

Technical Advisory



Oregon Housing and Community Services

March 26, 2020

Re: COVID-19 Response Updates and Affordable Rental Housing Partner Call 3pm on 3/30/2020

Partners and Stakeholders,

COVID-19 Response: The safety of our affordable rental housing tenants, partners, service providers and staff are of the utmost importance. With revised measures in place, OHCS will continue to work with investment and development partners for the production of affordable housing currently in the pipeline, and for those planning to apply for resources. Some OHCS staff are working from our offices and others are set up to telecommute. The current circumstances may cause some delayed responses but we are committed to working with our partners. We have uploaded the [COVID-19 Job Site Practices](#) to help address questions related to projects currently under construction.

We have updated the guidance documents on our website with additional information around construction monitoring, inspection protocols, and more; you can find this information on our agency [COVID-19 response webpage](#) as well as at these links:

- [General Interim Guidance on COVID-19](#)
- [Interim OHCS Inspection and Monitoring Policies](#)
- [Interim OHCS Fund Solicitation Policies](#)
- [OHCS COVID-19 Webpage](#)

Partner Call: We are pleased to remind you that we will be hosting an open partner call for the Affordable Rental Housing Development and Compliance sections of OHCS. During this call staff will be primarily discussing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our efforts as well as the measures we have put in place to better allow for the protection of our tenants, partners, and staff.

This call will be held on March 30th from 3-4pm.

To join us for this conversation

Please call: 1-877-273-4202, conference room 4460912.





During this call we will be providing updates on: our current understanding of the impacts on the affordable rental housing industry, project underwriting, construction delays, tax credit pricing, etc. We will also field questions related to the eviction moratorium. We are also looking at the Rent Increase Policy to determine best course of action as we move through this health crisis.

If you have questions that you would like to provide in advance, please email them to ARH.HCS@oregon.gov

Mark your calendars; our future Affordable Rental Housing Partner calls are currently scheduled for 3pm on:

- June 1st, 2020
- August 3rd, 2020
- September 28th, 2020
- November 30th, 2020

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie V. Cody".

Julie V. Cody

Director for Affordable Rental Housing

