



Coos-Curry/North Bend City
Housing Authority

Linn Benton 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 SB 684

To: Chair Pham, Vice-Chair Anderson and Members of the Senate Committee on Housing and Development:

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

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We need to build more housing in Oregon. This has become a well-known fact in our state, and it is why SB 684 is so important.

When state and federal resources for developing affordable housing are exhausted, how do we continue to build affordable units? SB 684 gives a very creative answer to that question. Using a financial model that has been successful in other parts of the country, this bill creates a revolving loan fund that, paired with the unique skills and attributes of public housing authorities, can build mixed-income housing that includes affordable units *without* a public subsidy.

This financial model won't work in every corner of the state, but in places where it does work, it could be a powerful tool to build more affordable housing, workforce housing, and market rate housing for Oregonians.

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