

Ke Kulanui o Hawai'i ma Mānoa

To: University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Student Housing Residents

From: David Akana, Interim Director of Student Housing Services

Date: October 3rd, 2023

Subject: Proposed Rate Increase for Student Housing Facilities

Dear Residents,

In order to continue providing a safe, comfortable, and conducive living environment that supports your educational journey, UH Mānoa is proposing a tiered, 3-year rate adjustment for student housing facilities that would take effect Fall 2024. This decision was reached after careful consideration of rising operational costs, the need to maintain and improve our facilities and the need for student housing to operate as a self-sustaining, special-funded department.

The proposed rate increases for upcoming Academic Years is noted below and a detailed breakdown by room type is provided in **Attachment 1**.

- Academic Year 2024-2025 5% increase
- Academic Year 2025-2026 6% increase
- Academic Year 2026-2027 7% increase

The last rate adjustment for student housing facilities was implemented in July 2016. Since then, personnel costs, utility costs, and construction costs have risen considerably in the midst of inflation. Revenue generated by the proposed rate increase will help offset these cost escalations. A more comprehensive building-by-building assessment of projected revenues and expenses is also underway that will inform future rate setting efforts.

We understand that any adjustment to living costs may have an impact on your financial planning. To facilitate an open dialogue, we will be coordinating two public meetings where students and interested parties can learn more about the proposed rate increase. Meeting dates, times and locations are as follows:

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
RHA General Meeting	Wednesday, 10/25/2023	7pm	Frear Hall 12 th Floor Conference Room or Zoom: Link: https:/us02web.zoom.us/j/9440394123 Meeting ID: 944 039 4123; Passcode: RhaGA23
ASUH General Senate Meeting	Thursday, 10/26/2023	7pm	Link: https://hawaii.zoom.us/j/91880501043 Meeting ID : 918 8050 1043; Passcode : 1912

Written feedback on the proposed rate increase will also be solicited until 11:59pm on Friday, November 17th. Comments received by this date will be taken into consideration before finalizing the rate proposal. To provide written feedback, please visit https://forms.gle/FB8Egsch9VtPGuVLA.

Should you have any immediate questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Student Housing Services at uhmsh@hawaii.edu or (808) 956-8177.

Mahalo, Student Housing Services

Attachment 1 – Proposed Rate by Room Type for UH Mānoa Student Housing Services Facilities

Room Type	AY 23-24 (baseline)	AY 24-25 (5% increase)	AY 25-26 (6% increase)	AY 26-27 (7% increase)
Hale Aloha Towers, Johnson Hall, Hale Kahawai, Hale Laulima: Double Occupancy Room, Community Bath	\$6,278	\$6,592	\$6,987	\$7,477
Hale Laulima, Hale Ānuenue: Single Occupancy, Community Bath	\$9,061	\$9,514	\$10,085	\$10,791
Gateway House: Two Bedroom, Four Occupants, Shared Private Bath	\$6,278	\$6,592	\$6,987	\$7,477
Gateway House: Gateway House: One Bedroom, Two Occupants, Private Bath	\$7,506	\$7,881	\$8,354	\$8,939
Frear Hall: Two Bedroom, Four Occupants, Shared Private Bath	\$7,663	\$8,046	\$8,529	\$9,126
Frear Hall: Four Bedroom, Four Occupants, Shared Private Bath	\$9,209	\$9,669	\$10,250	\$10,967
Frear Hall: Two Bedroom, Two Occupants, Shared Private Bath	\$11,265	\$11,828	\$12,538	\$13,416
Frear Hall: One Bedroom, One Occupant, Private Bath	\$12,880	\$13,524	\$14,335	\$15,339
Hale Wainani: Two Bedroom Apt, Four Occupants, Shared Private Bath	\$6,843	\$7,185	\$7,616	\$8,149
Hale Wainani: One Bedroom Apt, Two Occupants, Private Bath	\$8,688	\$9,122	\$9,670	\$10,347
Hale Wainani: Two Bedroom Apt, Two Occupants, Shared Private Bath (Graduate Housing only)	\$11,633	\$12,215	\$12,948	\$13,854
Hale Wainani: One Bedroom Apt, Family Housing, Two Occupants, Private Bath	\$17,117	\$17,973	\$19,051	\$20,385