

## **Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)**

### **agenda**

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**Wednesday, May 25, 2022**      **5:00 PM**      **<https://zoom.us/j/95889916633> (Webinar ID: 958 8991 6633)**

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#### **1. Call To Order, Declaration of a Quorum & Introductions (5:00 PM)**

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#### **3. Council Update (5:10 PM)**

#### **4. Committee Member Communication (5:15 PM)**

#### **5. Consent Agenda (5:20 PM)**

- 5.1 Consideration of the April 27, 2022 MPAC Minutes

[COM](#)  
[22-0570](#)

Attachments: [4.27.2022 MPAC Minutes](#)

#### **6. Information/Discussion Items (5:25 PM)**

- 6.1 Placemaking Grant Update (5:25 PM) [COM](#)  
[22-0564](#)

Presenter(s): Dana Lucero, Metro

Attachments: [MPAC Worksheet](#)  
[Themes from 2022 cycle](#)

- 6.2 Addressing Barriers to shelter siting / Working towards winter 2022-2023 (6:10 PM) [COM](#)  
[22-0565](#)

Presenter(s): Metro Councilor Christine Lewis (she/her)  
Community Based Organization & Jurisdictional Partners

Attachments: [MPAC Worksheet](#)

**7. Adjourn (7:00 PM)**



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## **2022 MPAC Work Program**

***As of 5/9/2022***

*Items in italics are tentative*

<p><b><u>May 25, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Community Placemaking Grants Update (Dana Lucero (she/her), Metro; 45 min)</i></li> <li>• <i>Addressing Barriers to shelter siting / Working towards winter 2022-2023; Q&amp;A with shelter providers; 60 min)</i></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>June 22, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MPAC Consideration of MTAC Nominees (<b>consent</b>)</li> <li>• <i>Parks and Nature Bond and Levy Update (Beth Cohen; 30 min)</i></li> <li>• RTP - Emerging Transportation Trends Study Recommendations for 2023 RTP (Eliot Rose, Metro; 30 min)</li> <li>• Tigard Mid-cycle UGB Expansion update (Elissa Gertler, Metro Ted Reid, Metro Tigard staff (TBD); 30 min)</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>July 27, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Homeless Prevention: Understanding factors that lead to someone lose housing and prevention strategies</i></li> <li>• RTP - Congestion Pricing Policy Development for 2023 RTP (Alex Oreschak and Kim Ellis, Metro)</li> <li>• <i>Introduction to the High Capacity Transit Strategy Update for the 2023 RTP (Margi Bradway (she/her), Metro, Ally Holmqvist (she/her), Metro; 30 min)</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Q3 SHS report included in packet</i></p>	<p><b><u>August 24, 2022- CANCELLED</u></b></p>
<p><b><u>September, 28, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>TOD Program Strategic and Work Plan Update (Andrea Pastor, Metro)</i></li> <li>• <i>Revisiting shelter siting: Members share opportunities for siting shelter in their jurisdictions</i></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>October 26, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>RTP - Climate Smart Strategy Update and Climate Analysis for 2023 RTP (Kim Ellis, Metro)</i></li> <li>• <i>Discussion on one-time State funding for addressing homelessness</i></li> <li>• <i>Shelter siting update: members report out on potential shelter sites</i></li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>RTP - High Capacity Transit Strategy Update for 2023 RTP (Ally Holmqvist, Metro)</i></li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>November 09, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Factors of Homelessness: Regional Cooperation</i></li> <li><i>Freight Commodity Study (Tim Collins, Metro)</i></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>December 14, 2022</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Factors of Homelessness: Summary/Memo/ Lessons Learned</i></li> </ul>

*Note: Some 2023 RTP topics are placeholders pending approval of the work plan and engagement plan by JPACT and the Metro Council.*

## **5.1 Consideration of the April 27, 2022 MPAC Minutes**

*Consent Agenda*

Metro Policy Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022

**METRO POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MPAC)**

Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Shusheela Jayapal  
Vince Jones-Dixon  
Terri Preeg Riggsby  
Mark Shull  
Denyse McGriff  
Brett Sherman  
Pam Treece  
Ed Gronke  
Steve Callaway  
Gordon Hovies

Luis Nava  
Kirsten Green  
Elizabeth Kennedy-Wong  
Diana Perez  
Omar Qutub  
Mary Nolan  
Christine Lewis

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Ted Wheeler  
Brian Cooper  
James Fage  
Mark Watson

Temple Lentz  
Brian Hodson  
Peter Truax  
Carmen Rubio  
Thomas Kim  
Gerritt Rosenthal  
Nadia Hasan

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Clackamas County  
City of Oregon City, Second Largest City in Clackamas County  
City of Happy Valley, Other Cities in Clackamas County  
Washington County  
Citizen of Clackamas County  
City of Hillsboro, Largest City in Washington County  
Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Special Districts in Washington County  
Citizen of Washington County  
Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development  
Port of Portland  
City of Vancouver  
Citizen of Multnomah County  
Metro Council  
Metro Council

**AFFILIATION**

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City of Fairview, Other Cities in Multnomah County  
City of North Plains, City in Washington County outside UGB  
Hillsboro School District Board of Directors, Governing Body of a School District  
Clark County  
City of Canby, City in Clackamas County outside UGB  
City of Forest Grove, Other Cities in Washington County  
City of Portland  
TriMet  
Metro Council  
City of Beaverton, Second Largest City in Washington County

**ALTERNATES PRESENT**

Anthony Martin  
Laura Kelly  
Jules Walters

**AFFILIATION**

City of Hillsboro, Largest City in Washington County  
Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development  
West Linn, Other Cities in Clackamas County

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Beth Vargas Duncan, Bill Holmstrom, Carol Johnson, Cody Meyer, Colin Cooper, David Berniker, Eben Polk, Evan Manvel, Glen Bolen, Jamie Lorenzini, Jamie Stasny, Juff Gudman, Jules Walters, Kelly Sherbo, Kevin Young, Laura Kelly, Laura Terway, Laurie Petrie, Leah Navarro, Megan McKibben, Miranda Bateschell, Monique Smiley, Paige Spence, Phillip McCreary, Rick Winterhalter, Shirley Craddick, Tara O'Brien, Ted Reid, Tom Armstrong, Warren Johnson.

**STAFF:** Carrie MacLaren, Connor Ayers, Eduardo Ramos, Elissa Gertler, Estee Segal, Holly Stirnkorb, Kim Ellis, Ina Zucker, Jaye Cromwell, Marissa Madrigal, Ramona Perrault, Robyn Stowers, Roger Alfred, Stellan Roberts, Tom Kloster.

**1. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS, CHAIR COMMUNICATIONS**

MPAC Chair Joe Buck (he/him) called the virtual Zoom meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Metro Staff Connor Ayers (he/him) called the role. Chair Buck declared a quorum.

**2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There was none.

**3. COUNCIL UPDATE**

Councilor Christine Lewis (she/her) provided an update on a potential Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) exchange process. Tigard asked Metro for a review of a UGB expansion. She explained that COO Marissa Madrigal recommended that Metro Council approve the expansion request through a UGB exchange. The UGB exchange process has not previously been used at Metro. Councilor Lewis then updated MPAC on Metro's housing bond in the past few months. She explained that the Good Shepard Apartments in Happy Valley have broken ground and the housing development project Nueva Esperansa in Hillsboro is also moving forward. She highlighted that Metro has 1,000 apartments under construction and another 1,800 in permitting and design.

Mayor Peter Truax (he/him) expressed concern for the city that would be losing land from the UGB if Tigard were to gain land in the potential UGB exchange process.

Councilor Lewis explained that Council has not yet discussed this UGB exchange and that MPAC will discuss this in more detail in June.

Mayor Steve Callaway (he/him) asked if all the land being swapped has to come from the same area or if it can be split up into multiple sections.

Councilor Lewis responded by explaining that she does not have an answer because Council has not discussed the topic.

Metro Staff Elissa Gertler (she/her) explained that this is the type of discussion that Metro is hoping for in June.

Mayor Callaway stressed that the area is so many housing units behind so any and all housing progress is important. He stated that he is looking forward to the deeper discussion.

#### **4. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Buck reminded MPAC that the quarter one supportive housing services progress report is included in today's meeting packet.

#### **5. CONSTENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Mayor Truax moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Pam Treece (she/her) seconded.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Denyse McGriff abstained, with all else in favor, the consent agenda passed.

#### **6. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **6.1 Climate Friendly Equitable Communities Rule Making Update**

Chair Buck introduced Metro Staff Elissa Gertler (she/her) and Oregon Department of Land Conversation and Development (DLCD) staff Kirstin Green (she/her) to present.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Elissa explained that these rules will begin being adopted in May and will have influence on regional land use and transportation planning.

Kirstin introduced the presentation, explained that this is building on climate smart communities, and introduced other DLCD staff members that will present.

Bill Holmstrom, DLCD, discussed Transportation System Plans (TSP) and deadlines for implementing both major and minor TSP updates.

Evan Manvel (he/him), DLCD, discussed parking reform and implementation dates for two phases of parking reform mandates.

Kevin Young, (he/him), DLCD, discussed the equivalent of Climate Friendly Areas within the Metro boundary and explained implementation rules for remaining undesignated 2040 Centers.

Bill discussed Metro-specific rules, explaining that additional flexibility is being provided in the Portland Metro area because of the additional coordinating bodies.

Kevin and Evan presented the implementation schedule as it would relate to Metro jurisdictions.

Kirstin presented the rulemaking schedule.

*Member discussion included:*

Councilor Brett Sherman (he/him) asked how frequent a bus must travel be to make an area considered a transportation corridor.

