



Welcome to RNO Helpful Hints! This section was created for the sharing of useful information among RNO members. Please e-mail your helpful hints to Patti Ann Hokama at reupdate@gte.net.

- New LUO book available for \$8.50 at the C&C Municipal Bookstore - 530 South King St. Room 115
- Check out our RNO Buyer's Needs & Anticipated Listings at our e-board.com site: RNOERS You must have our password to enter so, if you are a fellow RNOer and need it, please e-mail reupdate@gte.net.
- Hawaii Office of Consumer Protection announced new web site: www.hawaii.gov/dcca/ocp
- Microsoft is proud to support the Hawaii Association of REALTORS®: Internet Explorer is now available FREE. Get a copy from HAR or visit their site at: www.microsoft.com/ie/download/ Information included on that site are consumer tips, text of the Landlord-Tenant code, small claims court information, recent press releases, etc.
- Copies of the Handbook for the Hawaii Residential Landlord-Tenant Code pamphlet costs \$2.00 and explains key provisions of the code and FAQs. Pick one up at 1010 Richards St., 3rd floor or at 235 S. Beretania St. Room 801. Mail requests may be filed, too.
- Boris INTAX has now added sales information as of November 26, 1996 on Cooperative sales - just like the condo information! However, the tax information will still be reflective of the entire building.
- Terry Ewart discovered another alternative rental application background check company: infonet 1-800-246-3663 or fax 1-800-515-0007
- Did you hear that on October 17, 1997, HBR did decide on Moore Data Systems with the BORIS Maestro system due to have the change over on July 1, 1998? Get your suggestions on profile sheets changes, etc. in to HBR so we can work on the process.
- Congress member Patsy Mink has informed us that H.R. 2158 provision regarding extending the FHA pilot program in Hawaii and Alaska for an additional year which affects our down payment requirements. She said that a vote of 405 to 21 in the House and had previously passed the Senate. Awaiting President Clinton's signature. Thank you to Sandy Young and Joni Henderson of Honolulu Mortgage for bringing this issue to our attention.
- Sylvianne Young shared with us this valuable tip! Did you know that there is an Employment & Training Fund (ETF) program offered by the State that is especially great for small companies? The fund will pay for training courses up to \$500 per

successful completion of class for you which can include our new technology stuff like "Computers and the Internet," etc. for our employees. Courses can be from the university or even computer training companies. For more info and the forms from the Dept. of Labor & Industrial Relations call: Maricar Pilotin-Freitas at 675-0017 or June Takiguchi at 675-0009 for this great offering of FREE benefits for our advance training to be even more than we can be!

- Mike Imanaka of HBR has some great reference guides to use to help with the Building Dept. information gathering process. Also, helpful phone numbers, etc. Be sure to call Mike at 732-3000 ext. 722 - they are there to help our members!
- Helen Price shared with us that the 9th Circuit Appellate Court had upheld the lessees positions. Be sure to thank the HOB0 coalition for their efforts.
- Update from Terry Ewart, Ruth Gabbard, Dale Bordner, Renee Miller all shared with us reports that the California market is HOT! Moving to Hawaii??
- Don't forget that HBR has taken the stance on the City level to support and endorse county government officials. If you would like to get involved and help the HBR City Affairs, be sure to call Mike Imanaka at 732-3000 ext. 722 and ask to be a part of the action!
- Revised Pet Approved Condo List is available at the Hawaiian Humane Society and also on our BORIS system. Check out the lists today!
- Did you see that on Oct. 20th, Boris will be providing us with the mortgage information to the INTAX section of our system as of 11/26/96 data? This was an inquiry made by Elaine Leong as well as other members. Now, we are getting more value added services to our system!
- The HBR internet site will be adding addresses and mapping service options to our listings to those who request it! This is to take effect in November.
- Did you know that the Neighborhood designations sheets from HBR are available from HBR or can be gotten from the Member's only section on our HBR internet site, too.
- Hey, did you know that through the generous support of our vendors we have xeroxed copies at HBR to of the following forms to pass out: (Previously, HBR was not allowed to provide the form because they could not charge us for some of the forms since it was a federal form and it was not in HBR's budget to copy them for us.) **BE SURE TO THANK OUR VENDORS - Lenders, Title, Escrow, Etc.** for their help in this matter.

- Building Permit Reference Guide
- Flood Zone Designation
- Lead-Based Paint Addenda (Both Landlord and Seller forms)
- FIRPTA
- HARPTA
- HBR's reference library info on disclosure information

New HUD Inspection Addendum

- Pick up your copy of E-Z instructions for using the BORIS e-mail system at the next RNO meeting.
- Melanie Jakahi shared with us that the lead-based paint pamphlet is available for downloading through the Internet.
- Please note that VAMA (Voluntary Affirmative Marketing Agreement) was terminated. We are required to post in our office the new FAIR HOUSING

- DECLARATION instead. Be sure to get your copy by calling Mike Imanaka at HBR!
- Do remember that after Dec. 6, 1996, the EPA Pamphlet "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home: became the official lead-based paint disclosure for HUD? Therefore, you need only use the lead-based paint addendum, give the pamphlet and use the New HUD Inspection Addendum. You no longer need to use the old 2 page HUD Disclosure "Watch Out for Lead-Based Paint Poisoning!"
 - Be sure to sign up for your FREE HBR member Home Page on the HBR's website. Call HBR today for the form and DO IT NOW! Call 732-3000 ext. 715 and get more info from Charleen Nelson!
 - HBR's Mike Imanaka has been successful opened and maintained lines of communication with the City and County Building Department. He has a list of most FAQ's and their answers in WRITING which he can provide to our members. He is also open to more questions that he can relay and get answers for all of us to benefit. Please be sure to call him at 732-3000 ext. 722.
 - As you may recall, the maximum conforming loan for Conventional is \$321,900, VA is \$203,000 and FHA is \$241,425 for Oahu. There has been a name change for the Farmer's Home Administration Loan to now be called Guaranteed Rural Housing Loan.
 - Do check out the little handbook with tidbits on using BORIS...Stop by the BORIS office and pick one up - it is a very helpful reference guide!

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