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Aloha,

Please take action on the ever increasing illegal short term rental housing. It is taking rentals that could be available to local residents off the market creating strain in our families and communities. Please enforce permitting of short term rentals and look for sustainable housing options for the working people of Maui.

I ask that you please consider the recommendations listed below and work for our communities wellness.

Mahalo, Hoku

Maui Tomorrow Foundation recommends the following:

- Fund new positions to enforce the short-term rental rules;
- Use the affordable housing fund to provide infrastructure to 100% affordable housing projects in areas that are designated for housing by the community plans;
- Stop approving unaffordable residential, commercial and tourist developments that use up infrastructure capacity that should be reserved for truly affordable housing

Conclusion from Appleseed Report:

Residents who have been struggling for years under the pressures of expensive housing and relatively low wages are reaching their breaking point. Families who have lived in Hawai'i for generations are being displaced from their homes and their islands by a steady flow of short-term visitors. While Hawai'i welcomes its visitors and recognizes their importance to our economy, tourism needs to be carried out in a way that is balanced and sustainable over the longterm. The current state of VRUs in Hawai'i is not. Hawai'i needs to take action before further damage is done.