

From The Ground Up

Leveraging the Power of Regional Coordination
to Meet Oregon's Housing Goals

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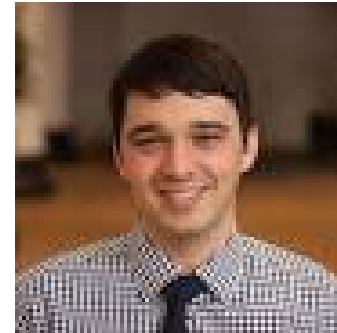
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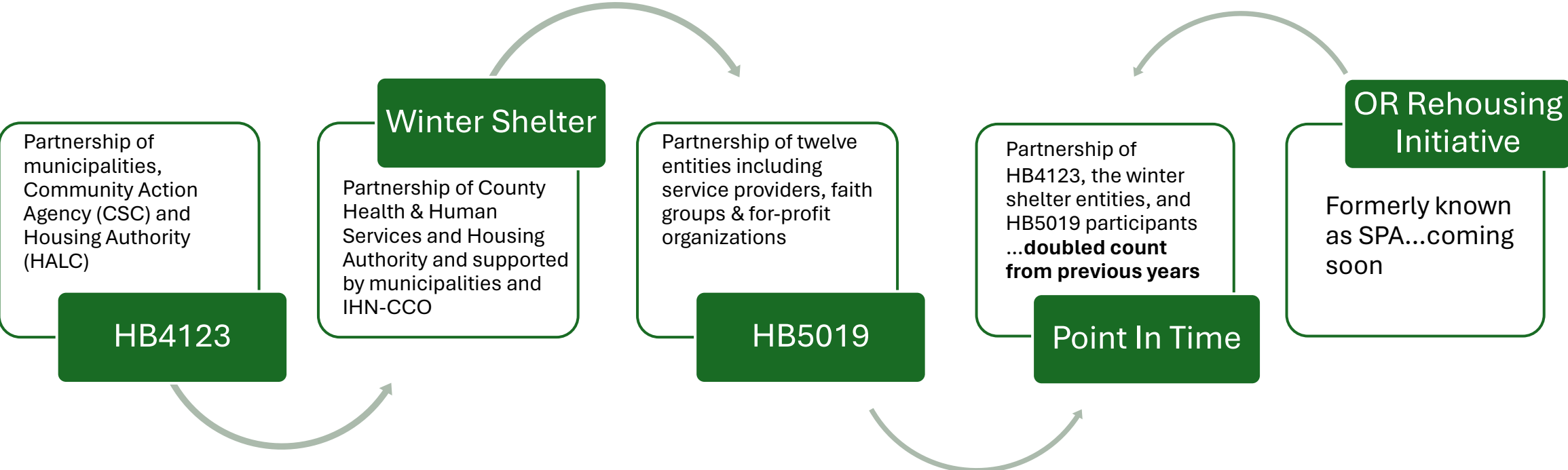
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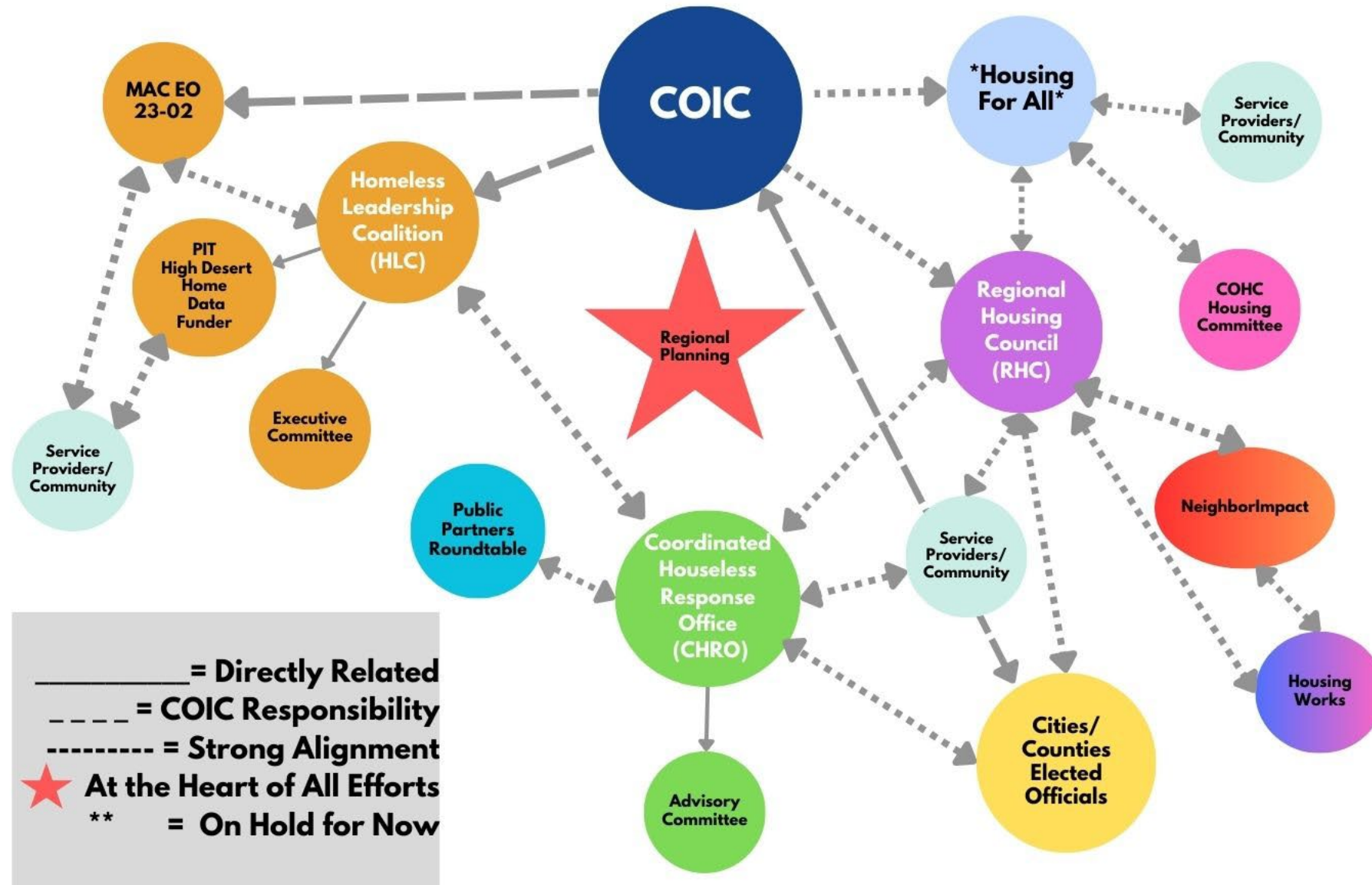
Housing Authority of Lincoln County, Administrative Office of HB4123 and lead agency for HB5019.



