai, Hawaii Island)

Leveraging HUD & VA Support: The 25 Cities Initiative



What have we learned so far?

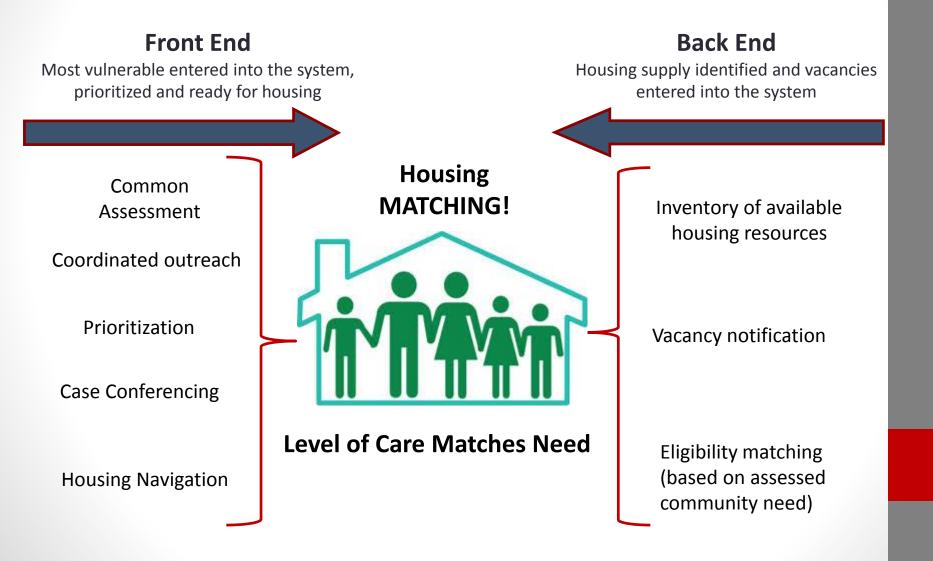
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A total of **<u>1,452</u>** homeless households have been surveyed since March 2014:

- Over **3/4 (76%)** indicate a need for more intensive support than is currently available:
 - **32%** need intensive case management and longterm housing subsidy
 - **44%** need short-term case management and subsidy (usu. Only 6-9 mos.)
- Distinct differences in need between geographic regions – More need for intensive support in Urban Honolulu (Waikiki & Chinatown) compared to the Leeward Coast.
- The most vulnerable homeless report being unsheltered for a long period of time – an average of <u>8 years homeless</u>
- Only 22% of households report that they sleep in shelter – The most common sleeping spot was on the streets / sidewalk (30%) or beaches / parks (27%).

Matching Resources to Need





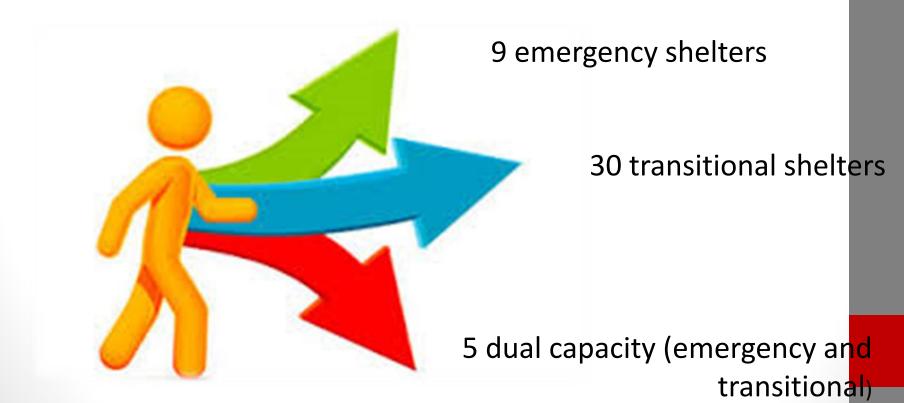
DHS HOMELESS PROGRAMS OFFICE FUNDING FY 2015

The major programs funded by HPO include:

- Homeless shelters
- Homeless outreach
 - Emergency Grants
 - Housing First

Homeless Shelters funded at \$11.14 million

44 Homeless shelters statewide



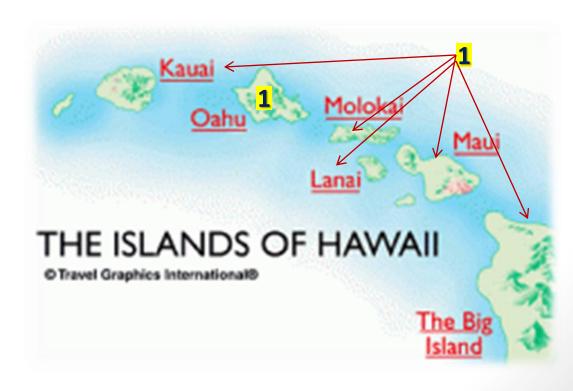
Homeless Outreach funded at \$2.193.661

- Eight Contracted providers conduct outreach to clients living on the streets, in cars, at beaches, and other places not meant for human habitation.
- Focus on housing.



Homeless Emergency Grant Program \$500,000

 Two contractors—one on Oahu and one for all the neighbor islands—provide emergency assistance to individuals and families



State's Housing First Program

 Program parameters are described in HRS346-378 Housing First Programs

State's Housing First Program

\$1.25 million for services on Oahu

\$250,000 for services on the neighbor islands to be procured

State's Housing First

- Contract executed in late June, 2014 Services designed to leverage federal funds (\$2.125 mil) awarded for 3 years to the DOH/ADAD for the Hawaii Pathways Project (CABHI 1)
 - DOH also received 2nd grant worth approximately \$500,000, with another \$500,00 pending.
- DOH's total grant funding is \$3,123,315

State's Housing First

- HF program designed to serve those with the highest acuity (needs). These folks tend to utilize a higher % of expensive emergency services (911 calls, ER visits, HPD arrests, etc.)
- HF has housed clients with substance abuse and mental illness. Some qualify for the Pathways Program and receive Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) level of service.
- Without HF funding, Pathways grant could not operate and federal funds would be lost.

Focusing on the Most Vulnerable



Individuals and families need *Permanent Supportive Housing*

Shelter Plus Care, State Housing First, HUD VASH

These programs provide intensive case management and long-term housing subsidy so that the most vulnerable receive *Housing First*

What do we mean by "Housing First"???

Housing First is . . .

Quick access to housing while providing needed services

Housing is not contingent on compliance with services

Services are voluntary for tenants, not staff – assertive engagement

Lease based

- Services are wrapped around the individual to promote housing stability and wellbeing
- Expectation that person is assisted to meet lease obligations and recover valued life roles

The Impact of Housing First

"Wanda" and daughter

- 41 year old single mother with a 15 year old daughter
- Homeless for 6 years unsheltered on the streets
- U Wanda has serious mental illness, and was self-medicating with drugs and alcohol
- Daughter was not attending school and was primary caretaker for Wanda
- Wanda and her daughter are now stably housed Daughter is attending classes again, and Wanda is taking medication regularly

Generation "Sophia"

- 62 year old single female
- □ Homeless for 5 years on the street in and out of shelters over 9 times during this period
- Victim of domestic violence
- □ 8 interactions with police in the past 6 months
- Reports serious mental illness, heart disease, liver disease, diabetes, and Hepatitis C
- □ 16 ER visits and 12 inpatient hospitalizations in the past 6 months
- Sophia is now stably housed, safe from her abuser, and is beginning to recover both physically and mentally

Legislative Priorities

Development of Affordable Housing

- *\$15 million* for the development of micro units
- Closing the loophole in the conveyance tax law

Expansion of Permanent Supportive Housing resources

 \$3 million to continue the Housing First initiative within the base budget of DHS

Addressing Economic Factors Relating to Housing

- Adjust the refundable tax credit for low income household renters
- Adjust the refundable food/excise tax credit

Other Ideas to Explore

- Use of TANF dollars for Rapid Re-Housing
- Medicaid reimbursement for case management and other supportive housing services

Increased Role of Hawaii Public Housing Authority in Addressing Homelessness





JOINT SENATE/HOUSE INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING ON HOMELESSNESS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Committee on Human Services

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair

Committee on Housing Representative Mark J. Hashem, Chair Representative Justin H. Woodson, Vice Chair

November 12, 2014 • 10:30am - 1:00pm





HHFDC Mission

Increase and preserve the supply of workforce and affordable housing statewide by providing leadership tools and resources to facilitate housing development.







