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October 27, 2023

Ms. Lori Tsuhako, Director
Department of Housing and Human Concerns
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Tsuhako:

**SUBJECT: BILL 97 (2023), AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2024
BUDGET: APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS (BFED-41)**

The Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee is in receipt of Bill 97, which recognizes a new grant, entitled "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 – Emergency Rental Assistance Program #2 (ERA #2)," in the amount of \$322,248. A copy of the bill and correspondence from the Budget Director is attached for your reference.

According to the Budget Director's correspondence, the State has already provided \$15,710,000 in ERA #2 funds to the County. With this additional appropriation, the County's total ERA #2 allocation would increase to \$16,032,248.

May I please request your response to the following:

1. Of the \$15,710,000 already allocated to the County, what amount has been expended? How many households received assistance and what is the average amount of assistance? How long can a household receive assistance?
2. What is the deadline to expend the County's total allocation of ERA #2 funds?

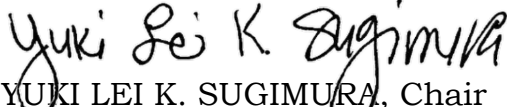
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3. How can these funds be used to support those directly or indirectly impacted by the August 2023 Maui wildfires?
4. Other than rent, what other expenses can the funds be used for to assist households?

May I further request you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **November 3, 2023**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at ext. 7761, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,


YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic
Development Committee

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Attachments

cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

BILL NO. 97 (2023)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI,
APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
HUMAN CONCERNS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 5528, Bill No. 22, CD1, FD2 (2023), as amended, "Fiscal Year 2024 Budget", Appendix A, Part I, Grants and Restricted Use Revenues – Schedule of Grants and Restricted Use Revenues by Departments and Programs for Fiscal Year 2024, Department of Housing and Human Concerns is amended by adding a new grant entitled "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 – Emergency Rental Assistance Program #2 (ERA #2)" in the amount of \$322,248, to read as follows:

**"I. GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES- SCHEDULE OF GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE
REVENUES BY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

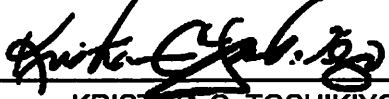
<u>REQUEST DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
6. Department of Housing and Human Concerns	
a. Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Expansion (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 5.5 LTA equivalent personnel.	1,000,000
b. A&B Kōkua Giving Contribution	20,000
c. Assisted Transportation Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 5.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	12,000
d. Congregate Meals Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 6.3 LTA equivalent personnel.	60,000
e. Department of Housing Urban Development Emergency Housing Vouchers	1,294,620
f. Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator Grant	45,000
g. Healthy Aging Partnership - Empowering Elders (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 1.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	150,000
h. Home-Delivered Meals Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 6.5 LTA equivalent personnel.	117,000

i. HOME Investment Partnership Program	3,000,000
j. Kupuna Care Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 2.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	1,142,917
k. Matson Foundation Contribution	1,000
l. National Housing Trust Fund	3,000,000
m. Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP)	250,000
n. 'Ohana Zone- Kahului Affordable Housing for Homeless Families	2,000,000
o. Private Donations	1,000
p. Retired Senior Volunteer Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 1.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	73,350
q. Section 8 Housing Program (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 22.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	28,163,848
r. State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)	1,000
s. Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 1.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	110,000
t. Title III Programs (1) Disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 5.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	1,500,000
u. Voluntary Contributions	25,000
v. Volunteer Center Program	10,000
<u>w. American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 – Emergency Rental Assistance Program #2 (ERA #2)</u>	<u>322,248</u>

SECTION 2. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance takes effect upon approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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KRISTINA C. TOSHIKIYO
Deputy Corporation Counsel

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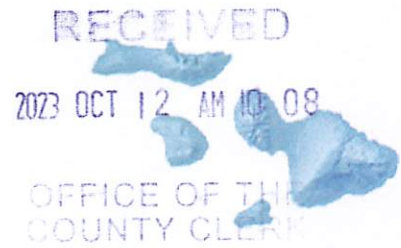
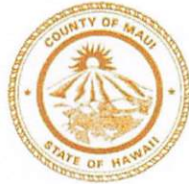
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice L. Lee".

ALICE L. LEE

Upon the request of the Mayor.

RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR.
Mayor

KEKUHAUPIO R. AKANA
Managing Director



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REFERENCE NO. **BD-BA 24-14**

October 11, 2023

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
Mayor, County of Maui
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
Mayor
10-12-23
Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair
and Members of the Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET
(APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
HUMAN CONCERNS)**

On behalf of the Department of Housing and Human Concerns, I am transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI, APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to add a new grant under the Department of Housing and Human Concerns entitled "American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 – Emergency Rental Assistance Program #2 (ERA #2)" in the amount of \$322,248.

To date, the State of Hawai'i has provided \$15,710,000 in ERA #2 Funds to the County of Maui. The State has determined that there is an additional

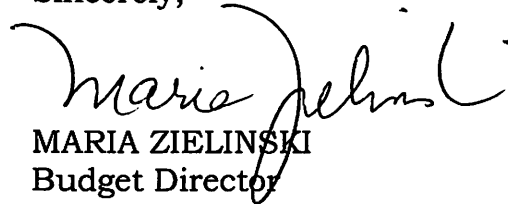
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\$322,248 available for appropriation to the County, making the total allocation \$16,032,248.

ERA #2 funds are to be used to provide financial assistance and housing stability to rental households where one or more individuals has qualified for unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship during or due, directly or indirectly, to the coronavirus pandemic; one or more individuals within the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability; and the household is a low-income family as defined in section 3(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)).

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 7212 or Lesley Milner at ext. 8239.

Sincerely,



MARIA ZIELINSKI
Budget Director

Attachment

cc: Lori Tshako, Director of Housing and Human Concerns