



OHCS Housing Investments Update

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Outcomes: Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program (OERAP)

\$363,367,272
in emergency
rental assistance
paid to

55,656
Oregon
households since
May 2021

~\$6,400
Average
OERAP
payment to
Oregon
households



OREGON HOUSING and
COMMUNITY SERVICES

Outcomes: Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program (OERAP)

85%

of those served
earn 50% or
below the Area
Median Income

- 60%** White
- 15%** Hispanic/Latino/a/x
- 12%** Black or African American
- 5%** two or more races
- 4%** Native/Alaskan Native
- 2%** Asian
- 1%** Native Hawaiian

OERAP Spend Down Update

Goal: OHCS committed to spending \$289 million in OERAP resources by the end of March 2022.

Outcome: On March 7th, OHCS announced more than \$289 million in assistance resources had been allocated to Oregonians in need.

Federal Requirements: Federal spend-down timeline is September 2022 for ERA1 & September 2025 for ERA 2.

Goal: Spend down the \$100 million in state funds allocated during the December 2021 Special Session by June 30, 2022.

Outcome: OHCS is on track to deploy all state funds by June 30, 2022.

State Requirements: The state-level ERA funding allocated in December of 2021 must be spent down by June 30, 2023.



OERAP Spend Down Update

Remaining Uncommitted Funds: ~\$30.5 million

Remaining funding consists of:

- \$17 million in U.S Treasury reallocated funds (\$1.6M + \$16M), and
- \$13.5 million in recaptured community partner funds
- All state funds will be spent by June 2022.

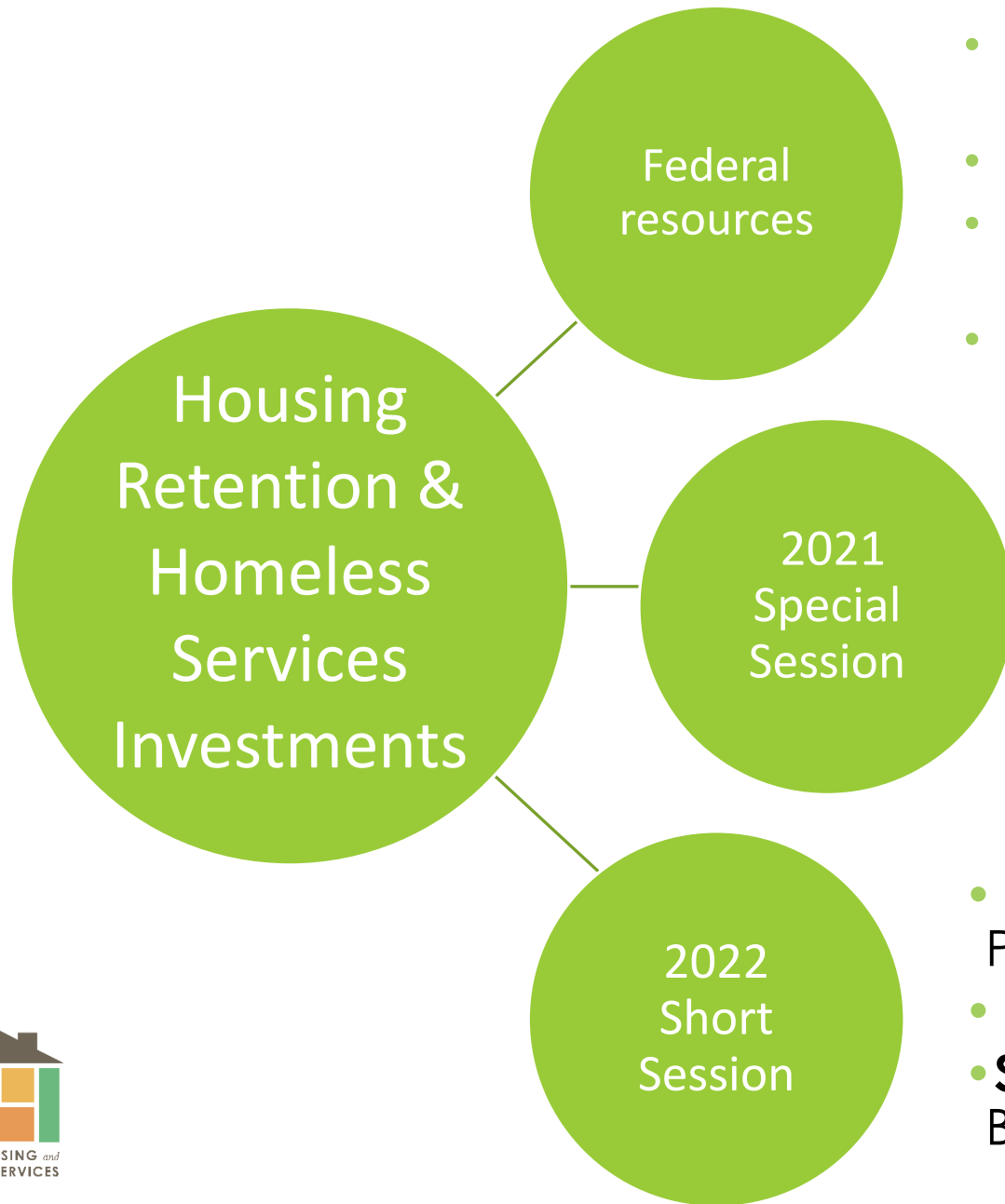
Remaining Funds Spend Down Plan:

