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February 25, 2016

TO: The Honorable Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair House Committee on Finance

FROM: Rachael Wong, DrPH, Director

SUBJECT: HB 1774 HD1 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Hearing:Thursday, February 25, 2016; 1:00 p.m.Conference Room 308, State Capitol

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the proposed bill as it provides resources for enhancement of outreach which is a key function in our coordinated homeless service system. We note, however, that the Governor's Executive Budget includes a request for \$3 million for additional homeless outreach services, and requests that the legislature support the Governor's priority as identified in the Executive Budget.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: The purpose of the bill is to appropriate additional funds to the DHS for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as homeless unaccompanied youth.

Homeless outreach is currently funded by DHS at a statewide total of \$2,193,661. Eight provider agencies on every major island seek out homeless individuals and families living in unsheltered conditions or in places not meant for human habitation. Outreach workers interact with the homeless, administer the VI-SPDAT (a screening instrument that provides information about the individual or family's needs), and works hard to establish trust to move individuals and families toward permanent housing. It is the outreach workers who first hear the personal and individual histories of people experiencing homelessness. These outreach workers become a lifeline for the unsheltered because outreach work involves consistent and assertive engagement toward the end goal of housing and services.

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We defer to the Office of Youth Services on the particular impact this proposal may have on its services.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



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February 25, 2016

TO:		le Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair nittee on Finance
FROM:	Scott Morish	ige, MSW, Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness
SUBJECT:	HB 1774 HD1 Hearing:	 RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS Thursday, February 25, 2016, 1:00 p.m. Conference Room 308, State Capitol

POSITION: The Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness appreciates the intent of this measure, as it proposes to provide funding to address key aspects of the State's work to end homelessness. However, the Coordinator's support of this measure is limited to the extent that passage of this bill does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget.

The Coordinator asks for the Legislature's support of the Governor's Executive Budget request, which includes \$2 million for homeless outreach, and defers to the Department of Human Services and the Office of Youth Services in regards to specific issues related to contracting and implementation of homeless outreach services.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to appropriate additional funds to the Department of Human Services, including the Office of Youth Services, to provide homeless outreach.

According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, Hawaii has the highest rate of homelessness per capita among the 50 states. In addition, the number of unsheltered homeless individuals and families has increased dramatically. Statewide, the number of unsheltered homeless individuals increased 23% between 2014 and 2015, and the number of unsheltered family households increased 46% during this same period. While the number of unsheltered homeless individuals and families has risen dramatically, the level of funding for homeless outreach has remained unchanged. As a result, homeless outreach services are limited, particularly on the neighbor islands. For example, on Kauai, homeless outreach is provided by one part-time worker who is expected to provide services to the over-300 homeless individuals.

Homeless outreach is essential to meet unsheltered homeless households where they are at and to build rapport with these individuals so they may be connected to housing and supportive services, such as Housing First, Rapid Re-Housing, or shelter. The work of homeless outreach includes meeting homeless individuals on streets or sidewalks, or in remote rural areas that includes beaches and valleys. Homeless outreach providers assist homeless individuals to complete program applications, assist with the determination of program eligibility, assist with housing search, and work with the individual to obtain identification and other necessary documents. Without the assistance of homeless outreach, many homeless individuals are unable to access care and are unable to navigate Hawaii's system of homeless services.

Further, when homeless individuals are removed from government properties or other restricted or unsafe areas, the role of homeless outreach is critical to ensure that homeless households have access to shelter, and are not simply moved from one unsafe living area to another. For example, in Kakaako Makai, the role of homeless outreach played a key role in assisting 215 out of an estimated 293 homeless individuals to access shelter or permanent housing from August to December 2015. This number included 27 individuals who transitioned directly to permanent housing from the Kakaako sidewalks.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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February 24, 2016

TO: The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Merton Chinen, Executive Director

SUBJECT: HB 1774 HD1 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Hearing: Thursday, February 25, 2016, 1:00 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 308

OFFICE'S POSITION: The Office of Youth Services (OYS) supports the measure provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in our Executive Budget. Outreach to youth experiencing homelessness is an important foundational activity in building a trusting relationship that would lead to better outcomes. The outreach and relationship building are especially critical for hard to reach and resistant youth, many who suffered from trauma and/or other types of adverse childhood experiences.

OYS currently provides outreach and advocacy services for youth and families through purchase of service contracts statewide. Additional resources would bolster the continuum of care for this vulnerable population.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the measure is to appropriate additional funds to the Department of Human Services, including the Office of Youth Services, to provide outreach services.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

From the office of -Council Member District 4 – Puna Makai



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February 24, 2016

The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair And Members of the Committee on Judiciary

Dear Chair Luke and Committee members,

I support House Bill 1774, HD1, which appropriates funds for additional outreach to homeless individuals, to families with children, and especially to outreach to unaccompanied homeless youth. Helping these vulnerable people is the right thing to do and may encourage the homeless youth to take a path that does not turn them into long-term homeless adults.