Statewide, approximately 28,100 new housing units are estimated to be needed between 2012 and 2016.

Source: Hawaii Housing Planning Study, 2011





Statewide projected housing need between 2012 and 2016 for lower income families is approximately 19,000 units. For the same time period, first-time homebuyer need is approximately 4,800 units for moderate income families (80-140% AMI)

PROJECTED RENTAL HOUSING NEED, 2012-2016

% of Median Income	Honolulu	Maui	Hawaii	Kauai	Statewide
30%	6,006	803	1,013	315	8,137
50%	3,549	690	493	159	4,891
80%	4,268	924	577	451	6,220
Sub-total	13,823	2,417	2,083	925	19,248

PROJECTED FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER NEED, 2012-2016

% of Median Income	Honolulu	Maui	Hawaii	Kauai	Statewide
80-120%	1,976	374	339	167	2,856
120-140%	1,561	101	237	45	1,944
Sub-total	3,537	475	576	212	4,800





OBSTACLES TO DEVELOPMENT

- •High land and construction costs
- •Lack of infrastructure/capacity
- Lack of funding
- •Lengthy land use entitlement and permitting processes
- •NIMBY (Not-in-my-backyard)





STRATEGIES TO INCREASE HOUSING SUPPLY

- •State and County land
- •Urban infill/redevelopment
- •Higher densities
- •201H processing and exemptions
- •Leverage State and County resources
- •Public-private partnerships





COLLABORATING ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRODUCTION

HHFDC, HCDA, and DHHL are working together to:

- •Support affordable housing development in Kakaako, Kalaeloa, and East Kapolei
- •Coordinate rules to ensure consistency and continuity with respect to housing affordability and sustainability
- •Explore new infrastructure
- •Seek more funding resources





COLLABORATING ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRODUCTION

HHFDC and HCDA are working together to:

•Reduce the cost of housing development in transit-oriented development areas through innovation, including

•Lowered parking requirements

•Micro units

•Identify Transit-Oriented Development opportunities on State land







Halekauwila Place

Affordable 201 unit family rental project in Kakaako serving families earning 60 percent AMI. Financing included HHFDC awarded Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, Hula Mae Multi-Family Bonds and Dwelling Unit Revolving Funds.

COMPLETED PROJECTS Since 2006, when HHFDC was created, HHFDC has delivered 6,346 units in 61 projects statewide.

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43 Fam	ily project	S		5,090
14 For \$	Sale proje	cts		1,527
47 Rental projects				4,819
Oahu	Hawaii	Maui	Kauai	Total Units
5,057	691	413	185	6,346

The full inventory of completed projects is available on the HHFDC website at http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hhfdc/files/2014/07/State-Properties-List-7-18.pdf







Meheula Vista Phase I

Affordable elderly rental project in Mililani that will provide 76 units. HHFDC allocated 9 percent Low-Income Housing Tax Credits in July 2014, and awarded Rental Housing Trust Funds to the project in August 2014

PLANNED/UNDERWAY PROJECTS

We have an additional 3,994 units in 25 pipeline projects projected for completion through Fiscal Year 2018.

These pipeline projects will provide a yet-to-determined mix of unit types including For Sale, Rental, Senior and Family projects

Oahu	Hawaii	Maui	Kauai	Total Units
1,957	475	300	1,262	3,994

The full inventory of planned projects is available on the HHFDC website at http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/hhfdc/files/2014/10/In-Development-Projects-List-10-28-14.pdf







Ola Ka Ilima Artspace

Affordable family rental project located in Kakaako on HCDA land will provide 84 units. HHFDC allocated 9 percent Low-Income housing Tax Credits in July 2014, and awarded Rental Housing Trust Funds to the project in August 2014.

PIPELINE PROJECTS

Another 1,966 units in 29 planned projects that have begun the construction phase.

1 Elderly project	60
12 Family projects	1,277
16 DHHL	607

Oahu	Hawaii	Maui	Kauai	Total Units
921	832	52	161	1,966

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HOUSING DATABASE

HHFDC works collaboratively with the counties to facilitate the development of affordable housing projects that meet the specific needs of the particular county.

HHFDC's statewide database that resides on the HHFDC website, which includes Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, and County affordable housing projects.





HHFDC TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

HHFDC will be proposing seven new bills and five Concurrent Resolutions for inclusion in the new Administration's 2015 legislative package. Of these, three bills directly relate to housing. The others administrative, technical, or housekeeping in nature.

Please note that the new Administration has not yet had an opportunity to review the overall merits of these proposals, so they may not ultimately be introduced in 2015.

TITLE Relating to the RHTF	SUBJECT Add a new secondary preference for RHTF awards for projects with non-volume cap LIHTC/HMMF bond allocations	PURPOSE Provide an added incentive for the development of rental housing targeted at lower income households.
Relating to Taxation	Adds statutory minimum affordability terms to be eligible for GET exemptions under section 201H-36, HRS.	Restricts this incentive to projects that will remain affordable for a significant portion of the useful life of those improvements to ensure that project improvements accrue to the benefit of lower income households.
Relating to the RHTF	Authorizes the HHFDC to monetize up to \$5,000,000 of the RHTF's share of conveyance tax revenues to be pledged towards repayment of revenue bonds that finance affordable rental development	Monetization will allow HHFDC to generate a large RHTF balance to address the short-term shortage of affordable rentals statewide.





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HCDA Reserved Housing Committee Report We Must Be A Part of the Solution (POTS)

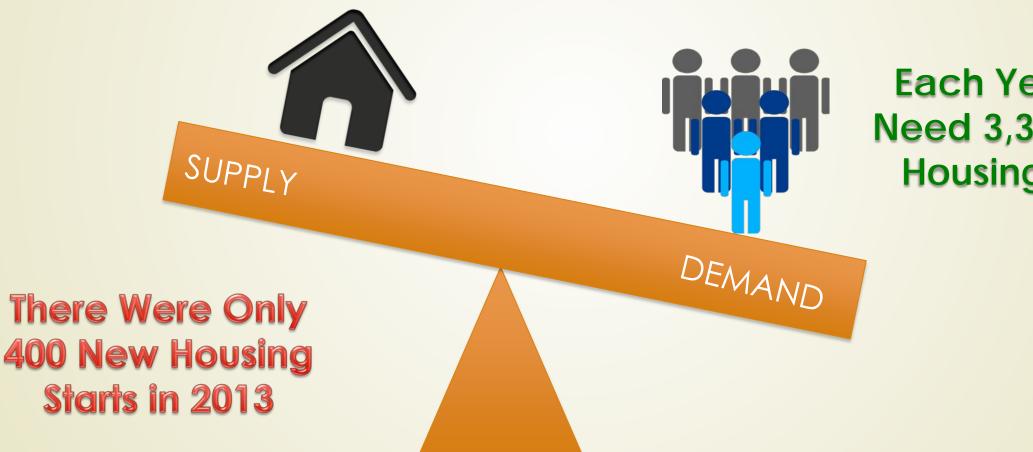
Shelter for You & Yours A Basic Need, But Not An Entitlement!

