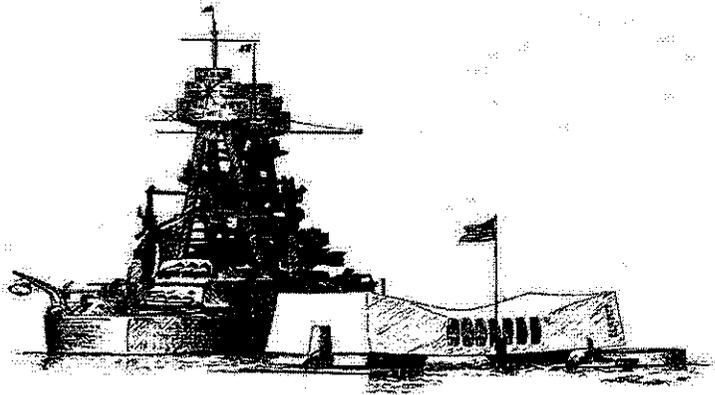


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## NAVY TO DEDICATE 140 NEW HOMES ON FORD ISLAND

The Navy will dedicate 140 new family homes at a ceremony at 1 p.m. March 25 on Ford Island.

The new homes were built by Lend Lease Actus, LLC, as part of a \$35 million project to design and construct 140 homes on Ford Island and 30 homes at Radford Terrace. The new homes are three- and four-bedroom units arranged in duplex and four-plex buildings. They feature such amenities as metal framing, garages, central air conditioning, solar hot water systems, modern kitchens with energy-saving appliances, and full-size washers and dryers. The new community includes landscaping, new roads, underground utilities and a recreational area with a pavilion, basketball court, picnic area with gazebo, barbeque area, and a super tot lot.

“Just as our men and women in uniform fulfill their commitment to make personal sacrifices in order to help preserve our nation’s security, we fulfill our commitment to them by giving them the quality of service that they have earned,” said Rear Adm. Barry McCullough, Commander Navy Region Hawaii. “That includes providing modern, quality homes for our Sailors and their families. That is the least we can do for them for the sacrifices they make for our nation.”

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## **NAVY TO DEDICATE 140 NEW HOMES ON FORD ISLAND**

This project is the last of Hawaii's Navy family housing developments to be funded through congressionally-appropriated military construction funds. Future Navy housing on Oahu will be built under public-private venture, where developers fund construction costs and then lease it back to Navy families for an amount equivalent to their housing allowance for a private rental.

More than 2,300 Navy family homes have been replaced or renovated on Oahu since 1996, at a cost of \$426 million.

*Media representatives who would like to cover the Ford Island housing dedication ceremony must contact the Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office, at 473-2888 by 4 p.m. on March 24 to arrange for an escort.*

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