The Hawai'i Police Department spends significant resources searching for juvenile runaways, which would be better spent ensuring the safety of our communities. I am in agreement with the recommendation of the Committee on Human Services to request an appropriation of \$1.7 million for additional outreach to homeless individuals and families with children, and \$300,000 for outreach to unaccompanied homeless youth.

Thank you for the opportunity to write in support of this bill.

Sincerely,

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TESTIMONY OF CAROL K. REIMANN DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Thursday, February 25, 2016 1:00 p.m. - Conference Room 308

HB 1774, HD1, RELATING TO HOUSING

Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair Honorable Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair Honorable Members of the House Committee on Finance

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT of HB 1774, HD1**.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate additional funds to the Department of Human Services for homeless outreach, including for homeless unaccompanied youth.

I support this bill for the following reasons:

- 1. The State of Hawaii has a homeless crisis, which sadly includes increasing number of unaccompanied youth. With an estimated 7,620 people living on the streets, parks, beaches and in shelters, Hawaii has the unenviable distinction of having the highest per capita rate of homelessness of any state in the country, as well as the highest rate of chronic unsheltered homeless per capita of any state.
- 2. In Hawaii, statistics show that thirty percent of juvenile arrests were for running away. Teenagers living on the streets, in parks and on our beaches are especially vulnerable to substance abuse, physical and sexual abuse, and experiencing mental health problems. Homeless youth are also at risk to being lured into prostitution.

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3. It is my understanding that there is currently no state funds specifically appropriated for outreach to our homeless unaccompanied youth.

For these reasons I strongly support HB 1774, HD1.

Respectfully yours,

CAROL K. REIMANN Director of Housing and Human Concerns



THE FIRST CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF HAWAI'I

February 23, 2016

House's Committee on Finance Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street, Room 308 Honolulu, HI 96813

Hearing: Thursday, February 25, 2016 – 1:00 p.m.

RE: SUPPORT for House Bill 1774 HD 1 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

Aloha Chairperson Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto and fellow committee members,

I am writing in SUPPORT to House Bill 1774 HD 1 on behalf of the LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i. HB 1774 HD 1 will appropriate funding for additional outreach to houseless individuals, families and unaccompanied minor youth. We will focus our testimony on Section 3, which deals with unaccompanied houseless youth.

We appreciate the focus on houseless unaccompanied minor youth, especially given that 40% of them identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning (LGBTQ). The Caucus's has a couple of concerns over HB 1774 HD 1 in its current form they are as follows:

- The Department of Human Services (DHS) prime directive when dealing with minors is reunification with their biological family members. While that may sound ideal on the surface the problems arise when the family members are the reason the unaccompanied youth has left the house due to abuse (physical or mental), sexual assault or being thrown out because of their sexual orientation and/or gender identity.
- 2) There is not one safe-haven youth shelter or 24/7 drop-in center for unaccompanied houseless youth due to the fact the way our laws are written, it is prohibited to operate one in the Aloha State. So once DHS has outreached to these unaccompanied houseless youth where are they to go? The foster care system is over taxed and has way too few, if any depending on the island, LGBTQ accepting households.

It should be noted that on O'ahu there is only one program that supports unaccompanied houseless youth and that is Youth Outreach (YO!), a joint program through Waikiki Health Center and Hale Kipa. Their drop-in center is open only on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 3-6 pm due to budget constraints. Thanks to their work we know that on average there are on average 125 youth that sleep on the streets of Honolulu with no family or government support and that is a crime.

So we hope that you are able to address these concerns for our unaccompanied houseless keiki because by addressing the growing houseless youth population will help curb future adult houseless.