Shelter & Transitional Housing Unit counts May 2023: **129 beds/units**

Shelter & Transitional Housing Unit counts April 2024: **283 beds/units**

Aligning Efforts Within Central Oregon



**Enrolled
House Bill 4123**

Sponsored by Representatives KROPP, WILLIAMS, Senator PATTERSON, Representatives EVANS, GOMBERG, HOY, SMITH G, ZIKA, Senators ANDERSON, ARMITAGE, GELSER BLOUIN, HANSELL, KNOPP, THOMSEN; Representatives ALONSO LEON, CAMPOS, DEXTER, FAHEY, GRAYBER, HIEB, LEVY, MARSH, MOORE-GREEN, NOBLE, NOSSE, REYNOLDS, SOSA, WEBER (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to coordinated homeless response systems; and declaring an emergency.

Whereas the lack of available housing, high rents and high home prices are driving rapid increases in housing instability and homelessness in Oregon; and

Whereas Oregon has experienced a significant increase in the number of people experiencing homelessness and unsheltered homelessness; and

Whereas funding, resources and services to address homelessness in Oregon are not scaled to meet this need; and

Whereas the lack of housing affordability and availability in Oregon cannot be addressed without cross-jurisdictional collaboration; and

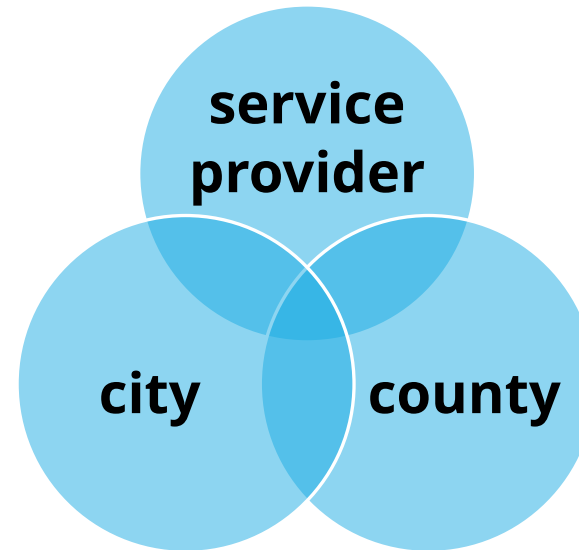
Whereas communities require coordinated leadership and governance to identify local needs and centralize communication, policy and services to end homelessness; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

