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"Building Houses, Building Hope"

Becoming a Habitat Homeowner How to Apply

This form is a pre-application utilized to collect introductory information. Please complete this information sheet so that we can begin to determine if you are eligible to buy a home or qualify for a home renovation through Habitat for Humanity Maui. The Family Selection committee will review your completed pre-application. After review of your pre-application, you will either receive a denial letter or a full application to provide additional eligibility determining information. (Please be thorough and complete all questions because blank spaces slow down the process.)

Applicants are chosen using four basic criteria for selection:

1. Housing Need 2. Ability to Pay 3. Willingness to Partner 4. Access to Land

Please read the standards below and answer the questions about each one.

1. **Housing Need:** You must be a resident of the island of Maui, and you must have a definite housing need. For example: overcrowding (three to a bedroom), unsafe or unsanitary conditions. Priority is based on the level of need and lack of adequate shelter.

a) Are you in need of safe and sanitary housing? Explain _____

b) What are the significant things wrong with where you currently live? _____

c) Do you think there are things that make it unsafe? Please list these items.

2. **Ability to Pay:** Habitat homebuyers must have a stable income and a reasonable credit history, with no outstanding judgments. They must also have adequate income to cover taxes, utilities, insurance and maintenance expenses as well as the mortgage payment. We partner with families earning between 25% and 60% of median income for the County of Maui, family of four usually between \$21,350 and \$51,240 per year. (Verifying information will be requested in the next phase if you are eligible.)

a) What is the total annual income of the members of your household? _____

b) How many people are in your household (list all claimed on annual taxes)? _____

- c) Is your credit free of bankruptcy and or judgments? _____
- d) Are you or have you ever been a party to legal action? _____
- e) What are you currently paying in monthly rent/mortgage? _____
- f) What is your monthly income left after expenses? _____

3. **Willingness to Partner:** Partnership includes completing approved sweat equity hours (500 per family), agreeing to the house that Habitat is able to provide inclusive of design, type, style, number of bedrooms & bathrooms etc., making timely payments, adequately maintaining the home and cooperating so that the house can be completed in a timely manner from start date.

- a) Are you willing to work on your house? _____
- b) Are you willing to ask your friends and family to volunteer? _____

4. **Access to Land:** Habitat for Humanity Maui currently does NOT own land so we currently attempt to partner with families who own their own land (have clean title) or have a long-term lease (minimum of 30 years remaining) on their land.

Do you have clear title to land? (meaning the lease or deed is in your name) _____

- a) Details of the land owned (is it on Dept. of Hawaiian Home Lands) _____
- b) List the name on Title and TMK number _____
- c) Lot size and address: _____
- d) Does the lot have road access? _____
- e) Does the lot have utilities connected, example: electricity, water, sewer, septic or cesspool, etc. (Answer thoroughly) _____
- f) Do you lease the land? ___ From whom? _____ How many years are left? ___
- g) DHHL lease # _____

Other dependents/children to live in dwelling (include self below):

<u>Names</u>	<u>Male/Female</u>	<u>Birthdates</u>
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I understand that this is an information sheet and Habitat is under no obligation to approve my application. I also understand that Habitat for Humanity Maui builds homes for single family units. If I have any questions, I can call 242-1140.

Name (print): _____

Mailing Address (include city & zip code): _____

Telephone numbers (cell): _____ **(home):** _____

*Please provide working phone numbers so your application can be considered & Habitat personnel can contact you.

Email: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED. CALL WITH QUESTIONS. ***