Evan explained that a bus must arrive every 15 minutes or better or the most frequent transit line in a community as long as it is at least once an hour to be considered a transportation corridor.

Councilor Sherman expressed concern with one-size-fits all mandates that affect cities that are different than Portland. He explained that these parking requirements are not fair to people living in suburban apartment complexes as commute times via transit are too long so owning a car is still necessary.

Evan responded by explaining that the market is what drives parking while government regulations are a smaller piece as these regulations do not limit parking from being built.

Kirstin stressed that the goal with this change is to deregulate the provision of parking.

Mayor Callaway explained that Washington and Clackamas counties share a larger percentage of TriMet's service area than percent of service, he voiced that applying this parking deregulation everywhere in the region is great if transit service distribution was more even.

Commissioner McGriff agreed with Councilor Sherman's comments and suggested a broader discussion with interested parties to discuss these rules.



Kristin explained that they would be happy to schedule this discussion with elected leadership on the topic.

Chair Buck asked what the coordination with cities has been like for implementing these rules.

Evan explained that they have had dozens of meeting with Metro area jurisdictions.

Kristin explained that there have also been a number of forums of Metro area planners.

## **6.2 Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan & Ridwell Update**

Chair buck introduced Metro staff Estee Segal (she/her) to present to MPAC.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Estee Segal introduced the presentation, explained the role of the Garbage and Recycling System Facilitates Plan, the plan's approach, project timeline, expected engagement internal and external audiences, and the Regional Waste Plan's values and principles. Estee gave examples of outcomes given the values to conserve natural resources and provide excellent service and equitable system access. Estee then highlighted next steps for the System Facilities Plan.

*Member discussion included:*

Commissioner McGriff stressed the importance of advancing environmental literacy.

Mayor Callaway asked how different policies and approaches between counties will come together as part of the process and outcome.

Estee responded by highlighting that this plan is about facility needs and determining what role the public, private and nonprofit sector should play in the region in providing services to manage materials better. She explained that the System Facilities Plan is specifically facility and infrastructure focused.

Commissioner Shull asked how the project will consider the potential cost to build, operate and renovate facilities and how will this be reflected in the outcomes document.

Estee explained that cost and financing is a part of phase four of the System Facilities Plan, but they are only in the first few phases now.

Commissioner Pam Treece addressed Mayor Callaway's previous comments by noting a meeting regarding franchise agreements and Ridwell services in relationship to haulers, which she noted is a very different piece than is currently being explored.

Chair Buck introduced Warren Johnson (he/him) to present to MPAC.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Metro Staff Warren Johnson (he/him) provided updates on the Ridwell facility license.

*Member discussion included:*

Chair Buck asked how many garbage and recycling facilities Metro owns and how privately owned facilities are considered in this plan.

Estee explained that the goal for the System Facilities Plan is to look at all private, public and nonprofit facilities in the region to see where gaps in services are.

### **6.3 Work Plan and Public Engagement Plan for the 2023 Regional Transportation Plan Update**

Chair Buck introduced Metro Staff Kim Ellis (she/her) to present to MPAC.

*Key elements of the presentation included:*

Kim outlined the purpose for today's presentation, what the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is, explained that the RTP is a key tool for implementing the 2040 Growth Concept, how partners and the public have been engaged since October, the RTP timeline, and five key policy topics which are: safe and healthy arterials policy, regional congestion pricing policy, climate smart strategy, high capacity transit strategy, and regional mobility policy. Kim then explained how the community and partners will be engaged moving forward and dove into phases two through five of the RTP which are: phase two - data and policy analysis, phase three - revenue and needs analysis, phase four - build RTP investment strategy, and phase five - public review and adoption process. Kim discussed potential policy topics for future MPAC discussion.

*Member discussion included:*

Chair Buck voiced the importance of breaking down these larger policy discussions into smaller more manageable topics in order for MPAC to be most effective. He asked MPAC members which particular, specific policy items within RTP topics are they most interested in.

Council Sherman expressed interest in the emerging trends analysis as this can change the way he thinks about some of the decisions that MPAC makes. He explained that he hopes this can be tied into regional congestion pricing and expanding high capacity transit.

Mayor Truax voiced interest in three key subjects that are planned for upcoming meetings, these are: climate smart, transportation equity analysis, and congestion pricing.

Luis Nava expressed concern with the amount of people who were reached through the public engagement process. He also asked about the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) participation in the RTP public engagement process.

Kim agreed with Luis' concern about the amount of people that were a part of the community leader's forum and explained that they will continue to work to remove barriers to participation. Kim then explained that this public engagement plan was not presented to PERC but it was brought to Metro's committee on racial equity and it aligns with the public engagement guidelines created by PERC.

Luis voiced concern that only two Washington County Community Members were interviewed, the rest of the interviewees were elected officials.

Chair Buck asked if there is a way to gain access to who is participating in Metro's public engagement so local jurisdictions can reach out to those same community leaders.

Kim explained that reports on who participates does get reported.

Ed Gronke explained that the average citizen in unincorporated Clackamas County believes that Metro is a distance operation within Portland. So, while difficult, communication with these people still needs to improve.

Mayor Truax asked about MPAC meeting in-person next meeting.

Connor Ayres explained that the Metro Regional Center is not currently capable of supporting such a large group for a hybrid meeting.

Mayor Callaway reminded everyone to vote in the upcoming election.

## **7. ADJOURN**

Chair Buck adjourned the meeting at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Stellan Roberts*

Stellan Roberts  
Recording Secretary

4/27/2022 MPAC

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**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2022**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TYPE</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT NO.</b>
6.1	Presentation	4/27/2022	Climate Friendly Equitable Communities Rule Making Update Slides	04272022-01
6.2	Presentation	4/27/2022	Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan & Ridwell Update Slides	04272022-02
6.3	Presentation	4/27/2022	Work Plan and Public Engagement plan for the 2023 RTP Update Slides	04272022-05

## **6.1 Placemaking Grant Update**

*Information/Discussion Items*

Metro Policy Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022

# MPAC Worksheet

**Agenda Item Title:** Community Placemaking grant program update

**Presenters:** Dana Lucero and several Community Placemaking grantees

**Contact for this worksheet/presentation:** Dana Lucero, Metro Planning, Development and Research, [dana.lucero@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:dana.lucero@oregonmetro.gov)

## **Purpose/Objective**

Update MPAC members on Metro's Community Placemaking grant program, hear firsthand stories from community members supported by the program and share the 2022 grant award winners.

## **Outcome**

Staff welcomes suggestions for outreach for future grant cycles and invites MPAC members to share the grant opportunity with constituents.

## **What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?**

Metro sustains its commitment to community-led, equity-centered, arts and culture based efforts through our Community Placemaking grants. These grants support creative solutions to regionally significant and complex issues. Metro has awarded just over \$1 million in 58 grants to community groups since beginning the program in 2017.

In the 2022 cycle, we received 82 applications requesting more than \$1.7 million in funding. As you can see in the attached document, the proposals once again are deeply personal and address the most pressing issues facing our region. The grant review panel, comprised of a Metro Council member and six people of color who work at the intersection of arts and culture and social justice, selected 11 groups to receive a total of \$193,000. The 2022 grants support Indigenous, Black, Latinx, Japanese, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, Trans, Queer communities, culturally specific small business owners, farmers of color, women who have experienced trauma and BIPOC elders and youth. The efforts will occur across the Metro region in places such as Gresham, Fairview, Tualatin, Hillsboro, in various locations in Portland and virtually.

A few things are notable in this cycle. Nearly half the efforts center on the intergenerational transfer of wisdom, stories and culture sharing. Four support Indigenous-led efforts, two of which will use multiple Metro parks as welcoming and accessible places to bring Indigenous artists and community members together.

Other refinements made to the program reflect community feedback and best practices in the field of equity-centered placemaking.

- In the 2021 cycle, we offered the choice to submit a video application instead of written responses.
- In the 2022 cycle, we translated application materials for the 13 most commonly spoken languages other than English and offered to accept and translate applications in languages other than English.

Applications for the 2023 cycle will open in early August, with applications due early October Grant awards announced in early January 2023. As always, staff encourages anyone interested in the opportunity to reach out for one-on-one assistance.

