

# Housing and Homeless Services in Clackamas County



# Overview

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- Current need
- Newly available resources
  - Metro Affordable Housing Bond
  - Supportive Housing Services Measure
  - Covid-19 rental assistance
- Successes and challenges



## Where were we in 2019?

*Chronically homeless*

**452 households**

*Families with children*

**243 households**

*Youth (under age 25)*

**55 households**

## Who was served?

7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020

*Chronically homeless*

**191 households**

*Families with children*

**199 households**

*Youth (under age 25)*

**25 households**

## Who is waiting now?

*Chronically homeless*

**178 households**

*Families with children*

**201 households**

*Youth (under age 25)*

**51 households**

**What is our PSH  
unit inventory?**

**267  
units**

**264  
units**

# Affordable Housing Bond goals

Create housing for over

**2,500**



county residents.

Develop at least

**40%**



of new affordable units to extremely low-income families earning 30% or less of AMI

Develop approximately

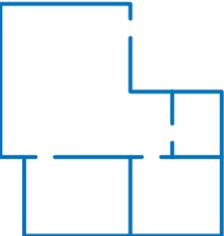
**812**



new affordable housing units.

Meet the needs of families by making at least

**406**



units two bedroom or larger.

Create affordable homes for low-income families earning between

**61-80%**



of AMI by using up to 10% of the funding.



# Supportive Housing Services

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- Anticipated \$250M/year per region
- 21.3% for Clackamas County
- Over \$50M/year at full taxation

# Engagement themes and investment priorities

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## **Top barriers specific to communities of color include:**

- Lack of culturally specific and appropriate services and information
- Mistrust of government

## **Top investment priorities include:**

- Investing in shelters and transitional housing with services
- Establishing low/no-barrier mental health and addiction supportive services
- Improving service navigation and integration



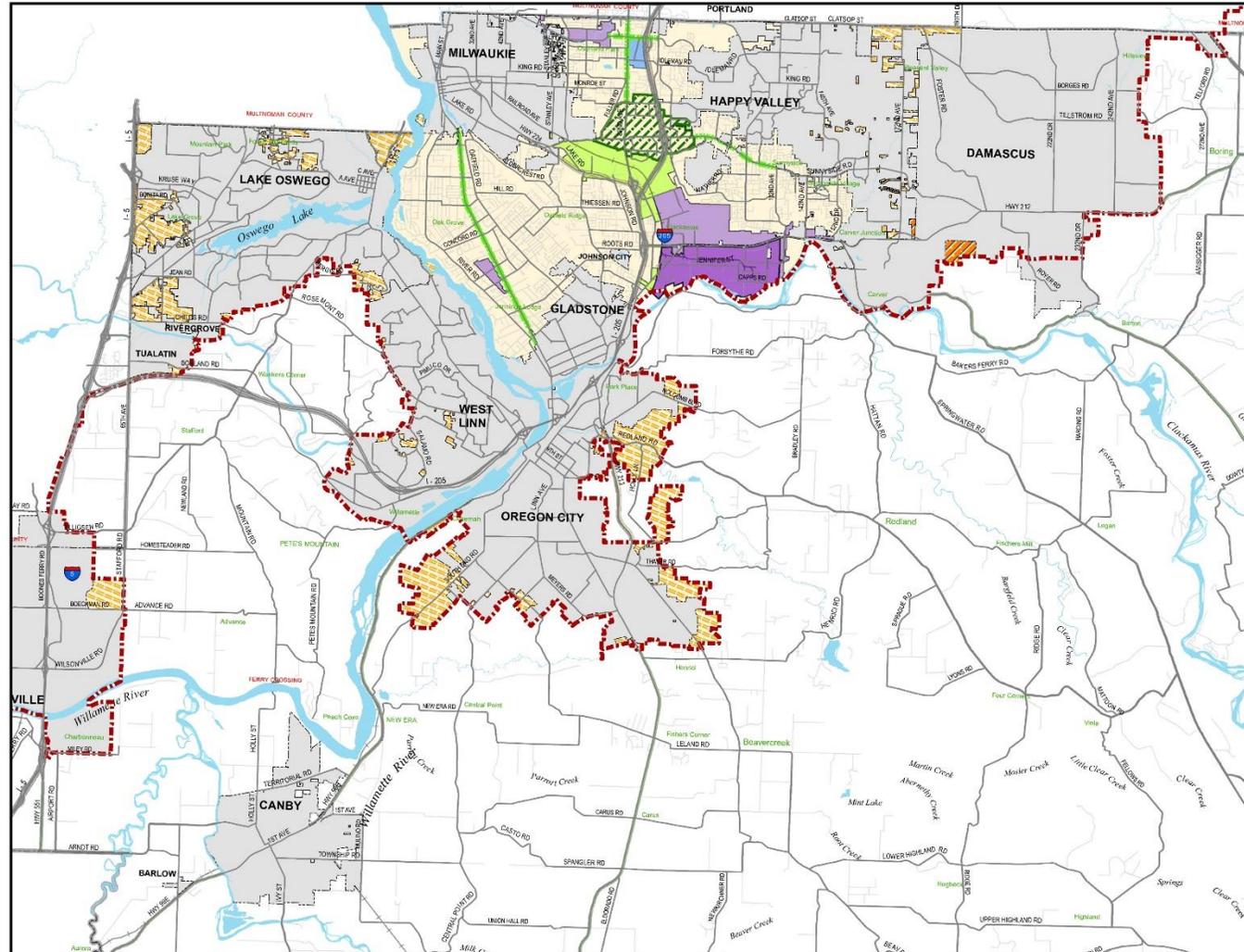


# Prioritizing communities in need

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- Communities of color and those disproportionately impacted by homelessness
- People with disabilities experiencing, or at risk of, prolonged homelessness, and with extremely low incomes
- People experiencing episodic homelessness or at risk of homelessness

# Eligible communities for two Metro measures





# What is available outside the UGB?

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- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnership Program
- Continuum of Care
- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program
- Affordable Housing and Services Fund

# Affordable Housing and Services Fund

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This ongoing \$1.2 Million in flexible funds was dedicated by the Board of County Commissioners in 2018 to provide:

- safety off the street alternatives or temporary housing, such as tiny homes
- services focused on helping vulnerable low income families retain their housing.
- services to identify homeless individuals and families
- funding to develop nonprofit entities to partner in serving our most vulnerable residents





# Successes and challenges

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## **Successes**

- Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)
- Veterans Village
- Emergency shelter motel to rent assistance
- Rent assistance via culturally specific providers

## **Challenges**

- Unmet need in rural areas of the county
- Existing shelter capacity

# Questions?

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If you are homeless or experiencing a housing crisis, call Coordinated Housing Access (CHA) at 503-655-8575.

