**Program Overview**

The HOME Tenant Based Assistance (HOME TBA) program offers financial assistance to very low-income households. Rent payments are made directly to the program participant’s landlord.

The household can choose their own housing provided the housing passes a quality inspection prior to the beginning of assistance. All participating tenants are required to pay at least 30 percent of their adjusted gross income toward their rent and utilities. The minimum household contribution is $10.

Program requirements include the tenant’s engagement in a self-sufficiency program and case management with a goal of increased stabilization and independence.

HOME TBA funds can pay all, or a portion of, the following three program components:

- Refundable security deposit
- Utility deposits
- Monthly rent and utilities

**Eligibility Requirements**

People requesting assistance must have a total household annual income no greater than 50% of the area’s median income for their size of household.

**Program Funding**

Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) contracts with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) annually for the receipt of HOME funds.

**Program Delivery**

Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) makes funds available to community action agencies in localities across the state. These lead agencies are responsible to coordinate the use of the funds to serve their communities.

**For More Information**

To talk with someone about resources and services in your local area or county, contact your local community action agency at: [http://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/CRD/css/docs/homeless-referral-list.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/CRD/css/docs/homeless-referral-list.pdf). Information is also available through [http://www.211info.org](http://www.211info.org) or by calling "211".