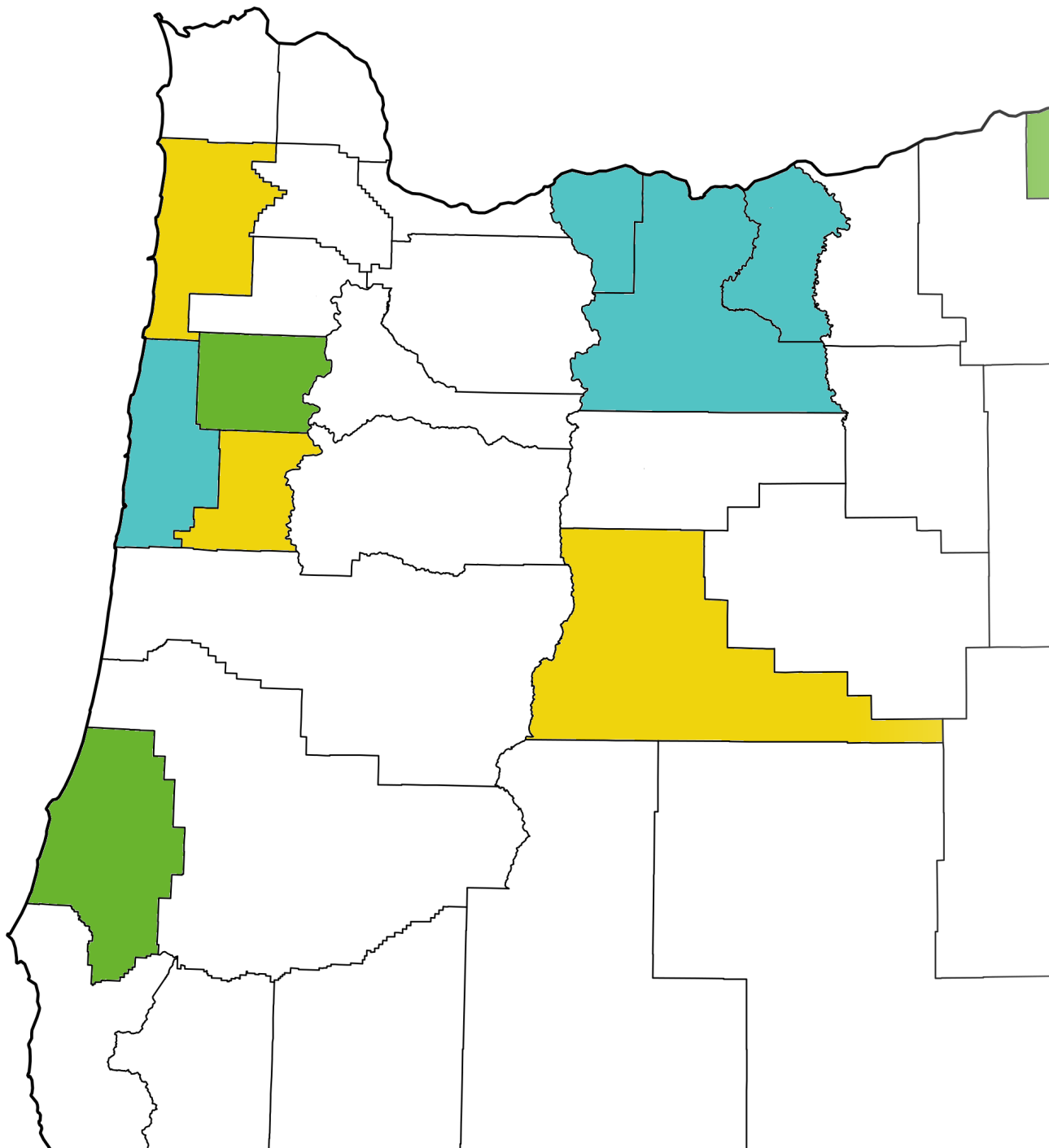
SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall provide grants to local governments and nonprofit corporations that agree to, within 90 days of receipt of grant funding, enter into an agreement among the member governments and nonprofit corporations, if any, to create a coordinated homeless response system that consists of, at a minimum:

- (a) The establishment of a coordinated homeless response office;
 - (b) An advisory board with representation from the governing body of each member government;
 - (c) Specific roles of each member to support the advisory board and office;
 - (d) Plans for coordination with any local continuum of care receiving funding under 24 C.F.R. part 578; and
 - (e) The establishment of a centralized point of contact for the office.
- (2) Grants provided under this section shall be used by the coordinated homeless response system to:
- (a) Hire necessary staff for the office;
 - (b) Support coordinated communications and public engagement;
 - (c) Support community outreach and policy development, including stipends for people with current or recent lived experience of homelessness;

A total of \$8 million to pilot 8 regional collaboratives to provide coordinated homeless response



HB 4123 Pilots



- **Benton County**, Corvallis
- **Coos County**, Coos Bay, North Bend
- **Deschutes County**, Bend, Redmond, Sisters, La Pine
- **Hood River County, Wasco County, Sherman County**, The Dalles, Hood River, MCCAC
- **Lincoln County**, Lincoln City, Newport, Toledo, Waldport, Yachats, Siletz, Confederated Tribes of the Siletz
- **Polk County**, Falls City, Monmouth, Independence, Willamina, Dallas, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, MWVCAA
- **Tillamook County**, Tillamook, Bay City, Garibaldi, Rockaway Beach, Wheeler, Manzanita, CARE
- **Umatilla County**, Hermiston, Stanfield, Echo, Umatilla

Emergency Homelessness Response

Create **600** new shelter beds & rehouse **1,200** households by **January 10, 2024** in EO 23-02 regions.

