

## **Rent Relief and Housing Assistance Program Document Requirements**

- 1. Proof of applicant identity:
  - Any form of identification with a photo
- 2. Proof of applicant Hawaii Residency:
  - Valid and current tenancy at primary residence in the State of Hawaii
    - o Copy of current and valid lease/rental agreement; or
    - o Copy of recently expired lease/rental agreement if landlord approved month-to-month tenancy; and
    - o Proof of expenses requested, which can include but is not limited to an invoice, screenshot of rental management agency's payment portal with rent amount, or Notice of Rent Change
- 3. Proof of applicant and household income, which can include but is not limited to:
  - Most recent pay stub (if employed), or
  - Unemployment Certification with weekly benefit amount (if unemployed), or
  - Other documents such as most recent tax return, W-2, social security benefit letter, financial assistance statement, retirement statement, disability statement, etc.
  - Self-Certification of Income ONLY if no other documentation can be provided
- 4. Proof of applicant lost income related to COVID-19 pandemic, which can include but is not limited to:
  - Layoff, furlough, close of business or hours reduced letter from employer prior to first month of assistance, or
  - Schedule(s) showing reduction in hours for each month requesting assistance, or
  - Unemployment certification or proof of application, or
  - Pay stubs or bank statements demonstrating loss of income
  - Self-Certification of COVID19 situation ONLY if no other documentation can be provided
- 5. For Rent Assistance:
  - Partner Agencies will request a W-9 tax form from any landlord/property owner, and this must be received before an application can be approved. Property management companies are not required to submit a W-9.
- 6. For HOA Assistance:
  - HOA statement, and
  - Delinquency notice if delinquent
- 7. For Mortgage Assistance:
  - Most recent mortgage statement, and
  - Mortgage delinquency notice if delinquent