There is a Need for Housing of All Types!

"One of the key challenges for any growing city is to ensure adequate housing to meet resident demand. The redevelopment of Kakaako is helping to ease the housing shortage in Honolulu and meet the increasing demand for urban core living." - Eugene Tian, Economic Research Administrator READ, DBEDT

"Decades of under-building have aggravated Honolulu housing shortages. Almost a new Ward Village is needed every year on Oahu, just for new household formation." - Paul Brewbaker, Economist

"This isn't Honolulu's first rodeo. 40 years ago, the city and the state recognized they had to make a plan for more housing, and do it in a place that would have more jobs... With political will and responsible landownership, Kakaako can grow such a community based on local values and traditions. Same as Campbell Estate did in Kapolei, thanks to 20-20 long-range vision." – Rickey Cassiday, Economist We're Not Building Enough Housing for Our Population!



Each Year We Need 3,300 New Housing Units

The Need for Shelter is Universal!

- Buy or Rent?
 - Subject to Individual Credit History, Lending Rules and Availability of Money
 - Lack of \$ For Housing Can Lead to Homelessness!
- Where Might We Live?
 - Town or Country?
 - Single Family Detached/Multi-Family/Condo?
 - Shared Housing? With Family?
 - Homeless Shelter, the Streets, Other
- Does the Cost of Housing Affect Our Quality of Life?
 - Money Spent on Housing Takes Away From Other Spending
 - Required Costs = Food, Free & Appropriate Public Education (FAPE), Healthcare, Transportation, Taxes
 - Discretionary/But Important Costs= Clothing, Savings/Investment, Post High School Education, Other Expenses

There Are As Many Types of Housing As There Are People!

Qualified Income Housing

As Subsidized or Required By Government

Market Housing

Willing Buyer/Willing Seller



We Need All Types of Housing! Both Qualified Income & Market Housing



- The Housing Ladder
 Represents the Range of Our Housing Opportunities
 - From Homelessness
 to Living in Public Housing
 Getting Help w/Renting
 to the Luxury of Owning your own place!
- We All Need A Place on the Housing Ladder
- As Our Financial & Personal Situation Changes Over Time, We Might Find Ourselves Moving Up or Down on the Ladder



2014 Reserved Housing Income Limits - Honolulu County									
•		1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
Extremely Low Income	30%	20,150	23,000	25,900	28,750	31,050	33,350	35,650	37,950
	40%	26,850	30,700	34,550	38,350	41,400	44,500	47,550	50,600
Very Low Income	50%	33,550	38,350	43,150	47,900	51,750	55,600	59,400	63,250
	60%	40,300	46,050	51,800	57,500	62,100	66,750	71,300	75,900
	75%	45,700	52,250	58,750	65,250	70,500	75,700	80,900	86,150
Low Income	80%	53,700	61,350	69,000	76,650	82,800	88,950	95,050	101,200
Area Median Income	100%	57,800	66,100	74,350	82,600	89,200	95,800	102,400	109,050
	110%	63,600	72,700	81,750	90,850	98,100	105,400	112,650	119,900
Gap Income	120%	69,350	79,300	89,200	99 <i>,</i> 100	107,050	114,950	122,900	130,800
Gup income	130%	75,200	85,900	96,650	107,400	116,000	124,600	133,200	141,750
	140%	80,950	92,500	104,100	<u>115,650</u>	124,900	134,150	143,400	152,650
		Adjustm	nent for Ur	it Type					
			One	Two	Three	Four	Five		
Unit Type		Studio	Bedroom	Bedroom	Bedroom	Bedroom	Bedroom		
Adjustment		70%	80%	Base	108%	116%	124%		
*For each person in excess of eight, (For example, the nine-person limit	equals	140 percent [1.		•					
*Income limits are rounded to the r	nearest \$	50.							
*HUD base figures were interpolate	ed by HC	DA. This chart	is provided as	a guide only.					

Kakaako

Do YOU want to live in the city? Is there space for YOU and YOUR FAMILY to live? Are there jobs for YOU in Kakaako?

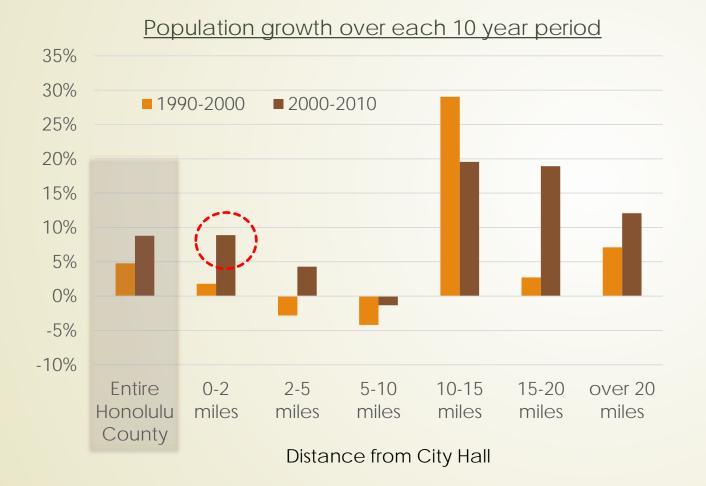


Where People Live in Honolulu? (2010)

Distance from City Hall*	Population share
0-2 mi	14%
2-5 mi	20%
5-10 mi	24%
10-15 mi	26%
15-20 mi	9%
Over 20 mi	7%

34% lived within5 miles fromthe city hall

Population Shift on Oahu-- Moving Back to Town?



1990-2000 Period

• Most population growth took place in the suburbs (10-15 miles from Honolulu)

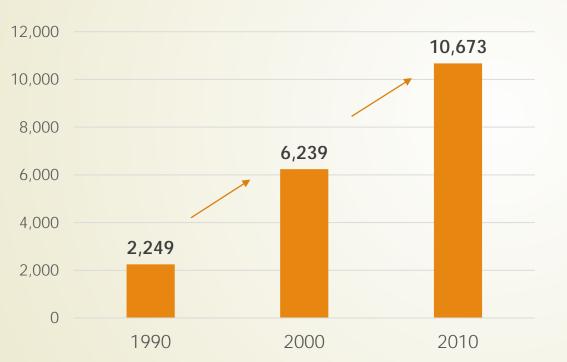
2000-2010 Period

• Over 10,000 people moved into the urban core area (0-2 miles from city hall)

Who Lives & Works in Kakaako Now?

- 10,673 People Lived in the Kakaako in 2010 (71% Increase from 2000)
- More Adult-Oriented Community (fewer children)
- More "Living alone households" (42%)
- Smaller Households and Families
- More Small Businesses (76%)

Population Change in Kakaako



Population in Kakaako

Population in the Kakaako area increased from 2,249 in 1990, to 6,239 in 2000 and to 10,673 in 2010.

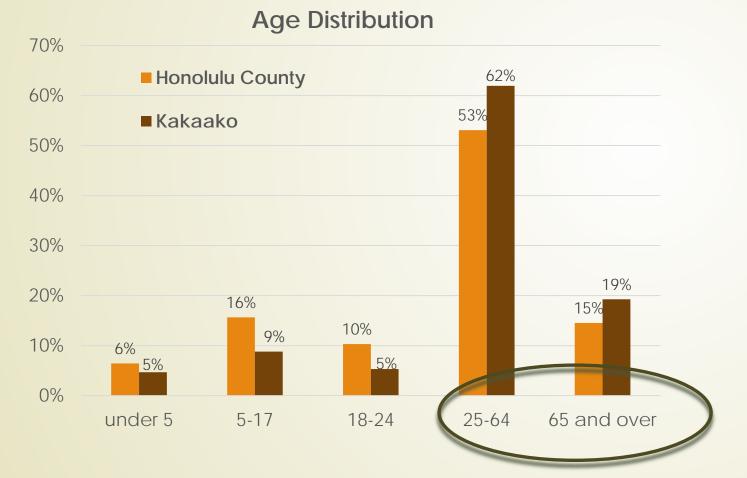
Period	Change	Change in %
1990-2000	3,990	177.4%
2000-2010	4,434	71.1%

Kakaako Population in 2010			
Total Residents	10,673		
In Households	10,034		
In Group living facilities	639		

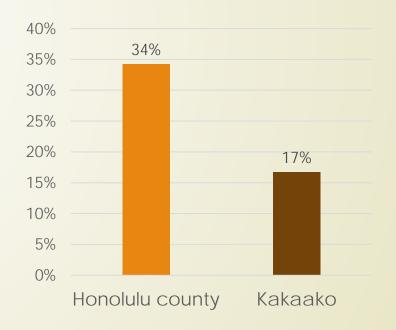
*Based on 2010 census

Kakaako Kakaako consists of 88 blocks, Kakaako District of which 37 blocks had a 2010 Block Population 253 population at least one in 2010. 0 1 - 20 402 21 - 100 514 672 101 - 300 476 301 - 700 13 701 - 1,000 308 406 173 81 Over 1,000 432 73 5 211 2 10 90 588 45 40 5 23 305 15 326 247 1 40 1367 516 2 223 1117 11 Oahu 537 1141 Map Area This map was produced by the Office of Planning (OP) for planning purposes. It should not be used for boundary interpretations or other spatial analysis beyond the limitations of the data. Information HAWAI regarding compliation dates and accuracy of STATEWID the data presented can be obtained from OP Map No.: 20140422-01-DK GIS Map Date: 04/22/14 PROGRAM Source OFFICE OF PLANNING Population Data: US Census Bureau, 2010.

More Adult-Oriented Community

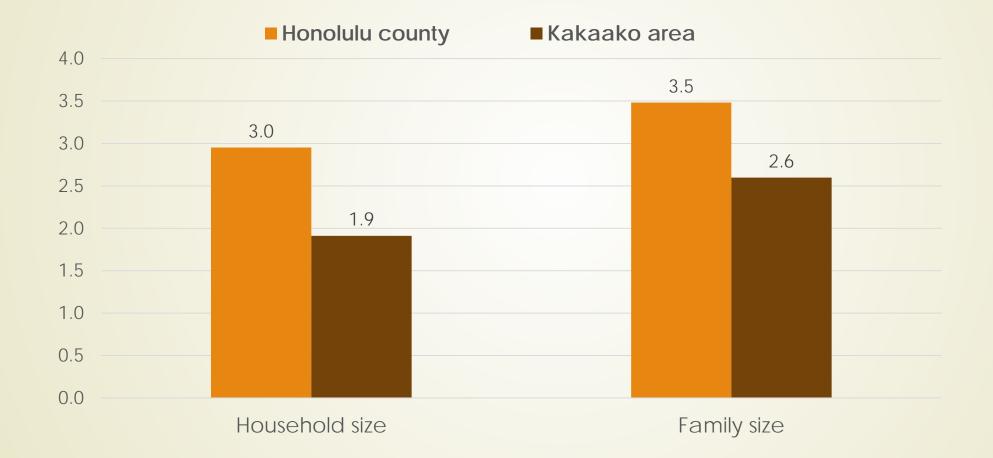


Households with at least one child (under 18)



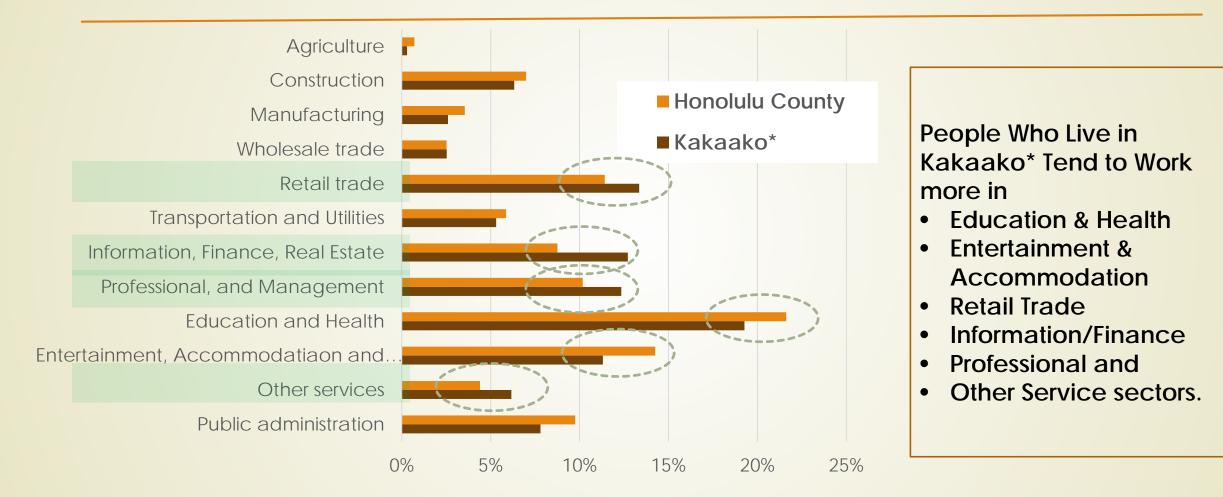
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Average Household and Family Size are Much Smaller



*Based on 2010 census

Where Do Kakaako Residents Work?



* Based on 2008-2012 American Community Survey (sample data)

* This statistics are for an extended Kakaako area including the Ala Moana area.

Is There Both Large & Small Businesses In Kakaako? Businesses in Kakaako (by employee size)

By employee size	Businesses in 2012		
0-1 employee	457	36.3%	
2-4	333	26.4%	
5-9	173	13.7%	
10-49	232	18.4%	
50-99	31	2.5%	
100 or more	34	2.7%	
Total	1,260	100%	

- More than three quarters are small businesses with less than 10 employees.
- There were 34 large companies with more than 100 employees.
- Majority of the large companies (100 or more employees) were based in Kakaako, with many of their employees working in areas other than Kakaako.

What Types of Businesses Are In Kakaako?

Industry	# of Busin	ess (2012)
Other services	254	20.2%
Professional/technical services	171	13.6%
Retail trade	134	10.6%
Accommodation and Food	108	8.6%
Wholesale trade	100	7.9%
Health care and Social assistance	94	7.5%
Finance and Insurance	71	5.6%
Construction	62	4.9%
Real estate, rental and leasing	56	4.4%
All other industries	210	16.7%
Total	1,260	100%

Kakaako Qualified Income Housing Summary

What is Being Done to Ensure that People

Of Low & Moderate Income Can Live in Kakaako?



