GOVERNOR’S COORDINATOR ON HOMELESSNESS
WEBINAR SERIES - MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021

Partners in Care

B.T.G.
Bridging The Gap
Continuum of Care serving Hawai‘i Island, Maui & Kaua‘i
GENERAL UPDATES

► HOUSEKEEPING REMINDERS

► Updates

- Physical copy of SS card, W-2, 1099, or paystub no longer required for State I.D. or Driver’s License as of June 18, 2021.
- COVID-19 testing and vaccination for homelessness facilities on Oahu – Contact Project Vision Hawaii at (808) 201-3937, or contact Laura Thielen at PIC at (808) 380-9444

► Partners in Care Updates

- Oahu Housing Now

► Bridging the Gap Updates

- CARES Act Funding Dashboards
Online Dashboard: https://partnersincareoahu.org/dashboards-ohn

➢ Housed 86 households (211 persons)
➢ Average of 17 days from enrollment to housing
➢ 29% towards goal of 300 HHs by September

For more information, please contact: OHN@partnersincareoahu.org or (808) 380-9353
BTG: ESV-CV Online Dashboard

ESG-CV

The dashboards below highlight funding allocation and expenditures, numbers served, exit destination and length of stay data for projects funded under the ESG-CV program. The ESG-CV round one contract term runs from 7/10/20 to 7/9/21. Financial data for these dashboards are current for all organizations through 5/3/21, with HMIS data current through 5/31/21.

➢ Track Funding Allocation, Numbers Served, Exit Destination Data, and Length of Stay

➢ Funding allocated for Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, and Homelessness Prevention

➢ 1,000 households (1,759 people) served from July 2020 to May 2021.

➢ 55% Exit Rate to Permanent Housing (287 out of 526 households exiting programs to PH)

Online Dashboard: https://btghawaii.org/esg-cv
The General Meeting is held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. via MS Teams.

The general membership meeting provides updates to membership about any changes or new information from the Advocacy, Awareness, Board of Directors, Communications, CES Oversight, Planning, and Organizational Development Committees.

For more information, contact Sharon Baillie at sharonb@partnersincareoahu.org or visit https://partnersincareoahu.org/committees.
BTG Chapter Meetings

Kauai Community Alliance (KCA)
• Chair: Melody Lopez
• Vice Chair: Makana Kamibayashi
• County Rep: Ashton Varner
• Meetings: 2nd Wed of each month, 10am-12pm via Zoom

Maui Homeless Alliance (MHA)
• Chair: Thelma Akita-Kealoha
• Vice Chair: Maude Cumming
• County Rep: David Nakama
• Meetings: 3rd Wed of each month, 12pm-130pm, via BlueJeans

Community Alliance Partners (CAP)
• Co-Chairs: Paul Normann & Brandee Menino
• County Rep: Sharon Hirota
• Meetings: 4th Wed of each month, 9am-1030am via Zoom
• Website: Community Alliance Partners
To find out more about local landlord engagement efforts or to request a speaker for a community group, please contact:

➢ Cheryl Bellisario, Administrative Assistant
  Phone:  (808) 586-0009
  E-mail: Cheryl.a.Bellisario@hawaii.gov

General information about how to connect with programs like LEP on Oahu, or with the CoC chapter in each county to engage either with direct support or as a part of broader advocacy efforts.

Why is Landlord Engagement an important community issue?

- Through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will be releasing 700,000 Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHVs) nationwide, including over 790 throughout Hawaii.
- The number of EHV’s anticipated for Hawaii include nearly 500 on the island of Oahu, administered by the City & County of
Richard S. Cho, Ph.D., U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

Katy Miller, U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

They will discuss HUD funding and new resources that are coming online, as well as what the national landscape looks like for homelessness, and the challenges and opportunities that other communities are facing.

Brandon Barbour, Waikiki Business Improvement District Association

Officer Ryan Yamamoto, Honolulu Police Department’s District 6 Community Policing Team

Officer Moses Chang, Honolulu Police Department’s District 6 Community Policing Team

They will discuss their joint efforts on addressing homelessness in Waikiki, and other ways that the WBIDA and Waikiki CPT collaborate.
USICH UPDATE:
National Landscape & Federal Funding

June 28, 2021

Katy Miller, Regional Coordinator
The National 2020 Snapshot

- On a single night in January 2020, approximately 580,466 people were experiencing homelessness in the United States.
The National 2020 Snapshot: Unsheltered homelessness

**Exhibit 1.7: States with the Highest and Lowest Percentages of People Experiencing Homelessness who were Unsheltered**

**2020**

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- Housing is a Right for All
- Racial Equity
- Economic Mobility
- Climate Change
- Housing First
CARES Act Key Themes

1) **Promote integrated planning.** Federal funding through the CoC, ESG, CDBG, and FEMA provide the opportunity to bring together non-traditional partners to work together and infuse new and existing resources into local prevention and rehousing systems.

2) **Innovate.** This crisis is an opportunity to take new steps, add new interventions, and consider activities that can be transformative in our system response for the future.

3) **Lead with Equity.** Seize the opportunity to address inadvertent bias and institutional discrimination in housing.
ESG-CV Resources for Homelessness Prevention & Eviction Prevention

- **$4 billion Emergency Solutions Grant** to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance.
  - Round 1: $1 billion allocated through HUD 2020 formula.
  - Round 2: $3.96 billion allocated through a new COVID-19 related formula.

