

# Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness

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JULY 13, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

# General Housekeeping Items

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1. Please kindly mute the audio functions on your device when you are not speaking.
2. For purposes of minutes, any person speaking should identify themselves by first and last name and office before speaking.
3. Please mute your speaker before you are ready to speak to cut out any ambient background noise. Also make sure to close doors and windows as appropriate to reduce background noise.
4. Participants should identify yourself by using the **raise hand** feature on Zoom. If you join by phone, dial \*9 to raise your hand. If you are joining by computer, click on the Participants tab and then the “More” icon that looks like three dots (...). Click on the **raise hand** and control the function when appropriate.

# Housekeeping Items Cont.

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5. Council members needing to excuse yourselves, please raise your hand to let the Chair know of speak up if on the phone.
6. If you involuntarily disconnect, please call Justin Limasa at **342-1174** for assistance to reconnect.
7. If you voluntarily disconnect, please announce that you are leaving the meeting and staff will record the time for the meeting minutes.
8. Votes will be conducted by roll call so that it is clear how each participating board member voted. **Members may cast a vote by voice or through a message in the chat box.**

# Public Testimony

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1. Members of the public wishing to testify should signal your intent to testify by **raising your hand** so staff can notate the names and order of testifiers.
2. Testimony will be provided **in the order that hands are raised**.
3. Please state your first and last name and organization for the record before starting your testimony.
4. Please try to mute your speaker before you are ready to speak to cut out any ambient background noise.
5. Testimony should be limited to **one minute**.

# Overview of ESG-CV and CDBG-CV Funds for Hawaii

| KEY    | STA | NAME                                    | 04/02/2020<br>CDBG-CV1 | 05/22/2020<br>CDBG-CV2 | 04/02/2020 ESG-CV1 | 06/09/2020 ESG-<br>CV2 | 04/02/2020<br>HOPWA-CV |
|--------|-----|---|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 150001 | HI  | Hawaii County                           | \$1,543,033            | \$978,184              | \$0                | \$0                    | \$0                    |
| 150002 | HI  | Kauai County                            | \$412,929              | \$261,771              | \$0                | \$0                    | \$0                    |
| 150003 | HI  | Maui County                             | \$1,104,173            | \$699,975              | \$0                | \$0                    | \$0                    |
| 150144 | HI  | Honolulu                                | \$4,872,982            | \$3,089,159            | \$2,429,569        | \$22,370,813           | \$95,143               |
| 159999 | HI  | Hawaii Nonentitlement (State – DHS/HPO) | \$0                    | \$0                    | \$1,567,697        | \$8,466,976            | \$39,007               |
|        |     | <b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>                    | <b>\$7,933,117</b>     | <b>\$5,029,089</b>     | <b>\$3,997,266</b> | <b>\$30,837,789</b>    | <b>\$134,150</b>       |

# HUD Stimulus Core T.A.

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- **June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with State and County government stakeholders.
- **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Meeting with four counties, DHHL, and AUW.
- **June 25<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with members of House COVID-19 Select Committee, Sub-committee on Housing.
- **June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting with State and County government funders, and COVID-19 Philanthropic Response Hui.
- **June 30<sup>th</sup>** – Meeting between State and City & County of Honolulu.

# General Areas of Exploration

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- Integrated Street/Encampment Outreach
- Specialized Shelter Models
- Targeted Prevention and Diversion
- Rapid Re-Housing, including landlord engagement, risk mitigation funds, and property acquisition.
- Strengthening administrative capacity

# Community-Centered Housing Options

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- May 26, 2020 Memo from HUD Honolulu Field Office
- For purposes of CoC HIC and PIT Count
  - Each unit must have electricity/illumination.
  - Access to plumbing and water must be reasonably accessible all year round to all participants.
  - Appropriate heating, ventilation, and airconditioning (HVAC) must be provided.
  - Participants shall be sheltered (covered by walls on all sides)
  - At least one smoke detector must be in each unit
  - Units must meet local building code.
  - For a unit to be considered CoC Permanent Housing, units must not have a designated length of stay.
  - For a unit to be considered Other Permanent Housing (OPH), provider must provide long-term housing that is not otherwise considered PSH or RRH.



# Community-Centered Housing Options

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- Tiny Homes as presented (lacking its own cooking area, bathroom, and running water) do not meet HUD's Housing Quality Standards (HQS).
- Tiny Homes not meeting HQS are not eligible for CoC Rental Assistance.
- Tiny Homes not meeting HQS are not eligible for HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) or HUD Section 8 assistance.

# Community-Centered Housing Options

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- **Kalaeloia Kauhale**

- ❖ Construction started mid-May
- ❖ Still fundraising for capital and ongoing utility costs.
- ❖ Referrals will come through PIC Coordinated Entry System.

- **Hale Hanakahi (Hilo) and Na Lamaku (Kona)**

- ❖ Tiny Home units expand emergency shelter options.

- **Maui County Pallet Homes**

# Community-Centered Housing Options

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- Current examples are largely sited on public land (e.g. State or County land)
- Ideally, sites should have connection to infrastructure and road access.
- Past searches have focused on DLNR unencumbered lands and future searches could expand to include land of other State and County agencies.

# Overview of T.A.

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- Evaluation of Ohana Zone contracts
- HUD Stimulus Core T.A. to City and State
- HUD T.A. focused on Honolulu CoC Governance and YHDP
- HUD T.A. focused on HMIS
- Mayor's Challenge – Veteran Homelessness
- NCBH and CSH – Focus on Behavioral Health / Health Plans
- LEAD National Support Bureau – Law Enforcement Partnerships

# Previous Recommendations of HICH

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1. Enhance community capacity to review data related to homelessness and the effectiveness of homeless programs in real time.
2. Continue efforts to strengthen the capacity of homeless service providers and government agencies tasked with overseeing homeless efforts.
3. Allow time for promising programs to demonstrate results, including Ohana Zones and community-centered housing models.

# Potential Recommendations

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- Targeted approach to community outreach, including use of specialized teams focused on behavioral health.
- Development of specialized shelter for key target populations.
- Maintain a specific focus on rapid rehousing for homeless individuals and families.
- Identify State and County lands for community-based housing or other permanent housing models.
- Continue to focus on capacity building efforts to support both funders and service providers.

# HICH Staff Report

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- Established Behavioral Health and Homelessness Statewide Unified Response Group (BHHSURG).
- Ensured access to hygiene and basic sanitation services at State restroom facilities.
- Partnered with the City to establish a Temporary Quarantine and Isolation Center on Oahu.
- Quickly established additional sites to temporarily expand shelter options.
- Gathered and quickly distributed Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to providers.
- Convened coordination meetings to support provider outreach efforts and facilitate information sharing among funders and government agencies.

# Exits to Permanent Housing



- % of Exits to PH has steadily decreased from June 2019 to present.
- On Oahu, % of exits to PH were 40% for January-March 2020, and 42% for April-May 2020.
- On neighbor islands, % of exits to PH were 58% for January-March 2020 and 47% for April-May 2020.



# Meeting Schedule

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- Monday, September 21, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.
- Monday, December 21, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon