

# The Housing Crisis in Lincoln County



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# A Crisis With Many Impacts



- **Economic**
- **Public Safety and other vital services**
- **Educational**
- **Community health**
- **Community diversity**

# Economic



- **Lack of rental and home ownership opportunities is the #1 barrier to public and private employee recruitment and retention**
- **County Health and Human Services**
- **County School District**
- **Private businesses, from tech companies to restaurants**

# Lincoln County HHS

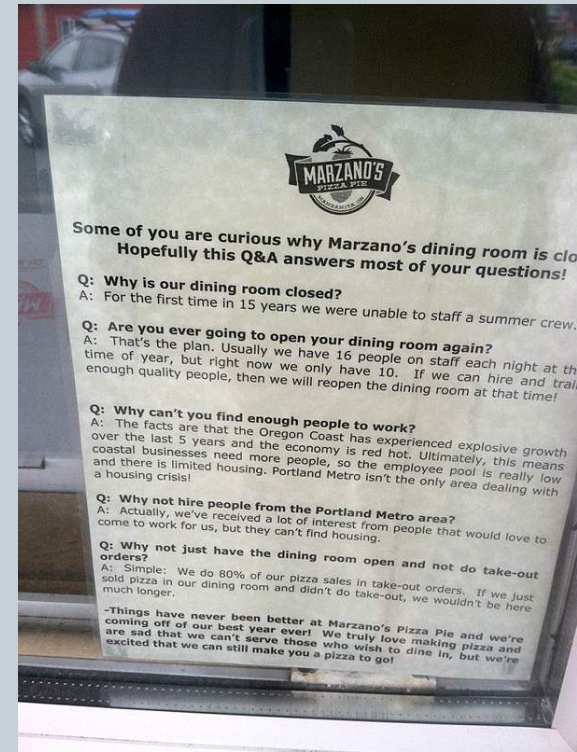
- Licensed professional staff and support staff cite housing frequently in turning down offers or leaving



# Marzano's Restaurant



- Unable to open its dining room last summer for the first time in 15 years.



# Essential Public Services



# Education





# Community Diversity





# What's the Problem?



- The usual statewide issues:
- Financing
- Developer capacity
- Return on investment
- Regulatory issues and expenses



# Additional Coastal Challenges



- Premium price on frontage and view lands
- Geographic constraints
- Vacation rentals and part-time residences



# Big Challenges—Big Opportunities



- Oregon Housing Alliance and other advocates have helped recent Legislatures craft effective policy and resource decisions.



# 2017 Housing Alliance Agenda



- **Expansion of LIHTC**
- **Expansion of LIFT**
- **Document fee**
- **Revolving loan funds**
- **Land acquisition fund**
- **Down payment assistance**
- **Stronger renter protections**



- **Questions?**