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Though studies have shown that providing cash to people who are very low-income has a positive effect, many decision-makers in Oregon are still skeptical. This demonstration program will give them the evidence they need to support these types of empowerment programs. As someone with over a decade of experience working in the housing/homelessness field, I have learned that deterring people from entering strained social services and insufficient shelter programs is the best path to avoiding chronic homelessness. Please take immediate action to move forward with this innovative and important legislation.