



Emergency Homelessness Response Update

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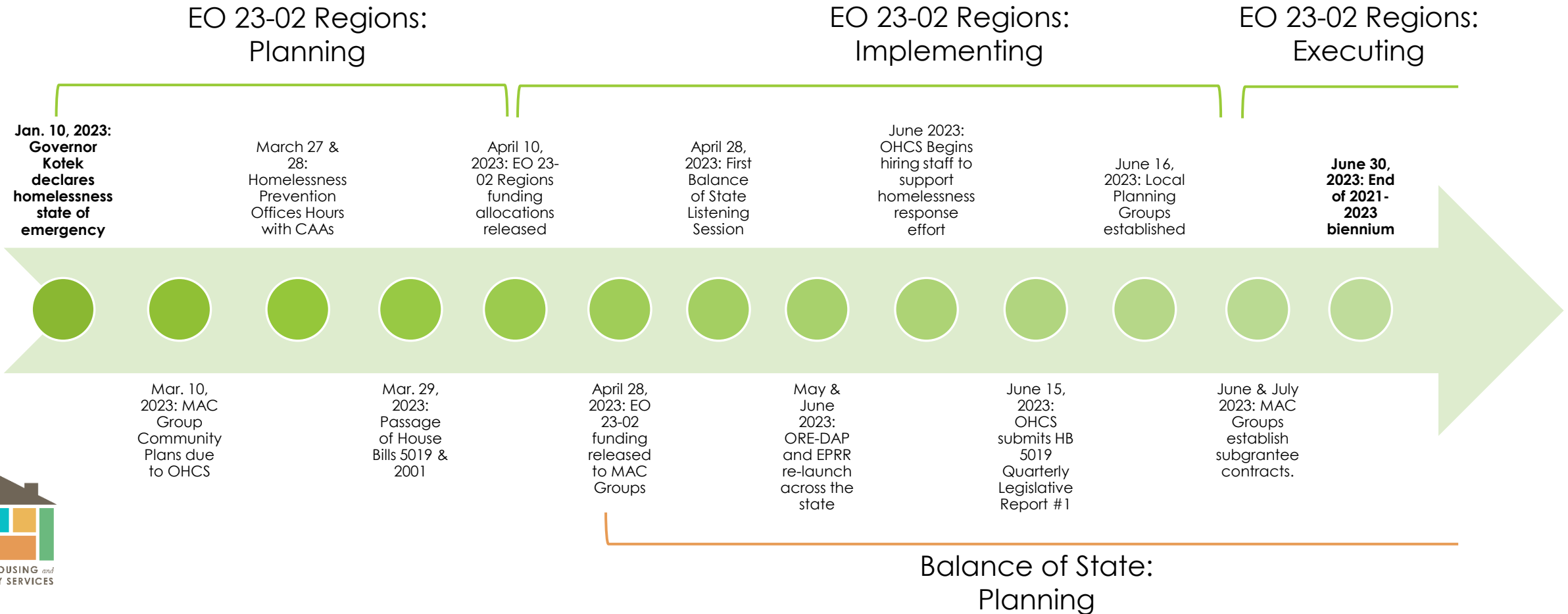
Introductions

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Emergency Response Timeline

(January 2023- June 2023)

