

Aloha lā Halewilikō 99-385 Pohai Place, 'Aiea, HI 96701

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OVERVIEW

Aloha lā Halewilikō is a 140-unit senior community in Aiea, Hawaii, that provides housing for extremely low and low-income households without regard to race, color, sex, creed, religion, national origin, physical or mental disability status, familial status, age, ancestry, marital status, source of income, sexual orientation, HIV status, or any other arbitrary personal characteristics.

Aloha lā Halewilikō is a planned senior community with facilities designed specifically for senior living. To qualify for an apartment at Aloha lā Halewilikō, applicants and all household members must be aged 62 years or older.

Aloha lā Halewilikō will make reasonable accommodations to individuals whose disability so requires. Reasonable Accommodation Request forms are available upon request from management. Aloha lā Halewilikō is an Equal Housing Opportunity Housing Facility, admitting people in accordance with Local, State, and Federal Housing laws, the Rental Housing Revolving Fund (RHRF), and the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program.

NON-SMOKING POLICY

Aloha lā Halewilikō is designated as a Non-Smoking property. Smoking is prohibited in all areas of the property, including the interior of apartments, and all indoor and outdoor common areas on the property.

Residents are responsible for informing their

guests of the Non-Smoking Policy. Any violation of this policy will be deemed a material breach of the rental agreement and grounds for immediate termination of the lease/rental agreement.

Aloha lā Halewilikō's adoption of a Non-Smoking Policy does not make the Owner the guarantor of the resident's health or that the property will be free of smoke, but management shall take reasonable steps to enforce this policy.

INCOME LIMITS

To qualify for an apartment, the household's gross income may not exceed the maximum income limit per household size and may not be lower than the income minimum* per household size. The income maximums and minimums are attached and are posted in the Aloha lā Halewilikō's Management Office.

*The apartment may be rented if proof is obtained indicating a satisfactory and timely rental payment history for the past twelve (12) months in the amount equal to or greater than the rent charged for that apartment size.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applications will only be distributed when the waiting list is open. Applications will not be distributed when the Waiting List is closed.

Only online applications will be accepted. Visit <u>EAHHousing.org/Apartments/Aiea</u> to complete your application.

Each applicant must complete an application



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and be willing to submit a rental history, criminal background inquiry, and income and asset verifications.

LOTTERY

A lottery will determine the order the applications are screened for initial placements. Preferences will be used on a continuous basis in the selection of applicants. The online application must be completed and signed by the head of the household (HOH) and all household members over 18 before an applicant can be placed on the appropriate waiting list. If an application is not completely answered, the date of it being fully completed will be the date the application is accepted for rental purposes.

When a completed application is received, it will be logged by date and time received and placed on the appropriate waiting list. When a vacancy at the property exists or is expected within the next one hundred twenty (120) days, the verification-selection process will begin immediately for the next applicant on the appropriate waiting list regarding income, assets, and eligibility for certification.

Lottery Selection

To ensure a fair and transparent selection process, all completed applications received by or before April 30, 2025, will be placed into a lottery. The steps for this process are as follows:

 Application Receipt: Applications submitted by or before April 30, 2025, will be timestamped and recorded in the

- order they are received.
- **2. Lottery Entry:** These applications will be entered into a random drawing.
- **3. Random Drawing:** A random drawing will be conducted to determine the placement order of the applicants.
- **4. Placement Order:** Applicants will be assigned a placement order based on the results of the random drawing.
- **5. Notification:** All applicants entered in the random drawing will be notified of their placement order and the next steps in the selection process.

Additional Applications Received

Additional applications received after April 30, 2025, will not be placed into a lottery. **The steps for this process are as follows:**

- Application Receipt: All subsequent applications submitted after April 30, 2025, will be timestamped and recorded in the order they are received.
- **2. Placement Order:** Applicants will be assigned a placement order based on the recorded timestamp.
- **3. Notification:** All applicants will be notified of their initial placement order and the next steps in the selection process.

PREFERENCES

The property's policy is that a preference does not guarantee admission. Every applicant must still meet the property's RSP standards for acceptance as a resident.

1. For apartments accessible to or







- adaptable for persons with mobility, visual, or hearing impairments, households containing at least one person with such impairment will have first priority.
- 2. Persons displaced by government action provided that their tenant application is submitted between (a) the date of the initial displacement notice and (b) six months after the actual displacement action, supported by sufficient documentation of such displacement. (#2 came from the City/Co of Honolulu Land Use Agreement).

Where preferences apply, applicants with a valid and verified preference will be moved to the top of the waiting list above persons without a preference.

The preferences so described will always be consistent with the requirements of Section 42 and future interpretations or guidance from the IRS and will not in any way jeopardize the project's eligibility under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

TRANSFER POLICY

An Apartment Transfer List is maintained for residents who have been approved for transfer due to a disability or change in household status. Transfers for accessibility or medical reasons will have priority over those for changes in household composition. Residents on the apartment transfer list will have priority over applicants on the waiting list.

