

Dear Chair Keny-Guyer:

I am Cynthia Griffin, Board member of Willamette West Habitat for Humanity in Washington County, writing in support of three bills before your committee:
HB2961, HB3192 and HB3175.

Habitat's historic focus is partnering with people at 35-60% of median income (most often families with children) to become homeowners and build equity for long-term stabilization, We also repair/paint lower income people's homes (especially seniors) so they can stay housed/age in place. To hear the personal stories of the families and children who are now living in clean, safe and new homes is priceless. To see the relief on seniors' faces after Habitat repairs their homes makes us feel that we are part of a worthwhile effort.

I know there are significant asks for Oregon's finite funds - and that prioritizing state spending to yield the greatest good for the greatest number of Oregonians is a heavy lift. Thank you for leading the effort.

Willamette West would be most grateful for your committee's support of these three bills.

Thank you.

Cynthia Griffin