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Long Term Care Ombudsman Budget

The members of the Campaign for Oregon's Seniors & People with Disabilities support the Long Term Care Ombudsman budget allocations contained in the Governor's Recommended Budget (GRB) .

The recommendations contained in the GRB are a welcome change from the drastic reductions to essential senior safety net services that we have faced in the midst of the most recent economic downturn.

The Campaign appreciates the continued investments in the Long Term Care Ombudsman office that now has expanded responsibilities due to legislative action. One of these new responsibilities is serving about 7,800 adults and children living in licensed foster and small group homes for Oregonians with mental illnesses and developmental disabilities. The second new role is a state-wide public guardianship and conservatorship program for vulnerable persons who need this protection but have no family or friends to help them. Sufficient resources are essential for the office to carry out these new responsibilities.

The Long Term Care Ombudsman office is a prime example of efficient government services, as much of their charge is accomplished through a robust cadre of trained and dedicated volunteers. This office protects the rights of thousands upon thousands of residents of long term care communities across Oregon, and serves an absolutely vital role.

We thank you for your continued commitment to the Long Term Care Ombudsman's office.

AARP Oregon

Advocacy Coalition of Seniors
and People with Disabilities

Alzheimer's Association
Oregon Chapter

Brain Injury Association of Oregon

Disability Services Advisory Council of
Clackamas County

Elders in Action Commission

Governor's Commission
on Senior Services

Impact Northwest

Independent Living Resources

LeadingAge Oregon

Long Term Care Advisory Committee

Making Oregon Vital for Elders
(MOVE)

Multnomah County Disability
Services Advisory Council

National Multiple Sclerosis Society,
Oregon Chapter

O4AD (Oregon Association of Area
Agencies on Aging and Disabilities)

Oregon AFSCME Council 75

Oregon Alliance for Retired
Americans

Oregon Health Care Association

Oregon State Council for
Retired Citizens

Parkinson's Resources of Oregon

Save Oregon Seniors

Seniors Serving Oregon Coalition

Service Employees International
Union

United Seniors of Oregon

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