Mahalo nui loa,

Michael Golojuch, Jr. Chair

HAWAII YOUTH SERVICES NETWORK

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Rick Collins, President Judith F. Clark, Executive Director February 23, 2016 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hawaii **Bobby Benson Center Central Oahu Youth Services** To: Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair, Association And members of the Committee on Finance Child and Family Service **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1774 HD1 RELATING TO** Coalition for a Drug Free Hawaii **HOMELESSNESS** Domestic Violence Action Center EPIC, Inc. Hawaii Youth Services Network, a statewide coalition of youth-serving Family Programs Hawaii organizations, strongly supports HB 1774 HD 1Relating to Homelessness. Family Support Hawaii Hale Kipa, Inc. While we support the full bill, our testimony will focus on unaccompanied Hale 'Opio Kauai, Inc. runaway and homeless youth. Hawaii Student Television Hui Malama Learning Center Unaccompanied runaway and homeless youth are living on the streets without Kokua Kalihi Valley the support and guidance of their parents or other family members. They are Life Foundation the most invisible and most vulnerable segment of the homeless population. Marimed Foundation Since 1981, Hawaii Youth Services Network has coordinated a statewide Maui Youth and Family Services runaway and homeless youth collaboration. For the past 15 years, our partners P.A.R.E.N.T.S., Inc. have encountered 700 - 800 of these unaccompanied youth annually. Thirty Parents and Children Together percent (30%) of Hawaii's juvenile arrests are for running away from home, (PACT) an average of more than 4,400 arrests each year. Planned Parenthood of the Great Northwest and What happens to youth who are living on the street? Many trade sex for the Hawaiian Islands resources they need for survival - food, money, a safe place to sleep. Salvation Army Family Intervention Services Homeless youth experience significant health challenges. They are: Sex Abuse Treatment Center Twice as likely to get sick, be hospitalized, and go hungry. • Susannah Wesley Community 7 times as likely to die from AIDS; 16 times as likely to be • Center diagnosed with HIV. The Catalyst Group 11 times as likely to experience mental health problems. Uhane Pohaku Na Moku 3 times as likely to experience major depression, conduct disorder, and PTSD. O Hawai`i Waikiki Health About 75% of homeless teens use drugs or alcohol as a means to • self-medicate to deal with the traumatic experiences and abuse they face.

Safety is a constant concern:

- Trauma and rape rates among unaccompanied youth are 2-3 higher than those of the general youth population.
- A U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services study found that 46% of homeless youth left home because of physical abuse. 17% left because of sexual abuse.
- 5,000 street youth die every year because of assault, illness, or suicide.
- Unaccompanied youth are more likely to be the victim of a crime rather than the perpetrator.

Most unaccompanied youth use unsafe sexual practices:

- 33% of teens will be lured into prostitution within 48 hours of leaving home.
- Average age of entry into prostitution is 14.
- 95% of homeless youth have engaged in sexual intercourse.
- Over 33% report exchanging in sex for food, shelter, or drugs.
- About 50% of street youth have had a pregnancy experience.

Street outreach is the first step in helping these youth leave the streets for safer and more appropriate living situations. Reuniting youth with their families, if it is safe for them, is the first choice, with placement in foster care or other out-of-home care if the family is not able to care for the youth. Workers build trusting relationships and convince youth to accept help to leave the streets, while helping them meet their immediate survival needs.

If we want Hawaii's youth to grow up safe, healthy and ready to succeed, we must reach out to our homeless adolescents and end youth homelessness.

Hawaii Youth Services Network believes that this bill is critically important for the health and safety of runaway and homeless youth who are disconnected from their families. If I were not in Saipan conducting training, I would be here to testify in person.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

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Judith F. Clark, MPH Executive Director

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February 23, 2016

To: Committee on Finance Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair

Re: HB1774 Relating to Homelessness----IN SUPPORT

Dear Representatives Sylvia Luke and Scott Nishimoto and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to allow Hale Kipa to provide testimony in support of this bill. Hale Kipa is astutely aware of many of the youth/young people who find themselves homeless through its efforts providing street outreach, emergency and transitional housing to this population.

Outreach has been an essential component of locating and servicing youth who are homeless. These youth are extremely vulnerable as they are separated from families, and often fall prey to numerous risks while living on the streets which include lack of education, medical care and positive support systems and a higher opportunity to be involved in crime and be sexually and physically exploited.

Sadly, monies for outreach services to youth in Hawai'i has suffered losses in the last few years leaving less youth-friendly, trained outreach workers on the street able to best identify new youth and link them to needed resources.

Please consider passage of this bill which would begin to right-size the services needed to curb the growing tide of youth homelessness. Hale Kipa would be willing to continue to partner with all interested agencies in providing services for the youth.

Sincerely,

Jaque Kelley-Uyeoka, ACSW Deputy CEO, Hale Kipa, Inc.



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February 25, 2016

To: Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair Rep. Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair House Committee on Finance

From: Deborah Zysman, Executive Director Hawaii Children's Action Network

Re:HB 1774, HD1, Relating to Homelessness - SupportHawaii State Capitol, Conference Room 308 – February 25, 2016 at 1 PM

On behalf of Hawaii Children's Action Network (HCAN), formerly Good Beginnings Alliance, we are writing in support of HB 1774, HD1, Relating to Homelessness.

