

SB-398-SD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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February 20, 2019

TO: The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Scott Morishige, MSW, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness

SUBJECT: SB 398 SD1 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Hearing: Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 10:05 a.m.
Conference Room 211, State Capitol

POSITION: The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness supports this bill and appreciates the amendment of the Senate Committees on Human Services and Government Operations to clarify that the appropriation will be expended by the State Procurement Office (SPO).

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to direct the Department of Human Services (DHS), in partnership with SPO, to provide training on government procurement and other relevant procedures to nonprofit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs in rural areas. The bill also appropriates funds to support training efforts.

The Coordinator notes that DHS is not the only executive branch agency that administers contracts related to homeless services. The Department of Health (DOH), Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) and the Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA) are examples of other agencies that oversee State contracts to address homelessness. The counties also administer contracts for homeless services, such as the Hale Mauiola Housing Navigation Center on Oahu and the Hale Maluhia emergency shelter on Hawaii island.

Accordingly, the training program is appropriately placed within SPO, which has the ability to work with the various counties and with multiple State agencies that administer contracts relating to homeless services.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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February 17, 2019

TO: The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Pankaj Bhanot, Director

SUBJECT: **SB 398 SD1 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS**

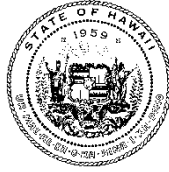
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DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports this bill as amended by the Committee on Human Services. DHS agrees that providing training on government procurement and other procedures will increase community capacity to prevent and address homelessness in their communities. DHS has had preliminary discussions with the State Procurement Office (SPO), and we agree to work together as a partnership.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this measure directs DHS to provide training on government procurement and other relevant procedures to nonprofit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing programs in rural areas of the state. Appropriates funds.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony of this bill.

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
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SB398, SD1
RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB398 SD1.

The State Procurement Office (SPO) supports the intent of the bill to require the Department of Human Services and the SPO to establish a program to provide training on government procurement and other relevant procedures to nonprofit organizations that offer homeless outreach services or manage homeless housing program in rural areas of the State.

Thank you.

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February 18, 2019

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
And members of the Committee on Ways and Means

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 398 SD 1 RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Hawaii Youth Services Network (HYSN), a statewide coalition of youth-serving organizations, supports SB 398 SD 1 Relating to Homelessness with a recommendation for an amendment.

Organizations in rural areas are typically smaller in size in budget and staffing than urban organizations offering comparable services. A large organization can support staff that specialize in fund development and contract management while smaller agencies often lack that option. The pool of highly qualified applicants to perform these functions is much smaller in rural areas.

Increasing the skills of staff responsible for fund development and contract/grant management will improve their organizations' ability to apply for government funding, increase compliance with contract requirements, and help to ensure appropriate use and accurate accounting of funds.

The training should not be limited to organizations that provide outreach or housing services to homeless persons. Homeless individuals and families also need to access family strengthening, medical, mental health, substance abuse, legal, and other types of services. Use of these services helps homeless persons to leave the streets and sustain safe, appropriate housing. **HYSN recommends an amendment to broaden the range of organizations providing services to the homeless that are eligible to participate in training.**

Hawaii Youth Services Network has been a provider of organizational capacity building services in Hawaii and the outer Pacific Islands for more than 30 years. Our experience shows that providing customized technical

assistance following training greatly increases the likelihood that the knowledge and skills learned will be successfully applied in practice. HYSN urges the inclusion of follow-up technical assistance as a core component of the training program.

Finally, HYSN offers its assistance to the Department of Human Services in the design and implementation of the proposed training program for rural homeless service providers.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judith F. Clark". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Judith F. Clark, MPH
Executive Director

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Andrea Quinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support SB398. It is estimated that up to 70% of those on the street have mental health issues, many of whom self-medicate because there are no services available to them. Many also are veterans.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

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