



OHCS September 2018 Update

House Committee on Human Services & Housing

Presented by Director Margaret Salazar



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Program and Funding Implementation

2017

- Funding: LIFT, Preservation, Veterans lottery funds
- Policy: Land Acquisition Program, Affordable Housing Preservation Program

2018

- Funding: Document Recording Fee, Shelter funding
- Policy: Rent Burdened Cities (HB 4006), EHA/SHAP Budget Note



Document Recording Fee

March – HB 4007 passed to triple fee

July – Survey & stakeholder engagement meetings

September – Preliminary frameworks presented to Housing Stability Council for discussion

October – Final frameworks presented to Housing Stability Council for vote



EHA/SHAP Budget Note

The Housing Stability Council, in alignment with preliminary findings from the Statewide Housing Plan, shall make recommendations to the Director of Oregon Housing and Community Services about how to prioritize funding for the Emergency Housing Account and the State Homeless Assistance Program to ensure that funds are being spent as efficiently and effectively as possible. At a minimum, the Council shall consider how the use of funding incentivizes regionally and nationally recognized best practices, and outcome oriented strategies, to create a more effective system to prevent and reduce homelessness. The Director shall present recommendations to the Legislature by February 28, 2019



Supportive Housing

- Partnership between OHCS and OHA to convene Statewide Supportive Housing Strategy Workgroup
- OHCS Agency Request Budget includes funding to support the development of Permanent Supportive Housing to be paired with project based rental and service vouchers from OHA



Recent Development Awards

June – LIFT Multifamily Rental Awards

- 837 new, affordable rental homes across the state

August – Federal 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) and HOME Awards

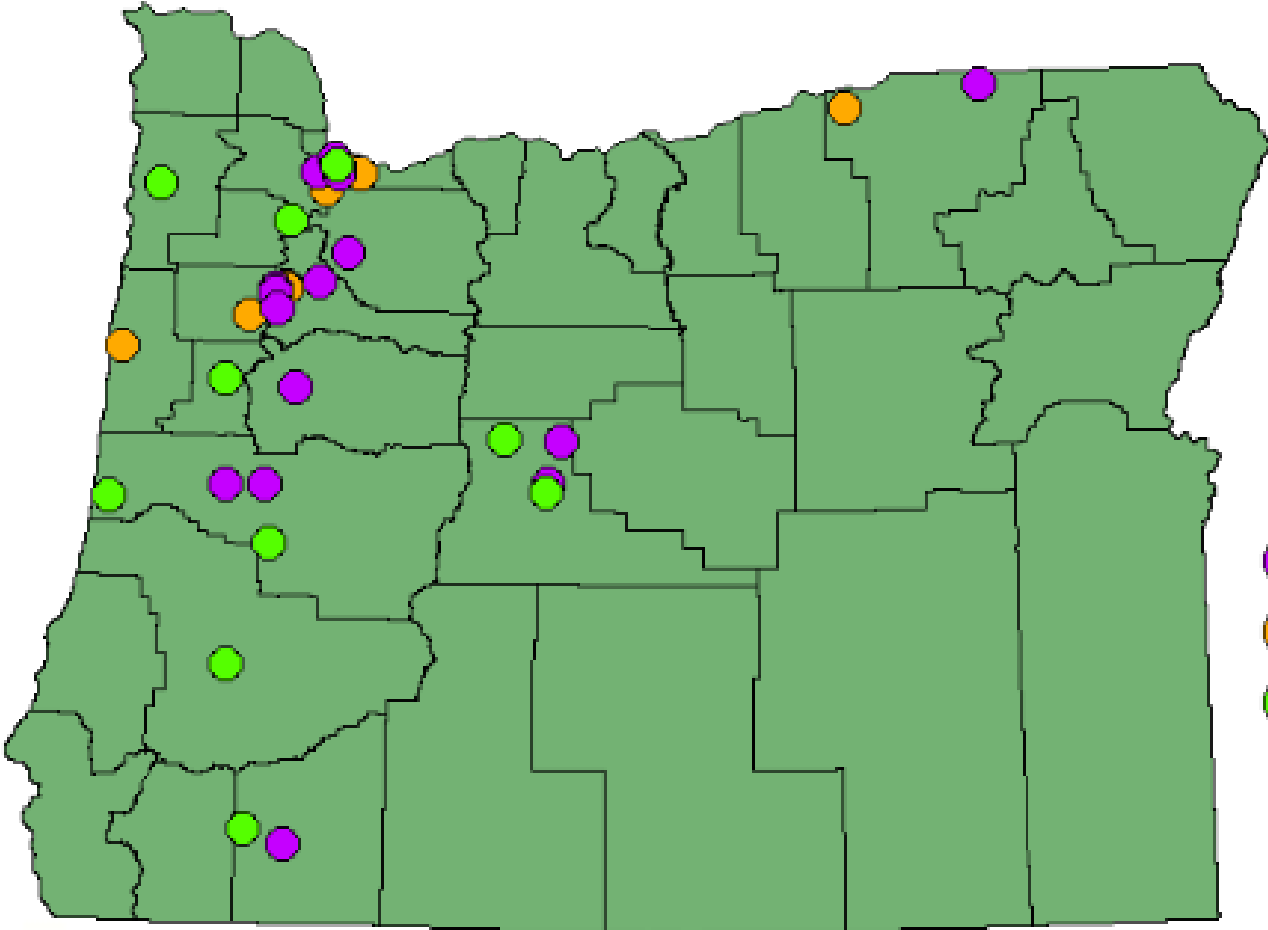
- 796 new and preserved affordable homes
- leveraging local, state, and private investments