HCAN is committed to improving lives and being a strong voice advocating for Hawai'i's children. Last fall, HCAN convened input in person and online from more than 50 organizations and individuals that came forward to support or express interest for a number of issues affecting children and families in our state that resulted in the compilation of 2016 Hawai'i Children's Policy Agenda, which can be accessed at http://www.hawaii-can.org/2016policyagenda.

HCAN supports HB 1774, HD1, which would appropriate funding for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as homeless unaccompanied youth.

Homeless Children: Hawaii has the highest homeless rate in the nation. It's estimated that one-third of the homeless in Hawaii are children.

Outreach to unaccompanied youth is especially critical. Currently there are no state or federal funds in Hawai'i for this outreach Unaccompanied youth living on the streets have different needs and issues than homeless adults and families. They need outreach programs that are tailored to address their specific needs, and workers who understand adolescent development.

Unstable Housing: Many of our families may not be living on the street or the beach, yet they don't have permanent housing -- they stay with friends and family -- moving frequently.

High cost of housing for families: 60 percent of households with young children in Hawaii pay more than 30% of their income for housing.

We need a comprehensive affordable housing solution that helps families at every stage to secure stable housing solutions.

For these reasons, HCAN respectfully requests that the committee vote to pass this bill.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAI'I

TESTIMONY in SUPPORT of HB 1774, HD1: RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

- TO: Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair; Representative Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair, and Members, Committee on Finance
- FROM: Betty Lou Larson, Legislative Liaison, Catholic Charities Hawaii

Hearing: Thursday, 2/25/16; 1:00 pm; CR 308

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members, Committee on Finance:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1774,HD1 which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth. I am Betty Lou Larson representing Catholic Charities Hawaii. We are also a member of Partners in Care.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH) is a tax exempt, non-profit agency that has been providing social services in Hawai'i for over 60 years. CCH has programs serving elders, children, developmentally disabled, homeless and immigrants. Our mission is to provide services and advocacy for the most vulnerable in Hawai'i. A priority for advocacy this year is affordable housing and homelessness.

This bill addresses our growing unsheltered homeless population. Besides ranking # 1 among the US states for homelessness per capita, Hawaii also has the highest rate of unsheltered chronic homeless. More people are falling through the cracks in Hawaii. Outreach can provide the compassionate contacts and housing navigation to help people be linked to appropriate resources with housing as the goal. Outreach teams are stretched thin. Intensive and more strategic outreach is needed to address homeless encampments as well as those visible in neighborhoods or hidden in bushes, etc.

We must also help unaccompanied youth, especially those who are newly homeless. <u>Currently, there are NO state funds for outreach to unaccompanied youth.</u> Providers <u>are trying to made do, taking staff from other projects.</u> 30% of all juvenile arrests in Hawaii were for running away—averaging **4,493 per year**! These youths are at high risk for exploitation. Many trade sex for the resources they need for survival—food, money or a safe place to sleep. <u>We need funding to DHS/Office of Youth Services to</u> <u>address this growing tragedy</u>. National statistics show a shocking severity:

- 33% of teens will be lured into prostitution within 48 hours of leaving home.
- The average age of entry into prostitution is 14.
- Homeless youth are 11 times more likely to experience mental health problems.
- Teens aged 12 to 17 are more likely to become homeless than adults.

Thank you very much for hearing and considering this important bill to help end homelessness. Please contact me at (808) 373-0356 or <u>bettylou.larson@catholiccharitieshawaii.org</u> if you have any questions.



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FROM: Scott Fuji, Executive Director, PHOCUSED

HEARING: Thursday, February 25th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in Conf. Rm. 308

Testimony in Support of HB1773 - RELATING TO HOUSING

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **strong support** of HB1774 HD1 which would appropriate funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth. PHOCUSED is a nonprofit membership and advocacy organization that works together with community stakeholders to impact program and policy change for the most vulnerable in our community, including homeless individuals and families. For the last two years PHOCUSED has worked closely with both the public and private sector in addressing the growing issue of homelessness in our community.

This bill addresses our growing unsheltered homeless population. Besides ranking # 1 among the US states for homelessness per capita, Hawaii also has the highest rate of unsheltered chronic homeless. More people are falling through the cracks in Hawaii. Outreach can provide the compassionate contacts and housing navigation to help people be linked to appropriate resources with housing as the goal. Currently, outreach teams are stretched thin. Intensive and more strategic outreach is needed to address homeless encampments as well as those visible in neighborhoods or hidden in bushes, etc.

We must also help unaccompanied youth, especially those who are newly homeless. Currently, there are no state funds for outreach to unaccompanied youth. Providers are trying to made do, taking staff from other projects. 30% of all juvenile arrests in Hawaii were for running away—averaging **4,493 per year**! These youths are at high risk for exploitation. Many trade sex for the resources they need for survival—food, money or a safe place to sleep. We need funding to DHS/Office of Youth Services to address this growing tragedy.

