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September 29, 2017

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Subject: Report to the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of Act 124,
Section 19.1, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, on the Hawaii Public Housing
Authority's Rent Supplement Program

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

I am transmitting the Report to the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of Act 124, Section 19.1, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, on the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's Rent Supplement Program.

In accordance with Section 93-16, HRS, a copy of this report has been transmitted to the Legislative Reference Bureau Library and the report may be viewed electronically at <http://hpha.hawaii.gov>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hakim Ouansafi", followed by a horizontal line.

Hakim Ouansafi
Executive Director

Enclosure

HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY



Report on State Rent Supplement Program

Pursuant to Act 124, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016 – Section 19.1

October 1, 2017

Report to the 29th Legislature
Operations and Expenditures of the State Rent Supplement Program
Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017

Act 124, Session Laws of Hawai'i – Section 19.1

October 1, 2017

Act 124, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016 – Section 19.1 requires a report to the Legislature from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) in regards to the operations and expenditures of the State Rent Supplement Program during fiscal year 2016-2017. During fiscal year 2016-2017, the HPHA assisted a total of 268 families through the State Rent Supplement Program. This was accomplished in response to Governor David Y. Ige's Emergency Proclamation to provide emergency relief to address the homeless crisis, and with an additional position provided by the Legislature.

With the adoption of "Special Rent Supplement Program Emergency Rules", the HPHA was able to team up with Catholic Charities of Hawaii with the purpose of quickly screening homeless families in need of assistance to the HPHA.

The HPHA worked with the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, Catholic Charities Hawaii, Housing Solutions Inc., Next Step Shelter – Waikiki Health, Family Promise, Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, Ohana Ola Kahumana – Alternative Structures International, Onemalu – Holomua Na Ohana, Honolulu Community Action Program, Going Home Plus, The Salvation Army, U.S. Veteran's Initiative, YWCA (Kauai), Family Life Center (Maui), and Kahale A Ke Ola (Maui) to combat the homeless crisis. During this emergency period, the HPHA assisted 87 homeless families in attaining housing.

The HPHA expended 67% of the appropriation for rent supplement voucher payments and was not able to expend more because the additional Rent Supplement Program position that was provided by the Legislature was not filled until May of 2017, and therefore unable to assist the agency with expanding the program until the end of the fiscal year 2016-2017. However, we are pleased to report that with the start of fiscal year 2017-2018, the agency has expanded the program to currently assist a total of 494 families.

Description	2016-17
Appropriation	1,055,928
Vouchers payment	633,897
Payroll - RSP	70,716
Other current expenditure	66,683
Total Expenditure	771,296
Restricted / Reserved	104,752
Lapsed / Restricted / Reserved	179,880

Expenses detail - Other current expenditure	2016-17
Audit fee	14,019.11
Advertising	14,598.82
Management and bookkeeping fee	10,487.12
Office Supplies	12,213.44
Postage	281.30
R & M	3,447.55
Shared cost	11,635.50
Subtotal	66,682.84