September – LIFT Homeownership Awards

- 54 new, affordable homeownership units



Recent Development Awards



-  Federal 9% LIHTC, HOME
-  LIFT Rental Housing
-  LIFT Homeownership



Record Development

With these awards, OHCS has over 7,800 affordable homes in the development pipeline



Statewide Housing Plan

Guiding Principles

- Respond to the housing inequities and disproportionate impacts of housing instability on people of color, protected classes and underserved communities.
- Maximize and leverage resources to advance department's mission.
- Work holistically with people at the center - create economic opportunity and stability for Oregonians using housing as a platform for stability and success.
- Strengthen partnerships among public, private and non-profit organizations and between state agencies to effectively create more affordable housing and community services.

Priorities and Goals

- Equity and Racial Justice
- Homelessness
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Affordable Rental Housing
- Homeownership
- Rural Communities



Priority: Equity and Racial Justice

Advance equity and racial justice by identifying and addressing institutional and systemic barriers that have created and perpetuated patterns of disparity in housing and economic prosperity.



Priority: Homelessness

Build a coordinated and concerted statewide effort to prevent and end homelessness, with a focus on ending unsheltered homelessness of Oregon's children and veterans.



Priority: Permanent Supportive Housing

Invest in permanent supportive housing, a proven strategy to reduce chronic homelessness and reduce barriers to housing stability.



Priority: Affordable Rental Housing

Work to close the affordable rental housing gap for low income households by accelerating and expanding access to affordable rental housing and reduce housing cost burden for economically vulnerable Oregonians.



Priority: Homeownership

Provide more low- and moderate-income Oregonians with the tools to successfully achieve and maintain homeownership, particularly in communities of color.



Priority: Rural Communities

Change the way OHCS does business in small towns and rural communities to be responsive to the unique housing and service needs and unlock the opportunities for housing development.



Statewide Housing Plan – Next Steps

November, 2018 – Draft plan released for public comment

January, 2019 – Final plan completed

<https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/pages/oshp.aspx>



Children's Cabinet & Housing Policy Agenda

Presented by
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Governor's Children's Cabinet

- **Purpose:**
 - Identify strategies for how Oregon can support children and their families in building prosperity
- **Process:**
 - Variety of experts in health, housing, human services, early learning, and education from the public, private, and non-profit sectors
- **Product:**
 - Identified the highest priority concerns and existing gaps
 - Recommended a set of evidence-based solutions
 - Two-generation approach with the goals of reducing poverty and supporting family stability
 - Need for a more resilient system recognizing the lack of stability for families in poverty
 - Tackle the barriers communities of color disproportionately face
 - Design a system culturally and linguistically responsive to OR's growing diversity



Governor's Housing Policy Agenda

- **Vision:**
 - Every Oregonian, in communities large and small, has access to housing choices that allows them and their family to thrive
- **Goal:**
 - Balance between providing relief to renters and supporting development partners
- **Scope:**
 - No single solution to deal with the housing supply/demand imbalance and its consequences
 - Solutions needed throughout entire housing spectrum: homelessness to market-rate housing
- **Four strategies with supporting tactics**
 1. Prioritize Ending Children's Homelessness
 2. House Oregon's Veterans
 3. Invest in Permanent Supportive Housing for the Chronically Homeless
 4. Accelerate Growth of Housing Supply



Online Links

[Housing Policy Agenda: Housing Stability for Children, Veterans, and the Chronically Homeless and Increased Housing Supply for Urban and Rural Communities](#)

[The Children's Agenda: Pathways Out of Poverty for Children to Achieve Their Full Potential](#)



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