In order to transfer to another building on

the property, the family must meet the initial eligibility requirements of the LIHTC program, or the transfer will not be allowed.

OCCUPANY GUIDELINES

Occupancy guidelines are the criteria established for matching a household with the most appropriate size and type of apartment. The following occupancy guidelines will be followed to avoid overutilization of the apartments as follows:

Bedroom	Household Maximum
0	2
1	3

To determine the proper bedroom size for which a household may qualify, the following household members are to be included:

- 1. All full-time members of the household.
- 2. Live-in attendants. Note: Live-in attendants are subject to this plan's criminal and landlord provisions, except for criteria that determine the ability to pay rent. The charge is currently \$20 per live-in attendant.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

The Violence Against Women Act ("VAWA") protects victims against eviction or denial of housing based on domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. In 2013, Congress expanded VAWA's housing protections by covering additional federal housing programs, including the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program ("LIHTC"). VAWA offers the following protections:



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- 1. An applicant's or program participant's status as a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking is not a basis for denial of admission if the applicant otherwise qualifies for admission.
- 2. This must support or assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. It must protect victims, as well as members of their families, from being denied housing or from losing their HUD-assisted housing.
- 3. An incident or incidents of actual or threatened domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking will not be construed as serious or repeated violations of the lease or other "good cause" for terminating the assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of a victim of abuse.
- 4. Criminal activity directly related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, engaged in by a member of a tenant's household or any guest or other person under the tenant's control, shall not be cause for termination of assistance, tenancy, or occupancy rights of the victim of the criminal acts.
- 5. Assistance may be terminated or a lease "bifurcated" to remove an offending household member from the home. Whether or not the individual is a signatory to the lease and lawful tenant, if he/she engages in a criminal act of physical violence against family members or others, he/she stands to be evicted, removed, or have his/her occupancy rights terminated. This action is taken while allowing the victim, who is a tenant or a lawful occupant, to remain.

- 6. The provisions protecting victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking engaged in by a member of the household, may not be construed to limit Aloha lā Halewilikō, when notified, from honoring various court orders issued to either protect the victim or address the distribution of property in case a family breaks up.
- 7. The authority to evict or terminate assistance is not limited with respect to a victim who commits unrelated criminal activity. Furthermore, if Aloha lā Halewilikō can show an actual and imminent threat to other tenants or those employed at or providing service to the property if an unlawful tenant's residency is not terminated, then evicting a victim is an option, the VAWA notwithstanding. Ultimately, Aloha lā Halewilikō will not subject victims to more demanding standards than other tenants.

The VAWA protections shall not supersede any provision of any federal, state, or local law that provides greater protection for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The laws offering greater protection are applied in instances of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

The Notice of Occupancy Rights and Certification form will be provided to applicants when assistance is being denied or at the time of move-in.

GROUNDS FOR DENIAL

1. Household fails to meet the age







- restriction for senior housing.
- Total household income exceeds the applicable income limits published by HUD or does not meet the minimum income limits.
- 3. Households cannot pay the full security deposit at move-in.
- 4. The household refuses to accept the second offer of an apartment.
- 5. Household fails to respond to interview letters or otherwise fails to cooperate with the certification process. Failure to sign consent forms.
- 6. Blatant disrespect or disruptive behavior toward management, the property, or other residents exhibited by an applicant or family member at any time prior to move-in (or a demonstrable history of such behavior).
- 7. ANY adult household members fail to attend the eligibility interview.
- 8. The household is comprised entirely of full-time students and does not meet the exception outlined in Section 42 of the IRC.
- The applicant failed to provide adequate income verification, or we are unable to adequately verify income and/or income sources.
- Providing or submitting false or untrue information on your application or failing to cooperate with the verification process.
- 11. Apartment assignment will NOT be the household's sole place of residency. Qualification for an apartment includes occupying the apartment on a continuous basis and as a primary residence. Residents may not be absent from the apartment for more than 60

consecutive days or longer than 180 continuous days for medical reasons.

LANDLORD REFERNECE

- Negative landlord references that indicate lease violation, disturbing the peace, harassment, poor housekeeping, improper conduct, or other negative references against the household
- 2. Evictions were reported in the last five years.
- 3. A history of late rent payments demonstrates more than two late rent payments in a six-month period for the past two years and more than one NSF in a one-year period.
- 4. Any evidence of illegal activity, including drugs, gangs, etc.
- 5. Inappropriate household size for the apartment available (see Occupancy Standards)

BACKGROUND CHECK

- 1. All applicants will be screened for criminal history.
- 2. Felony convictions within the past seven years or patterns of two or more misdemeanor convictions within the past seven years involving sexual misconduct (as defined by state law), drug related crimes, theft by check or a physical crime against a person or another person's property may allow approval of the application with special conditions, or denial based on the crime and date of said criminal charges.



