HAWAI'I COUNTY HOUSING HELP RESOURCE LIST (rev. 9/11/20)

RAPID RESPONSE LANDLORD TENANT MEDIATION PROGRAM (FREE for residential & commercial landlords & tenants)

- Ku'ikahi Mediation Center (East Hawai'i) (808) 935-7844 ext. 2 / <u>info@hawaiimediation.org</u> / <u>https://hawaiimediation.org/landlordtenant/</u>
- West Hawai'i Mediation Center (West Hawai'i) (808) 885-5525 / info@whmediation.org / https://whmediation.org/our-services/landlord-tenant/

RENT, MORTGAGE & UTILITY ASSISTANCE

• County of Hawai'i Rent & Mortgage Assistance Program (up to \$2,000 per household per month for rent or mortgage payments for up to 10 months from March 2020 to December 2020 – paid directly to landlord or lender)

Only apply to 1 organization from this list of 6:

- Habitat for Humanity Hawai'i Island: (808) 331-8010 / <u>https://www.habitathawaiiisland.org/rmap.html</u>
- Hawai'i First Federal Credit Union: (808) 933-6600 / <u>https://www.hawaiifirstfcu.com/rmap/</u>
- Hawai'i Island Home for Recovery: (808) 640-4443 / <u>https://www.hihrecovery.org/rmap</u>
- Hawaiian Community Assets: (808) 934-0801 / <u>http://www.hawaiiancommunity.net/</u> (at top "APPLY HERE")
- o HOPE Services Hawai'i: (808) 935-3050 / <u>RMAP@hopeserviceshawaii.org</u> / <u>https://hopeserviceshawaii.org/rmap/</u>
- Neighborhood Place of Puna: (808) 965-5550 / <u>caresact@neighborhoodplace.org</u> / <u>https://neighborhoodplaceofpuna.org/coronavirus-rent-mortgage-relief/</u>
- State of Hawai'i Rent Relief & Housing Assistance Program (up to \$1,500 per household per month for rent payments for up to 10 months from August 2020 to December 2020 paid directly to landlord)

Only apply to 1 organization from this list of 2:

- o Aloha United Way: 211 / HousingHelp@AUW.org / https://www.auw.org/covid-19-assistance-programs#RRHAP
- o Catholic Hawai'i Charities: (808) 961-7050 / https://www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/housinghelp/
- Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (1-time assistance for rent, security deposit, mortgage, or utility up to \$1,500 if Native Hawaiian)
 (808) 784-4464 / kahiau@hawaiiancouncil.org / https://www.hawaiiancouncil.org/kahiau

 Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (3 programs): 1) Emergency Rental Assistance to Hawaiians on DHHL Waiting List, 2) Rental Relief Deferrals for Lessees, Licensees, Permittees, 3) Direct Loan Payment Deferrals) (808) 620-9500 / https://dhhl.hawaii.gov/covid-19/

- Hawai'i County Economic Opportunity Council
 - **COVID-19 Utility Bill Support** *(up to \$500 to pay gas, electric, or non-government water utility bill)* (808) 961-2681 ext. 400 / <u>https://hceoc.net/</u>
 - Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
 (808) 961-2681 ext. 303 / gshioshita@hceoc.net / http://hceoc.net/programs/energy/
- Find Coronavirus Mortgage Relief Options By Servicer: <u>https://forbearancereport.com/</u>
- Learn About Mortgage Relief Options and Protections: https://www.consumerfinance.gov/coronavirus/mortgage-and-housing-assistance/mortgage-relief/

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE (including rent and utilities)

 Holomua Hawaii—County of Hawai'i Small Business Relief & Recovery Fund (up to \$10,000 for businesses and nonprofits for rent, non-governmental utilities, payroll, and other costs) <u>https://www.holomuahawaii.com/index.html</u>

FINANCIAL & HOUSING COUNSELING

- Hawai'i First Federal Credit Union (808) 933-6600
 - o Financial Navigator Program (free): https://www.hawaiifirstfcu.com/community-resource-center/
 - Pathways Coaching for Financial Wellness (free): <u>www.hawaiifirstfcu.com/pathways/</u>
- Hale Mahaolu: (808) 242-4377
 www.halemahaolu.org
- Hawai'i HomeOwnership Center: (808) 523-9500
 https://www.hihomeownership.org/
- Hawaiian Community Assets: (808) 934-0801
 http://www.hawaiiancommunity.net/
- Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i: (800) 499-4302 https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/

LEGAL HELP

• Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i

(800) 499-4302 - Intake hours Monday to Friday from 9:00 am - 11:30 am & 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm • Housing COVID-19: https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/housing-covid-19.html

- Q & A COVID-19 Impact: Housing Issues (including info on eviction and foreclosure moratoriums): https://sway.office.com/hqsbyhVm2VMgBG9e?ref=Link
- o COVID-19 Legal Help & Resources: <u>https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/covid-19-legal-help.html</u>
- Hilo Self-Help Center (volunteer attorneys provide limited legal information by phone) (808) 746-5363 – Call Tuesdays and Fridays from 11:15 am - 12:45 pm
- HSBA Legal Hotline (volunteer attorneys provide limited legal information by phone) (808) 537-1868 – Call Wednesdays from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- HSBA Lawyer Referral Hotline (to hire an attorney for your legal issue) (808) 537-9140 / LRIS@hsba.org
- ABA Free Legal Answers (volunteer attorneys provide free legal answers for low & moderate income HI residents)
 <u>https://hawaii.freelegalanswers.org/</u>

LANDLORD-TENANT INFO

- Residential Landlord-Tenant Information Center (State Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs)
 (808) 974-4000 ext. 62634 (toll free) / <u>https://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/landlord_tenant/</u>
 - COVID-19 Landlord Tenant FAQS <u>https://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/landlord-tenant-faqs/</u>
 - Residential Landlord-Tenant Handbook (2018 edition) <u>https://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/files/2019/06/2018-Residential-Landlord-Tenant-Handbook-Web.pdf</u>

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- Affordable Housing List (government-subsidized in Hawai'i County Office of Housing & Community Development) http://records.hawaiicounty.gov/weblink/1/doc/103436/Page1.aspx
- If ALREADY living in subsidized housing, 3 types rental subsidy programs available: 1) Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8); 2) Project Based Voucher (subsidy is attached to the project), and 3) Tenant Based Rental Assistance (temporary assistance based on funding, currently 18 months per beneficiary)
 (808) 959-4642 / <u>Desiree.Moore@hawaiicounty.gov</u> / <u>https://www.hawaiicounty.gov/departments/office-of-housing</u>

EMERGENCY SHELTER & FUNDING

 HOPE Services Hawai'i (if experiencing homelessness or received an eviction notice) (808) 935-3050 / info@hopeserviceshawaii.org / https://hopeserviceshawaii.org/