

AH Committee

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Attached is the final presentation for AH-19 for today's Affordable Housing Committee.

I will send an updated AH-7 presentation as well. I have added information on new funding to the original material.



Homeless Division

March 15, 2021

Homeless Programs and Related Matters (AH-19)




Homeless Division Budget / Personnel

- ▶ 3 total Equivalent Personnel (EP)
 - ▶ 1 newly created position is currently vacant and under recruitment

- ▶ FY2021 Budget Homeless Programs
 - ▶ \$241,448 - Operations
 - ▶ \$3,281,713 - Grants
 - ▶ administered by the Grants Management Division

Expenditures - General Fund

Character Description	2020 Adopted	2021 Adopted	Change Amount	Change Percent
Wages & Salaries	\$134,544	\$169,848	\$35,304	26.2%
Operations	\$11,950	\$15,100	3,150	26.4%
Equipment	\$0	\$56,500	\$56,500	
Program Total	\$146,494	\$241,448	\$94,954	64.8%
Equivalent Personnel	2	3	1	50%



The Creation of the System of Care to address homelessness – The HEARTH Act of 2009

- ▶ **H.E.A.R.T.H.** – Homeless **E**mergency **A**ssistance and **R**apid Transition to **H**ousing **A**ct.

This Act consolidated three of the separate homeless assistance programs administered by HUD under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act into a single grant program – the CONTINUUM of CARE (CoC) PROGRAM.


The three (3) programs that were consolidated include the:

- Supportive Housing Program
- Shelter Plus Care Program
- Moderate Rehabilitation/Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Program



Continuum of Care Governance: Some of HUD's mandates

- ▶ Forming a **Continuum of Care (CoC)**. The Balance-of-State CoC is Bridging the Gap (BTG) which is comprised of representation from Kauai, Hawaii Island, and Maui. The Homeless Division serves on the BTG board.
- ▶ **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)** – Robust database to log and track individuals and families in near real time. Holder of the by-name list.
- ▶ **Coordinated Entry System (CES)** - Automated referral system where qualified individuals and families get availed housing resources by priority of need. The Homeless Division serves as the administrator of the Maui CES.
- ▶ **Low Barrier** and **Housing Focused** emergency and transitional shelters. Previous requirements of sobriety, treatment compliance, lack of income, and criminal records are no longer barriers for entry into shelters and housing programs.
- ▶ **Outreach** are coordinated, trained, utilizes assertive engagement, and have the ability and resources to connect people experiencing homelessness to the CES via the VI-SPDAT common assessment tool to obtain permanent housing.
- ▶ **Inclusion** into the system of care. Faith-based groups, private businesses, Public Safety, Healthcare, etc.



Housing First – An Evidence-based Best Practice

- ▶ **Housing First** is a proven approach applicable across all elements of systems for ending homelessness, in which people experiencing homelessness are connected to permanent housing in the most expedited fashion with few to no treatment preconditions, behavioral contingencies, or other barriers.

It is based on overwhelming evidence that people experiencing homelessness can achieve stability in permanent housing if provided with the appropriate level of services.

Multiple studies have shown that Housing First yields higher housing retention rates, drives significant reductions in the use of costly crisis services and institutions, and helps people achieve better and healthier outcomes.

- United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

Maui County's current HUD and State Funded Programs (1 of 2 slides)

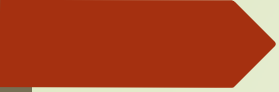
Program	Agency	Program Type	Funding Type/Entity	Amount
Ohana One PSH	FLC	PSH	HUD CoC	555,205
PSH	FLC	PSH	HUD CoC	149,925
Eha Group Home	Steadfast	PSH	HUD CoC	416,623
Kaulana Group Home	Steadfast	PSH	HUD CoC	88,248
KHAKO Central ES	KHAKO	ES	State Gen Fund	1,023,752
KHAKO Westside ES	KHAKO	ES	State Gen Fund	787,918
Housing First	FLC	PSH	State Gen Fund	637,500
Outreach	FLC	SO	State Gen Fund	596,668
Rapid Re-Housing	FLC	RRH	State Gen Fund	387,500
Hoolanani ES	FLC	ES	State Gen Fund	227,000
State Housing Placement Program	FLC	Prevention	State Gen Fund	600,000
Transitional Shelter	Maui Farm	TS/VOCA	State AG	567,242