## **What packet material do you plan to include?**

- Themes from the 2022 grant applications



# Community Placemaking grant program

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## **ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY**

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- Educational opportunities for communities of color and Jade District residents
- Leadership and capacity building for renters in low-income areas
- Access to skilled construction careers for BIPOC, formerly incarcerated and low income adults
- Equitable access to print and publication resources
- BIPOC small business support
- Learning about nature and science
- Access to communication devices and technology
- BIPOC access to affordable print and publication resources
- Creating barrier-free venues for historically under-served and emerging artists and creative businesses to access resources and launch community projects
- Equity and economic opportunity for East Portland residents
- Race-based inequities and underrepresentation in STEM fields
- Opportunities for meaningful career preparation in the creative digital field
- Rectifying the oppression and displacement of farmers market vendors of color
- Building consistent and successful farmers market pathways for BIPOC farmers, LGBTQ+ farmers and beginning farmers
- Supporting startup businesses
- Lack of access to digital resources and education
- Lack of opportunity and safe places for BIPOC makers to sell wares
- Building social capital and economic empowerment through entrepreneurship
- Environmental education and stewardship
- Creation of sewing collectives as a pathway to cultural resources for women and girls

## **IMPORTANT PLACES AND ACCESS TO THEM**

- Affordable and welcoming access to safe community gathering spaces
- Farming spaces and support for BIPOC community members
- Safe and welcoming spaces for BIPOC communities
- Creating a welcoming community hub for BIPOC neighbors
- Making bike riding more accessible in Cully
- New affordable housing
- Need for community gathering space
- Welcoming spaces
- Reemergence and activation of downtown Portland
- BIPOC access to natural areas and outdoor recreation
- The need for community-minded street-level activation in Old Town
- Afrofuturist vision of Albina
- Highlighting Black businesses, art, and culture in the Soul District of N/NE Portland
- Converting unused outdoor spaces into usable community and event space
- Opportunities for marginalized communities to lead events and have places to safely gather

## **ARTS**

- Access to art
- Increasing culturally significant art programming
- Access to arts for people living with disabilities
- Access to culturally relevant Indigenous music education
- Lack of Indigenous performing arts spaces
- Lack of arts spaces and programming for Latino communities
- Access to arts education
- Access to arts opportunities for people holding marginalized identities
- Lack of representation by artists who depict the racial, gender and sexual diversity
- Lack of access to space and funding for dance events

## **6.2 Addressing Barriers to shelter siting / Working towards winter 2022-2023**

*Information/Discussion Items*

Metro Policy Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022

# MPAC Worksheet

**Agenda Item Title:** Factors of Homelessness- Providing Shelter: Barriers to Shelter Siting and Working Towards Winter Shelter

**Presenters:** Metro Councilor Christine Lewis, CBO & Jurisdictional Partners (TBD)

**Contact for this worksheet/presentation:** Nui Bezaire [Nui.Bezaire@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:Nui.Bezaire@oregonmetro.gov) & Jaye Cromwell [jaye.cromwell@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:jaye.cromwell@oregonmetro.gov)

## Purpose/Objective

Over the course of this year, MPAC members will learn about, consider, and provide feedback on programming that addresses homelessness in the region, including the supportive housing services measure. This month's focus on siting shelters will provide MPAC members with insight into some of the barriers faced by local service providers in siting shelters in the Metro area. Members will hear directly from community based organizations and jurisdictional partners about their experience creating and implementing shelters, and will also hear about strategies that have led to success.

MPAC members should leave the presentation with high-level knowledge of barriers service providers face in siting shelters. After a brief presentation, Metro Councilor Christine Lewis will facilitate a discussion among MPAC members. Presenters and Metro staff will be available to answer questions.

In future meetings, the Factors of Homelessness series will go on to address:

1. The types of economic factors that are causing Oregonians to experience homelessness and policy options that local governments should implement to address them
2. How cities of any size, with different levels of resources, can coordinate with one another, the three counties, and Metro to address homelessness

The MPAC Chair will report back to Metro Council the lessons learned, takeaways, and key pieces of feedback for consideration by regional housing partners.

## Outcome

MPAC members are becoming more familiar with Metro's Supportive Housing Services program as our series progresses. Some members may be more or less familiar with barriers that service providers in their jurisdiction face when siting permanent or temporary shelters. The goals of the presentation are to give insight into some of the barriers faced by our partner service providers, and to spark discussion around how MPAC members could leverage their roles to remove or mitigate them.

## What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?

The Metro Supportive Housing Services program last presented to MPAC in March 2022 when MPAC members heard the first presentation in the Factors of Homelessness series. That presentation gave a brief overview of the supportive housing services provided in the greater Portland region. Since then, the Metro Council approved the Tri-County Planning Body charter and the slate of members.

## What packet material do you plan to include?

N/A; only powerpoint slides.

Materials following this page were distributed at the meeting.





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Living School of Art  
(2019)

# Community Placemaking grants

MPAC update | May 25, 2022

Dana Lucero, Senior Planner





Black Food Sovereignty Coalition

## Welcome Charles Smith and Mirabai Collins

Black Food Sovereignty Coalition Growing and Healing Spaces for BIPOC Communities, \$22,000 (Southeast Portland) Funds site-based improvements to Black Futures Farm, a Black-centered production farm and community-building space.





## Welcome Maria Bazante, Dioscelin Sanchez and Dora López

Guelaguetza en Oregon, \$22,000 (Hillsboro) Mesoamerican Indigenous celebration of tradition, culture, music and food for Indigenous communities often excluded with the larger Latinx community.





Community Placemaking grants support community-led, equity-centered, arts and culture based efforts that strengthen people's connections to each other and places they care about.





Since beginning the program in 2017, we have awarded \$1,032,740 to 58 community-based groups.





Morpheus Youth Project (2019)    Tene'kin tanik maaya (2020)    Ori Gallery (2019 and 2022)

**Placemaking:** People's connections to each other and to places they care about are strengthened.

**Equity:** People of color and members of historically marginalized communities have power and resources to influence their neighborhoods and

**Partnerships:** People's efforts are maximized because they work in partnership with each other and with Metro.

**Leadership:** People participate in projects and decisions that affect them.

# PRESERVING

Safeguarding and strengthening communities and places they care about

## COMMUNITY DRIVEN

Idea is conceived and carried out by the community the effort benefits

METRO'S  
COMMUNITY  
PLACEMAKING

PROGRAM

## TOP DOWN

Idea is conceived and carried out by a single entity intending to benefit a broader community

# TRANSFORMING

Introducing fundamental changes to places or practices in service of community





## Grants

- \$193,000 available/cycle
- Grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000
- No matching funds required
- Anyone can apply, but require a fiscal sponsor if not a nonprofit





## 2022 cycle

- Received 82 applications requesting \$1.74 million
- Accepted video and multilingual applications
- Review panel are people of color working at the intersection of arts and culture + social justice
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## Community Placemaking grant program

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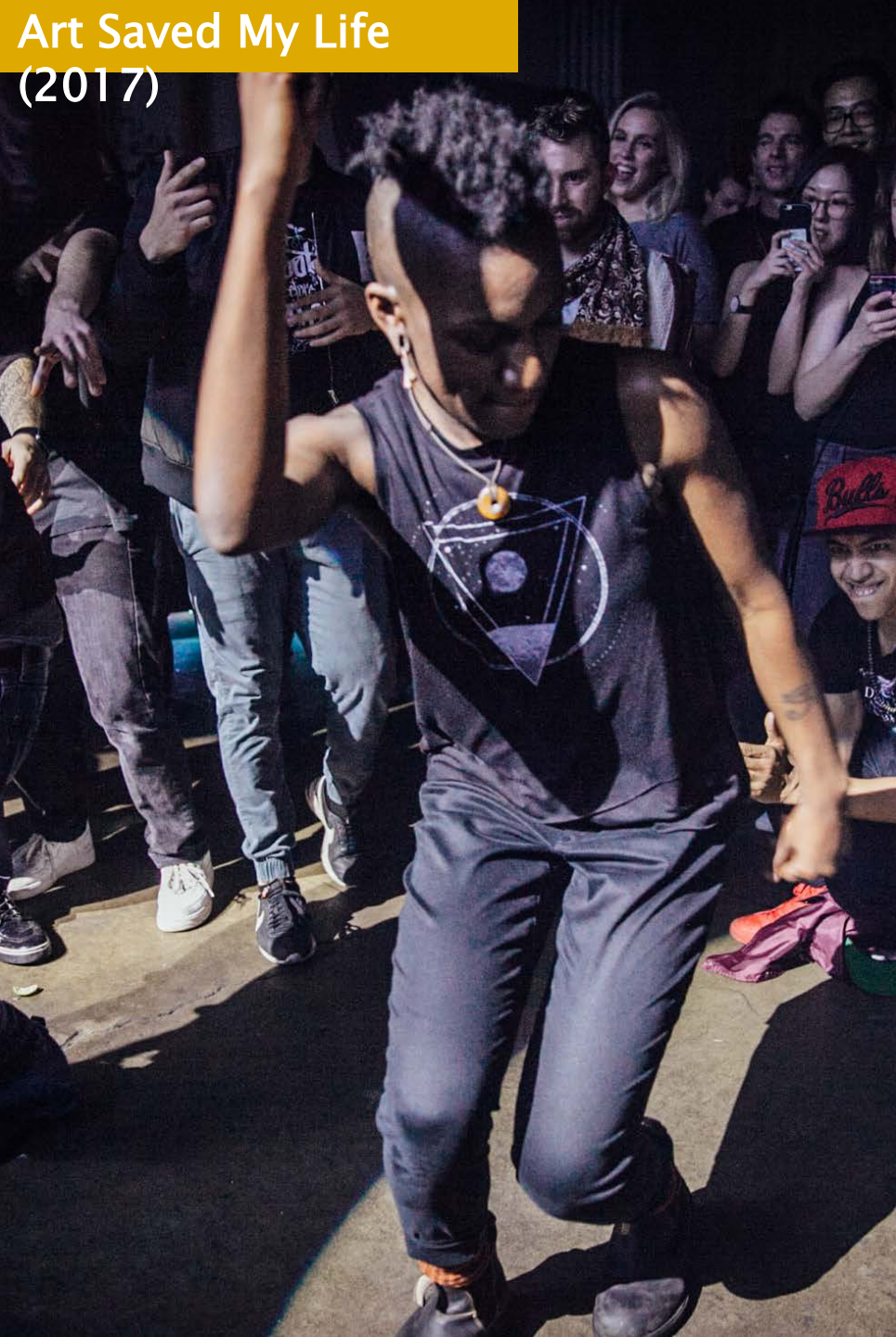
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## 2022 grantees

- Indigenous, Black, Latinx, Japanese, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, Trans, Queer communities, culturally specific small business owners, farmers of color, women who have experienced trauma and BIPOC elders and youth
- Half focus on intergenerational transfer of wisdom, stories and culture sharing
- Four support Indigenous led





## 2023 cycle

**Aug 5–Oct 7: Accepting applications, info sessions and assistance available**

**Jan 2023: Awards announced**

**Mar 2023–Jun 2024: Grant-funded activities take place**





**Charles Smith, Mirabai Collins**  
Black Food Sovereignty Coalition Growing  
and Healing Spaces for BIPOC  
Communities



**Maria Bazante, Dioscelin  
Sanchez, Dora López**  
Guelaguetza en Oregon





**Pop-Up Afro-topia: Celebrating the Past and Future of Lower Albina, \$20,000 (North Portland)** An immersive festival celebrating a future where Black and Brown Portlanders feel like they belong. Includes performances and physically realized concepts of Albina's future gathered from community listening sessions.



