

OREGON HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Budget Reductions



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OHCS AGENCY BUDGET REDUCTIONS

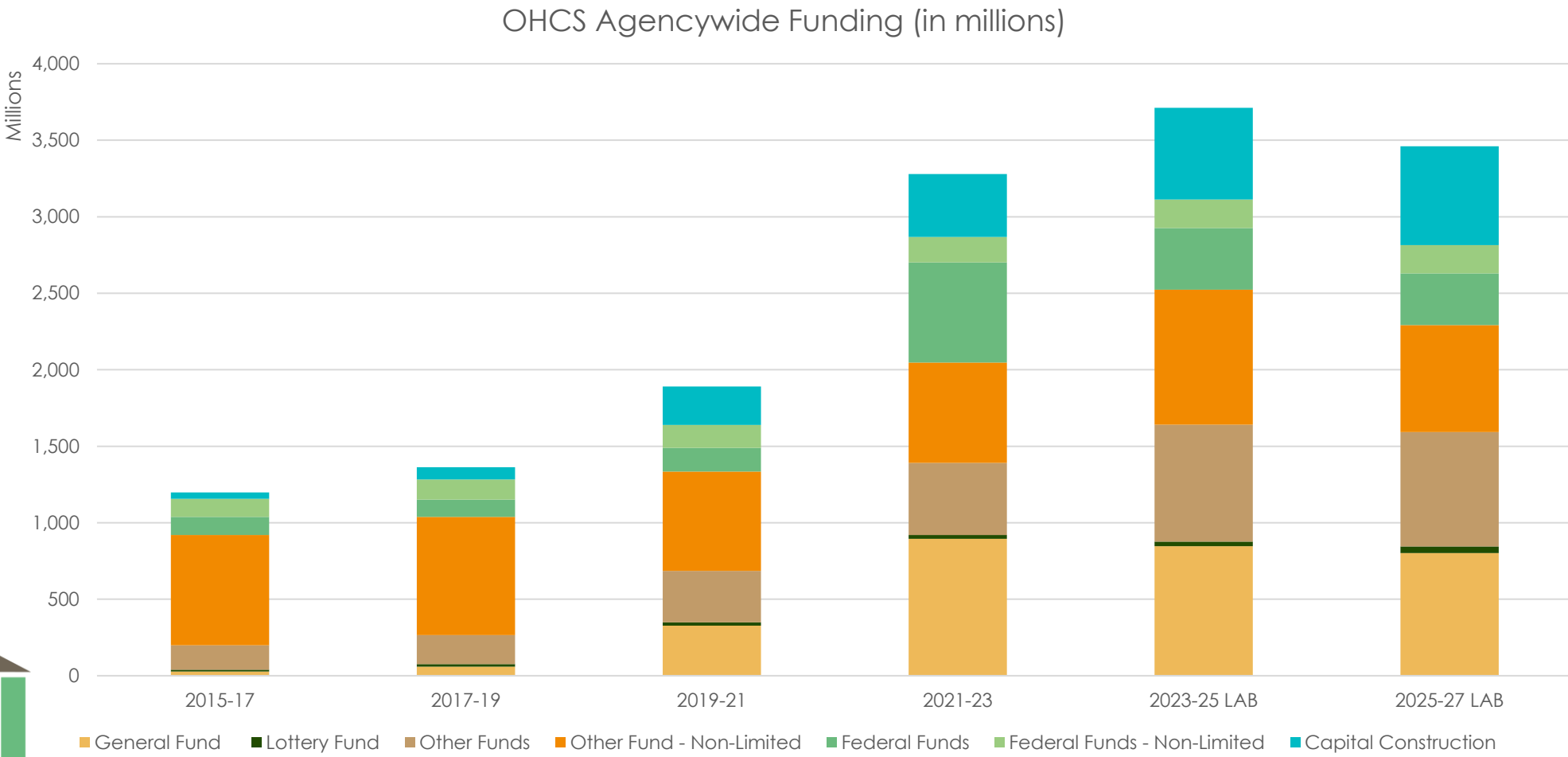
Mission

To provide stable and affordable housing and engage leaders to develop an integrated statewide policy that addresses poverty and provides opportunities for Oregonians.



