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> Joint Task Force on Addressing Racial Disparities in Home Ownership

Final Report and Recommendations

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Joint Task Force on Addressing Racial Disparities in Home Ownership (JARDHO)

- Established in 2021 by HB 2007, by a combined vote of 80-8
- The first iteration of JARDHO was established in 2018 (HB 4010)
- "The Task Force was charged with proposing solutions, including legislation, to eliminate discrimination and other barriers that prevent homeownership among people of color in Oregon."

16 members

- Two Senators: Co-chair Senator Manning, Senator Knopp
- Two Representatives: Co-chair Representative Ruiz, Representative Weber
- 15 community members representing homeownership support or development organizations, culturally specific organizations, financial institutions, and lived experience with barriers to homeownership
- One ex-officio member from Oregon Housing and Community Services

Why was JARDHO created by the Legislature?

Persistent gaps in homeownership rates between white households and Black, Indigenous, and People of Color households are a major source of inequality and wealth disparity in Oregon.

Oregon 2021 Homeownership Rate

White, non-hispanic	67.3%
Asian	61.2%
Hispanic	47.9%
Black	40.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native	40.5%

Source: Oregon Office of Economic Analysis

JARDHO Recommendations – Enacted & Partially enacted in 2023

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3	Down Payment Assistance (DPA) - Funding - Remove barriers for ITIN borrowers	Partially enacted	\$7.5M in SB 5511 JARDHO recommended \$35M ITIN barriers not addressed
4	Homeownership Organization Funding and Capacity	Not enacted	HB 3487, HB 3488
5	Education and Financial Literacy	Not enacted	HB 3487, HB 3488
6	Appraiser Training and Education Requirements	Enacted	SB 702
7	Fair Housing Law Enforcement and Awareness	Not enacted	HB 3488
8	Supply Incentive Tax Credit	Not enacted	
9	Special Purpose Credit Program to serve ITIN borrowers	Not enacted	HB 3492
10	Housing Production for Homeownership - LIFT bonds - General Fund to allow \$200K/unit subsidy - Pre-development funding - Land acquisition fund - Innovation fund	Partially enacted	\$90M LIFT bonds in SB 5506 \$5M General Fund in SB 5506 More GF needed to pair with LIFT No action taken on: • Pre-development funding; • Land acquisition fund; • Innovation fund
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 Resolve mortgage barriers faced by ITIN borrowers

 Production of new homeownership units