**Jim Pepper Native Arts Council Placemaking, \$15,120 (Metro parks and virtual)** Small events featuring Indigenous musicians, artists, storytellers, poets and teachers and include open air classes on practices and traditions such as food gathering, weaving and beadwork. Performances will be filmed and shown on Open Signal.



**Food that connects: Oral Histories of the Japanese American Community of Oregon, \$7,500 (Downtown and Southeast Portland)** Recording histories of the Japanese elders of the Ikoi no Kai community, contributing digital living content to a community-led project led by the Japanese American Museum of Oregon to preserve important narratives on the way





## **Lost Voices of the Lower Willamette, \$21,490 (Portland along the Willamette River)**

Intergenerational sharing of stories of the Portland Harbor communities who have historically been sacrificed to large industry, highways and other polluting uses. Will include storytelling events and archives, mapping, portraiture and performances.



**Vestal Social Justice Night and Storytelling Project, \$24,890 (Southeast Portland and virtual)** Expands Vestal's Social Justice Celebration by engaging artists to collect stories from students, their families and BIPOC food cart owners. Involves PSU Artist as Citizen Initiative. Students and artists will present music created in response to the stories at the celebration, and all recordings will be edited into a podcast.



**Juntos Construimos Un Tualatin Resiliente, \$16,000 (Tualatin)** Tualatin Together and the Pili Group, a group of Latina women who have experienced domestic and/or other traumas, will create community events that reflect the values and





**Youth and Elder Cultural Archive on the land and water, \$12,000 (Fairview, Gresham and other locations including Metro parks)** Youth will create video conversations with Elders -- teaching moments for ecological knowledge, weaving, harvesting and relating Indigenous ways of being.



**Ori Gallery Operational Support, \$16,000 (North Portland)** Ori Gallery creates collaborative, equitable and safe spaces for QTBIPOC artists to create, display and process their work. They will host workshops, lectures, panels and exhibitions that foster dialogue, political and cultural education, skill sharing and movement building.



**Uplifting Indigenous Culture and Community, \$16,000 (Northeast Portland)** Portland Indigenous Marketplace provides barrier-free, culturally respectful spaces that encourage cultural resilience and economic sustainability. The grant supports a monthly 2-day marketplace and community art studio.



Pass the Mic Music Education for Immigrant Youth  
(2022)

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Dana Lucero, [dana.lucero@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:dana.lucero@oregonmetro.gov)



# GUELAGUETZA EN OREGON

**August 6, 2022**

12pm - 8pm • Shute Park  
750 SE 8th Ave  
Hillsboro, Oregon 97123

[guelaguetzaenoregon.org](http://guelaguetzaenoregon.org)



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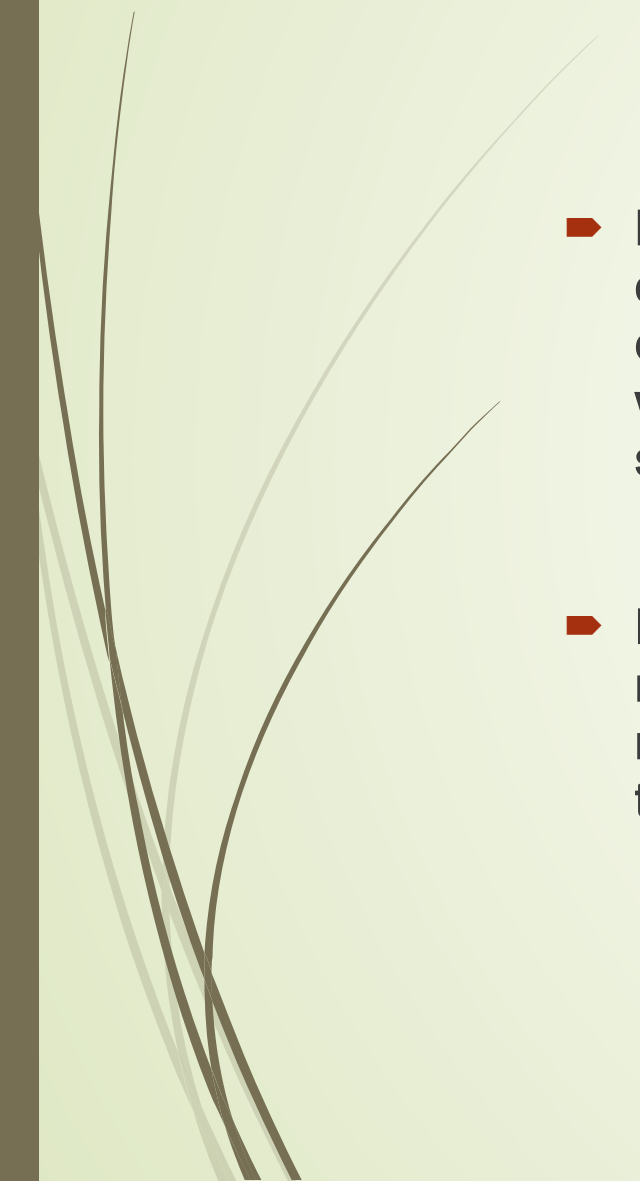


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# What is La Guelaguetza?


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- La Guelaguetza, is an annual indigenous cultural event that takes place in the city of Oaxaca, as well as in nearby villages. The celebration centers on traditional dancing in costume in groups, and includes parades complete with indigenous walking bands, native food, and statewide artisanal crafts such as prehispanic-style textiles.
  - Each traje and dance usually has a local indigenous historical and cultural meaning. Although the celebration is now an important tourist attraction, it also retains deep cultural importance for the peoples of the state and is important for the continuing survival of these cultures.








# **The Ñuu Savi Community in Washington County**


- **The Ñuu Savi (Mixtecs), are Mesoamerican people of Mexico inhabiting the region known as La Mixteca of Oaxaca and Puebla as well as the state of Guerrero's Mountain Region, and Costa Chica Region/Coastal Region, which covers parts of the Mexican states of Oaxaca, Guerrero and Puebla.**
  - **Washington County is home to multiple Mesoamerican indigenous communities from Mexico, Central and South America.**
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# **Ñu'un Nducha/Tierragua has been coordinating and creating La Guelaguetza en Oregon.**

- **The event will be a celebration of the indigenous communities that live in Washington County.**
  - **La Guelaguetza is an essential celebration of the eight indigenous regions in Oaxaca, Mexico. This event will be important for the indigenous community to gather in Hillsboro to celebrate with music, art, and food.**
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# Questions



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BFSC works to  
co-create and  
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systems change  
in Black,  
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other POC  
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Recovery and  
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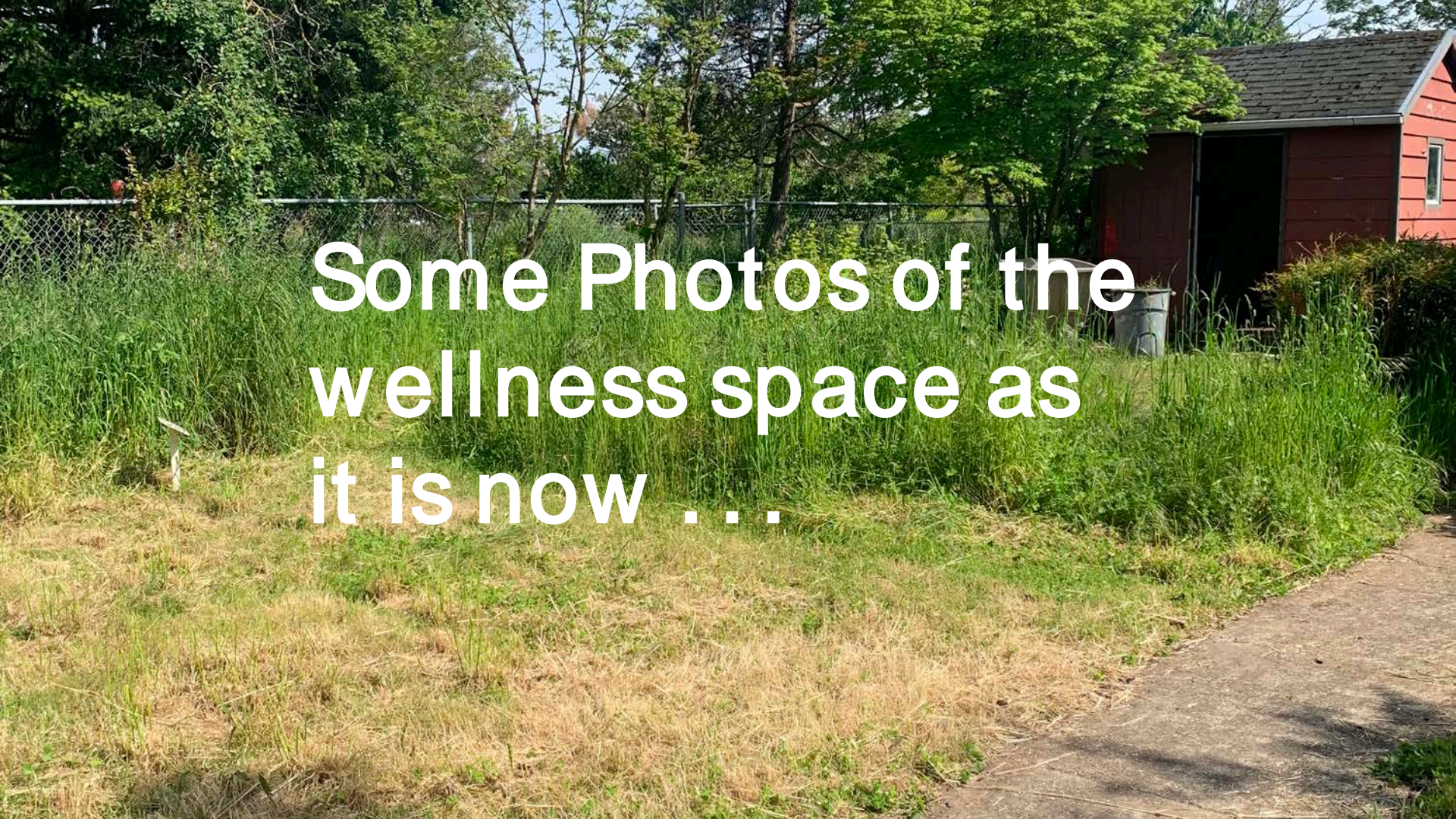




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Common Area Maintenance (CAM)



A photograph of a wellness space. In the foreground, there is a mix of green and dry, yellowish grass. A chain-link fence runs across the middle ground. Behind the fence, there are several tall, leafy green trees. To the right, a red building with a dark roof and an open doorway is visible. A concrete path curves along the right side of the frame. The text "Some Photos of the wellness space as it is now ..." is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font in the center of the image.

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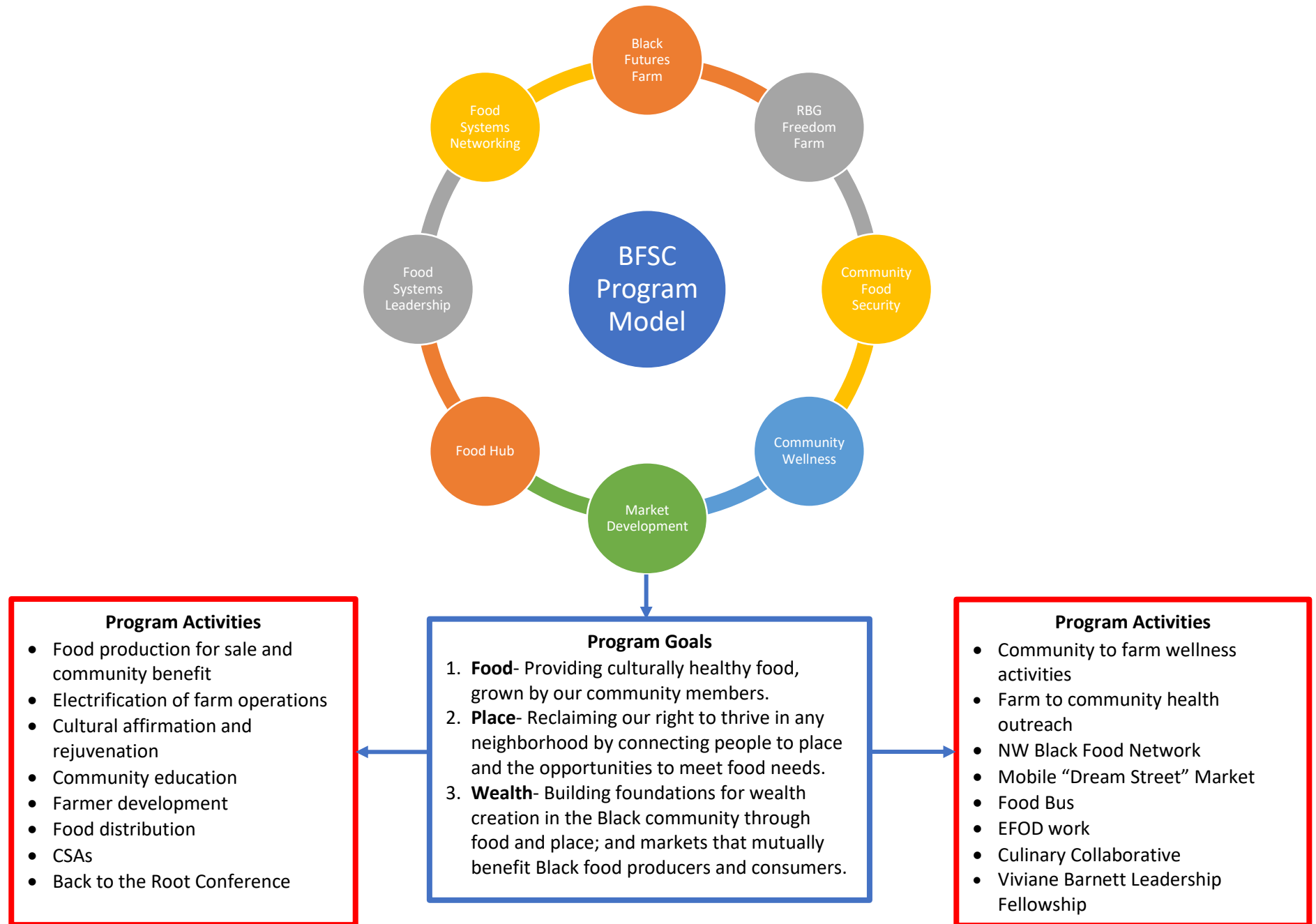
## BFSC Program Logic Model Overview

**Target Population-** Black and Brown communities in the Pacific Northwest

Program Goals	Inputs	Core Programs	Activities	Outputs	Outcomes
<p><b>Food-</b> Providing culturally healthy food, grown by our community members.</p> <p><b>Place-</b> Reclaiming our right to thrive in any neighborhood by connecting people to place and the opportunities to meet food needs.</p> <p><b>Wealth-</b> Building foundations for wealth creation in the Black community through food and place; and markets that mutually benefit Black food producers and consumers.</p>	Wisdom of elder and ancestors	1. Black Futures Farm- Black farm and community healing space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food production for sale and community benefit</li> <li>Cultural affirmation and rejuvenation</li> <li>Community education</li> <li>Model electrification of farm operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>lbs. of food produced for sale</li> <li># of Black Sunday events</li> <li># of volunteer and community education events hosted</li> <li>Electric infrastructure features added</li> </ul>	Operate and cultivate BIPOC led organic farms powered with green electric energy.
	BFSC staff and contractors				
	BFSC Board				
	Black community members and organizations	2. RBG Freedom Farm- BIPOC farm and community healing space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food production for sale and community benefit</li> <li>Cultural affirmation and rejuvenation</li> <li>Community education</li> <li>Farmer development programming</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>lbs. of food produced for sale</li> <li># of cultural celebrations hosted</li> <li># of volunteer and community education events hosted</li> <li># of farmers assisted</li> </ul>	Increase the number of Black food growers.
	BIPOC farmers and food producers				
	Volunteers	3. Community Food Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food distribution</li> <li>CSAs</li> <li>Home gardening</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>lbs. of food distributed to community</li> <li># of people/families served</li> </ul>	Produce food for sale and community benefit.
	Farmland in SE PDX and Sauvie Island	4. Community Wellness and Education- The Healing Space; Grandma's Hands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community to farm wellness activities</li> <li>Farm to community health outreach</li> <li>NW Black Food Network</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># of farm wellness events hosted</li> <li># of community engagement events</li> <li># of food related education items produced and posted</li> </ul>	Participants experience increased physical and emotional health.
	Donors	5. Market Development- Community farmers' markets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mobile "Dream Street" Market</li> <li>Farmer development programming</li> <li>Farmer's market manager development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># of markets supported</li> <li># of market event day provided</li> <li># of mobile community market events</li> <li># of farmer and market manager education events</li> </ul>	Develop market opportunities connecting Black producers with Black consumers.
	Business partners	6. Food Hub- supporting food producers from production to market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culinary Collaborative</li> <li>Regional food distribution</li> <li>Food Bus</li> <li>EFOD work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># of food producers supported</li> <li># of commercial kitchen hours offered to producers</li> <li># of food products distributed/sold</li> </ul>	Increase the number of Black food producers moving products to market.
	Foundations	7. Food Systems Leadership Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Viviane Barnett Leadership Fellowship</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># of leadership development experiences hosted for fellows</li> </ul>	Enhance the capacity of BIPOC food systems leaders.
		8. Black Food Systems Network Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Back to the Root Conference</li> <li>Partnership with OSU Small Farms Conference</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual gatherings</li> <li>Feedback from community- opportunities; needs</li> </ul>	



## BFSC Program Logic Model



# Streets to Stability: Safe Rest Villages Initiative

Led by Commissioner Dan Ryan



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Welcome!

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2022 POINT IN TIME COUNT OF AT LEAST

**5,228 Houseless Individuals**



## Alternative Point of Entry



# Safe Rest Villages – Service Priorities



## Values:

Dignity  
Safety  
Community  
Compassion



## Housing:

Private Space  
Shared Space



## Infrastructure:

Electricity  
Clean Water  
Wi-Fi  
HVAC  
Food Preparation  
Fire Safety  
Public Transportation



## Hygiene:

Laundry  
Showers  
Flush Toilets  
Garbage  
Recycling

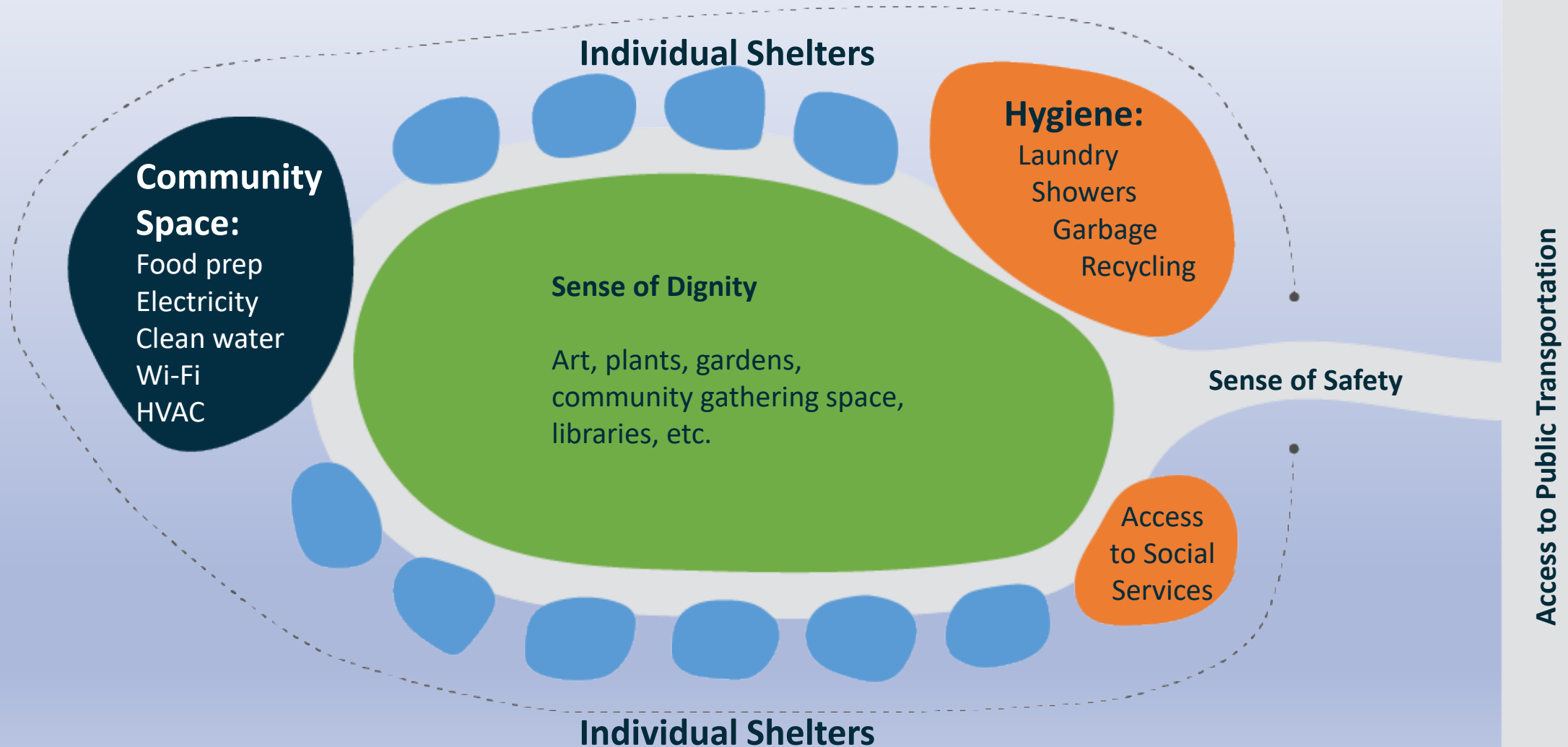


## Access to Services:

Case Management  
Mental Health Supports  
Substance Abuse Services  
Housing Supports  
Community Advocates  
First Aid & Medical Care

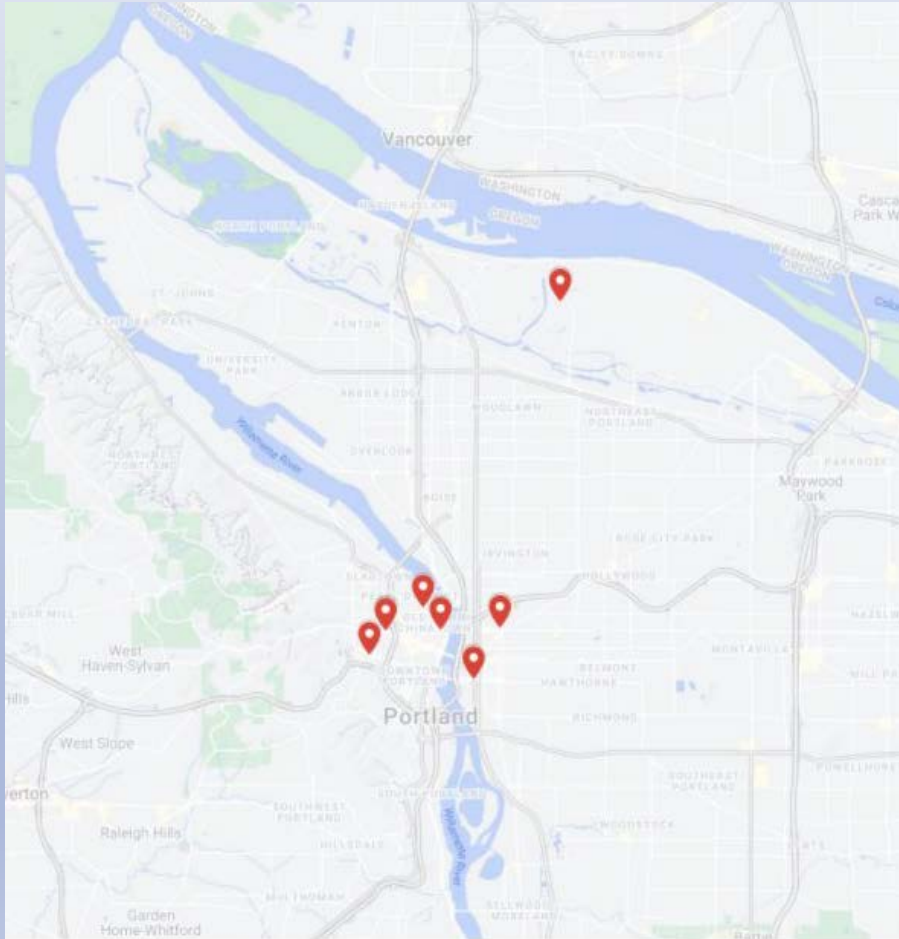


# Conceptual Space Use and Service Priorities

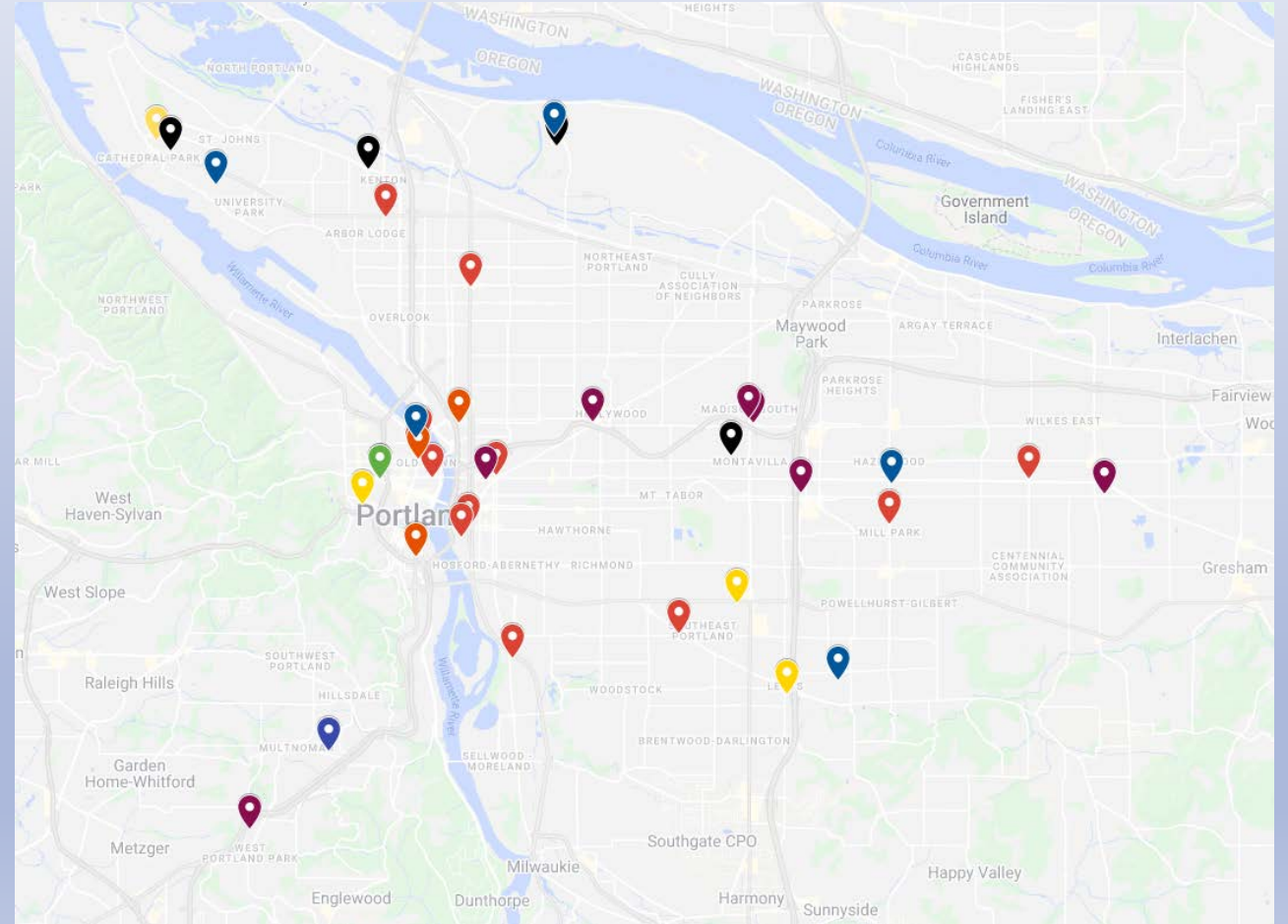


# Shelters in Multnomah County

All shelters in 2015  
(pre-Emergency Declaration)



All shelters of all types  
May 2022 (including future SRV's)

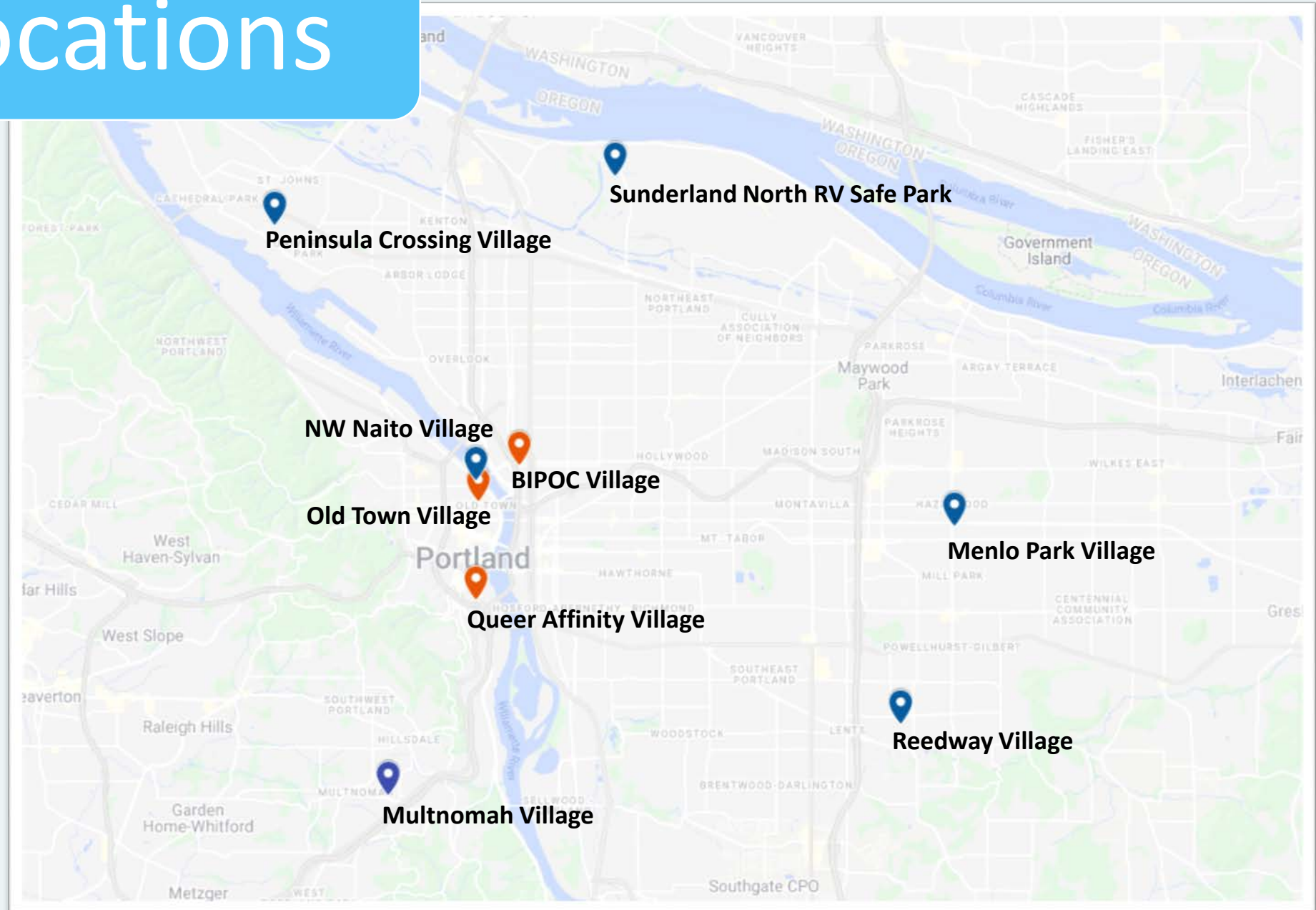




# Village Locations

**Orange –**  
**Alternative Shelter**  
**Villages**

**Blue –**  
**Safe Rest Villages**







# Questions?



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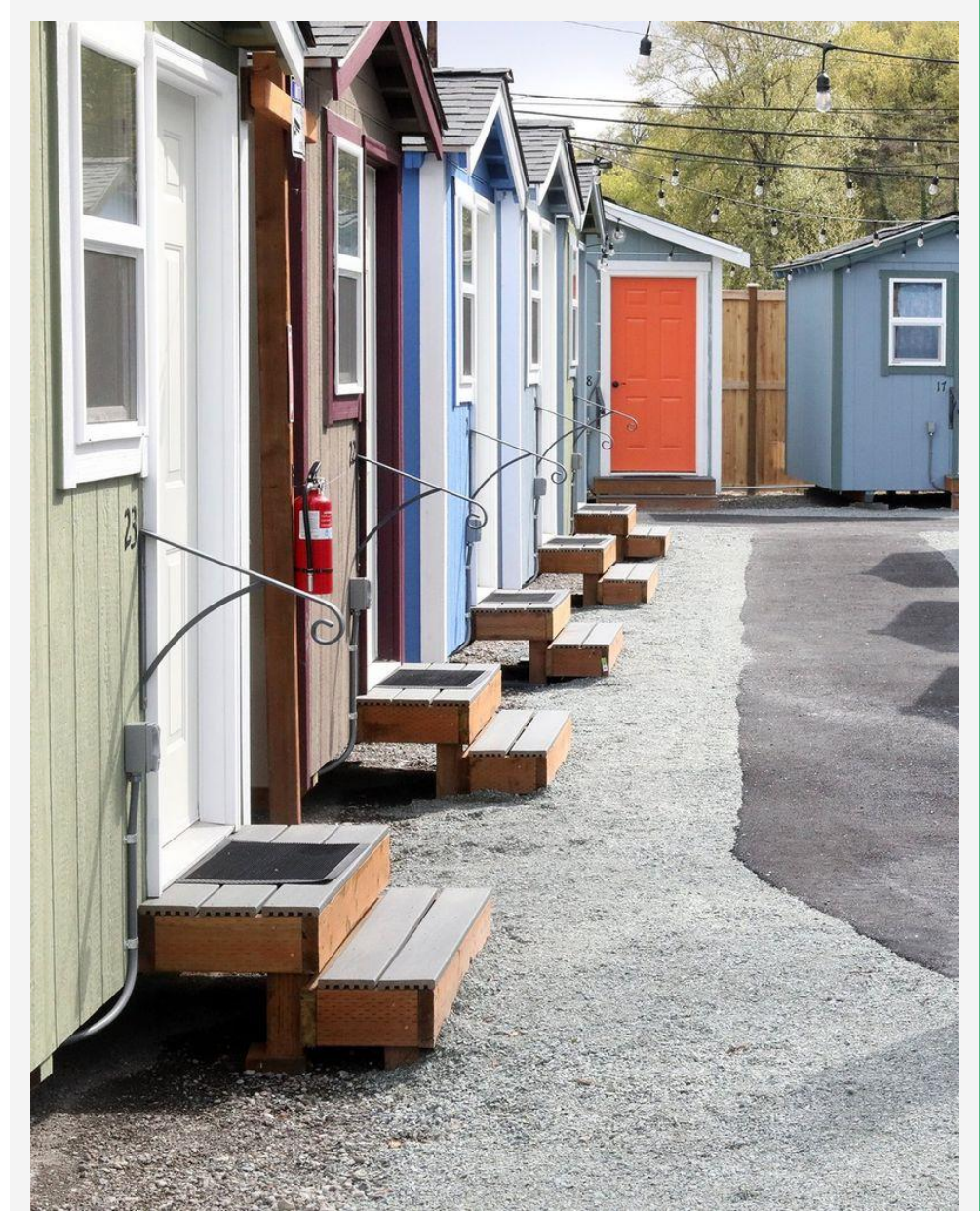


# Shelter Siting

## MPAC Meeting

**Brian Schimmel**

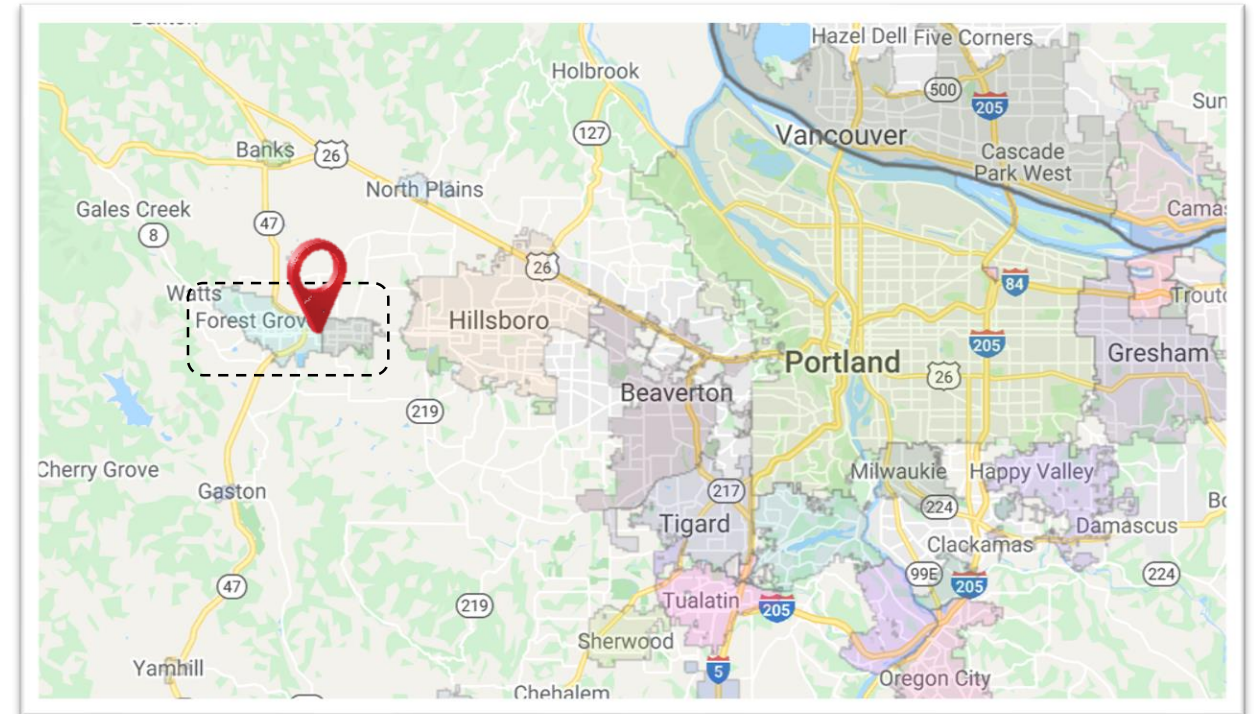
Housing Development Director  
Centro Cultural





# Key Tenets

- Cooperation
- Co-Creation
- Local Innovation
- Flexible, Iterative
- Priority Populations
- Rural vs Urban Factors



Eligibility criteria may be barriers to underserved populations

- Equal access does not translate to accessibility



**CENTRO**  
centrocultural.org

# Project Turnkey



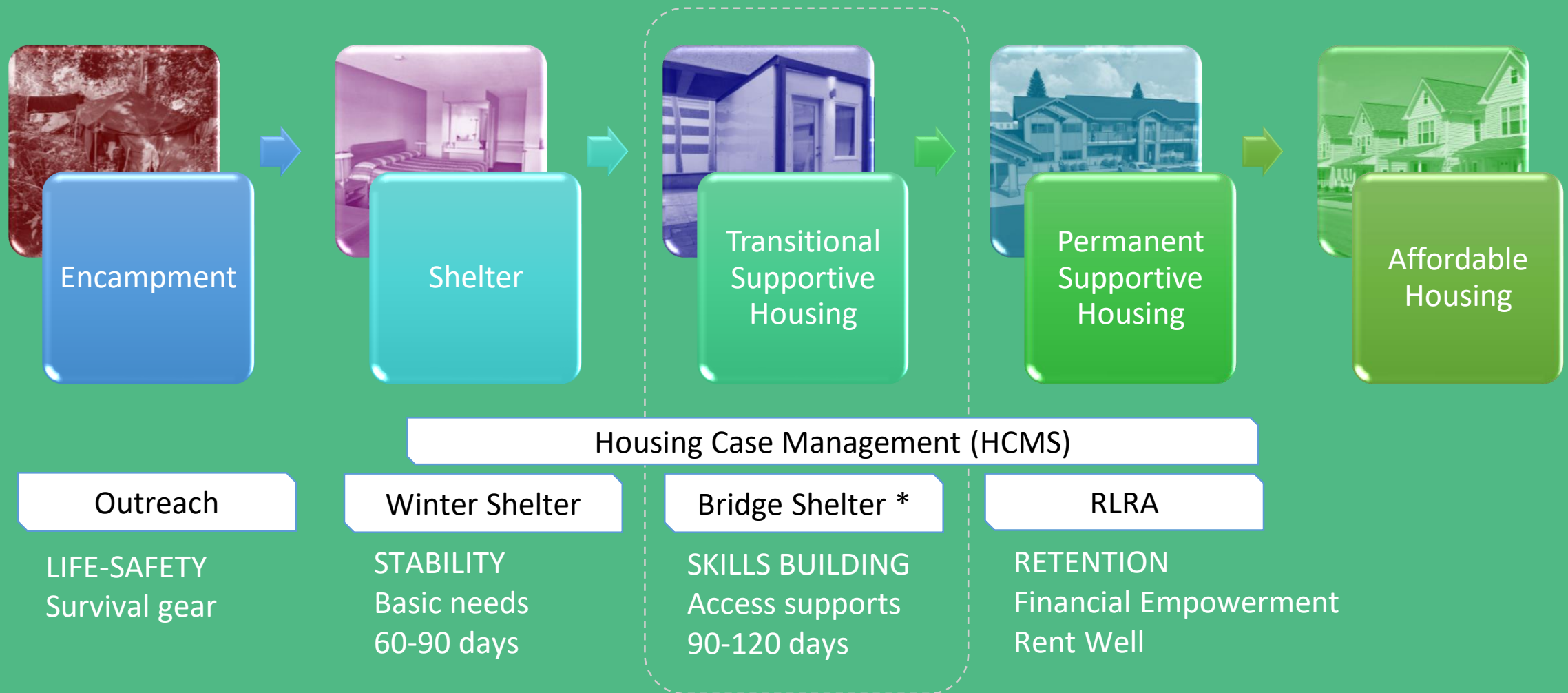
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Protection \* Refuge





# Housing Continuum



\* Project Turnkey

# Siting Guidelines

- Allowable shelter models
  - Site viability standards
  - Programmatic funding
  - Capital Improvements
  - Community engagement
  - Contracts
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- ☐ Discrete needs for demographics served (families, singles, men, women, transitional-age youth and other marginalized populations)
  - ☐ Geographic (urban vs rural) and cultural factors; local control and innovation



Washington County Department of Housing  
Services | Supportive Housing Services (SHS)



# Location Characteristics

- County-owned property
  - Unincorporated WA County – adjacent to city
  - Multiple encampments
  - A mile or more from public transportation
- ☐ Distance from public transportation should consider where they are now and mobility of services



Northwest Forest Grove; encampments along Hwy 47

# Guiding Principles

- Increase capacity of provider community
- Deliver cultural/demographic responsive services
- Ensure equity in how we sustain services
- Operate as partners (nonprofit and government)





# Shelter siting + success

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Senior Director of Programs  
Transition Projects

# Transition Projects

## Shelter Services

- ▶ Operate 8 year-round shelter programs across Multnomah County
- ▶ Serve 700+ people (pre-COVID), 400-550 during COVID
- ▶ Provide 24/7 services, including meals, transportation, housing case management and housing placement, health and wellness, and ID assistance.
- ▶ Severe Weather Shelter during inclement weather

## Agency Services

- ▶ Resource Center (day center with hygiene, mail, lockers, info + referral)
- ▶ Street outreach and navigation
- ▶ Tenant education
- ▶ Housing placement and housing stabilization/retention



# Shelter expansion + siting

## Temporary

- ▶ Lead with an FAQ
- ▶ Stakeholder engagement
- ▶ Life safety partners at the table early
- ▶ Viability of the structure, major systems, accessibility
- ▶ Accessible and safe geographic location
- ▶ Designated point of contact
- ▶ Identify specific ways for productive engagement

## Permanent

- ▶ Identify non-negotiables
- ▶ Early engagement with stakeholders
- ▶ Understand + evaluate neighborhood amenities, access, and needs
- ▶ Realistic expectations for all
- ▶ Reliable communication
- ▶ Provider engagement as soon as possible
- ▶ Identify specific ways for productive engagement

# Laurelwood Center

## 6130 SE Foster, opened August 2019

### Location

- ▶ Located at the intersection of 5 neighborhood associations and along 2 major corridors
- ▶ Across the street from an alternative high school
- ▶ Attached to a 7-11
- ▶ Lots of new/small businesses

### Process

- ▶ Engagement work began in 2017 alongside design work
- ▶ Neighborhood meeting with hundreds of neighbors, and subsequent info sessions during the development
- ▶ Creation of the Foster Steering Committee - engaged neighbors, people with lived experience, business owners, community leaders with divergent perspectives on design, concerns, and neighbor engagement.
- ▶ Early and ongoing ways for engagement - meals, pet food drives, donation drives





# Considerations as our communities and our region move forward

- ▶ Remove barriers - both real and perceived
- ▶ Set realistic expectations and identify non-negotiables
- ▶ Bring public sector partners to the table early, set the vision, and get their buy-in
- ▶ Identify and engage shelter champions and the most concerned neighbors
- ▶ Identify and engage a provider as soon as possible, and get them to the table
- ▶ Use data to inform decisions: population need, geographic equity, accessibility, transportation, duration

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