SB 131

Oregon Affordable Housing Lender Tax Credit

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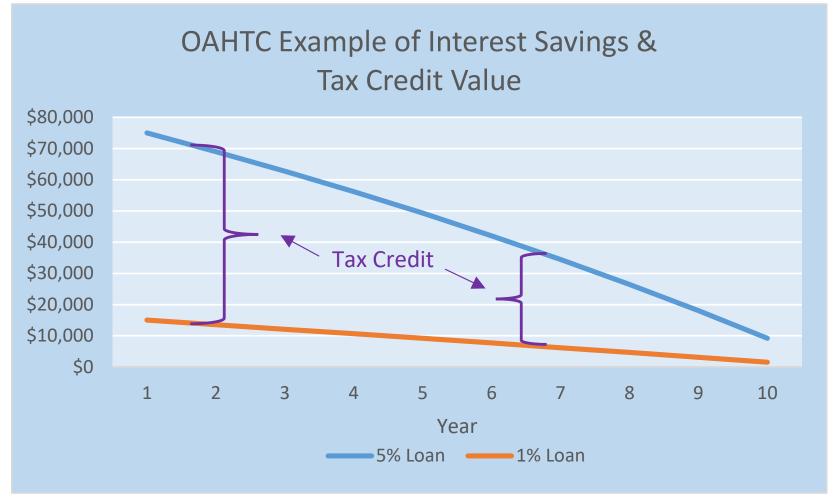


Oregon Affordable Housing Lender Credit

- *Purpose:* Support development of affordable housing, preserve housing with federal rent subsidy contracts, preserve manufactured dwelling parks
- Lenders that make qualified low-interest loans are allowed a tax credit equal to the difference between the rate offered and the market rate, up to a 4% difference
- Eligible projects: construction, development, acquisition, or rehabilitation of low-income housing, a preservation project, or a manufactured dwelling park preservation project
- Loans must be certified by the OR Housing & Community Service (OHCS)
- There is a program cap of \$35 million in outstanding tax credits
- Low-income housing is required to pass on the savings from the reduced interest rate to tenants in the form of reduced housing payments, no requirement for preservation projects or manufactured dwelling park preservation projects



Interest Income for Lender





Affordable Housing Lender – Flow of Benefit

Lending Institution

Absent credit, would lend at interest rate of 5%

With credit, lends to *qualified borrower* at 1%

Qualified Borrower

Benefits from being able to borrow at 1% instead of 5%

Pass Through
Required: Interest rate
savings are passed
through to tenants in
the form of reduced
housing payments

Pass Through not Required: Interest rate savings accrue to qualified borrower

Affordable Housing Tenants

Pass Through Required:

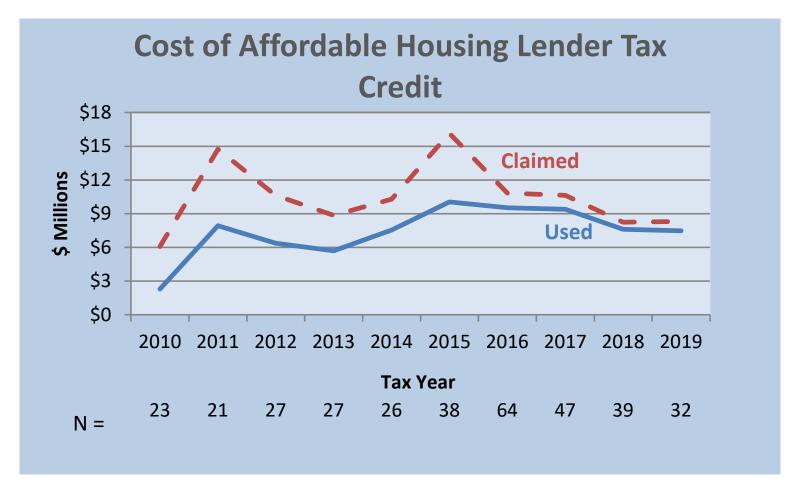
Tenants benefit directly from credit through additionally reduced housing payments

Pass Through not Required: When no rent pass through required, tenants benefit from preservation of affordable housing (housing subject to other afforability restrictions)



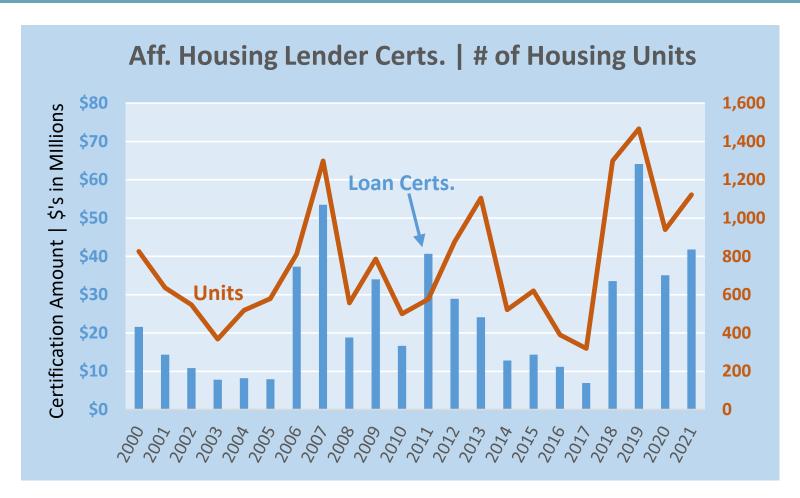


Historic Cost of Credit

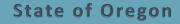




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