Current Qualified Income Projects Different Types of Affordable Units

- Reserved Housing For-Sale Units (built w/no government subsidy)
 - Require Housing Developers on Lots >20,000 sf to Provide 20% of Their Floor Area for such Units at Their Cost to People Earning Between 100 -140% AMI
 - Workforce Housing In Exchange for Regulatory Relief & Bonus FAR Density Housing Priced Between 100-140% Can Be Built
- Reserved Housing Rental Units (built w/no government subsidy)
 - 15 Year Regulated Period
- Government Subsidized & Developed Rental Units
 - Low Income Housing Tax Credit Used
 - Requires 10% Units ≤ (Public Housing) 30% AMI
 - Remainder of Units ≤ 60% AMI

Faces of the Area Median Income

60% AMI

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Secretary



60% of the area median income for a single person is \$40,300

> 60% for a family of 4 is \$57,500

100% AMI

Police Officer



and 2 kids



100% of the area median income for a family of 4 is \$82,600

Teacher



140% AMI

Nurse





140% of the area median income for a family of 2 is \$92,500

> 140% for a family of 4 is \$115,650

"80% of the total households on Oahu make 140% AMI or less." -State Research and Economic Analysis Division

Occupation	AMI Level	Median Wage	Annual Salary
Food Prep Workers	30%	\$8.97	\$20,220
Waiter	40%	\$10.81	\$28,930
Maids and Housekeepers	50%	\$15.63	\$31,740
Secretaries and Assistants	60%	\$17.64	\$37,480
Maintenance Workers	70%	\$19.96	\$42,730
Police Officer (Rookie)	80%	\$25.00	\$52,000
Teacher (Experienced)	100%	\$27.88	\$58,000
Registered Nurses	140%	\$41.32	\$85,380

POTS Innovations & Initiatives

Allow Developers to Construct More Units If Out of District

- Rycroft Terrace 162 units for 100 unit credit
- Relax Parking Standards for TOD Units
 - Typically 1 stall/unit required
- FAR Density for Affordable Units Not Counted Towards Project Maximum
- Provide Flexibility in Zoning Requirements
 - Regarding Setbacks, Other Design Specifications
- Given Release From Public Facility Dedication Fees for Constructing Reserved Housing Units
- Zoning Builds Car Free Community, Active & Complete Streets, Jobs & Place

HCDA Reserved Housing

Completed Projects	# of Units	AMI	Rental/Sale
Royal Capitol Plaza	28	64-140%	Sale
1133 Waimanu	282	97-117%	Sale
Keola Lai	63	104-130%	Sale
Pacifica	124	100-140%	Sale
680 Ala Moana	54	100%	Rental
Na Lei Hulu Kupuna	76	60%	Rental
Honuakaha	244	60%	Rental/Sale
Pohulani	262	80%	Rental
Kauhale Kakaako	267	80%	Rental
Kamakee Vista	225	80%	Rental
Rycroft Terrace	162	30-130%	Sale
Halekauwila Place	204	60%	Rental
Total Units	1991		

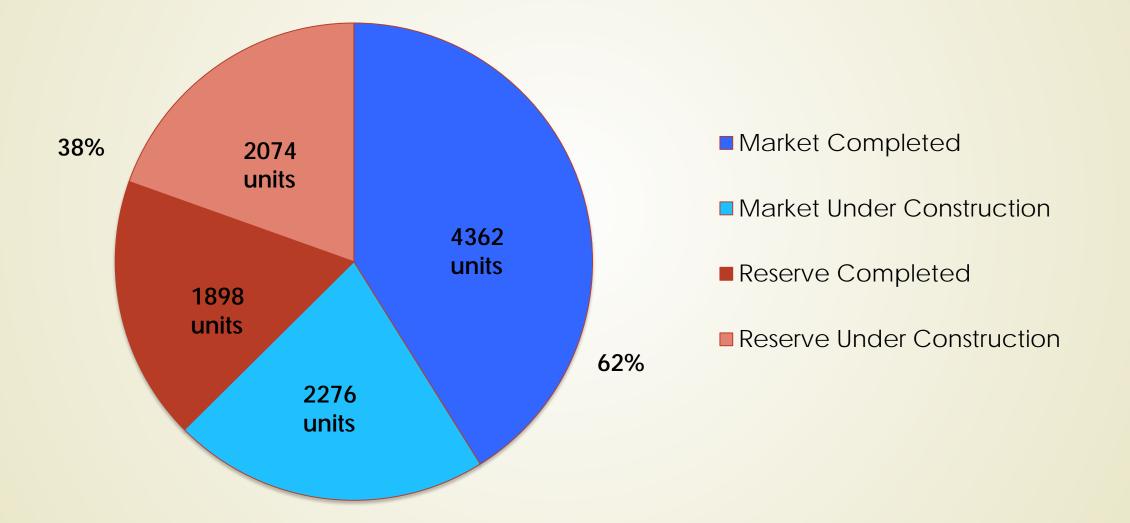
Project Summary

Projects Under Construction	Market	Reserve	Total
Waihonua	341	Off Site	341
801 South Street A	-	635	635
Symphony	288	100	388
The Collection	467	Off Site	467
Waiea	177	Off Site	177
Anaha	318	Off Site	318
Total Units	1,591	735	2,326

Project Summary

Permitted Projects	Market	Reserve	Total
Waihonua 2	-	72	72
988 Halekauwila	49	375	424
Keauhou Lane	338	294	632
KS Land Block B	75	108	183
801 South Street B	49	361	410
803 Waimanu	24	121	145
Total Units	712	1,331	2,043

HCDA Approved Housing in Kakaako Since 1976



What More Can We Do?

HCDA Committee on Reserved Housing

What Should the HCDA Do?



Build More Moderate Income Rental Units! Preserve the Qualified Income Units that We Have Now! Support the Construction of Market Housing Too!

While We Need to Focus on Those Who Need Our Help, We Cannot Forget that Housing is Needed by All in Our Community Each Year, More than 5,200 New Households are Formed!



Halekauwila Place Project Cost

\$64,618,250 Total Building Cost

40%

GAP Financing 17 Million from HCDA

3 Million from HHFDC

\$20,000,000

31%

Mortgage Rental Revenue First Mortgage \$18,500,000

29%



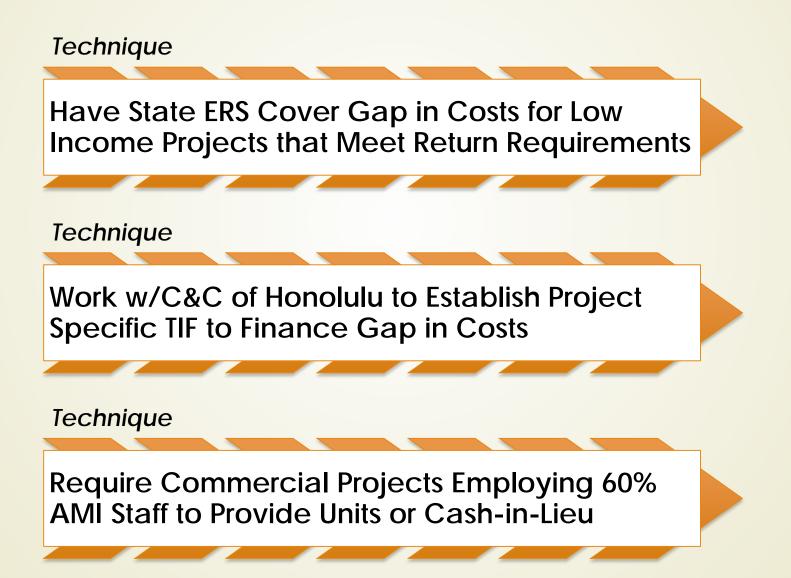
Halekauwila Place Unit Cost \$316,756 Total Cost Per Unit

