



# HOUSING ALLIANCE

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- Alliance of Family & Housing Success
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- Community Action Team, Inc.
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- Community Housing Fund
- Community Partners for Affordable Housing
- Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
- Fair Housing Council of Oregon
- Farmworker Housing Development Corporation
- Habitat for Humanity of Oregon
- Hacienda CDC
- Housing Advocates Group of Washington County
- Housing Development Center
- Human Solutions
- Impact Northwest
- Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization
- Lane County Legal Aid and Advocacy Center
- League of Women Voters of Oregon
- Lincoln County
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- Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (NEDCO)
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- Northwest Housing Alternatives
- Northwest Pilot Project
- Open Door Counseling Center
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- Oregon Housing Authorities
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- St. Vincent de Paul of Lane County, Inc.
- ShelterCare
- Sisters of the Road
- Street Roots
- Washington County
- Welcome Home Coalition
- Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services

## HB 2620: Land Inventory to Support Housing Opportunity

House Human Services and Housing Committee  
February 11, 2015  
HB 2620

Chair Keny-Guyer and members of the Committee;

The Housing Alliance is a coalition of more than fifty organizations from all parts of the state. Our members have come together with the knowledge that housing opportunity is the base on which all of our success is built – individual success as students, parents, workers, and community members as well as the success of our communities. We represent a diverse set of voices from residents to local jurisdictions to non-profit housing developers and organizations working to meet basic needs.

We ask your support for House Bill 2620.

Expanding access to land for housing in areas of opportunity will ensure that all Oregonians can benefit from the many opportunities our state offers. HB 2620 is a great first step in this direction.

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) may own land that would be ideal for building affordable homes near public transit, schools and jobs. HB 2620 calls on ODOT to develop an inventory of land it owns and to make that inventory available to the Legislature. This will support improved coordination between state agencies towards meeting community housing goals, and will create possibilities for land banking.

Ensuring collective community success depends on pulling together all of our available state resources to ensure we all have an opportunity to thrive. We know that location of housing is key to ensuring that everyone has access to transportation, nutritious food, schools, and needed services.

HB 2620 is a great first step to work across departments to seek solutions to our state’s housing needs. On behalf of the Housing Alliance, I urge your prompt consideration and support of this bill and thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Omar Carrillo Tinajero  
On Behalf of the Oregon Housing Alliance