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December 16, 2024

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

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura,
Speaker and Members
of the House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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

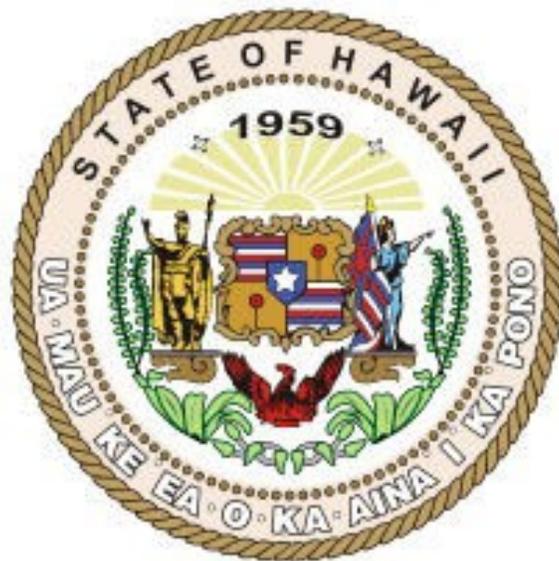
For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna Report (2024), as required by Act 98, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: <https://hpha.hawaii.gov/plans-reports#other-plans-reports>.

Sincerely,

Hakim Ouansafi
Executive Director

Enclosures

HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY



Report on
State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna

Pursuant to Act 98, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2023

Report to the 33rd Legislature
State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna

Act 98, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2023

Act 98, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023 establishes the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna, which (1) Establishes the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna, which temporarily expands the State Rent Supplement Program to provide state rent supplement assistance and other services to qualified persons who are sixty-two years of age or older and are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless; (2) Requires the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to submit annual reports to the Legislature regarding State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna; and (3) Appropriates funds for the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna; provided that the appropriated funds shall be in addition to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's base budget.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority contracted with Catholic Charities Hawaii to administer the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna on March 1, 2024. As of December 4, 2024, there are currently 27 Kupuna households enrolled in the program, with an average rent supplement amount of \$415 per Kupuna household, with approximately \$40,017.20 distributed to landlords.