

Submitter: Pat Smith
On Behalf Of: Oxford house
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My name is Pat Smith I am the state co-chair for Oxford House in the state of Oregon I live in Salem oregon I have lived in the Bailey house, Kenobi house and I helped open the Mandalorian house I have been in Oxford house for over 5 years. I am now in alumni out on my own, raising a family. I have tried many inpatient treatments and all kinds of treatment facilities and oxford house is the only one that has worked. I have seen people get their Driver's license back. That were never supposed to. I have seen people get their families back. I have seen people change their lives and I have witnessed things that are unexplainable.

I am opposed to bill HB 2239

The certification process and standards of Oxford House Incorporated should be held on equal footing as the NARR certification.

I believe there to be a great need for several different Recovery Housing options in the State of Oregon. Oxford House and the true Democratic, Self Supportive Model, of one person in recovery helping another was and continues to be a life changing opportunity for several throughout the State of Oregon. Currently Oxford House has 236 houses in 24 counties serving over 2000