# Landlord and Tenant Information relating to the end of the eviction moratorium on Aug. 6

The state Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs has good overall information including links and where to call for information. https://cca.hawaii.gov/ocp/landlord\_tenant/

The site include FAQs, HB1376 Act 57 requirements, rights and responsibilities, and the HRS Ch. 521 Landlord-Tenant Code

## WHO TO CALL

# Residential Landlord-Tenant Information Center 586-2634 (from Oahu)

8:00 a.m. – 12 noon Monday through Friday, except State holidays



From the neighbor islands (toll free):

974-4000, ext. 62634 (from the Big Island)

274-3141, ext. 62634 (from Kauai)

984-2400, ext. 62634 (from Maui)

1-800-468-4644, ext. 62634 (from Molokai & Lanai)

Aloha United Way at 211 can also assist callers.

#### MEDIATION TO AVOID EVICTION

The Legislature this session passed <u>HB1376</u>, and the governor signed it as Act 57, which makes significant changes to the landlord-tenant code and incentivizes mediation:

- Renters have more time to seek assistance and to work out agreements to avoid eviction;
- Renters have a right to mediation; and
- Initially, the Courts can only consider Summary Possession cases for those owing four months of back rent or more.
- O'ahu: Mediation Center of the Pacific at <a href="https://www.mediatehawaii.org/">https://www.mediatehawaii.org/</a>
- East Hawai'i: Ku'ikahi Mediation Center at https://hawaiimediation.org/
- West Hawai'i: West Hawai'i Mediation Center at <a href="https://whmediation.org/our-services/landlord-tenant">https://whmediation.org/our-services/landlord-tenant</a>
- Maui County: Maui Mediation Services at
  - https://www.mauimediation.org/landlordtenant/

Kaua'i: Kauai Economic Opportunity, Inc. Mediation Program at (808) 245-4077 x229 or x237 or <a href="mediation@keoinc.org">mediation@keoinc.org</a>

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### O'ahu:

- www.oneoahu.org/renthelp.
- The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program is accepting applications for help with electricity bills through June 30: <a href="https://www.hcapweb.org/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/">https://www.hcapweb.org/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/</a>
- The Hale Kākou Utility Assistance Program can help qualified households with their electricity, water and sewer, and gas bills: (https://www.hcapweb.org/hale-kakou/)

Hawai'i County: www.HawaiiCountyERAP.org

Kaua'i County: <a href="https://kauairenthelp.com/">https://kauairenthelp.com/</a>

Maui County: https://www.mauicounty.gov/2438/Maui-County-Emergency-Rental-Assistance-

## Statewide:

- DHHL Emergency Rental Assistance Program: <a href="www.hawaiiancouncil.org/dhhl">www.hawaiiancouncil.org/dhhl</a>. Must be Native Hawaiian.
- The Emergency Broadband Benefit can help eligible households with internet bills and in some cases, buy laptops, desktops, and tablet computers: <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit">https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit</a>.

# **For More Information**

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii: <a href="https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/i-cant-pay-my-rent-mortgage.html">https://www.legalaidhawaii.org/i-cant-pay-my-rent-mortgage.html</a> Mediation Center of the Pacific: <a href="https://www.mediatehawaii.org/landlordtenant">https://www.mediatehawaii.org/landlordtenant</a>