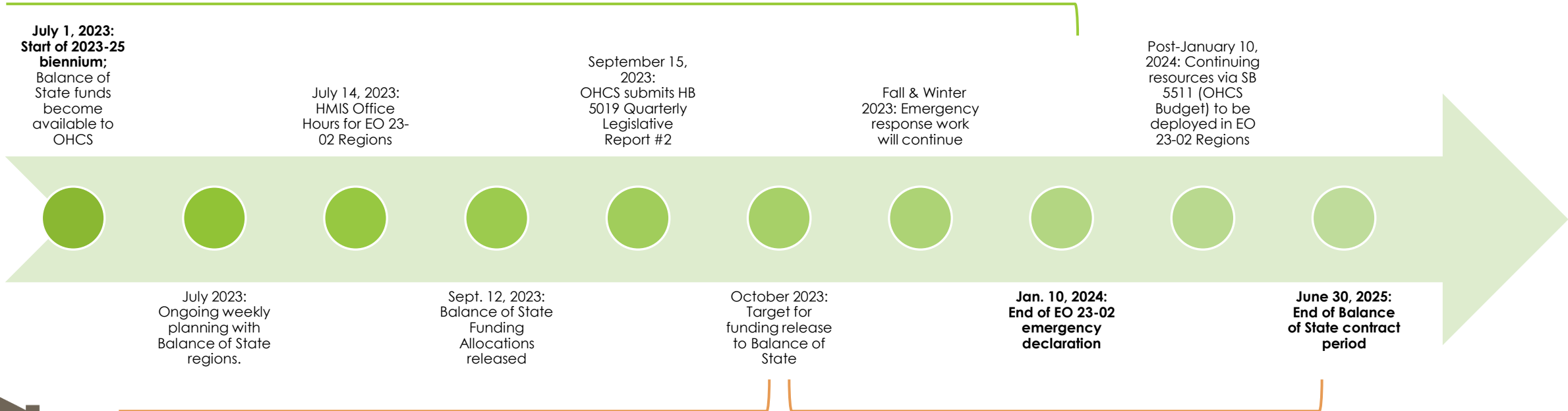


OREGON HOUSING and COMMUNITY SERVICES

Emergency Response Timeline

(July 2023- June 2025)

EO 23-02 Regions: Executing



Balance of State:
Planning

Balance of State:
Implementing & Executing



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Emergency Homelessness Response Funding

Investment	Purpose	Early Session	End of Session	Regions
\$85.2 million	Create 600 new shelter beds & rehouse 1,200 households by Jan. 10, 2024	HB 5019		EO 23-02 Designated Regions
\$45.8 million	Continue operation of the 600 new shelter beds for remainder of 23-25 biennium		SB 5511	
\$17.5 million	Maintain unit access for 1,200 households that were rehoused through block leasing and other supports for remainder of 23-25 biennium		SB 5511	
\$39.7 million	Maintain rehousing efforts for 1,200 households through rental assistance and other services for remainder of 23-25 biennium		SB 5511	
\$2.3 million	Maintain local service provider staffing for remainder of 23-25 biennium to support outreach to people experiencing homelessness & navigation to shelter		SB 5511	
\$27.4 million	Create 100 new shelter beds & rehouse 450 households by June 30, 2025	HB 5019		Balance of State
\$39 million w/ 25% CSO set aside	In Special Purpose Appropriation (SPA) to continue rehousing efforts for remainder of 23-25 biennium		SB 5506	
\$33.6 million	Prevent homelessness for 8,750 households by Jan. 10, 2024	HB 5019		Statewide
\$55 million w/ 30% CSO set aside	Prevent homelessness for remainder of 23-25 biennium		SB 5511	
\$4.1 million	Support OHCS & ODEM emergency response capacity	HB 5019		

Outcomes & Accountability

Outcomes & Data tracking: MAC groups in EO 23-02 Regions report on outcomes to OHCS monthly. Upon contracting, Local Planning Groups will also report monthly..

Accountability: OHCS closely monitors performance measures and is prepared to ensure accountability for state resources. Technical assistance is also available to both EO 23-02 Regions and Local Planning Groups to address local challenges.

Transparency: OHCS will be reporting quarterly on regional outcomes of the Emergency Homelessness Response effort to the Legislature through January 30, 2025.

A white house-shaped icon with a dark grey outline, containing text about preventing homelessness.

Prevent
8,750
households
from becoming
homeless statewide

A dark grey icon of a bed with a person lying on it.

Add
600 low-barrier
shelter beds
in emergency areas

EO 23-02 Regions: Shelter & Rehousing

- House Bill 5019 allocated \$85.2 million to create **600** new shelter beds & rehouse **1,200** households by **January 10, 2024**
- MAC groups were encouraged to engage with culturally specific/responsive service providers and disproportionately impacted groups across their region
- All House Bill 5019 funds have been deployed from OHCS to MAC groups.

EO 23-02 Regions: Funding, Goals & Reporting

Region	Shelter bed creation goal	Shelter beds created by 7/31/22	Rehousing Goal	Households rehoused by 7/31/23	Final Allocation
OR-500 - Eugene/Springfield/Lane County	230	0	247	18	\$15,514,697
OR-501 - Portland/Gresham/Mult. County	138	0**	186	0	\$15,488,728
OR-502 - Medford, Ashland/Jackson County	67	13	133	2	\$8,802,686
OR-503 - Central Oregon	111	60	186	4	\$14,724,565
OR-504 - Salem/Marion, Polk Counties	79	15	182	11	\$11,260,019
OR-506 - Hillsboro/Beaverton/Wash. County	61	0	121	5	\$7,994,011
OR-507 - Clackamas County CoC	-	0	170	0	\$5,415,294
Total	686	88	1225	40	\$79,200,000

Note: OHCS set aside \$3 million for the Housing Choice Landlord Guarantee Program, which was expanded by HB 3417 (2023), and \$3 million in flexible funds to ensure EO 23-02 goals are met.