Once again, PHOCUSED strongly urges your support of this bill. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact PHOCUSED at 521-7462 or by e-mail at admin@phocused-hawaii.org.



TESTIMONY in SUPPORT of HB 1774: RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

- TO: Representative Dee Morikawa, Chair, Representative Bertrand Kobayashi, Vice-Chair, and Members, Committee on Human Services
- FROM: Greg Payton, Chair of Legislative Advocacy, Partners In Care

Hearing: Tuesday, 2/2/16; 9:00 am; CR 329

Chair Morikawa, Vice Chair Kobayashi and Members, Committee on Human Services:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1774, which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth. I am Greg Payton, serving as Chair of the Legislative Committee for Partners in Care, Oahu's Continuum of Care dedicated to ending homelessness.

HB 1774 addresses Oahu's growing unsheltered homeless population. Honolulu ranks first among US states for homelessness per capita. Outreach can provide the engagement contacts and housing placement to help people be linked to appropriate resources. Homeless Outreach teams on Oahu are receiving the same amount of funds that were available in 2010, and yet homelessness has risen 25%. Partners In Care has learned through data analysis that strategic outreach is needed to address targeted areas, such as homeless encampments and specialty populations; e.g., families with youth.

Unaccompanied youth, are among the alarming new homeless. <u>Currently, there are NO state</u> <u>funds for outreach to unaccompanied youth</u>. <u>Providers are trying to made do, taking staff from</u> <u>other projects</u>.

- 30% of all juvenile arrests in Hawaii were for running away.
- Hawaii's youths are at high risk for exploitation. Many trade sex for the resources they need for survival—food, money or a safe place to sleep.
- National statistics show a shocking severity:
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 - The average age of entry into prostitution is 14.
 - Homeless youth are 11 times more likely to experience mental health problems.
 - Teens aged 12 to 17 are more likely to become homeless than adults.

Thank you for hearing and considering this important bill to help end homelessness. Please contact me at (808) 529-4554 if you have any questions.

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February 24, 2016

TO: HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

RE: HB1774 Transitional Housing

IN STRONG SUPPORT

Appropriates additional funds for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as homeless unaccompanied youth. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services.

Aloha Rep. Luke and members of the Human Services Committee,

Rainbow Family 808 wholeheartedly STRONGLY SUPPORTS HB 1774 to appropriate funds for transitional housing for individuals, families and unaccompanied Homeless Youth.

125 Local Unaccompanied Homeless Youth sleep on the streets nightly in rain, wind and cold. Their parents have thrown them out of their family homes or the youth are running from abuse. Hawaii does not have one 24/7 Drop In Centers to provide showers, facilities for laundry or other basic human needs, HB 1774 needs to be priority. As a Social Worker, I find this lack of Kokua totally unacceptable.

A legislator told me privately that they, the Roman Catholic Church needs to step up to the plate as they are responsible for many of the Homeless Youth on the street. The Social Work Code of Ethics requires that I keep the legislator's name anonymous to protect them from intimidation and revenge. Only because I find this lack of human kindness and responsibility totally unacceptable do I bring it up at this time,

As a former catholic, I remember when a minor became pregnant out of wedlock the parents threw many of them out of the house. As a social worker, it was impossible in the early years of this century to find housing for the pregnant youth. In the last 20 years, this same situation was repeated for our LGBT youth.

Churches are tax-exempt and they profit from the taxes they save on their property taxes alone. St. Jude's Kapolei has one standing church and has another site approximately a mile down hill and across the H1 for the "Future St. Jude's." Surely their Christian duty would be to donate the standing church for an Unaccompanied Homeless

Youth Center. One suggestion that I humbly make is that they donate the standing church for a Drop In Center for the youth. Or they could donate the property on the Makai side of H1 for the youth. That only seems like the Christian thing to do.

When parents abdicate their responsibility for their own offspring, the state has the responsibility to provide aid and assistance to this At Risk population. Many states across the nation already do this. San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, New York and Chicago to name a few. Now it is time for Hawaii to join these wonderful other places.

The only organization that provides showers, laundry facilities and meals THREE HOURS A DAY, FOUR DAYS A WEEK is Youth Outreach – Waikiki. These wonderful people do magic with the limited services they have. This is why Rainbow Family 808 purchases and delivers fresh produce and dairy once a week for the Homeless Unaccompanied Youth. To do less would be a violation of our mission statement to provide support for straight and LGBT in our community.

The funds needed for our homeless needs a multi-prong approach. I have been assured that there are Federal Funds for our keiki. Hawaii is not using the housing funds for our Unaccompanied Homeless Youth. I find this unacceptable when cities across our nation provide services for this At Risk Population.

