

Emergency Homelessness Response

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.

House Bill 5019 allocated \$85.2 million for both shelter and rehousing efforts with goals to create 600 new shelter beds by January 10, 2024, in the regions designated by EO 23-02 and \$26.135 million to create 100 new shelter beds across the Rural Oregon Continuum of Care (ROCC) by June 30, 2025.

Add
600 low-barrier shelter beds
in emergency areas

Add
100 low-barrier shelter beds
within the Balance of State

EO 23-02 Regions: Shelter Capacity Goals

All HB 5019 funds have been deployed from OHCS to Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) groups.

Region	Shelter bed creation goal	Shelter beds created by 7/31/22
OR-500 - Eugene/Springfield/Lane County	230	0
OR-501 - Portland/Gresham/Multnomah County	138	0**
OR-502 - Medford, Ashland/Jackson County	67	13
OR-503 - Central Oregon	111	60
OR-504 - Salem/Marion, Polk Counties	79	15
OR-506 - Hillsboro/Beaverton/Washington County	61	0
OR-507 - Clackamas County CoC*	-	-
Total	686	88

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

** 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.

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Local Planning Group Funding Allocations: Shelter Capacity Goals

To engage additional providers and increase coordination at the local level, OHCS has required Local Planning Groups to be established throughout all geographic regions of the ROCC. Shelter funds were allocated on a competitive basis throughout the Balance of State communities. The funding release for Balance of State is targeted for October 2023.

Region	Shelter bed creation goal	Shelter Allocation
Benton County	50	\$1,175,224
Clatsop County 1	22	\$1,250,000
Clatsop County 2	58	\$1,250,000
Columbia County (CAT)	0	---
Coos County	8	\$642,020
Curry County	0	---
Douglas County (UCAN)	0	---
Hood River, Wasco, and Sherman Counties	34	\$664,278
Josephine County (UCAN)	16	\$799,029
Klamath, Lake Counties (KLCAS)	0	---
Lincoln County	70	\$193,954
Linn County	30	\$667,268
Malheur-Harney County	0	---
Tillamook County	20	\$266,183
Umatilla, Morrow, Wheeler & Gilliam Counties (CAPECO)	25	\$627,200
Wallowa, Union, Baker & Grant Counties (CCNO)	0	---
Yamhill County (YCAP)	14	\$378,000
Total	347	\$7,913,156