

Oregon Housing and Community Services



Senate Bill 5511 Snapshot: OHCS' 2023-35 Requested Budget

The Governor's Recommended Budget includes **over \$1.46 billion** to address housing stability and community prosperity. Balancing the needs of Oregonians experiencing homelessness with addressing chronic supply shortfalls, the biennial budget represents the largest request any Governor has proposed.

\$1.0325 billion - Investing in Proven and Innovative Supply Solutions: The lack of homes in Oregon is driving up costs for renters and homebuyers. Oregon's Housing Needs Analysis makes it clear: the state must invest in the production of new homes.

- **\$616 million*** to develop new affordable rental homes through the Local Innovation Fast Track (LIFT) Rental program (POP 105)
- **\$130 million** to develop permanent supportive homes (PSH), a proven model to end chronic homelessness and bring cost savings to other public systems (POP 104)
- **\$154 million*** to develop new affordable homes for purchase through the LIFT Homeownership program (POP 105)
- **\$5 million** to ensure LIFT Homeownership can reach rural communities and build the density needed to address our supply crisis (POP 109)
- **\$118 million** to preserve and improve existing affordable homes, prevent rent increases in affordable housing, and preserve manufactured home parks (POP 107)
- **\$5 million** to expand the co-location of early learning and affordable housing developments (POP 114)
- **\$4.5 million** to establish a PSH Risk Mitigation Fund to stabilize operating costs and support the longevity of PSH developments (POP 090)

**pending applications received, funds may shift from LIFT Homeownership to LIFT Rental*

\$415.45 million - Total Investment in Homelessness Response and Prevention: The Early Session package proposed by Governor Tina Kotek has been included in a larger package from the Oregon Legislature. This larger package is a "down payment" on the work to come and will allow OHCS, Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM), and local communities and partners to launch emergency response efforts sooner. Additional investments in the Governor's Recommended Budget build on these targeted investments to ensure we reduce



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homelessness and provide resources to address this issue in every corner of the state. These much-needed resources are in addition to the Emergency Housing Account funds that receive approximately \$50 million a biennium.

- **\$130 million** in early session investments (POP 090):
 - **\$33.6 million** to prevent 8,750 households from becoming homeless by funding rent assistance and other eviction prevention services
 - **\$23.8 million** to add 600 low-barrier shelter beds statewide and hire more housing navigators to help unsheltered Oregonians
 - **\$54.4 million** to rehouse at least 1,200 unsheltered households
 - **\$5 million** to support wrap-around services provided by culturally specific agencies
 - **\$2 million** to support local communities for sanitation services needs
 - **\$5 million** in emergency response funds for Tribal members living in emergency areas
 - **\$3.9 million** to support the emergency response
- **\$73 million** to build on the early investment package and create an ongoing homelessness prevention program in Oregon (POP 090)
- **\$24.1 million** to maintain shelter operations in the state, including the operation of the 600 new shelter beds and Project Turnkey projects (POP 090)
- **\$172.2 million** investment in rapid rehousing resources and long-term rent assistance for those households (POP 090)
- **\$2.15 million** to invest in the needs of veterans experiencing homelessness (POP 090)
- **\$5 million** for the nine sovereign tribes for homeless services (POP 106)
- **\$1.5 million** to support the Fair Housing Council of Oregon (POP 110)
- **\$7.5 million** to increase investments in the IDA Initiative to expand match savings for homeownership savers and expand network capacity (POP 117)

\$17.6 million* Expand Homeownership Opportunities and Keep Homeowners in Their Homes: Oregon has one of the lowest homeownership rates in the nation. Homeownership is out of reach for many, preventing generational wealth-building opportunities. On the other hand, many manufactured homeowners live in homes that are either unsafe or very inefficient. State investments are needed to improve outcomes and address racial disparities in homeownership.



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- **\$13.6 million** for down payment assistance for homebuyers tied to OHCS lending products (POP 116)
- **\$4 million** to replace older or unsafe manufactured homes, preserving an essential part of Oregon’s affordable homeownership housing stock (POP 108)
** Additional investments in homeownership are included above in supply solutions, recognizing the impact of Oregon’s supply crisis.*

\$7.5 million Asset Building for Low-Income Oregonians: The Individual Development Account program is a matched savings program with a proven track record of creating financially stable households and advancing Oregonians’ financial goals. Additional investments in POP 117 will support savers in purchasing a home in response to increasing home process.

\$9.4 million Improving Program Access: Culturally responsive and rural organizations need additional resources to operate optimally. Investments in POP 103 are needed across the state to improve language access to housing resources.

OHCS developed this budget in partnership with organizations across the state. The agency thanks partners that participated in webinars, completed surveys, and/or shared their thoughts with OHCS staff. Governor Tina Kotek’s 2023-25 Recommend Budget brings to life solutions heard from partners across the state.

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