

## SUPPORT COUNTY COURTHOUSE PROJECTS

The Association of Oregon Counties and its 36 member counties appreciate the work and partnership it has with the Chief Justice and Judicial Department. Over the past several years, AOC and OJD have worked together on a joint task force on court facilities to prioritize courthouse projects around the state. We recognize this as a strong collaborative effort between the state and local counties.

Through this unique partnership, we have been able to fund courthouse improvements and replacement buildings around the state, including Jefferson, Union, and Multnomah Counties and the start of Lane and Clackamas Counties.

AOC and OJD surveyed all 36 counties to see which counties might seek state funding to replace unsafe courthouses during the next 12 years. A total of 13 counties responded that they would be interested in state support during that time period in addition to Jefferson, Multnomah, and Union counties who recently completed projects.

Counties are responsible for providing a local match to these bond funds.

We support the requests from Lane, Clackamas, Benton, and Linn Counties to begin/continue funding for courthouse projects.

Thank you for your support and consideration of these projects.

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