

EDB Committee

From: hanayouthcenter@netscape.net
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To: EDB Committee
Subject: Affordable Housing project Wakiu - Hana - Habitat for Humanity

To whom this may concern,

As you can imagine housing for local residents is difficult to come by. There are so many homes that have been turned into vacation rentals here in Hana because more money can be made from them that way. Other homes are rented at such incredible amounts with the intension that the rent will be supplemented by either the big employers requiring housing for their managers or the government.

I believe the average common every day family lives in a multi-generational dwelling or in an undersized constructed add on.

With the cost of living as it is, it has been difficult for people to come up with a down payment. This has been the case for generations.

I urge your consideration towards the Wakiu area, Habitat for Humanity affordable Housing project. It has to be for those who are long-time residents of Hana. The possibility of having housing for those who intend it as an investment to one day flip is not what is needed. To have a part time / second home owner is not what is needed either. To have it "owner occupied only" sounds reasonable.

Your consideration in this project is appreciated.
Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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