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West Valley Housing Authority

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## Housing Authorities of Oregon

To: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey, members of The Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Capitol Construction:

The Housing Authorities of Oregon are the largest providers of affordable housing in the state of Oregon. There are 22 Housing Authorities that serve all 36 counties. Our goal is to provide a safe, affordable place for Oregonians with low incomes to call home. The majority of people who we house are seniors or people experiencing disabilities on a fixed income that is 30% of median income or below.

We ask for your support in funding two critical housing investments.

### **Funding for the LIFT Housing program**

Housing Authorities have already used this program to build affordable housing in diverse regions of the state. With the declining availability of Lottery Backed Bonds, the LIFT program has become the most important resource to address the critical need for affordable housing in the state.

### **Funding to Develop Permanent Supportive Housing**

For some people with high barriers to finding and maintaining housing, the best approach is Permanent Supportive Housing. This strategy pairs affordable housing with services to help them attain and maintain housing successfully. Sometimes this includes coaching on how to fulfill lease obligations, providing supports to maintain financial stability in order to make timely rental payments or to connect people to physical or mental health



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services as needs arise. This evidence based approach can end chronic homelessness for individuals more effectively than housing or services alone.

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