



- Coos-Curry/North Bend City Housing Authority
- Home Forward (Multnomah County)
- Homes for Good (Lane County)
- Housing Authority of Clackamas County
- Housing Authority of Douglas County
- Housing Authority of Jackson County
- Housing Authority of Lincoln County
- Housing Authority of Malheur County
- Housing Authority of the County of Umatilla
- Housing Authority of Washington County
- Housing Authority of Yamhill County
- Housing Works (Central Oregon)
- Josephine Housing & Community Development Council
- Klamath County Housing Authority
- Linn Benton Housing Authority
- Marion County Housing Authority
- Mid-Columbia Housing Authority
- Northeast Oregon Housing Authority
- Northwest Oregon Housing Authority
- Salem Housing Authority
- Vancouver Housing Authority
- West Valley Housing Authority

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Housing Authorities of Oregon support HB 3644

To: Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Andersen, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, and members of the House Committee on Housing and Homelessness,

Collectively, the Housing Authorities of Oregon are the largest providers of affordable housing in the state. There are 22 public housing authorities (PHAs) that serve all 36 counties. Our goal is to provide a safe, affordable place for Oregonians with low incomes to call home.

We are writing to express our support for HB 3644 and share our appreciation for the opportunity to participate in the Sustainable Shelter Work Group co-convened by Chair Marsh and Governor Kotek. As providers of permanent supportive housing (PSH), PHAs play a critical role in transitioning families and individuals from emergency shelter into stable housing.

By strengthening partnerships between PHAs, shelter systems, and service providers, the framework established in HB 3644 will expand access to more pathways for Oregonians to move out of emergency shelter and into PSH, bringing us closer towards our statewide goal of ending homelessness. In addition, the regional coordination model will allow Oregonians to remain in their local communities while they work to get rehoused.

Thank you again to Chair Marsh and Governor Kotek for all of their work to address such a critical issue facing the state. We believe this is an important step toward ensuring every Oregonian has a safe, affordable place to call home. Thank you for your consideration.



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