We politely request that HB 1774 be passed immediately due to the needs of all the fore mentioned populations and because of the need for transitional housing. Hawaii is one of the states that lack housing support for Homeless Youth. We need to put our Kokua into practice for the benefit our keiki.

HB1774 is a Humanitarian Measure that needs to become law immediately to help bring justice and humanity back to our state.

Mahalo nui loa,1

Carolyn Martinez Golojuch, MSW

President

IF MORE PEOPLE BELIEVED IN JUSTICE, THE WORLD WOULD BE A BETTER PLACE!



Testimony of Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice Supporting HB 1774 Relating to Homelessness House Committee on Finance Scheduled for Hearing Thursday, February 25, 2016, 1:00 PM, Room 308

Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice Hawaii Appleseed is committed to a more socially just Hawai'i, where everyone has genuine opportunities to achieve economic security and fulfill their potential. We change systems that perpetuate inequality and injustice through policy development, advocacy, and coalition building.

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto and Members, Committee on Finance:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1774, which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including outreach funding for unaccompanied homeless youth. This bill is especially important because there are currently no state funds for outreach to unaccompanied youth—one of the most vulnerable segments of our population. Outreach connects homeless individuals, families, and youth to services that are critical for their survival and well-being. Outreach to homeless youth provides an important opportunity to intervene relatively early in a life that would otherwise be destined for hardship, creating a potential turning point that can avoid a lifetime of the financial and human costs of homelessness.

We need to make the investments necessary to reverse the course of the homelessness problem in Hawaii. Hawaii has the highest rate of homelessness in the nation, and the highest rate of unsheltered chronic homeless. Despite greater attention to the issue, our homelessness problem continues to grow. It will continue to do so until we devote the resources necessary to stop it.

Unaccompanied homeless youth have a special need for outreach services, and such services provide the opportunity for significant cost savings:

- Teens aged 12 to 17 are more likely to become homeless than adults
- 30% of all juvenile arrests in Hawaii were for running away—averaging 4,493 per year
- 33% of teens will be lured into prostitution within 48 hours of leaving home
- The average age of entry into prostitution is 14
- Homeless youth are 11 times more likely to experience mental health problems that non-homeless youth

By funding a robust system of outreach, we can connect homeless individuals, families and youth with the services they need soon after they become homeless, saving significant financial and human costs. HB 1774 is a smart investment that will, in the long run, save both lives and dollars.

Thank you very much for hearing and considering this important bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katherine May	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As both a professional working with low income families and a member of the Big Island community, I would like to express my support for the Homeless and Affordable Housing Bills (HB2244, HB 1773, HB 1774). There is an urgent need for increasing access to affordable housing on Big Island, which has one of the highest rates of homeless populations in Hawaii. HB 1774 will appropriate \$1.7 Million in additional funds for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as \$300,000 for outreach to homeless unaccompanied youth. I strongly support this bill. Dr. Katherine May

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Lynn Onderko	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Lynn Robinson-Onderko I am a long time resident of Ewa Beach and and mother of two, writing in strong support of HB1744. It is time that we address the particular needs of unaccompanied youth alone on the streets. We have seen that some of these children are as young as 11 and many have been thrown away or forced to run away due to violence in their homes. Added services and outreach will go a long way in keeping these young people safe and healthy. It is our responsibility as a community to advocate for our most vulnerable. I ask that you please do the right thing and vote in favor of this very important measure. Aloha.

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Alika Campbell	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill as outreach is often a vital first step in assisting individuals transitioning out of homelessness. I have worked with runaway, homeless, and street identified youth and young adults since 1997 and know first hand how important building relationships with these youth are, and outreach is fundamental to accomplishing this.

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Jennifer Hairgrove	Individual	Support	No

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Mike Golojuch	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support HB1774 to appropriates additional funds for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as homeless unaccompanied youth. Although all aspects of homelessness needs to be addressed, it is extremely important that unaccompanied youth be helped. Although Youth Outreach of the Waikiki Heath Center and others like Rainbow Family 808 help, there needs to be dedicated funds so we can attain a 24/7 drop-in center or shelter.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Deborah Smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Finance Committee, I am writing in support of HB 1774, money to provide outreach services in Hawaii. Long-term services to homeless individuals are quite costly, including legal, social and health services. If homeless youth are contacted by outreach workers whom they then build a trusting relationship with, the chances of that youth being able to overcome homelessness are vastly improved. With outreach comes hope as well as basic services. Hope and help together make positive change possible. If we are able to alleviate youth homelessness we may be able to eliminate chronic homelessness in our life time. Mahalo for your consideration, deborah smith

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
cheryl	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Funds for outreach are GREAT. BUT how about we finally get down to real solutions like looking at poverty, lack of rentals, language barriers and more.

