

I am a member of the Leaven Community Land and Housing Coalition, a coalition of faith communities in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington County, leveraging our land and resources so that all Oregonians can come home.

Throughout my life, I've had the privilege of having a family that can care for me in times of need. This isn't true for a lot of people, and I'm acutely aware that the difference between being housed and houseless sometimes boils down to the socio-economic status of the family you're born into. The faith community I'm a part of, Salt and Light Lutheran, as well as the Leaven Housing Coalition, are willing and able to use their resources to take on the housing crisis, but they need your help.

Your action is crucial. Please approve SB 8 so that faith communities across the state of Oregon can build affordable housing on our land with as few barriers as possible.

Our neighbors need your help, creativity and support in leveraging every option and financing stream to begin solving the crisis of housing instability and homelessness in our city and county.