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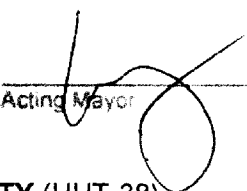
October 24, 2016

Honorable Alan M. Arakawa  
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For Transmittal to:

Honorable Chair Stacy Crivello  
Housing, Human Services,  
and Transportation Committee  
Maui County Council  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

  
Acting Mayor Date 10/26/16

Dear Chair Crivello:

**SUBJECT: HOMELESSNESS IN MAUI COUNTY (HHT-38)**

Thank you for your correspondence of July 13, 2016 regarding the above subject. The Department previously requested an extension to complete its response to the following questions which are listed below in bold and are followed by the Department's responses.

**3. Provide cost estimates for each of the considerations to reduce homelessness provided by Mayor Arakawa in his correspondence dated July 5, 2016. Identify whether County funding would be the exclusive source and if not, identify other potential funding sources for each project.**

**a. Where new facilities are suggested, advise whether County-owned land has been identified for the project, and if not, provide land costs in your estimate.**

There have been a number of changes since Mayor Arakawa's correspondence dated July 5, 2016. For various reasons (mostly cost considerations, risk factors and infrastructure issues), we've decided not to go with the Space Max and Tiny House type units. Our updated shelter expansion plans have been transmitted to the Council on September 28, 2016 and include the following:

	EST COST	NEW UNITS	PERSONS HOUSED
<b>KA HALE A KE OLA</b>			
Wailuku Facility - New Emergency Housing		16	64
Demo existing storage building, renovate into modular dormitories.	\$1,600,000		
	<u>\$1,600,000</u>		
<i>Annual Operating Costs (self-sufficient with rental income or to request State funding)</i>			
<b>FAMILY LIFE CENTER</b>			
New Permanent Micro-Unit Rental Housing (1325 L Main, Walluku)		25	75
Property Acquisition	\$1,500,000		
Renovation	\$1,300,000		
	<u>\$2,800,000</u>		
<i>Annual Operational Costs (self-sufficient with rental income)</i>			
<b>FAMILY LIFE CENTER</b>			
Property Acquisition (95 Kane, Kahului), Renovation-New Emergency Housing		1	40
Property Acquisition	\$1,030,625		
Renovation	\$432,000		
	<u>\$1,462,625</u>		
<i>Annual Operational Costs = \$340,000 per year (to be requested from the County)</i>			
<b>GRAND TOTAL SHELTER EXPANSION REQUESTS</b>	<b>\$5,862,625</b>		<b>179</b>

- b. The Mayor encourages expeditious review of the proposals and states, "Many of these projects can be done quickly with the Governor's proclamation in place." Identify which of the listed projects can benefit from the Governor's proclamation and in what specific way, and cite specific exemptions and, if available, funding that would be relied upon to achieve quick completion of the project.

Unfortunately, the Governor did not extend his Emergency Proclamation and we are unable to take advantage of the exemptions afforded under the proclamation. In regard to question about types of funding, the Governor's Proclamation did not provide for any funding for Maui's shelter expansion requests.

4. The Committee noted a recent event on the Big Island called the Convoy of Hope appeared to be a type of event worth exploring. The event offered an array of services, including dental services and groceries, to assist the community. The Committee also discussed a similar event held by the County with support from

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**the military in the past. Please advise whether this type of event is something your Department and the Maui Homeless Alliance are willing to explore.**

With the assistance of Joe Pontanilla, CDBG Program Manager, and Joelle Aoki from Lanai, we have submitted an application to the Department of Defense to conduct an "Innovative Readiness Training" (aka Tropic Care) in Maui County. We have targeted the next Tropic Care to be in two weeks during the Summer of 2018 in Central Maui, West Maui, South Maui, East Maui, Upcountry Maui, Lanai and Molokai. Maui County's application has been included in an internet collaboration platform – where military units can access information and express interest in opportunities to match their mission-essential military training requirements. Results will be announced in early 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this information. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Ext. 7805.

Sincerely,



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Director of Housing and Human Concerns