



Oregon Housing & Community Services

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Introductions

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2023-25 Legislative Agenda: guiding principles

- This is the last legislative agenda informed by the current Statewide Housing Plan.
- Push proven investments that are sustainable, resilient, systemic, & upstream.
- Acknowledge and accept accountability for government's role in creating & exacerbating housing disparities among communities of color and other marginalized communities.



**Breaking
New Ground**
OREGON'S STATEWIDE HOUSING PLAN

2019-2023

2023-25 Legislative Agenda Engagement



- OHCS engaged with partners to develop draft agenda by:
 - Presenting to Oregon's Housing Stability Council and bringing them into agenda development conversations
 - Hosting three webinars to introduce concepts for the Affordable Rental Housing, Homeownership, and Housing Stabilization Divisions.
 - Holding English and Spanish listening sessions on Training and Technical Assistance.
 - Joining existing stakeholder tables to discuss agency plans, including but not limited to the Housing Alliance, Housing Oregon, Oregon Preservation Network
- Conducting surveys and using feedback to improve the agenda
 - the entire draft legislative agenda
 - Training and Technical Assistance investment

2023-25 Agency Request Budget



AGENCYWIDE

Total Investment Requests: \$20.17M

Training, Technical Assistance, & Language Access Resources (POP 103) - \$20.17M

Provides targeted supports, resources, and/or capacity-building activities to community-based organizations, partners, Tribal partners, and stakeholders focused on a many specialized services, including skill building and training, and activities to support organizational health. Investment will support translation services and language access agency assessment to improve reach of OHCS programs.





AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING

Total Investment Requests: \$421.75M

Local Innovation Fast Track (LIFT) Rental Resources (POP 105) | \$160M

To develop new affordable rental homes for historically underserved communities, including rural areas and communities of color.

Affordable Housing Preservation Package (POP 107) | \$175M

Supports the preservation of Oregon's existing housing.

Permanent Supportive Housing (POP 104) | \$76.75M

Housing development funds coupled with resources for supportive services and rental assistance.

“CARE” — Co-location of Affordable Rental Housing and Early Care & Education (POP 114) | \$20M

Expands opportunities to co-locate affordable housing and early care and education needs, addressing two critical issues in every Oregon community.

Land Acquisition Program (POP 111) | \$10M

Allows eligible entities to purchase the land quickly while it is available.





HOMEOWNERSHIP

Total Investment Requests: \$128M

Local Innovation Fast Track (LIFT) Homeownership Program (POP 105) | \$40M

To develop new affordable homes for historically underserved communities, including rural areas and communities of color.

Affordable Homeownership Development Program (POP 109) | \$25M

Funds the construction of affordable homes for purchase.

Down Payment Assistance with OHCS Lending (POP 116) | \$20M

Adds additional funds to the down payment assistance resource.

Homeowner Protection Program: Assistance to Homeowners & Counseling Resources (POP 113) | \$15M

Creates a long-term state-funded mortgage relief program to provide long-term protection and financing for fixed-income homeowners in Oregon at risk of foreclosure.

Resources for Homeowners of Manufactured Housing (POP 108) | \$8M

Continues funding programs that help homeowners of manufactured homes improve their living conditions.





HOUSING STABILIZATION

Total Investment Requests: \$205.7M

Shelter for Oregonians & Data (HMIS) Improvement (POP 106) | \$71.4M

Improves utilization of Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) by increasing the number of partners utilizing HMIS, improving reporting capabilities, connection to other data sets, and our ability to evaluate programs and measure statewide outcomes.

Keeping Oregonians in their Homes (POP 110) | \$60.3M

Extends one-time investments to build a more robust housing retention system that ensures Oregonians remain stably housed. Includes local rental assistance funds, legal services, mediation services, support for culturally responsive organizations.

Long Term Youth Rental Assistance (POP 115) | \$39M

Expands the [House Bill 2163](#) pilot program to establish a long-term statewide rental assistance program supporting individuals younger than 25-years-old who are transitioning out of foster care, homelessness, behavioral health or treatment facilities, corrections, or detention facilities.

Individual Development Account (IDA) Investment (POP 117) | \$35M

Increases investments in the existing and impactful IDA Initiative.



Legislative Concepts



AGENCYWIDE

LC 550: Statutory Clean-Up Bill

- Ensures tribal access to OHCS funds
- Streamlines rulemaking and procurement process
- Includes other technical fixes, full bill is posted on OHCS' website



DISASTER RECOVERY & RESILIENCE

LC 558: Supporting Housing Recovery After Disasters

- Removes redundancies in emergency programs
- Expands procurement authority to support rebuilding efforts



Legislative Concepts



HOMEOWNERSHIP

LC 560: Manufactured Housing Dispute Resolution and Tenant Legal Aid

- Extends committee and grant making authority



HOUSING STABILIZATION

LC 562: Placeholder for homelessness recommendations

- Task Force on Homelessness and Racial Disparities
- Interagency Council on Homelessness

Legislative Concepts



AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING

LC 555: Private Activity Bonds (PAB) for Affordable Housing

- Provides coordination for PAB housing resources through OHCS
- Ends the "blackout period" that delays housing developments

LC 554: Mixed-income Housing Development Statue Correction

- Expands OHCS ability to fund affordable homes in more developments



Questions?

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