# **Housing & Human Concerns**

### **Mission & Goals**

The County, through the Department of Housing and Human Concerns, supports a wide range of community needs through a combination of direct services administered by the department, grant support to non-profit service providers, and/or encouraging and facilitating collaboration and partnerships among public and private organizations.

Our mission is to support and enhance the social well-being of the citizens of Maui County.

#### Goals

- To support and maintain a continuum of social services to address the needs of the people of Maui County through County sponsored programs and partnerships
- To expand affordable housing opportunities for low and moderate income families and support the development of special needs housing

## **Programs & Services**

To learn about the department's programs and services, visit the web pages of our divisions and Department staffed Boards and Commissions.

We are pleased to provide the DHHC Resource Guide which lists various agencies, their services and resources available in Maui County.

DHHC Resource Guide

#### **Divisions**

- Grants Management (808) 270-7807
- · Housing Division (808) 270-7351
  - Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 Program
- https://www.mauicounty.gov/117/Housing-Human-Concerns

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## **Housing Division**

### **Objectives**

The objective of the Housing Division is to create housing opportunities for low and moderate income residents through partnerships with community organization with the objectives of:

- Developing long-term affordable rental housing units
- Increasing availability of home ownership opportunities
- Developing special needs housing with appropriate support services

Many of these activities are conducted through grants awarded to community non-profit organizations.

### **Hot Topics**

- · Beware of mortgage modification loan scams! Click here to learn how to look for the warning signs.
- Act 48: The Mortgage Foreclosure Law. Click <u>here</u> for information on mortgage foreclosure options, presented by the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

### Responsibilities

Specifically, the Housing Division is responsible for the following programs and activities:

- Section 8 Rental Assistance Program
- · Monitoring of employee/affordable housing conditions
- · Administration of HOME Investment Partnership Program funds, which assists in expanding affordable housing opportunities
- · Promotion of fair housing practices in the County of Maui
- Providing technical and financial assistance to facilitate the approval and development of affordable housing projects assisting low income families
- · Secure housing rehabilitation loans and/or grants
- Monitoring the management of County-owned rental housing projects
- · First Time Homebuyers Assistance Program
- · Affordable Housing Fund Program
- · Reviewing and monitoring of Residential Workforce Housing Policy Chapter 2.96, Maui County Code
  - Revision: Chapter 2.96, Maui County Code, December 2014

### **Additional Information**

- Notice of Public Hearing
- · Proposed Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan
- · Accessory Dwelling Units
- Fair Housing Resource Information