ESG-CV: Eligible Activities

- Emergency non-congregate shelter
- Emergency congregate shelter
- Street outreach and client engagement
- Homelessness prevention: financial assistance and rental assistance
- Basic services: housing search and placement, tenant legal services, credit repair, housing stability case management, landlord/tenant mediation
- Rapid rehousing
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- **$1.9 Trillion Relief bill passed on March 16, 2021**
  - $5B specifically to reduce homelessness
  - $21.6B replenish the emergency rental assistance fund
    - Adds to the $25B provided by Congress in December 2020
    - Pays up to 18 months in rent
    - Must be used by September 2025
  - $5B emergency housing vouchers
    - Coverage for 5 years
  - Child Tax Credits
  - $1B Support through TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
  - $350B to state and local governments
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- **Emergency Rental Assistance: $21.6B**
  - Offers assistance directly to renters;
  - Reduces wait for assistance offered to renters when landlords do not participate;
  - Protects renters from eviction while payments are being made on their behalf;
  - Prohibits documentation requirements
USICH Resources on Eviction Prevention

- Definitions: Homelessness Prevention, Diversion, and Rapid Exit

- A conversation with communities on eviction prevention

- Tips to begin tackling homelessness prevention
HUD Resources on Eviction Prevention

- Considerations When Investing ESG in Homelessness Prevention

- Eviction Prevention for At Risk Tenants: A Message to HUD Program Grantees
  https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/CPD_Eviction_Prevention_for_At_Risk_Tenants_intro_2020-08-10.pdf

- Landlord guidance

- Tenant guidance
  https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6107/covid19-tenant-guidance-rent-repayment-plans
Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

- $145M available for up to 50 communities
- HUD Notice of Opportunity (NOFO) released 5/25/21

“Getting and keeping young people off the streets and helping them find a safe, stable home can change the trajectory of their lives. Local leaders who are on the ground every day know what it takes to meet the needs of youth experiencing homelessness, and this funding will empower them to do so.”

- HUD Secretary Marcia L. Fudge
COVID-19 Federal Resources

- VA SSVF (Supportive Services for Veterans Families) Shallow Subsidy Compliance Guide
- HUD VASH (Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing) Vouchers
  - HOME Investment Partnerships Program (ARPA)
  - Emergency Housing Vouchers – Operating Requirements (ARPA)
  - Emergency Rental Assistance Guide
    - Full Guidance
    - Fact Sheet
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www.usich.gov
Waikiki Business Improvement District Association (WBIDA)

June 26, 2021

Brandon Barbour, Vice President of Operations
WBIDA Overview

- Established June 2000 to:
  - Improve the physical environment
  - Enhance the pedestrian experience
  - Create a positive, healthy district identity

- Assessment on over 3,000 Commercial and Hotel/Resort property owners

- Nonprofit, 501(c)(3) corporation established Sept 2000

- [www.waikikibid.org](http://www.waikikibid.org)
The Waikiki Business Improvement District Association (WBIDA) is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to creating a clean, safe, vibrant resort destination area reflective of its Hawaiian heritage that is attractive and welcoming to both visitors and residents, and contributes to the economic prosperity of Oahu, and the State of Hawaii.
Values

- Based on the concept of stewardship of Waikiki; our slogan is *Malama Waikiki* (Caring for Waikiki)

- Reflect the Hawaiian values of:
  
  - *Aloha ʻAina* – Love of the Land
  
  - *Malama ʻAina* – Care of the Land
  
  - *Palekana* – Safety/Safe Passage
  
  - *Hoʻokipa* – Hospitality
WBIDA Public Services

Cleaning Ambassadors
- Custodial and Maintenance
- Landscape and Irrigation

Aloha Ambassadors
- Hospitality and Directional
- Safety and Security
- Homeless Outreach

Service Contracts
- Landscape Hawaii, Inc. (Landscape Maintenance Services)
- Block by Block (Custodial, Hospitality, Safety Services)
Integrated ‘Outreach’ Approach

• Integrate ‘Outreach Approach’ in all Aloha Ambassador interactions (e.g. Safety Ambassador advisories)
• Building Relationships

Dedicated Outreach Ambassador

• Started in 2019, expanded 2021
• 7 days per week, 8 hours per day (varied hours)
• To assist homeless individuals in Waikiki to connect with service providers

Outreach Partnerships and Coordination

• Connect and participate in coordinated outreach
• HPD, HPD CPT, IHS, PIC, etc.
• Waikiki Service Provider HUI (e.g. BNL, case conferencing, joint outreach)
## Point in Time Counts

### Ambassador Counts
(Average Daily; Kuhio/Kalakaua Only)

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### Annual Counts
(Overnight)

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• Strengthen and expand Waikiki Service Provider Hui to coordinate efforts in Waikiki.

• WBIDA increases activity and integration with PIC

• Coordinate targeted joint effort to address the ‘top ten’ homeless individuals in Waikiki.

• Partner to bring regular and consistent services to serve individuals in Waikiki

• Coordinate and centralize communication of outcomes

• Mobilize business and community support.
Contact

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