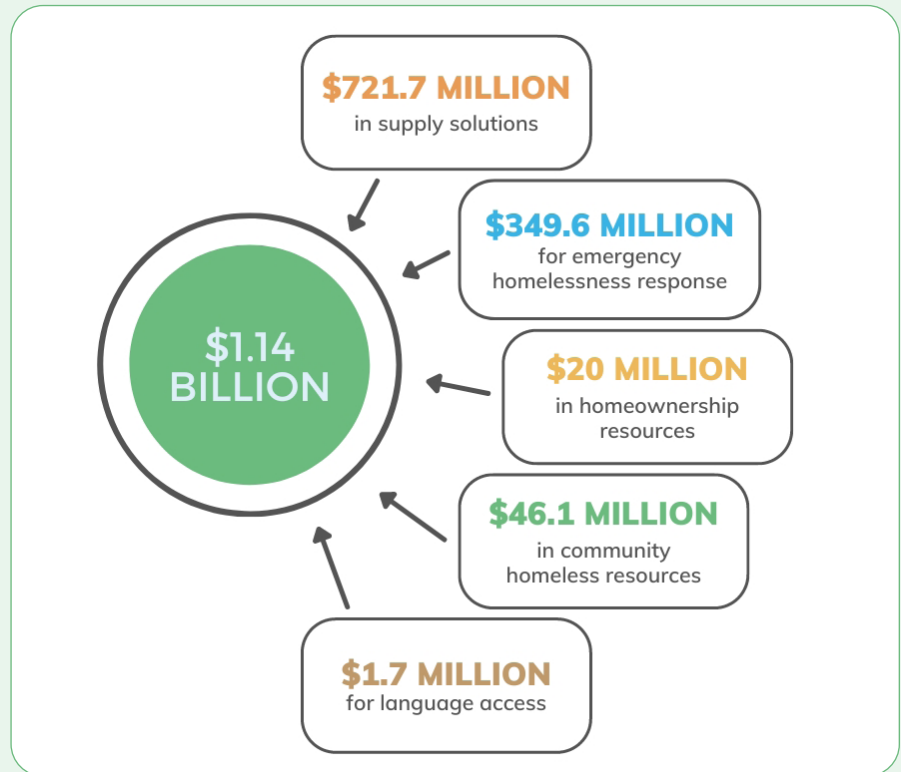


2023 Legislative Highlights:

OHCS Investments and Policy

During the 2023 Legislative Session, the Oregon Legislature continued the trend of steady housing investments to address the needs of Oregonians across the continuum during the 2023-25 biennium (July 2023 – June 2025), allocating a total of \$1.14 billion. As we deploy these resources, OHCS looks forward to working with our partners to turn these investments into meaningful progress.



EXPANDING ACCESS AND PRESERVING HOMEOWNERSHIP - \$20 MILLION*

**Investments in homeownership are included below in supply solutions*

- **\$7.5 million** for **down payment assistance** tied to OHCS lending products.
- **\$2.5 million** to decommission older, unsafe manufactured homes and provide loans for **new, energy-efficient manufactured homes**.
- **\$7.5 million** to fund a **new low-income mortgage product** administered by Network for Oregon Affordable Housing (NOAH).
- **\$2.5 million** for **foreclosure avoidance counseling**.
- **HB 3151** extends the sunset for the **Dispute Resolution Advisory Committee** and expands grant-making authority to provide legal aid for manufactured home park tenants.

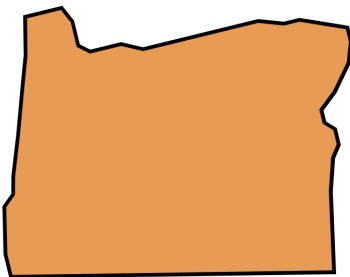




ADVANCING SUPPLY-SIDE SOLUTIONS - \$721.7 MILLION*

*Does not include Private Activity Bonds and revenue bonds, both critical to OHCS supply strategies

- **\$600 million** to develop new affordable homes with **Local Innovation and Fast Track (LIFT) Rental, LIFT Homeownership and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)** programs.
- **\$5 million** to ensure **LIFT Homeownership** can reach rural communities and build the density needed in other communities to address the supply crisis.
- **\$50 million** to **preserve and improve existing affordable homes**, prevent rent increases in affordable housing, and preserve manufactured home parks.
- **\$9.7 million** for **predevelopment** costs for affordable housing developments.
- **\$4 million** to establish a **PSH Risk Mitigation Fund** to stabilize operating costs and support the longevity of PSH developments.
- **\$20 million** for the **modular housing industry** to build production capacity.
- **\$10 million** for in-community **agricultural worker housing**.
- **\$20 million** to develop the **Affordable Housing Loan Guarantee Fund** to support the construction financing of affordable and moderate-income housing.
- **\$3 million** to create an income **tax credit for selling publicly supported housing** to retain the housing as affordable via **HB 2071**.
- **SB 225** provides flexibility in using federal **Private Activity Bonds**.
- **HB 2761** expands OHCS' ability to fund **mixed-income developments**.
- **HBs 2001 and 2889** establish a permanent **Oregon Housing Needs Analysis**.
- **HB 2071** is an omnibus tax credit bill and includes multiple provisions:
 - Expands eligibility for Oregon Affordable Housing Tax Credit (OAHTC) to fund **limited-equity cooperatives** but does not increase OAHTC investments.
 - Extends sunset for multiple tax credit programs: OAHTC, Agricultural Worker Housing Tax Credit, and the Individual Development Accounts.
- **HB 3309** requires reporting on the funding of **homes with accessibility features**.
- **HB 3042** updates the **Publicly Supported Housing (PuSH) Preservation Program**.