Maui County's current HUD and State Funded Programs (2 of 2)

Program	Agency	Program Type	Funding Type/Entity	Amount
Huliau Ohana Zone	COM	PH	State Ohana Zone	864,000
ES for Victims of DV	Molokai Community Service Council	ES	VAWA – State AG	130,000
ES for Victims of DV	Women Helping Women	ES	State Gen Funds	471,764

Statistics

	2018	2019	2020
Total People Served	1,363	1,704	1,778
Individuals Moved Into Permanent Housing	654	538	530
Exit Rate to Permanent Housing	42%	39%	45%
Ave. Length of Stay in Emergency Shelter (days)	81	114	80
Successfully Remained Housed 2+ years	79%	77%	78%



Homeless Program – Demographics of those placed into housing

Coordinated Entry System Placements

(Family Life Center, KHAKO, Mental Health Kokua,
Steadfast Housing)

- 9% Veterans
- 9% Kupuna
- 25% Children
 - 41% of children were <5 years old
- 49% Lived in Hawaii 20+ years
- 6% Lived in Hawaii <1
- 221 Families with Minor Children



Key takeaways:

- ▶ As a System of Care, diligently adhering to HUD mandates and the Housing First model.
- ▶ Collaborating with local and Statewide entities in developing policies to promote a more effective and efficient system of care.
- ▶ Being **HOUSING FOCUSED** as housing is the fundamental solution to homelessness.
- ▶ Driven to **END** people's homelessness and not merely managing one's homelessness.

Homeless Program – COVID 19 Response

Wahi Hoomalu O Wailuku Emergency Shelter

- 23 pallet shelters located at Waiale Park in May 2020
 - 8x8 units with A/C and electrical outlets
- Utilizes park bathroom
- KHAKO provided a mobile hygiene unit
 - 3 shower stalls
 - Washer/dryer
- 24 hour security
- Dinner provided
- DHHC managed property until October 30, 2020
- FLC took over in November 2020
 - Provides case management
 - **Focused on moving residents into permanent housing**

Wahi Hoomalu O Wailuku



Wahi Hoomalu O Wailuku





Homeless Program – COM Grants

Grants targeting Homeless Programs

- ▶ Administered by the Grants Management Division
- ▶ Total Approved Budget \$3,281,713

Grants - General Fund

Agency	Description	Amount	Status	Projection
Family Life Center	Case management	\$180,000	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
Family Life Center	Outreach	\$147,000	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
Family Life Center	RAP-Add'l \$2M in Housing budget	\$410,200	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
KHAKO Resource Ctr	Ops for 2 shelters/Step-up Program	\$652,000	50%	Expect 100% expenditure
KHAKO Resource Ctr	Puuhonua: Homeless Respite Ctr	\$200,376	50%	Under spent - vandalism
KHAKO Resource Ctr	RAP-Add'l \$2M in Housing budget	\$322,338	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
Legal Aid Society	Legal Svcs (for most vulnerable)	\$75,000	24%	Expect 100% expenditure
MEO	RAP-Add'l \$2M in Housing budget	\$497,462	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
Mental Health Kokua	Outreach & Psychosocial Rehab	\$95,000	50%	
Mental Health Kokua	Maui Safe Haven	\$192,337	50%	

Grants - General Fund

Agency	Description	Amount	Status	Projection
Roman Catholic Church HI	St. Theresa – Hale Kau Kau	\$100,000	50%	Expect 100% expenditure
Feed My Sheep	Healthy Diet for Impoverished	\$100,000	50%	Expect 100% expenditure
Salvation Army	Outreach	\$180,000	0%	Pending grant
Women Helping Women	RAP-Add'l \$2M in Housing budget	\$170,000	75%	Expect 100% expenditure
	TOTAL AMOUNT	\$3,321,512		



Mahalo!