Thank you for your service in the legislature on committees focused on poverty and related issues. The Oregon Business Council Poverty Task Force would like to assist you in any way we can as you address these important topics. Attached is our legislative agenda. Also attached is a graphic showing the demographic breakdown of poverty in Oregon as of 2012.

We hope to contribute to the important work that long time advocates have been doing on these issues. Also we want to draw your attention to a compilation of research on poverty that we developed for the recent Prosperity Design Lab that we sponsored. For the Design Lab designers we prepared two briefing books. One covers general issues around poverty. The other is focused on five groups of people in poverty that our Design Lab was organized around. To view these briefing books, the final report from the Design Lab, and other background material please go to http://orbusinesscouncil.org/ourwork/poverty-reduction/.

If you have any questions please contact Jenn Lawson at <u>jlawson@orbusinesscouncil.org</u> who will make sure you hear back from the Task Force member or staff.

Best regards,

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