Oregon currently lacks
140,000 homes,
**and more than half need
to be affordable.**





ENGAGING IN EMERGENCY HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE - \$349.6 MILLION

Initial Investments in Executive Order 2023-02 and Statewide Emergency Response – March Housing Package

- **\$85.2 million** to add 600 **shelter beds**, hire **housing navigators**, **rehouse** at least 1,200 unsheltered households, support **wraparound services** provided by culturally specific agencies, and support **local communities for sanitation service** needs in regions designated by EO 23-02.
- **\$33.6 million** to prevent 8,750 households from becoming homeless by funding **rent assistance and eviction prevention services** statewide.
- **\$27.4 million** in homeless services response resources to add 100 **shelter beds**, hire street **outreach workers**, **rehouse** at least 450 unsheltered households, and **support local communities for sanitation service** needs in the Rural Oregon Continuum of Care.
- **\$4.1 million** to **support the emergency response** efforts at OHCS and the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM).

Building on Emergency Response Efforts through 2023-25

- **\$45.8 million** to continue the **operation of the 600 newly added shelter beds** created by the March Housing Package in regions designated by EO 23-02.
- **\$39.7 million** to continue **rental assistance and other services for the 1,200 households rehoused** through investments from the March Housing Package to prevent them from losing their housing in regions designated by EO 23-02.
- **\$17.5 million** to **maintain unit access** through block leasing and other supports for people rehoused through the March Housing Package in regions designated by EO 23-02.
- **\$2.3 million** to maintain **local service provider staffing** to support outreach to people experiencing homelessness & navigation to shelter in regions designated by EO 23-02.
- **\$39 million** in a Special Purpose Appropriation (SPA) to continue **rehousing efforts and rent assistance** for the 100 households rehoused through investments from the March Housing Package, with 25% of resources set aside for culturally responsive organizations, in the Balance of State.
- **\$55 million** to further **prevent homelessness statewide**, with 30% of resources set aside for culturally responsive organizations.
- **HB 3417** expands the **Housing Choice Landlord Guarantee Program** to landlords participating in emergency response rehousing efforts.





MAINTAINING COMMUNITY HOMELESSNESS RESOURCES - \$46.1 MILLION

- **\$24.1 million to maintain sheltering operations** for Oregon's existing navigation centers, shelters, and Project Turnkey sites.
- **\$6 million** for Community Alliance of Tenants, Springfield Eugene Tenant Association, and Oregon Law Center's Eviction Defense Project to provide **support and resources to Oregon tenants**.
- **\$10 million** to the **nine sovereign Tribes for homeless services** to target the unique barriers faced by Tribal communities.
- **\$5 million** in Emergency Housing Account (EHA) funds to address **youth homelessness**.
- **\$1 million** in EHA funds to provide **services for pets** of people experiencing homelessness.
- **SB 893** advances recommendations from the **Task Force on Homelessness and Racial Disparities**, clarifies OHCS' statutory authority, and streamlines grant-making/contracting.
- **HB 3630** directs Oregon Department of Energy to establish a **whole-home energy savings program**, or "one-stop shop", in consultation with OHCS.
- **HB 3409** advances actions that may aid in achieving state greenhouse gas reduction goals, adds technical fixes to **OHCS' Cooling Resource website**, and includes OHCS on the Oregon Climate Action Commission.



EXPANDING PROGRAM ACCESS - \$1.7 MILLION

- **\$1.7 million to increase language access** for OHCS programs.
- **SB 892** includes improvements to statutes governing OHCS to **streamline operations**.
- **SB 606** directs the state to analyze the **compensation for nonprofits** administering state programs.
- **HB 3462** codifies OHCS practices related to temporary housing and assistance for disaster survivors, particularly **ensuring survivors without documentation are served**.
- **HB 3215** supports disaster survivors by **expanding OHCS authority in disaster recovery**.

This document does not include all legislative action impacting housing. To learn more, visit the [OHCS Government Relations](#) website.