GAP Financing \$98,039 LIHTC \$128,031 31% 40% 29% **Mortgage Rental** Revenue \$90,686

Build More Low Income Rental Housing Similar to the Halekauwila Place Project

Technique Lobby Congress to Increase Our Allocation of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Technique Identify a Pool of Corporations w/an Appetite for the Federal & State LIHTC Tax Credits Technique Issue State Tax Exempt Bonds to Bridge Gap in Financing for Low Income Rental Projects

Build More Low Income Rental Housing Similar to the Halekauwila Place Project



50% of the conveyance tax

Rental Housing Trust Fund

= \$50M = 500 = \$100K per unit = 100K per unit

GAP Financing Build More Moderate Income Rental/For-Sale Housing Similar to the 680 Ala Moana (Little Georges) Project



Preserved Existing Qualified Income Housing Such as Na Lei Hulu Kupuna



Support the Construction of Market Housing Too! Such as 801 South, Symphony, the Collection & Waihonua





INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING ON HOUSING PROJECTS & PROPOSED 2015 LEGISLATION Senate Committee on Human Services & House Committee on Housing

November 12, 2014

Our mission

To manage the Hawaiian Home Lands trust effectively and to develop and deliver lands to native Hawaiians.



Housing development challenges

- Affordability ranges for families
- Readiness of families
- High construction costs
- Lack of infrastructure/capacity
- Lack of funding

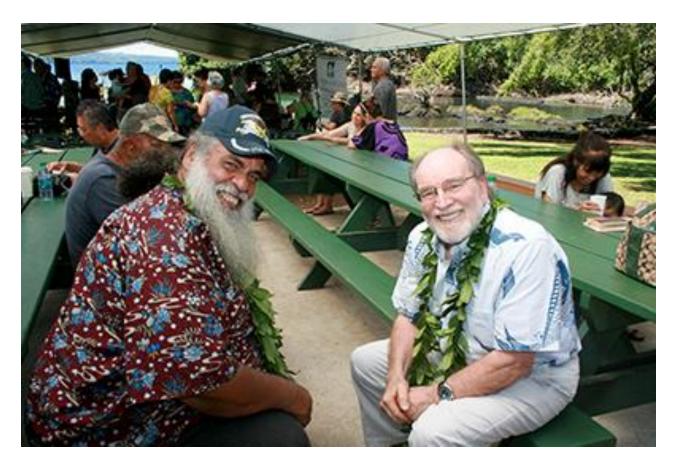


Strategies to increase housing production

- Secure future federal funding
- Rent-with-option-to-purchase
- Leverage affordable housing credits
- Reduce home costs
 -- Packaged Homes Pilot Project
- Higher densities
 - -- Especially in TOD areas



Packaged Homes Pilot Project



Launched September 13, 2014



Packaged Homes Pilot Project

- Offered to 100 vacant lot lessees in oldest homesteads
- Partnership with HPM Building Supply and Honsador
- DHHL finances packaged homes, lessee finances construction
- Construction loan is \$130,000, on average
- \$300/month mortgage
- Financed with \$29 million of NAHASDA (federal)
- Families must be <80% AMI



Affordable Housing Credits

- DHHL receives credits from counties for affordable units developed on HHL
- DHHL transfers credits to developers in exchange for resources for development of more affordable housing (e.g., funding, land, reduced development costs)
- Credits and resources stay in the county
- DHHL is working with counties to improve implementation
- Need to extend 2015 sunset



2015 Proposed Legislation

HHL-01(15): Relating to Affordable Housing on Hawaiian Home Lands

- Repeals sunset provision of pilot program initiated in 2009
- Allows DHHL to continue to receive affordable housing credits from the counties and transfer them to housing developers
- Clarifies use of credits by developers
- See HB 2286 (2014)



Placeholder for Office of Housing Presentation

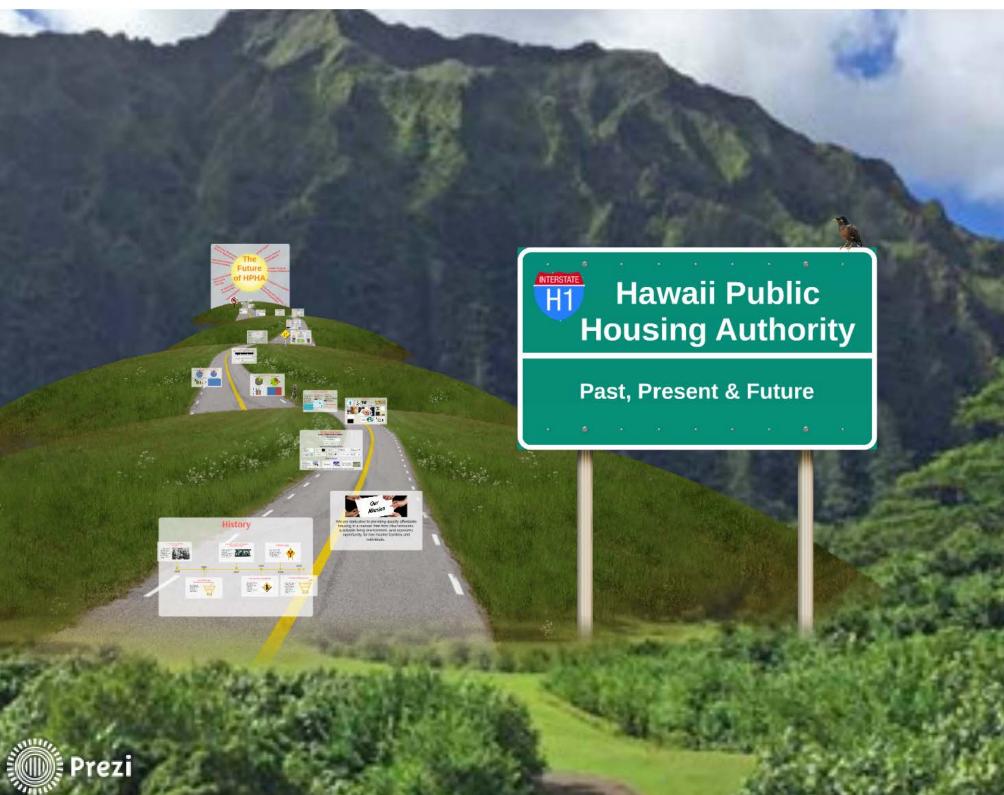
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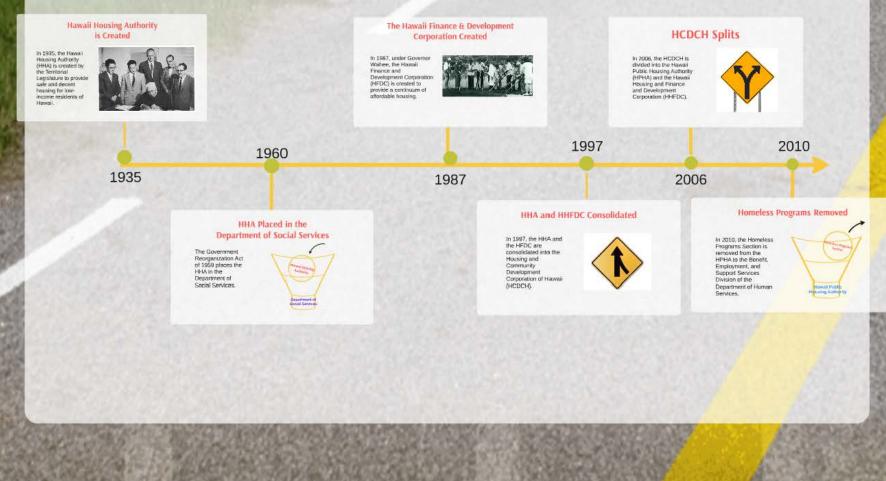
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Past, Present & Future





History





Hawaii Housing Authority is Created

In 1935, the Hawaii Housing Authority (HHA) is created by the Territorial Legislature to provide safe and decent housing for lowincome residents of Hawaii.





