RENT & MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

FOR
HAWAI'I COUNTY

This program will provide rent or mortgage payments not to exceed $2,000 per month (March-December 2020) for eligible households at or below 140% of the area median income who were affected by Covid-19.

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ELIGIBILITY

- 18 years of age or older;
- Hawai‘i County resident with government-issued ID. If you do not live on Hawai‘i Island, your application will not be considered;
- Must show decrease in income or loss of work hours directly resulting from COVID-19;
- Total household income must be at or below 140% Area Median Income at time of application;
- Must not have received same benefits for the same period from another organization;
- No asset limit;
- Households already receiving federal housing subsidies (Section 8 or Public Housing participants) do not qualify.
- Funds are limited therefore the application will be available until resources have been exhausted.

For more information and application contact one of the following agencies:

1. Proof of Residency (submit 1 of the following)
   - Copy of valid Photo ID for applicant
   - Federal or State Tax returns
   - Copy of property tax statement
2. Income Verification (submit ALL that apply)
   - 30 days most recent paystubs for all working household members
   - 2 months most recent business bank statements for all self-employed household members
   - Unemployment or public assistance benefit letters for all household members
3. Copy of rental lease or mortgage statement to verify housing
4. Proof of Hardship (submit 1 of the following)
   - Unemployment or Pandemic Unemployment Assistance approval letter
   - Layoff letter from employer
   - 30 days paystubs for the month of February 2020 for household member/s impacted by COVID-19
   - 2 months business bank statements for January and February 2020 for household member/s who are self-employed and impacted by COVID-19
   - Self-certification form (provided by nonprofit partner if applicable)
5. Past due rent or mortgage notice - If requesting assistance for previous months *Please be sure ALL of your supporting documents are attached to your completed application for a quicker APPROVAL.

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Ruby works at a hotel in Waikoloa, but her employer cut her hours in May. Since then she hasn’t been able to pay her rent. Ruby can apply for assistance for May, June, July, and August. If she still needs help between September and December, she can contact her grantor and let them know (no need to apply again).

Koa owns a bar in Hilo, but to protect his ‘ohana, he shut down in March, and has not had any income since. He's had trouble coming up with his mortgage payment, so he can apply for assistance from March to this month. Like Ruby, he can let his grantor know if he still needs help next month.

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1. Hawaiian Community Assets
   - Website: www.HawaiianCommunity.net
   - Phone: 808.934.0801

2. HIH Hawaii Island Home for Recovery
   - Website: www.hihrecovery.org/rmap
   - Phone: 808.640.4443 808.934.7852

3. Habitat for Humanity Hawai‘i Island
   - Website: www.habitathawaiisland.org
   - Phone: 808.450.2118
   - Email: rmap@habitathawaiisland.org

4. Neighborhood Place of Puna
   - Website: www.neighborhoodplaceofpunaforty.org
   - Phone: 808.965.5550
   - Email: caresact@neighborhoodplace.org

5. HOPE Services Hawaii
   - Website: www.hopeserviceshawaii.org
   - Phone: 808.935.3050
   - Email: rmap@hopeserviceshawaii.org

6. Hawaii First Federal Credit Union
   - Website: www.hawaii1stfcu.com/community-resource-center/
   - Phone: 808.933.6600

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To be eligible, at the time of application your annual income must at or below the Annual Household Income Maximum, which is **140%** of the Area Median Income (AMI). In other words, to qualify, **your income must be at or below the level listed**.

*Add $11,620 for each additional household member*

**MAX. HOUSEHOLD INCOME (ANNUAL)**

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Through a $8.5 million grant from the U.S. Federal CARES Act funds, the County of Hawaii’s Office of Research and Development in partnership with Hawaiian Community Assets (HCA)/Hawai‘i Community Lending (HCL), HOPE Services Hawaii (HOPE), Hawaii First Federal Credit Union (HFFCU), Neighborhood Place of Puna (NPP), Hawaii Island Home for Recovery (HIHR), Habitat for Humanity Hawaii Island (HFHHI), is launching a Rent and Mortgage Assistance Program to provide financial assistance to eligible households whose income has been impacted by Covid-19.

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