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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The agencies listed assist people with obtaining short-term and long-term financial assistance. Review carefully the requirements for each program.

Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)

Phone: 1.800.772.1213 (toll-free)

Website: www.socialsecurity.gov (apply online)

Social Security pays benefits to people who can't work because they have a medical condition that's expected to last at least one year or result in death. Federal law requires this very strict definition of disability. If a person is deemed permanently disabled and unable to work by a physician, Medicare will become active 2 years from the date of disability. If you qualify for Social Security disability benefits, you will also qualify for Medicare to cover your medical expenses. You automatically get Part A and Part B after you get disability benefits from Social Security for 24 months. If you have ALS, you automatically get Part A and Part B the month your disability benefits begin. (*Government Agency*)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Phone: 1.800.722.1213

Apply online at www.socialsecurity.gov

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a Federal income supplement program that provides cash to help meet basic needs for food, clothing, and shelter. It is designed to help aged, blind, and disabled people who have little or no income. Households where all members receive, or are authorized to receive SSI cash assistance, are categorically eligible for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). (*Government Agency*)

Catholic Charities Hawaii

Oahu: 808.521.4357

Hawaii (Big Island): 808.935.4673

Maui: 808.873.4673

Kauai: 808.241.4673

Website: www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/programs/families-and-individuals

Catholic Charities Hawaii may provide temporary financial assistance for first month's rent or security deposit for those who qualify. *(Non-Profit Organization)*

The Institute for Human Services, Inc (IHS)

Phone: 808.447.2863

Website: www.ihshawaii.org

IHS has several programs that assist individuals with emergency rental assistance and security deposit for the homeless and displaced households.

(Non-Profit Organization)

Hope Services Hawaii (Big Island)

Phone: 808.935.3050

Website: <http://hopeserviceshawaii.org/>

Hope Services Hawaii provides short-term financial assistance with rent and/or utilities, security and utility deposits, and case management services for Big Island residents. *(Non-Profit Organization)*

Salvation Army (Oahu)

Family Services Office

Phone: 808.841.5565

Website: www.hawaii.salvationarmy.org/hawaii/fso

The Salvation Army may provide financial assistance for emergency health and housing needs only. Applicants must be able to show that an emergency exists,

that they have done all they can to resolve the problem on their own, and that they will be able to be financially self-sufficient in the future.

(Non-Profit Organization)

Kalihi-Palama Health Center – Kohou Clinic (Oahu)

Phone: 808.791.6370

Website: www.kphc.org

Kalihi Palama Health Center – Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program helps provide temporary financial assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services to individuals and families who are homeless or would be homeless. Financial assistance is for rent payment assistance or security deposit for those who meet eligibility requirements. *(Non-Profit Organization)*

Helping Hands Hawaii (Oahu)

Phone: 808.440.3835

Website:

<http://helpinghandshawaii.org/programs/emergency-assistance-program/>

Helping Hands Hawaii provides financial assistance service for individual who are at imminent risk of homelessness due to eviction or utility disconnection. This program can provide limited financial assistance for first month's rent, past due rent, past due utilities or utility deposits (electric, water, and gas).

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