- OHCS has open the recertification process to OERAP applicants who received 11 months or fewer of rental assistance, but still need support
 - Approx. 6,000 households have either initiated or submitted their recertifications thus far, with an average request of ~\$3,200 per household



Housing Retention: Rental Assistance & Eviction Prevention and Homeless Services





- **\$204.3 million** Emergency rental assistance via Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021
- **\$156.5 million** via ARPA
- **\$17.2 million** of ERA 1 reallocated from low performing grantees
- **\$56 million** ESG-CV funding via CARES Act

- **\$100 million** for the Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program
- **\$100 million** for Eviction Prevention

- **\$30 million** Homelessness Prevention/ Eviction Prevention
- **\$50 million** Homeless Services
- **\$500k** Interagency Council on Homelessness & Built for Zero

Eviction Prevention Funding Strategy



4 PILLARS OF HOUSING RETENTION

The four pillars of housing retention, centering equity and racial justice, are cited as best practices in eviction prevention. Flexible funding allows each household to access support through a trusted local provider.

Eviction Prevention: Funding Deployment

Case Management

100% of case management specific funds have been deployed.

Mediation Services

All mediation services funds will be deployed by July 2022.

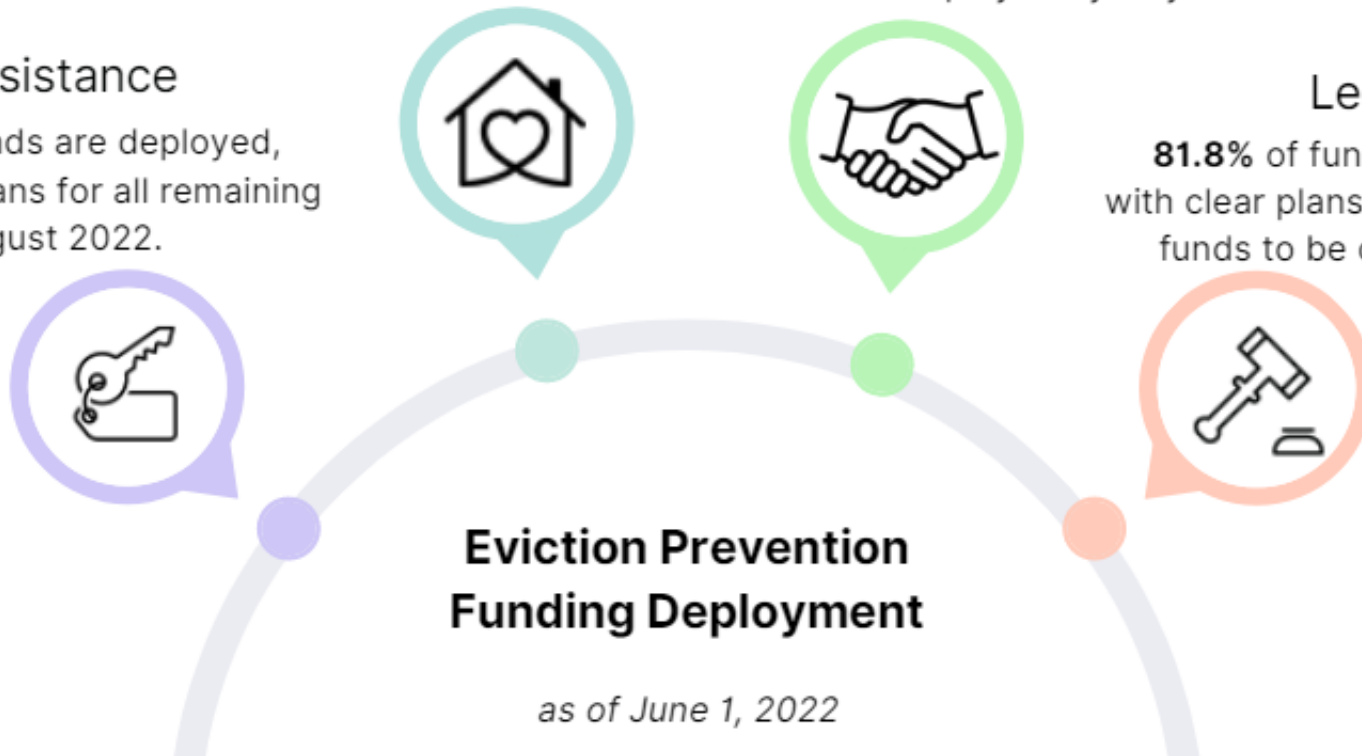
Rental Assistance

84.6% of funds are deployed, with clear plans for all remaining funds by August 2022.

