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I am submitting my testimony in support of senate bill SB949. Affordable housing is one of the biggest - if not THE biggest barrier - to stable family success, especially in the black community. SEI has a proven track record of support in housing matters, and our community driven model of wrap-around services has time and time again been the difference in so many families' lives. This bill would provide the necessary funding to expand that work and make the Portland community a safer, more welcoming place for people who have historically been marginalized, especially in Portland.