

### *Violence Against Women Act*

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) requires PHAs to describe any goals, objectives, policies or programs that enable the PHA to serve the needs of child and adult victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking.

- The HPHA supports the goals and objectives of VAWA and will comply with its requirements
- The HPHA is currently working to implement policies to the Section 8 and Public Housing Program as required by VAWA.
- Recognizing the seriousness, HPHA has in place a Preference designation in its Admission Policy for victims of domestic violence and will expand this Preference to include provisions of VAWA.
- The HPHA has completed the following in its efforts to support and comply with VAWA provisions:

\* Staff training conducted by Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Legal Aid Society of Hawaii on August 10, 2007.

\*Established a list of domestic violence service providers statewide to provide referrals to aid applicant or resident victims.