HHA Placed in the Department of Social Services

The Government Reorganization Act of 1959 places the HHA in the Department of Social Services.





The Hawaii Finance & Development Corporation Created

In 1987, under Governor Waihee, the Hawaii Finance and Development Corporation (HFDC) is created to provide a continuum of affordable housing.





HHA and HHFDC Consolidated

In 1997, the HHA and the HFDC are consolidated into the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii (HCDCH).





HCDCH Splits

In 2006, the HCDCH is divided into the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) and the Hawaii Housing and Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC).

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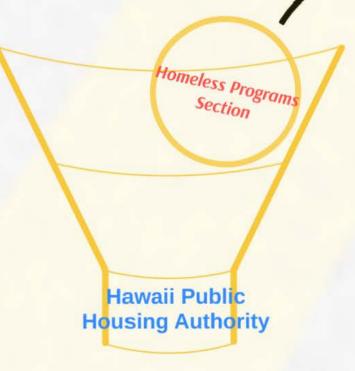


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Homeless Programs Removed

In 2010, the Homeless Programs Section is removed from the HPHA to the Benefit, Employment, and Support Services Division of the Department of Human Services.





Our Mission

We are dedicated to providing quality affordable housing in a manner free from discrimination, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunity, for low-income families and individuals.





350 established positions (only 1.25 positions are state funded).





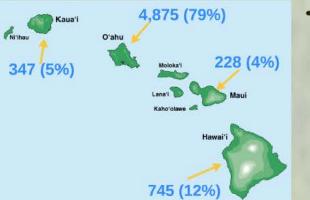
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Program Overview

Across the U.S., there are over **3,300** Housing Authorities (PHA), serving over **1.2 million** households. HPHA is one of the largest PHA's in the country and the only PHA for the entire State of Hawaii.



Across Hawaii, the HPHA portfolio consists of **85 properties**: **5,331** Federal Units <u>864</u> State Units **6,195 Total Units**



HPHA administers the following **Housing Vouchers**:

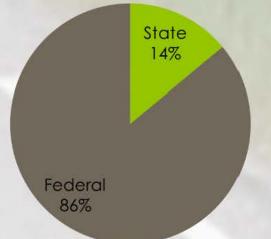
- 2,000 Section 8
 - **175** Non-elderly Disabled(NED) **250** Veterans Assistance(VASH)
- 2,996 Project Based Sec. 8(PBCA)
 - 217 State Rent Suppl.
- 5,638 Total Vouchers

11,833 Households



Public Housing Overview

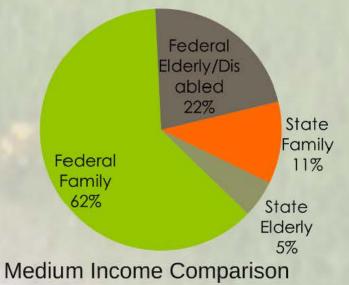
Portfolio by Means of Funding

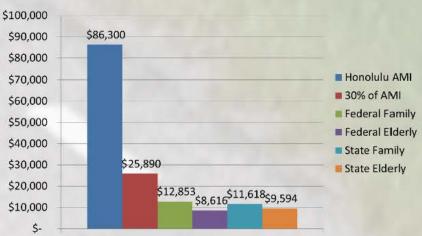


Average Rents



Program Beneficiaries

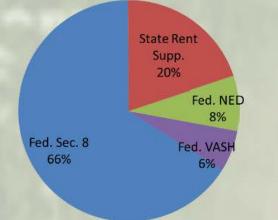




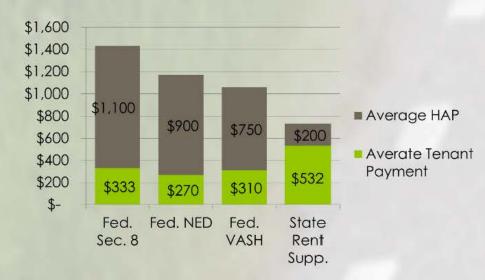


Section 8 Subsidy Program Overview

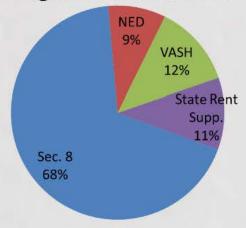
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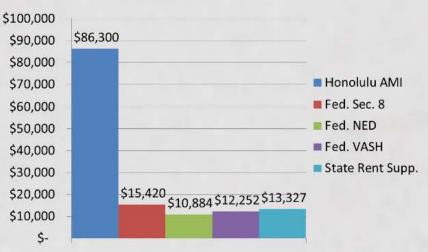
Housing Assistance Payment vs. Tenant Payment



Program Beneficiaries



Medium Income Comparison





Who We Serve

HPHA Public Housing and Section 8 Programs serve over **11,000 families** or more than **31,000 individuals** earning 30% of the Average Medium Income (AMI) or below, or "*extremely low income*".

	Fed. Public Housing	State Public Housing	Section 8	Totals
Children (ages 0 to 17)	4,978	244	2,666	7,888
Elderly (ages 72 & over)	1,669	581	397	2,647
Veterans	Not tracked	Not tracked	55	55+
Homeless (intake over the last 5 years)	2473	123	541	3,137



High Occupancies Aging Facilities Delinquent Rents No Hot Water Understaffing Old Technology Safety/Security



High Crime Smoking **Audit Findings** Aging Population Cesspools Long Waitlists **Below Break Even** Language & Cultural Barriers Reasonable Accommodations HUD Corrective Action Order Reduced Sec. 8 Subsidy

Delayed Release or Lack of Funding

Unqualified Applicant Pool Increasing Construction Costs

Delayed Unit Turnover

Drugs & Alcohol

Gangs Remote Locations Domestic Violence Multi-Island Locations

COFA Impacts



Strides to Overcome Challenges Occupancy Rates & Vacant Unit Turnaround

In 2012, our occupancy rate was **80%** range and our vacant unit turnaround time was 267 days.



Under Act 159 (2012), which provides a temporary exemption from civil service recruitment requirements, the HPHA was able to swiftly hire skilled workers for repair/renovation work of vacant units. These hires are collectively known as the "Special Teams", which complement the existing HPHA workforce.



In 2014, based in large part on the "Special Teams" repairs and renovations, our occupancy rate **improved** to **98%** and our vacant unit turnaround time **decreased** to **7 days**.





Strides to Overcome Challenges Language Accessibility & Reasonable Accommodations

Some tenants have limited English language skills or physical or mental disabilities that may preclude their access to important housing information or impair their physical use of their unit or the property.



HPHA has spent over \$125,000 in providing language access services; establishing language access policy; requiring mandatory training for all staff; and updating and streamlining guidance for tenants regarding reasonable accommodations. Over the past 3 years, HPHA has approved approximately **1,000 reasonable accommodations** for a variety of disabilities by allowing installation of grab bars, transfers to more accessible units, and assistance animals, etc., and has provided **language access services in 22 different languages**.





