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February 2, 2016

Ms. Joy Rucker, Chief Executive Officer Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Centers, Inc. 570 Waiale Road Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Rucker:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2016

BUDGET (GRANT TO MAUI FAMILY LIFE CENTER; GRANT TO KA HALE A KE OLA; ESTABLISHING A

HOMELESS PROGRAMS DIVISION; AND

ACQUISITION OF SPACEMAX SHELTER UNITS)

(BF-38(26))

The Budget and Finance Committee is in receipt of a proposed bill to provide a grant to Ka Hale A Ke Ola in the amount of \$756,000 for site preparation, operation, and animal sheltering services related to a proposed capital improvement project involving the acquisition of Spacemax shelter units to be used as temporary shelters for homeless individuals in Maui County.

In a letter dated December 1, 2014, to the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, your organization made a debt repayment proposal that included payment of \$100,000 a year to the County.

May I request you provide the following:

- 1. Information on how your organization intends to use the \$100,000 per year that was proposed for debt repayment to the County. For which projects or activities will it be used?
- 2. Information regarding the number of homeless individuals that are being served with your existing services and programs in Maui County.

- 3. For your transitional housing at Ka Hale A Ke Ola facilities, what is the length of time individuals can stay at each level of housing?
- 4. What number of units at Hale Makana O Waiale are currently rented at market rates?

I would appreciate receiving your response by **Monday, February 8, 2016.** 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 (Michele Yoshimura at ext. 7663, Steve Selee at ext. 7687, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,

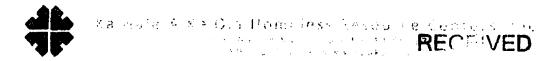
RIKI HOKAMA, Chair

Budget and Finance Committee

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cc: Mayor Alan M. Arakawa



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JoAnn T. Ridao Director of Housing and Human Concerns County of Maui 2200 Main Street, Suite 546 Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Ms. Ridao:

Since 1998, Hale Makana O Waiale ("HMOW") has provided affordable housing to more than 900 low-income Maui County families. The 200-unit facility was built in partnership with the County as a response to record high housing costs, low wages and a rental shortage.

In an effort to reach a just and equitable solution to recent County concerns, Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Centers, Inc. ("KHAKO"), as the managing general partner of HMOW, significantly reduced expenses and increased revenue while also ensuring residents continued receiving quality affordable housing.

After recently completing a reserve study to plan for future maintenance and capital improvement costs, KHAKO is now in a position to address our reimbursement to the County. KHAKO respectfully proposes providing \$100,000 per year beginning January 1, 2015. KHAKO is amenable to providing payments on a quarterly or semi-annual basis. Additionally, KHAKO will need to review the payment amount annually to gauge financial ability and prepare for foreseeable property demands, but the \$100,000 annual remittance will be the default.

The proposed payment amount will allow us to fund our reserve account and continue delivering the highest quality services. Enclosed for your review is a copy of the reserve study.

We look forward to working in partnership with the County of Maui in our joint mission to provide affordable housing to those in need. I'm available to answer any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

Erin L. Fleming

Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure