



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 HB 3417

To: Chair Dexter, Vice-Chair Gamba, Vice-Chair Helfrich and
Members of the House Committee on Housing and
Homelessness:

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.

The Housing Authorities of Oregon supports HB 3417. This bill will expand the use of a successful program that protects landlords and expands housing opportunities for low-income tenants.

While we have learned that low-income tenants do not damage units at greater rates than other tenants, if damages do occur, it can be harder for landlords to be made whole if a tenant cannot afford to pay for those damages. HB 3417 addresses this problem by providing access to funds to mitigate damages.

The Housing Authorities were part of the original agreement that created the successful Landlord Guarantee Fund and are pleased to support this effort to expand it.

Please support HB 3417.

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stable housing options for all Oregonians **haoregon.org**