***A new shelter opened in Portland in July 2023, which will host 138 safe rest pods, due to reporting lags it was not captured in this dataset.*



Rehouse at least
450 unsheltered households

Add
100 low-barrier shelter beds



Balance of State: Planning

- House Bill 5019 allocated \$26.135 million to create **100** new shelter beds & rehouse **450** households by **June 30, 2025**.
- OHCS conducted Listening Sessions with communities across the Balance of State beginning in April 2023, which informed funding structure
- Regions divided into 16 Local Planning Groups (LPGs) in June 2023 and each group submitted a Community Plan in July 2023
- OHCS contracting technical assistance for MAC groups and Local Planning Groups (best practices, community engagement, shelter standup, etc.)

Balance of State: Funding

- House Bill 5019 funds for the Balance of State became available to OHCS in July 2023
- Based on feedback from local communities, OHCS sought alignment in allowable uses between EO 23-02 Regions and LPGs
- OHCS reviewed them in conjunction with AOC, LOC, and Rural Oregon Continuum of Care (ROCC) staff to score the top projects.
- Funding allocated via dual approach:
 1. Formula funding tied to rehousing goals for each Local Planning Group (LPG)
 2. Competitive funding to support shelter bed creation
- 29 Shelter proposals submitted with a total funding request amount of **\$37,185,598**
- Funding release for Balance of State targeted for October 2023.



Local Planning Groups: Funding & Goals

Region	Shelter Bed Creation Goal	Shelter Allocation	Rehousing Goal	Rehousing Allocation
Benton County	50	\$1,175,224	31	\$1,266,459
Clatsop County	22	\$1,250,000	33	\$1,336,732
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Columbia County (CAT)	0	---	20	\$867,453
Coos County	8	\$642,020	32	\$1,285,799
Curry County	0	---	14	\$594,904
Douglas County (UCAN)	0	---	34	\$1,423,672
Hood River, Wasco, and Sherman Counties	34	\$664,278	29	\$1,250,734
Josephine County (UCAN)	16	\$799,029	31	\$1,239,691
Klamath, Lake Counties (KLCAS)	0	---	38	\$1,458,458
Lincoln County	70	\$193,954	16	\$662,225
Linn County	30	\$667,268	32	\$1,311,666
Malheur-Harney County	0	---	34	\$1,270,412
Tillamook County	20	\$266,183	12	\$503,222
Umatilla, Morrow, Wheeler & Gilliam Counties (CAPECO)	25	\$627,200	40	\$1,493,276
Wallowa, Union, Baker & Grant Counties (CCNO)	0	---	33	\$1,210,754
Yamhill County (YCAP)	14	\$378,000	21	\$946,386
Total	347	\$7,913,156	450	\$18,121,844

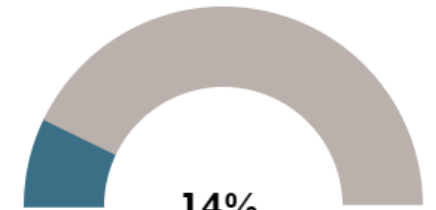
Statewide Homelessness Prevention

To prevent **8,750** evictions statewide, House Bill 5019 allocated \$33.6 million to be delivered via:

1. Oregon Eviction Diversion and Prevention Program (ORE-DAP)
 - Administered regionally by Community Action Agencies (CAAs) to support households at risk of eviction
2. Eviction Prevention Rapid Response Program (EPRR)
 - Centrally administered by OHCS' contractor in partnership with Oregon Law Center's [Eviction Defense Project](#) to support with rapid response rental assistance payments to Oregon households with eviction court summons/dates



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in emergency areas



14%
Current Prevention Progress

Prevented 1,261 households
from experiencing homelessness to date

(as of July 31, 2023)

Next Steps

- ❑ OHCS will work to finalize contracts and release funding to Local Planning Groups in the Balance of State.
- ❑ Ongoing technical assistance for both EO 23-02 regions and Local Planning Groups.
- ❑ Ongoing delivery of homelessness prevention programs statewide.
- ❑ Further engagement to inform funding allocations for Senate Bill 5511 (OHCS Budget) continuing funds — no decisions made.



Key Takeaways

- Oregon's Emergency Homelessness Response effort is supporting additional coordination between the State and local governments and in local communities leading to meaningful results. We will continue to see results in the coming months.
- Ongoing operational support for shelters will continue to be a need across Oregon.
- Oregon must invest homelessness prevention to prevent homelessness before it happens.
- Alongside homelessness prevention and response, Oregon must continue to invest in housing production.



Questions?



Emergency Homelessness Response

Rehousing overview



Homelessness is, at its root, a housing problem. An effective and compassionate response to homelessness at the systems level must devote significant attention and resources to securing housing placements for those living outside and supporting those households to maintain their housing through several types of assistance. By providing a range of critical supports, rapid rehousing programs offer quick transitions into secure, stable housing and address underlying factors contributing to the experience of homelessness.