Working together to serve individuals, families,
and communities throughout Oregon

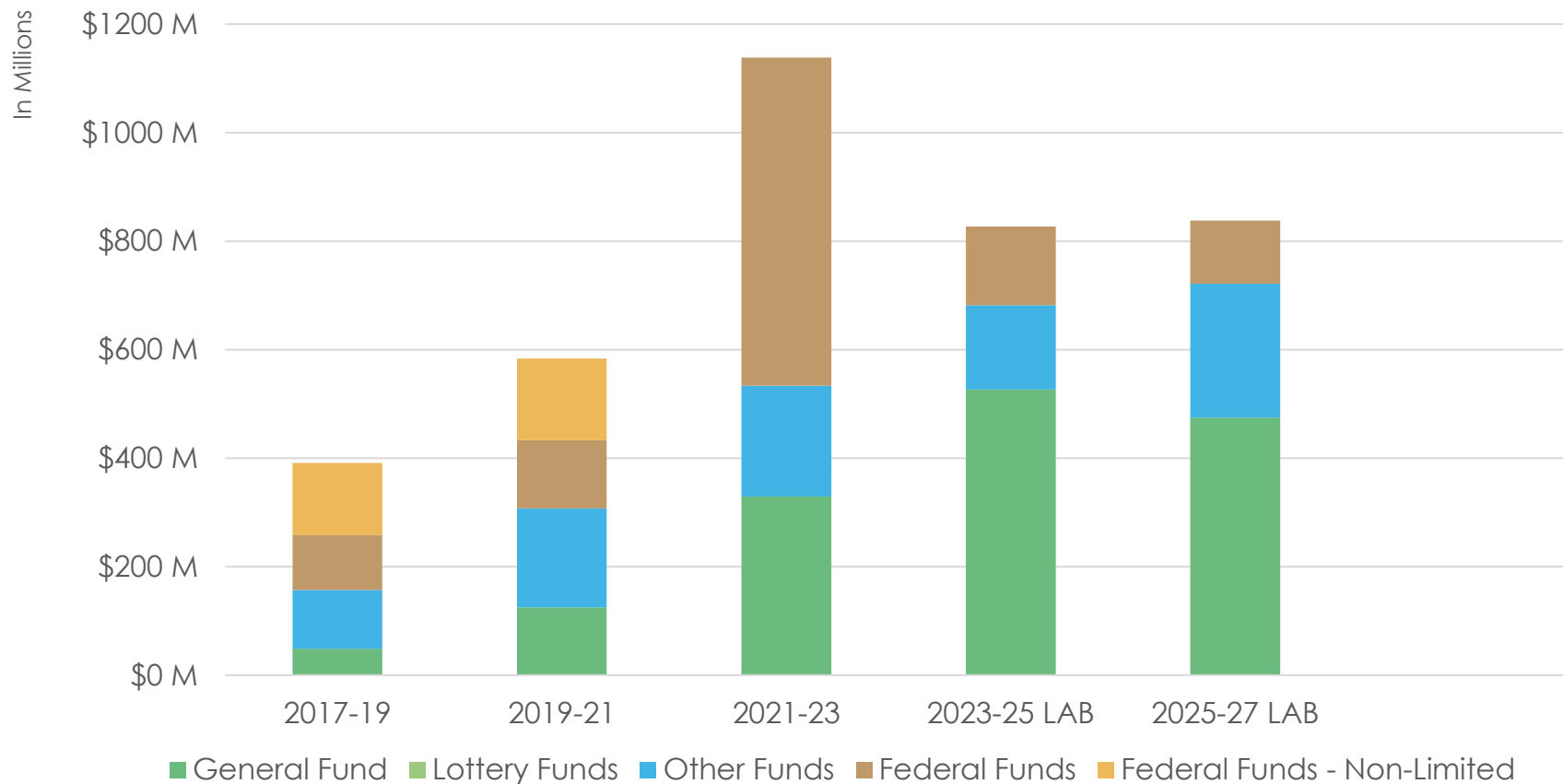
10 Years At-a-glance



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Housing Stabilization Programs Funding

Housing
Stabilization
Division
administers 90%
of General
Fund special
pays



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Legislatively Adopted Budget (LAB) Goals

