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# Housing Accountability and Production Office

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#### Housing Accountability and Production Office (HAPO)







DLCD and Building Codes Division (DCBS) Joint Office

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Purpose: Supporting developers and cities to boost housing production

Approach: Collaboration first, enforcement last

#### What We Do:



Ensure local land use codes and decisions meet state law



Technical assistance & funding for local governments



Research & guidance to reduce barriers to production (model code & 'permit-ready' plans)

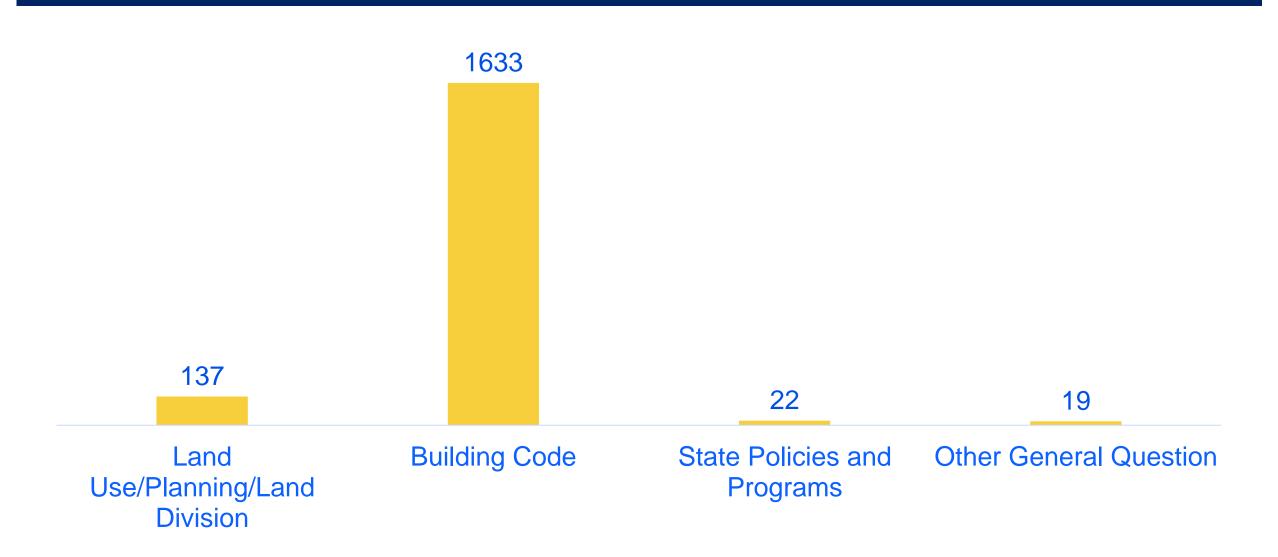
#### **Inquiries and Complaints**



As of July 1st, 2025,
HAPO can receive and
respond to inquiries,
requests, and
complaints through the
Inquiry Intake Form



#### **Total Inquiries**



#### **Inquiry Perspective: Local Government**



#### **HAPO Role: Technical and Financial Assistance**

- Local jurisdiction had not implemented middle housing land divisions in code
- HAPO provided technical assistance to jurisdiction to effectively implement the law
- HAPO also funded a code update project to conform with the law
- By the end of year, HAPO will publish model code any city may use to comply with HB 2138

Middle Housing Land Division (ORS 92.031)

#### **Inquiry Perspective: Developer**



Examples of middle housing legalized by state law – images taken by staff

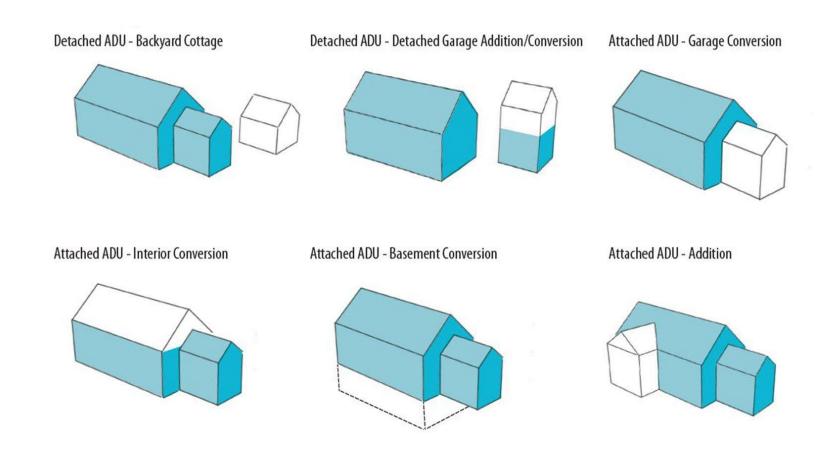
#### HAPO Role: Resource on Housing Laws

- Permit and Zone Change Support
- Middle Housing Technical Assistance
- By-right Affordable Housing Technical Assistance
- Housing Law Violation Complaint

#### HAPO Role: Navigate Barriers to Production

- State Agency Navigation Support
- Leveraging State Resources and Funding

### Inquiry Perspective: Property Owner



## **Before HAPO: Challenge** to Implement & Build

- Primary means of housing law compliance - appeal/case law
- ADUs: Kamps-Hughes vs. Eugene
- Lack of clarity for parking/owner occupancy
- Local Governments: local codes vulnerable to legal challenge; no support to fix
- Property Owners: siting additional units onerous; issues require legal counsel.

#### **Inquiry Perspective: Property Owner**



Example of local permit-ready plan program (image courtesy of Bend)

### HAPO Role: Support Effective Implementation

- Model Code to streamline housing siting (SB 1564) includes ADUs/plexes
- Support DLCD and BCD in:
  - ADU, Manufactured, & Prefab Rulemaking (HB 2138)
  - Oregon Homes (HB 2258)
- Support and fund local code work to reduce barriers to ADUs
- Outreach to industry professionals to connect with property owners
- Provide support to property owners on state law – housing law and navigation one-stop

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