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Total	1225	40

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Rehousing overview

Local Planning Group Funding Allocations: Rehousing Goals

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Shelter capacity overview



Oregon has had a historically high rate of unsheltered homelessness. The 2022 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report to Congress states that Oregon has the fourth highest rate of unsheltered homelessness; in Oregon, 62% of people experiencing homelessness are unsheltered, demonstrating that additional shelter capacity is needed. There are an estimated 18,000 people experiencing homelessness in Oregon and just under 5,200 year-round shelter beds to serve them, according to 2022 federal data.

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Total	686	88

* The state did not award shelter funds to Clackamas County.

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Statewide Homelessness Prevention



Dedicated prevention efforts that keep individuals and families from losing their homes are cost-effective means to address and reduce homelessness across the state. House Bill 5019 allocated a total of \$33.6 million to support homelessness prevention efforts via two pre-existing programs: the Oregon Eviction Diversion and Prevention (ORE-DAP) program and the Eviction Prevention Rapid Response (EPRR) program.

These resources are being deployed to fund rent assistance and other eviction prevention services with the goal of preventing 8,750 households from becoming homeless.



Combined, these efforts have prevented 1,261 households from experiencing homelessness (through July 31, 2023).

Oregon Eviction Diversion and Prevention Program (ORE-DAP)

The ORE-DAP program assists Oregonians with low incomes at risk of eviction or homelessness. This program was launched in 2021 and is administered statewide by Community Action Agencies (CAAs) and/or their subgrantees who provide local rental assistance while partnering with providers of other critical eviction and housing-related resources, such as legal services and other wraparound interventions, to support households facing eviction.

With 80% of Homelessness Prevention funding being dedicated to ORE-DAP, grantees are expected to support people in maintaining housing stability by preventing evictions for 7,000 Oregonians, or 80% of Oregon's Emergency Homelessness Response total prevention goal. Through July 31, 2023, the ORE-DAP program has served 1,261 households

Eviction Prevention Rapid Response (EPRR) Program

Anticipation of increased eviction activity following the expiration of safe harbor protections enacted during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic spurred the creation of the EPRR program to provide one "front door" access point for eviction prevention assistance across Oregon. In partnership with the Oregon Law Center's Eviction Defense Project, the program provides rapid resources in response to a pending eviction in conjunction with other housing stability supports such as legal services and case management.

With 20% of Homelessness Prevention funding being dedicated to EPRR, OHCS will be working to prevent evictions for 1,750 Oregonians statewide, or 20% of Oregon's Emergency Homelessness Response total homelessness prevention goal. Through July 31, 2023, the EPRR program has paid out over \$111,000 in rapid response support to 45 households.

ORE-DAP Goals

The table below outlines funding allocated to each CAA, its corresponding homelessness prevention goal, and the number of evictions prevented through July 31, 2023.

Community Action Agency (CAA)	Service area	ORE-DAP total funding	Prevention goal	Households served by 7/31/23
ACCESS	Jackson County	\$1,479,412	385	34
Community Action Organization (CAO)	Washington County	\$2,584,964	673	76
Community Action Partnership of East Central Oregon (CAPECO)	Umatilla, Gilliam, Morrow & Wheeler Counties	\$459,476	120	39
Community Action Team (CAT)	Clatsop, Columbia & Tillamook Counties	\$742,181	193	88
Community Connection of NE Oregon (CCNO)	Baker, Grant, Union & Wallowa	\$359,479	94	33
Clackamas County Social Services (CCSD)	Clackamas County	\$1,883,236	490	65
Community in Action (CINA)	Malheur & Harney Counties	\$270,028	70	30
Community Services Consortium (CSC)	Lincoln, Linn & Benton Counties	\$1,772,158	461	136
Klamath and Lake Community Action Services (KLCAS)	Klamath, Lake, and Curry Counties	\$766,727	200	0
Lane County Human Services (LCHHS)	Lane County	\$2,843,772	741	22
Mid-Columbia Community Action Council (MCCAC)	Hood River, Sherman & Wasco Counties	\$284,838	74	0
Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency (MWVCAA)	Marion and Polk Counties	\$ 2,560,310	667	107
Multnomah County Dept. of Human Services, Youth & Family Services Division	Multnomah County	\$ 5,474,036	1,426	295
Neighbor Impact	Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties	\$1,358,798	354	78
Oregon Human Development Corporation (OHDC)	Serves under-served communities, including Hispanic/Latinx community & Agricultural workers	\$1,607,860	419	0
United Community Action Network (UCAN)	Douglas, Josephine, and Coos Counties	\$1,898,806	494	193
Yamhill Community Action Partnership (YCAP)	Yamhill County	\$ 533,920	139	20
Total		\$26,880,001	7000	1334