

Notice to Respondents
(Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) NO. RFI PMB-2010-19

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”), the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (“HPHA”), is issuing this request for information from firms and/or individuals to obtain recommendations on the issuance of Section 8 Project Based Housing Choice Voucher Program.

The HPHA intends to issue a request for proposals (“RFP”) from property owners and/or qualified developers for the Section 8 Project Based Housing Choice Voucher Program. Under the proposed RFP, the HPHA will seek to partner with an owner/developer to preserve the supply of low-income housing on the island of Oahu. To that end, the objective of this RFI is to obtain recommendations that will serve to accomplish the issuance of the project based vouchers. For more information on the federal Section 8 Project Based Voucher Program, please visit the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s website at www.hud.gov.

This RFI may be picked up at the HPHA’s Contract and Procurement Office on Oahu located at 1002 North School Street, Building D, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817 beginning on December 21, 2010, or downloaded from the HPHA website at: www.hpha.hawaii.gov.

All mail-in or email responses to this RFI **should be received no later than 4:00 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST) on Tuesday, December 28, 2010**. Email responses can be submitted to the HPHA’s Procurement Officer at: rick.t.sogawa@hawaii.gov.

Under this RFI, the HPHA is seeking comments on the following:

1. If your organization is interested in receiving a copy of the RFP when issued, please submit contact information, including name, organization, address, and phone number to the HPHA’s Contract and Procurement Office at rick.t.sogawa@hawaii.gov.
2. The HPHA is requesting comments on the proposed requirement limiting the placement of project based vouchers in the Central Honolulu area, taking into consideration housing inventory/capacity, possible sites, and requirements to meet federal housing quality standards.
3. The HPHA is requesting comments on the proposed requirement to make Transportation Oriented Development (TOD) a rating criteria in the request for proposals.

The HPHA reserves the right to incorporate in a request for proposals (if issued) any recommendations, in whole or in part, submitted in response to this RFI. Neither the HPHA, nor the respondent has any obligation under this RFI. Questions relating to this solicitation shall be directed to Mr. Rick Sogawa, Contract and Procurement Office at (808) 832-6038.

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