

From: [M Ball](#)
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: Ashland Housing strategy comment
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 9:26:19 AM

I am an Ashland resident and am in favor of Ashland's newly adopted ordinance of illegal camping. I think it is absolutely fair to allow people to ONLY camp in a specific location that provides rules and regulations of behavior. My 9 year old son found a dirty needle while cleaning up for Earth Day! This is absolutely unacceptable behavior and we strongly believe this is part of allowing people to do whatever they want in public places with no consequence. We were planning to leave Ashland, and Oregon all together recently and we are now willing to give it a chance with this new ordinance. We will absolutely put our house on the market immediately if this new ordinance doesn't stand. My husband is an Oregon Native and we will no longer allow our child to grow up here any longer if this ordinance gets revoked as we would not feel that this is a safe place for a child.

Thank you for your time,
Ashland Mother and Longtime Resident

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Paul Kirby](#)
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: Disabled veteran and single father.
Date: Thursday, May 25, 2023 11:42:19 AM

400 Old Greensprings Hwy, Ashland, OR 97520

Dear Ashland Housing Council,

I am a renter in Ashland. I'm also a disabled veteran, a single father of a 5 year old attending Willow Wind, and I work part-time as a hospice nurse for Providence.

I've lived in Ashland since leaving the military in 2015. I'm an advocate for veterans and people with mental health needs. I'm a filmmaker and have had several films screen locally, one at KS Wild. I'm also an SOU alumni.

I'm pre-approved with a VA home loan for \$350,000.

You would think with all that I might be able to buy something without having to move. But the number of homes under \$350,000 on the market over the past year you could literally count on one hand and they are quickly snapped up by investors.

Give families like mine a chance. Make a law that house sales should prioritize families already living in the Ashland zip. Increase property tax deductions for disabled veterans to a rate that is comparable to California. Offer specialized land sale programs for veterans seeking to build a primary residence.

There's so much more I can't list it here. But hear my voice. I'm under represented but just as important as the wealthy retirees that live here.

Respectfully,

Paul Kirby, RN, MFA

From: [Cara Liddy](#)
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: Housing in ashland
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 2:51:04 PM

I am an RN, and I am getting near to not being able to afford to live in Ashland- the town I raised my kids in. My kids certainly cannot afford to live here as young adults due to outrageous housing costs and predatory landlords.

1. We need truly affordable housing. 2. Caps on rent increases.
3. Protections against "No Cause Evictions/30 day Non-renewal of lease" (that landlords use to functionally evict people and jack up their rents).

We lose as a community when there is not housing for all.

Cara Liddy, RN

From: [Eric Gibson.](#)
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: Please support Oregon Justice Reform (OJR)2022-2030
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 12:08:56 AM
Attachments: [The End and Prevention of Homelessness..pdf](#)
[EXPERIENCED HOMELESSNESS.pdf](#)
[Historical Oregon Reform Flyer.pdf](#)
[OJR Flyer 2023.pdf](#)
[OJR FLYER 2023.pdf](#)
[3-26-23 Holcomb Elementary School Racism..pdf](#)
[American Freedom_Freedom Letters 2023..pdf](#)

FYI

From: [Jacob Trover](#)
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: Stop this now
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 5:28:59 AM

You have already turned ashland int a homeless drug haven. Knock this off there are no jobs here that one can make it.... Tired of my wife and child getting verbally assaulted. Tired of watching my kid bring me a used syringe while picking up trash on our street for earth day. Stop turning this town into a homeless camp. Tired of playing tennis with my kid and people are shooting up 2 feet behind the tennis courts fence. You want to give drug addicts housing. Yer stupid. It will never work out. Stop this free hand out crap. You obviously dont know or have never been around a bunch of junkies or tweakers. Newsflash. They have nothing to offer society except for everything thats bad. And you want to give them a free house. Knock this off. Do not turn ashland into my hometown portland. My great friends were homeless advocates. But after years of getting their cars and houses broke into all they want to do is move. They even started a fire on the fron porch of their loft building. Didn't you learn anything from almeda fire. They are going to burn this place down. On purpose! They dont like you. They hate you. Do you get out much around here with your young children? Its not a good scene around here. I was homeless for 8 years. The people i came across are the worst there is. And you want to house them. Ive been stabbed multiple times and almost lost my life a few times by people like this. Stop this shit. I didnt clean up my life to buy a 500000 dollar house in Ashland because i thought it would be a homeless advocate drug addict enabling town. Knock it off now. No disrespect towards you... have a nice day.

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From: outlook_0CA659E348BCE6CE@outlook.com
To: [DLCD Housing * DLCD](#)
Subject: traffic
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 8:21:04 AM

When does more housing become a detriment to our town because of too many cars on our streets. Turning left on Syskiyou is already a problem. 51 houses on mountain st. which is already congested. Near miss, almost a crash on all our small streets. Getting through town during school hours and more. Please consider traffic in your game plan.

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