- Continue expanding OHCS' work and the tools to support even more Oregonians
- Center underserved communities
- Maintain work started/expanded through executive orders to ensure Oregon does not lose ground on shelter and re-housing initiatives
- Encourage more affordable housing development



Preserving Key Programs

- Shelter
- Re-housing
- Eviction prevention
- Tribal grant
- Emergency Housing Account
- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program improvement
- Agriculture worker rollover funding
- Down Payment Assistance

25-27 General Fund Programs By Division

Programs with reductions are highlighted

Housing Stabilization	LAB Amount	Affordable Rental Housing	LAB Amount	Homeownership	LAB Amount
Shelter	204.9M	Senior Housing Development Initiative	24M	Down Payment Assistance	3.9M
Re-housing	50.3M	Permanent Supportive Housing Rent Assistance/ Services	33.5M	Foreclosure avoidance counseling	2M
Eviction prevention	33.6M	Agriculture worker rollover funding	10M - Fully Committed	Manufactured Home Replacement Program	2M
State Homeless Assistance Program	13.2M	Housing Development Center award	3.3M	Technical assistance and language access	1.4M
Emergency Housing Account	31.5M				
Long-term Rental Assistance	87.4M				
Elderly Rental Assistance	1.5M				
Tribal grant	10M				

Reduction List - General Funds

First 2.5%

Program	General Fund Reduction Amount	Description
Combined vacancy savings	\$569,477	Savings from holding positions vacant until January 2026 and not filling two positions
Senior housing technical assistance	\$243,200	House Bill 2589 technical assistance funding
Community housing supporting agriculture employees	\$2,000,000	Carry forward previously spent funds, no longer need the funds this biennium
Housing Development Center Award	\$3,300,000	Senate Bill 51 direct award for property management and asset management training
Long-term Rental Assistance (LTRA)	\$3,870,000	Freeze number of LTRA issued vouchers at 2023-2025 biennium levels
Senior Housing Development Initiative	\$3,759,225	Fewer senior units developed

Reduction List - General Funds

Second 2.5%

Program	General Fund Reduction Amount	Description
Vacancy savings	\$272,444	Vacancies held until mid-2026
Homeownership language access/community engagement	\$775,000	Reduces language access support and engagement funding
Administrative and contracting	\$1,135,831	Reduces administrative and contracting budget
Senior Housing Development Initiative	\$1,240,775	Technical assistance and development dollars
Long-term Rental Assistance	\$3,300,000	Freeze number of LTRA issued vouchers at 2023-2025 biennium levels - roughly 130 families would not receive assistance
Oregon Foreclosure Avoidance Program	\$2,000,000	Cancel foreclosure avoidance contracts
Manufactured Home Replacement Program	\$1,500,000	Reduce expected homes replaced from 20 to five
Elderly Rental Assistance Program	\$1,511,052	477 households would not receive assistance
State Homeless Assistance Program	\$2,000,000	4,024 households not being served by SHAP

Reduction List Goals

OHCS focused on:

- Minimizing disruption to the everyday lives of Oregonians
- Delivering on vital commitments made to make life better and more affordable for all Oregonians
- Maintaining the value and vibrancy of rural Oregon



OHCS Reduction List Process

Overarching Principle	Prioritized Reduction Option Criteria
<p>Proportional reductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5% reduction to agency operating funds• 5% reduction to General Fund special pays	<p>Eliminate administrative expenses and delay hiring</p> <p>Reduce excess limitation</p> <p>Identify options that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain agency's work to highest possible extent• Wouldn't cause an immediate/direct closure of a facility• Include newer programs established in 2025 Session• Spread impact across OHCS divisions• Preserve critical services that could be delivered through another program

Cost of Living in Oregon

- We know the cost of living is too high for Oregonians, with housing costs comprising a growing and significant portion of this burden
- OHCS will continue to deliver on solutions that make life more affordable
- Investing in housing supply and keeping our safety net services helps ensure more Oregonians have a safe, stable place to call home



OHCS is committed to reducing poverty and increasing access to stable housing for Oregonians. OHCS has protected program offerings, services, and staffing needed to support the critical programs that allow OHCS to provide safe, stable, and affordable housing.