Landlord and Tenant Information relating to the end of the eviction moratorium on Aug. 6

The state Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs has good overall information including links and where to call for information. https://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/landlord_tenant/

The site include FAQs, HB1376 Act 57 requirements, rights and responsibilities, and the HRS Ch. 521 Landlord-Tenant Code

WHO TO CALL

Residential Landlord-Tenant Information Center 586-2634 (from Oahu) 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon Monday through Friday, except State holidays



<u>From the neighbor islands (toll free):</u> 974-4000, ext. 62634 (from the Big Island) 274-3141, ext. 62634 (from Kauai) 984-2400, ext. 62634 (from Maui) 1-800-468-4644, ext. 62634 (from Molokai & Lanai)

Aloha United Way at 211 can also assist callers.

MEDIATION TO AVOID EVICTION

The Legislature this session passed <u>HB1376</u>, and the governor signed it as Act 57, which makes significant changes to the landlord-tenant code and incentivizes mediation:

- Renters have more time to seek assistance and to work out agreements to avoid eviction;
- Renters have a right to mediation; and
- Initially, the Courts can only consider Summary Possession cases for those owing four months of back rent or more.
- O'ahu: Mediation Center of the Pacific at <u>https://www.mediatehawaii.org/semp/</u>
- East Hawai'i: Ku'ikahi Mediation Center at <u>https://hawaiimediation.org/landlordtenant</u>
- West Hawai'i: West Hawai'i Mediation Center at <u>https://whmediation.org/our-</u> services/landlord-tenant
- Maui County: Maui Mediation Services at <u>https://www.mauimediation.org/landlordtenant/</u> Kaua'i: Kauai Economic Opportunity, Inc. Mediation Program at (808) 245-4077 x229 or x237 or <u>mediation@keoinc.org</u>

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Oʻahu:

- <u>www.oneoahu.org/renthelp</u>.
- The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program is accepting applications for help with electricity bills through June 30: <u>https://www.hcapweb.org/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/</u>
- The Hale Kākou Utility Assistance Program can help qualified households with their electricity, water and sewer, and gas bills: (<u>https://www.hcapweb.org/hale-kakou/</u>)

Hawai'i County: <u>www.HawaiiCountyERAP.org</u>

Kaua'i County: <u>https://kauairenthelp.com/</u> Maui County: <u>https://www.mauicounty.gov/2438/Maui-County-Emergency-Rental-Assistance-</u>

Statewide:

- DHHL Emergency Rental Assistance Program: <u>www.hawaiiancouncil.org/dhhl</u>. Must be Native Hawaiian.
- The Emergency Broadband Benefit can help eligible households with internet bills and in some cases, buy laptops, desktops, and tablet computers: https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit.

For More Information

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii: <u>https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/i-cant-pay-my-rent-mortgage.html</u> Mediation Center of the Pacific: <u>https://www.mediatehawaii.org/landlordtenant</u>