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Testimony in Support of HB1774: RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

To: Rep. Dee Morikawa, Chair and Rep. Bertrand Kobyashi Vice Chair; Committee on Human services

From: Shonaline Domingo, Individual

Hearing: Thursday, February 25, 2016 1:00 PM Room 308

Dear Chair Morikawa, Vice Chair Kobayashi, and Members of the Committee:

I, Shonaline Domingo, stand in strong support of HB 1774 which would appropriate funds towards outreach of unsheltered and chronically homeless individuals and children.

Hawaii's homeless population has been steadily increasing, and will continue to increase if the appropriate outreach measures are not taken. In order for these measures to be successful and effective, programs need sufficient funding to provide these services. I kindly, yet assertively request, that a large portion of these funds, go towards youth and young adult services. Children are the future of our state, and of our nation, and should be provided every opportunity available to them. It is vital that we, as a community, protect and assist our neighbors, especially those without the ability to assist themselves.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of HB 1774 which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth.

Jerolyn D. Laberinto 94-1309 Henokea Street Waipahu HI, 96797 jerolynl@hawaii.edu

February 24, 2016

To: Representative (Chair) Sylvia Luke, Representative (Vice-Chair) Scott Y. Nishimoto, and Members of the House Committee on Human Services

RE: Testimony in Support of HD 1774, Relating to Homeless; Outreach; Youth

Hearing: February 25, 2016 (1:00pm) Hearing Room: Conference Room 308 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members of the House Committee of Human Services:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1774, which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth. I am Jerolyn Laberinto representing for University of Hawaii at Manoa Bachelors of Social Work.

Homelessness in Hawaii continues to rise and Hawaii has the highest per capita rate of homelessness of any state in the nation. An estimated 7, 620 people are living in the streets and in shelters of Hawaii. Many struggle with drugs, alcohol and mental illness.

Our island is very diverse and that is a great thing because it will help when addressing homelessness targeted to the particular characteristics of the population being served. HB 1774 should be enacted because it will provide additional outreach funding for homeless families with children, runaway youth living on the streets, and the homeless society overall. This bill is crucial because of the small resources available for the homeless.

As a future social worker, I want to make a change in our society and to make change, funds are needed.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify,

Sincerely,

Jerolyn D. Laberinto

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Juergen Steinmetz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Common sense and human understanding would dictate to approve such funds. As an immigrant from Germany living in Hawaii for 27 years I am shocked this is even a question. Our youth out of all people have to be protected. The buck stops here - so please don't even think twice about this bill and approve it.

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Shirley Soares	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support this bill. I am employed by a homeless service provider on the Big Island and service the West Hawaii region. The vast expanse of the Big Island proves to be a challenge with limited outreach staff/services. Providing those experiencing homelessness with accessible outreach services can be the difference of whether they will successfully transition into housing or not.

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c/o Catholic Charities Hawai'i, 3016 Umi St, Ste 206, Līhu'e, HI 96766

TESTIMONY in SUPPORT of HB 1774, HD1: RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

TO: Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair; Representative Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair, and Members, Committee on Finance

FROM: Debra de Luis, Advocacy Chair, Kaua'i Community Alliance

Hearing: Thursday, 2/25/16; 1:00 pm; CR 308

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members, Committee on Finance:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 1774,HD1 which appropriates funds for homeless outreach, including for unaccompanied youth. I am Debra de Luis representing Kaua'i Community Alliance. We are also a member of Bridging the Gap Continuum of Care.

Kaua'i Community Alliance (KCA) is a group of non-profit provider agencies, consumers, and other representatives. Our mission is to provide services and advocacy for the most vulnerable persons, with a focus on ending homelessness.

This bill addresses our growing unsheltered homeless population. Besides ranking # 1 among the US states for homelessness per capita, Hawaii also has the highest rate of unsheltered chronic homeless. More people are falling through the cracks in Hawaii. Building relationships and trust with houseless consumers prepares foundation for successfully housing these people in need. Outreach provides the compassionate contacts and housing navigation to help people find appropriate resources with permanent housing as the goal. Intensive and more strategic outreach is needed to address homeless encampments as well as those visible in neighborhoods or hidden from public view, but suffering nonetheless.

We must also help unaccompanied youth, especially those who are newly homeless. <u>Currently, there are NO state funds for outreach to unaccompanied youth</u>. Providers are trying to made do, taking staff from other projects. 30% of all juvenile arrests in Hawaii were for running away—averaging **4,493 per year**! These youths are at high risk for exploitation. Many trade sex for the resources they need for survival—food, money or a safe place to sleep. <u>We</u> <u>need funding to DHS/Office of Youth Services to address this growing tragedy</u>. National statistics show a shocking severity:

- 33% of teens will be lured into prostitution within 48 hours of leaving home.
- The average age of entry into prostitution is 14.
- Homeless youth are 11 times more likely to experience mental health problems.
- Teens aged 12 to 17 are more likely to become homeless than adults.

