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RE: CONFERENCE

Salem Convention Center | Oct. 23-24, 2018



SAVE THE DATE for 2018 RE:Conference - October 23 & 24!

Conference Agenda

The themes of the 2018 RE:Conference will be equity advancement, building power, and sharing our voices.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 will begin with pre-conference sessions offering 3 in-depth practicums related to conference themes. Attendees will choose one practicum and spend the better part of the day with their facilitators diving deep into content - walking away with new understanding and new skills. Tuesday mid-afternoon the RE:Conference kicks off with an opening plenary, reception, and the ever-popular IDA Marketplace where IDA graduate business owners sell their goods and services.

Wednesday, Oct. 24 the 2018 RE:Conference continues. Join us for stimulating conversations, engaging panels, and networking with partners from all parts of the state. Join decision makers, practitioners, policy makers, grassroots leaders, and others as we come together to share ideas, forge connections, and plan for 2019 and beyond.

For more information, please contact Hannah Waterman at (503) 226-3001 x 107 or hwaterman@neighborhoodpartnerships.org

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**HOUSING
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Creating Housing Opportunity through Local Bonds: HJR 201

Oregonians are coming together to support a ballot measure to build safe, stable, affordable homes for people with low-incomes, including families, seniors, veterans and people with disabilities.

Join us by saying YES to Affordable Housing!

Oregon families in every corner of our state are struggling to keep up with rising housing costs. It's putting a strain on communities that impacts us all. A record number of students are experiencing homelessness and are arriving to class hungry and unprepared to learn. At home, their parents are facing rent increases, evictions, and even homelessness. The impact is visible every day in workplaces, schools, and throughout our communities.

Community leaders, businesses, and voters want to be part of the solution -- but their hands are tied. An old provision in Oregon's state constitution restricts how voter-approved bonds to build affordable housing can be used. Local governments *need* flexibility to build affordable homes for families, seniors, veterans and people with disabilities.

HJR 201 would provide flexibility and make locally approved affordable housing dollars go farther by allowing public-private partnerships. This proposed constitutional amendment -- referred to voters by an overwhelming majority of state lawmakers -- is a common sense solution to help local communities address the need for homes people can afford.

We need your help! Voters in your community know and trust you.

Add your organization to our growing list of partners saying ***Yes to Affordable Housing!***

Endorse the measure today: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YFAHendorsement>

Resources

- Can nonprofits endorse ballot measures? Yes! Learn more here: https://www.bolderadvocacy.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Ballot_Measures_and_Public_Charities.pdf.
- More questions? Call or email Alison at 503-816-2882 or amcintosh@neighborhoodpartnerships.org.

National Low Income Housing Coalition Out of Reach report

Alison McIntosh June 13, 2018

This year's Out of Reach report, released today from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, shows that an Oregonian must earn \$21.26 to afford an average two bedroom apartment, and still have money left over for other necessities like food, medicine, and transportation costs. In the three county Portland-metro area, the hourly wage needed to afford that same average two-bedroom apartment is \$25.58.

We know all Oregonians need a safe, stable and affordable place to call home. As rents rise, families, seniors, people with disabilities, and individuals must make choices between paying rent and putting food on the table. In communities across Oregon, people are struggling to pay the rent, and we have a huge shortage of safe, stable, and affordable housing.

In Hood River, the wage needed to afford an average one bedroom apartment is \$17.33 per hour. A minimum wage earner in Hood River would need to work 64 hours a week just to afford rent for a one bedroom apartment, and have money left over for food and medicine.

In the Portland metro area, a minimum wage earner must work two, full time jobs to afford the average one bedroom apartment, and still have money left over for food and medicine.

You can download the Out of Reach report here, and check out the Housing Wage in your community.



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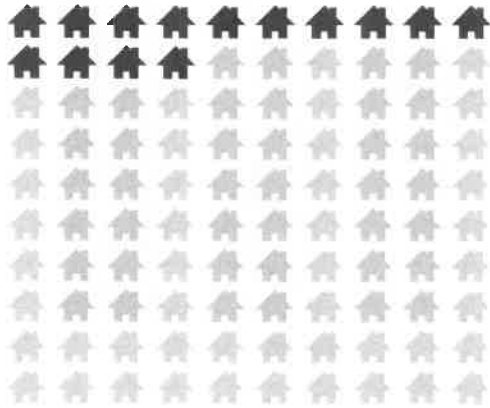
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A Place to Call Home: Linn County

Homes give people an opportunity to build better lives and communities. But how do Linn County residents fare?

We have a serious shortage of affordable housing

For every 100 families with extremely low incomes, there are only 14 affordable units available.



2,875

units are needed to meet the need

More than 1 out of 4



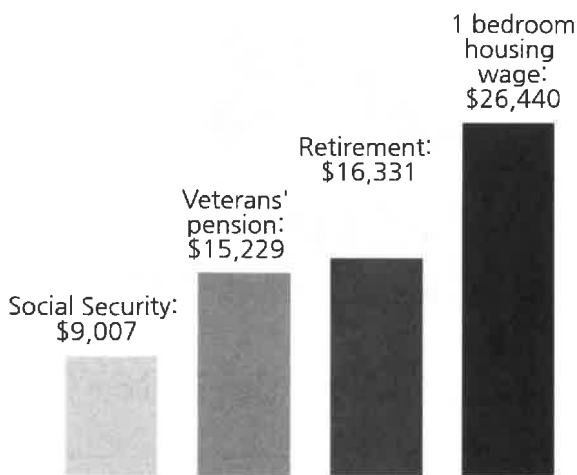
of all renters are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

3 out of 4



renters with extremely low incomes are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

Our neighbors are facing homelessness



Oregonians on fixed incomes struggle to pay rent even for a one bedroom apartment.

1 student

in each classroom experienced homelessness in 2016-2017



That's 880 children during the 2016-17 school year in Linn County.

Workers can't afford rent

\$11.72

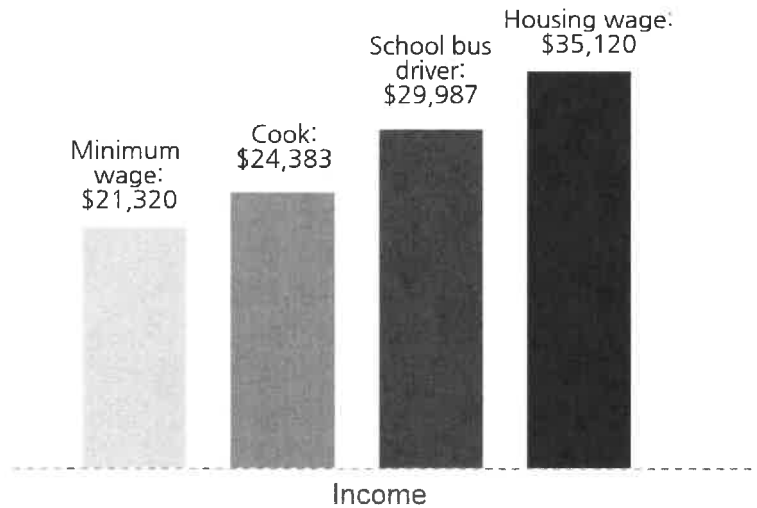


Mean renter wage



Number of hours per week at minimum wage needed to afford a 2 bedroom apartment

A household must earn at least \$35,120 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.

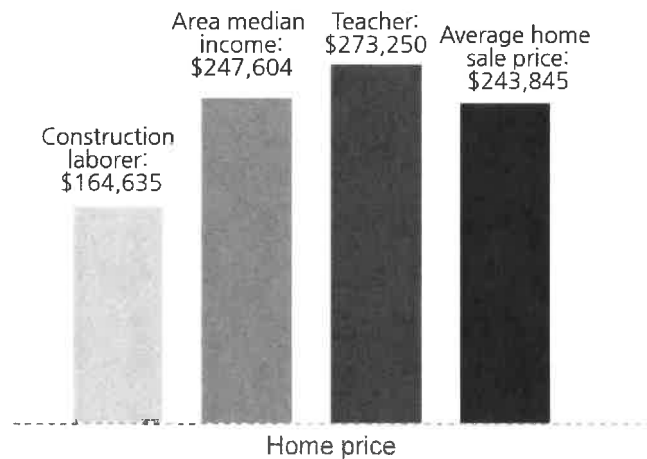


Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price an individual can afford

\$243,845

average home sale price in 2017



...up 14.9% from 2016