Legal Services

81.8% of funds are deployed, with clear plans for all remaining funds to be deployed by July 2022.

Includes \$100 million in funding from the December Special Session & \$30 million in Homelessness Prevention/Eviction Prevention funding from 2022 Short Session.

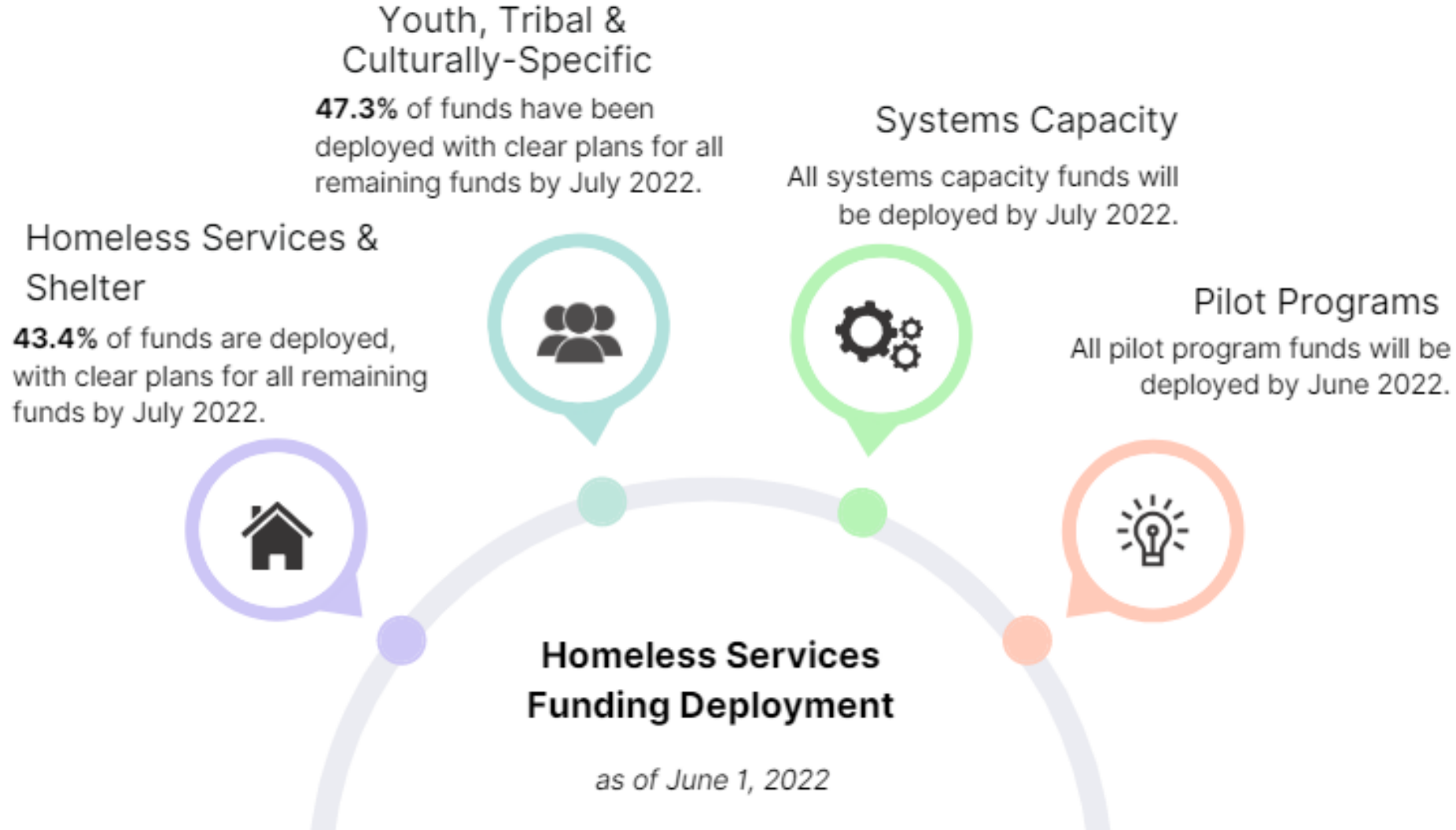


Homeless Services: Funding Strategy



Homeless Services: Funding Deployment

\$50 million in Homelessness Services funding from 2022 Short Session.



Key Takeaways

OERAP has kept Oregonians housed during the height of the pandemic while still undergoing continuous improvement.

Oregon's Eviction Prevention system is a key element in ensuring housing stability and preventing homelessness in Oregon.

There is a clear need for long term rental assistance and supportive services.

Oregon must increase and preserve our affordable housing supply to end our state's housing and homelessness crisis.



Questions