Once again, we strongly urge your support of HB 1773 to work towards our goal of ending homelessness in Hawaii. Please contact me at (808) 632-6950 or <u>debra.deluis@catholiccharitieshawaii.org</u> if you have any questions.

Kaua'i County Chapter, Bridging the Gap The Neighbor Island Continuum of Care

Kaua`i Community Alliance is a collaborative working together to end homelessness and create sustainable housing options on Kaua`i and in the State of Hawai`i.

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Lee-Ann Wheelden	Individual	Support	No

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To: Chair Morikawa, Vice Chair Kobayashi and Members, Committee on Human Services

From: Lee-Ann Wheelden

Subject: HB 1774 – RELATING TO HOMELESSNES

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **strong support** of HB 1774, which appropriates funds for outreach to homeless individuals. My testimony will focus on unaccompanied youth who are among the most vulnerable members of our community.

One of the key components to outreach services to unaccompanied youth is reestablishing trust with adults which vital in successful entry and effectiveness of services available. Outreach also provides basic necessities such as food, toiletries and other personal hygiene products that may otherwise be unavailable. Understanding that many of these youth have and continue to experience trauma due to homelessness, crisis-intervention and counseling are also provided to unaccompanied youth through outreach services.

Appropriating fund specifically for outreach will allow service providers the ability to hire more staff, create more coordinated and effective services. I strongly encourage enactment of this bill.

Sincerely,

Lee-Ann Wheelden





Committee:	Committee on Finance
Hearing Date/Time:	Thursday, February 25, 2016, 1:00 p.m.
Place:	Conference Room 308
Re:	Testimony of the ACLU of Hawaii in Support of H.B.1774, H.D.1,
	Relating to Homelessness

Dear Chair Luke and Committee Members:

The American Civil Liberties Union of Hawaii ("ACLU of Hawaii") writes in support of H.B. 1774, H.D.1, which appropriates additional funds for outreach to homeless individuals and families, as well as homeless unaccompanied youth.

Homeless families and unaccompanied homeless youth are among our most vulnerable populations. Multi-faceted outreach is greatly needed to address the specific needs of newly homeless youth, many of whom are running away from home, and who often do not know where to turn for support. ACLU of Hawaii supports this bill, which would provide necessary outreach to these families and youths to help them find alternatives to homelessness.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Mandy Finlay Advocacy Coordinator ACLU of Hawaii

The mission of the ACLU of Hawaii is to protect the fundamental freedoms enshrined in the U.S. and State Constitutions. The ACLU of Hawaii fulfills this through legislative, litigation, and public education programs statewide. The ACLU of Hawaii is a non-partisan and private non-profit organization that provides its services at no cost to the public and does not accept government funds. The ACLU of Hawaii has been serving Hawaii for 50 years.

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V	ictor K. Ramos	Individual	Support	No

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TESTIMONY in STRONG SUPPORT of HB 1773 & HB 1774: RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS

- TO: Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair and Rep. Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair; House Finance Committee
- FROM: Heather Lusk, Executive Director, CHOW Project

Hearing: Thursday, February 25, 2016 1:00 PM Conference Room 308, State Capitol

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members of the Committee:

The CHOW Project is in strong support of HB 1773 & HB 1774 which would appropriate 3 million for outreach to the homeless. As you know, Hawaii has the HIGHEST rate of homelessness among states in the U.S. and resources to connect the homeless to services through outreach are an essential component of our continuum of care.

The Community Health Outreach Work (CHOW) Project is dedicated to serving individuals, families, and communities adversely affected by drug use, through a participant-centered harm reduction approach. CHOW works to reduce drug related harms such as but not limited to HIV, hepatitis B/C and overdose. CHOW has successfully worked with Gregory House Programs over the years and is currently overseeing its Ryan White-funded activities. Our community is stronger because of programs like GHP and support for their case management activities will only make them more effective.

Throughout the past 20 years, the CHOW Project has used outreach to connect some of the most vulnerable in our community to services. While we hope that people will come to us for services, our data demonstrates that our approach to "meet people where they are" and take the services to the community has been immensely effective in linkage and access to care for those struggling with homelessness, addiction and mental and physical challenges. Please support this bill so that those who need help the most can be reached.

Sincere

Heather Lusk Executive Director CHOW Project

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Heather Lusk	The CHOW Project	Support	No

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