Strides to Overcome Challenges Health, Safety & Welfare

Unrestricted smoking at HPHA projects threatens the **health** of public housing tenants.

High crime has plagued some HPHA projects, creating an undesirable environment for tenants. In 2012, HPHA initiated a smoking ban policy at all HPHA projects. Under **Act 91** (2014), smoking is banned by law at all HPHA projects.

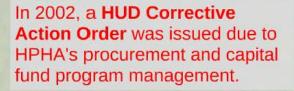


The HPHA has issued tenant ID cards, erected fencing and improved lighting; conducted eviction hearings to weed out criminals and promptly evict violators; and under **Act 145** (2013) tightened the law on trespassers of HPHA projects. All residents and HPHA employees can enjoy a more healthy, **smoke-free** living and work environment.

Criminal activity has significantly **decreased**, for example, at MWH, since 2012, aggravated assaults are down 86% and nuisance complaints are down 72%.

EVICTION NOTICE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY PROPERTY This property is closed to the public between 10:00 pm and 5:00 sm. NO TRESPASSING Violators will be proscented 374:00 rdf

Strides to Overcome Challenges Third-Party Findings



In 2010, HPHA received **16 financial audit findings**, including internal control weaknesses, untimely reconciliations, and inaccuracies.

In 2011, the Sec. 8 Program faced many challenges and obstacles, receiving a **SEMAP** score of 93.

HPHA instituted and executed a **corrective action plan** to improve capital fund program management and procurement procedures.

Since the 16 findings, HPHA has enhanced staff technical competence, strengthened internal controls and improved financial procedures and control mechanisms.

Sec. 8 made vast improvements in reducing the administrative burden of housing quality control inspections.

In 2013, HUD **terminated** the Corrective Action Order, citing HPHA's great improvement in the areas of concern. During the current audit, HPHA is on track to reduce audit findings by 90% with the goal of zero findings in FY2015.

In 2014, Audit findings decreased to **6 findings**.

On Oct. 30, 2014, HPHA received a HUD report stating our SEMAP score **improved** to **97**, an "overall performance rating of **High Performer**".



Current & On-Going Challenges Funding For Redevelopment

Properties in HPHA's portfolio are nearing the end of their building life cycle, requiring renovation, modernization or complete overhaul. Our inventory is essentially fully occupied, while waitlists have an average wait time of 2 to 7 years. Waitlists will continue to grow if we are unable to quickly expand our inventory.

While mixed-use, mixedincome and mixed-finance redevelopment provides the **public/private partnership** to move us closer to our goals, a **funding gap persists**. To fully realize the redevelopment of properties such as Mayor Wright Homes and the expansion of our inventory, funds to fill the gap are needed, including the leveraging of tax credits.







Current & On-Going Challenges Subsidy for State Housing



The State Public Housing Program for families and elderly is running at a deficit as revenues/rents fail to break even with expenditures. The HPHA prefers not to pass the deficit on to tenants by increasing their rents. The HPHA asks that the legislature provide funding to keep operations out of the "red" and to supplement rents, in order to keep rents affordable for tenants.







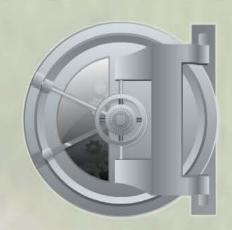


Current & Ongoing Challenges Delays & Withholding of Funds

HPHA is **hampered** by delays and failures in the release of State funds and appropriations, causing **unnecessary delays in start and completion of unit construction** and consequently increasing the period of time potential tenants **remain homeless**.

With zero positions funded and no release of "associated costs" to manage CIP appropriations, HPHA is evaluating how to move forward. HPHA continues to work with the other department but could benefit from a **legislative directive** to the department confirming the intent of the appropriation.









Projects on the Horizon Expanding the Supply of Assisted Housing

Nine days ago, the Hunt Development Group was selected as the Lead Master Developer to redevelop Mayor Wright Homes as a mixed-use, mixed-income, mixed-finance project.

The Redevelopment aims to provide **hundreds of additional units**, while maintaining the existing 364 units at 30% of AMI.







To be announced soon: HPHA is also planning the redevelopment of other HPHA sites that aim to add hundreds more additional affordable units.







Projects on the Horizon Innovation, TOD & Greater Opportunities

Redevelopment projects on the horizon promise to bring fresh ideas for **innovative**, **sustainable**, **mixed-use design**.

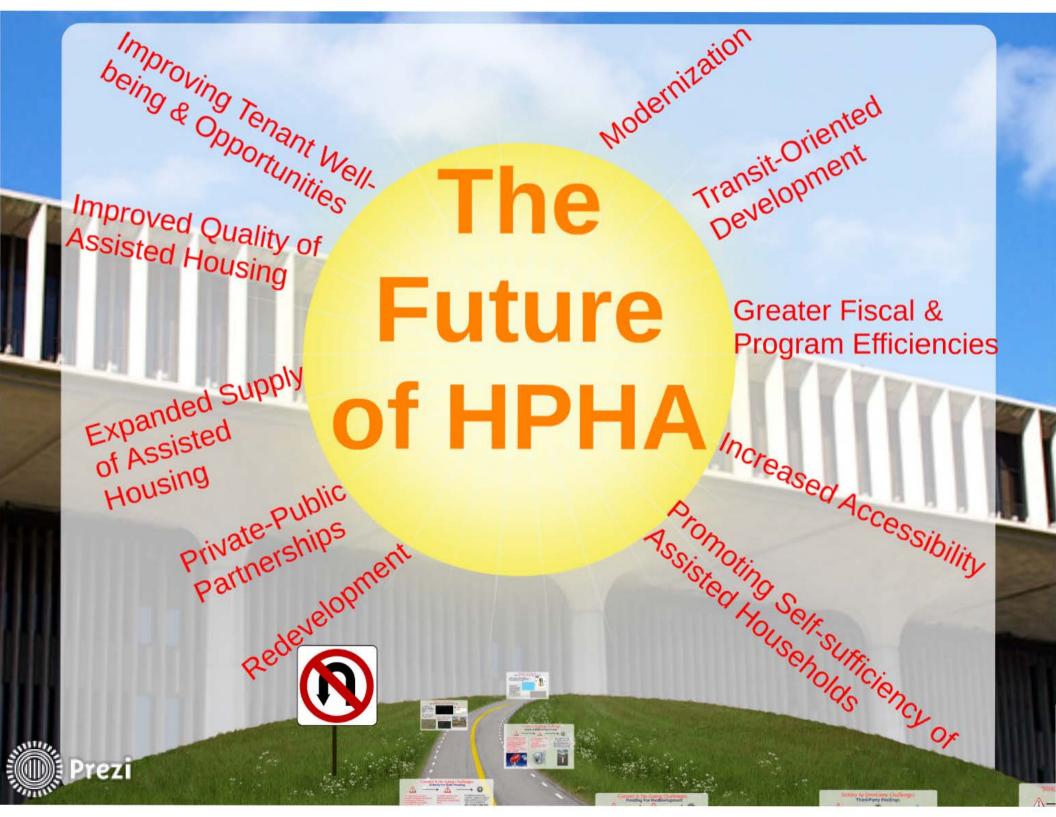
Some of the future projects are located within the City's **Transit-Oriented Development** Zones, which will allow for **higher densities** as well as **greater opportunities** for tenants to access jobs, schools, businesses, services, etc.











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