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WAITING LIST PROCESS

Failure to meet one or more of the foregoing screening criteria may be grounds for rejection. However, each application is considered as a whole, and the above factors are considered as part of a weighted formula. Should the applicants fail to meet the screening criteria, they will receive a notice in writing indicating that they have the right to appeal the decision. This notice must indicate that the applicant has 14 days to dispute the decision.

An appeal meeting with the Regional Property Supervisor will be held within 10 business days of receipt of the applicant's request.

The property will advise the applicant in writing of the final decision regarding eligibility within five days of the appeal meeting. Apartments will not be held for those applicants in the appeal process.

GRIEVANCE/APPEAL PROCESS

The property is required to maintain a waiting list of all applicants who submit a completed application. Applicants must be placed on the waiting list and selected from it even in situations where there are vacancies, and the application is processed upon receipt. This procedure is necessary to ensure the complete and accurate processing of all documentation for all applicants.

The property has one waiting list that is established and maintained in chronological order based on the date and time of receipt of the Preliminary Application. The waiting list

contains the following information for each applicant:

- 1. Applicant Name
- 2. Address and/or Contact Information
- 3. Phone Number(s)
- 4. Apartment Type/Size
- 5. Household Composition
- 6. Preference/Accessibility requirements
- 7. Income level
- 8. Date/Time of Application

Applicants must report changes in writing to any of the information immediately.

Applicants can decline the first apartment offered and retain their place on the waiting list. If they decline the offer of the next available apartment, they will be removed from the waiting list.

Purging the Waiting List

The waiting list will be purged annually. Each applicant will receive a letter from the property requesting updated information and asking about their continued interest. This letter must be returned within the specified time, or their application will be removed from the waiting list. The applicant is responsible for maintaining a current address with the office to receive waiting list correspondence. Any correspondence returned undeliverable will result in the application being removed from the waitlist.

Opening & Closing the Waiting List

Aloha lā Halewilikō will monitor the vacancies and waiting list regularly to ensure that there







are enough applicants to fill the vacancies. Once the wait on the waitlist has been determined to exceed a 12-month wait, the waitlist will be closed.

The waiting list may be closed for one or more apartment sizes when the average wait is longer than 12 months. When the waiting list is closed, Aloha lā Halewilikō will advise potential applicants that it is closed and refuse to take additional applications. Aloha lā Halewilikō will publish a notice stating that the waiting list is closed in a publication likely to be read by potential applicants. The notice will state why Aloha lā Halewilikō refuses to accept additional applications.

When Aloha lā Halewilikō agrees to accept applications again, the notice of this action will be announced in a publication likely to be read by potential applicants in the same manner as the notification that the waiting list was closed.

Advertisements will include where and when to apply and will conform to the advertising and outreach activities described in the Marketing Plan for Aloha Iā Halewilikō.

RESIDENT SELECTION PLAN (RSP)

The RSP is available in the management office. Changes to the plan will be sent via U.S. mail to all persons on the active waiting list. When the waiting list opens, the RSP will be distributed with applications and available by management request.

ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION

All residents must be recertified annually. They

are also required to report all interim changes to management that occur between the annually scheduled re-certification.

UNIT INSPECTION REQUIREMENT

Before signing the lease, Aloha lā Halewilikō and the resident must jointly inspect the apartment. The resident has five days to report any additional deficiencies to Aloha lā Halewilikō to be noted on the move-in inspection form.

Annual apartment inspections are performed by Aloha lā Halewilikō. Agencies providing funding have the right to inspect the apartment to ensure the property is physically well-maintained and that the residents are provided with decent, safe, and sanitary housing.

Residents will receive prior written notification for all apartment inspections.

When a resident moves out, a final inspection will be completed. Residents are encouraged to attend the move-out inspection. However, if the resident does not wish to participate in the final inspection, Aloha lā Halewilikō management may conduct the inspection alone.

PETS

Residents are permitted to keep common household pets in the dwelling apartment (subject to 24 CFR Part 243 provisions and the pet policy promulgated under 24 CFR Section 243.20). Service or Assistance animals are not considered pets and are not



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required to comply with the provisions of the Pet Policy. Service or Assistance animals are those animals specifically required to assist individuals with documented disabilities. Please notify Management if you require a Service or Assistance animal.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Aloha lā Halewilikō does not discriminate on the basis of disability status in admission to, access to, treatment, or employment in its federally assisted programs and activities.

PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Aloha lā Halewilikō includes 140 units and 95 parking spaces. Following the City and County of Honolulu parking requirements, parking spaces will be assigned chronological order of move-in to residents who own a vehicle. Once all parking spaces have been assigned, occupancy will be restricted to residents who do not own a vehicle.

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