Prevent homelessness for **8,750** households by **January 10, 2024** statewide.

Create **100** new shelter beds & rehouse **450** households by **June 30, 2025** in EO 23-02 regions.



Rehouse at least **1,200 unsheltered households** in emergency areas

Add **600 low-barrier shelter beds** in emergency areas



Prevent **8,750 households** from becoming homeless statewide

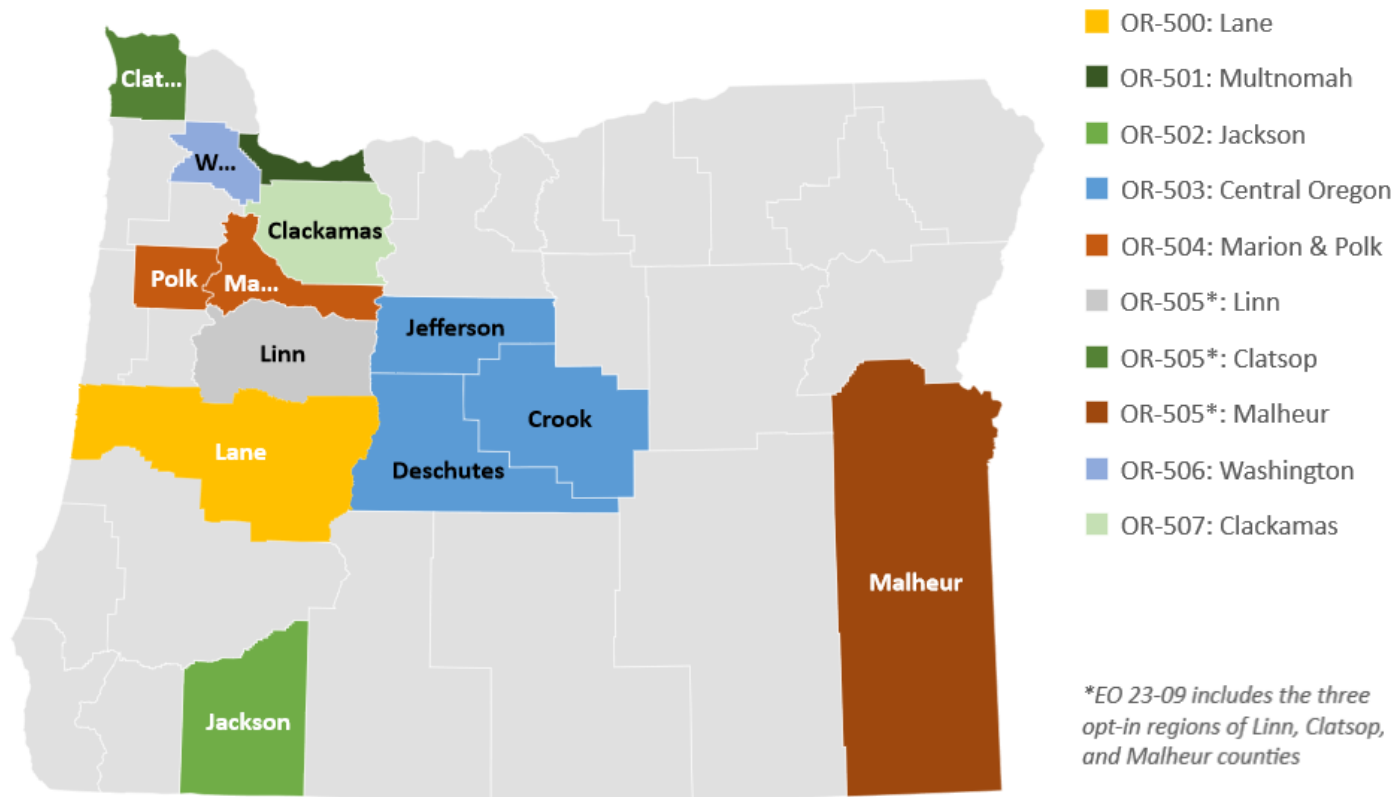


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Add **100 low-barrier shelter beds**



Multi Agency Coordination Groups



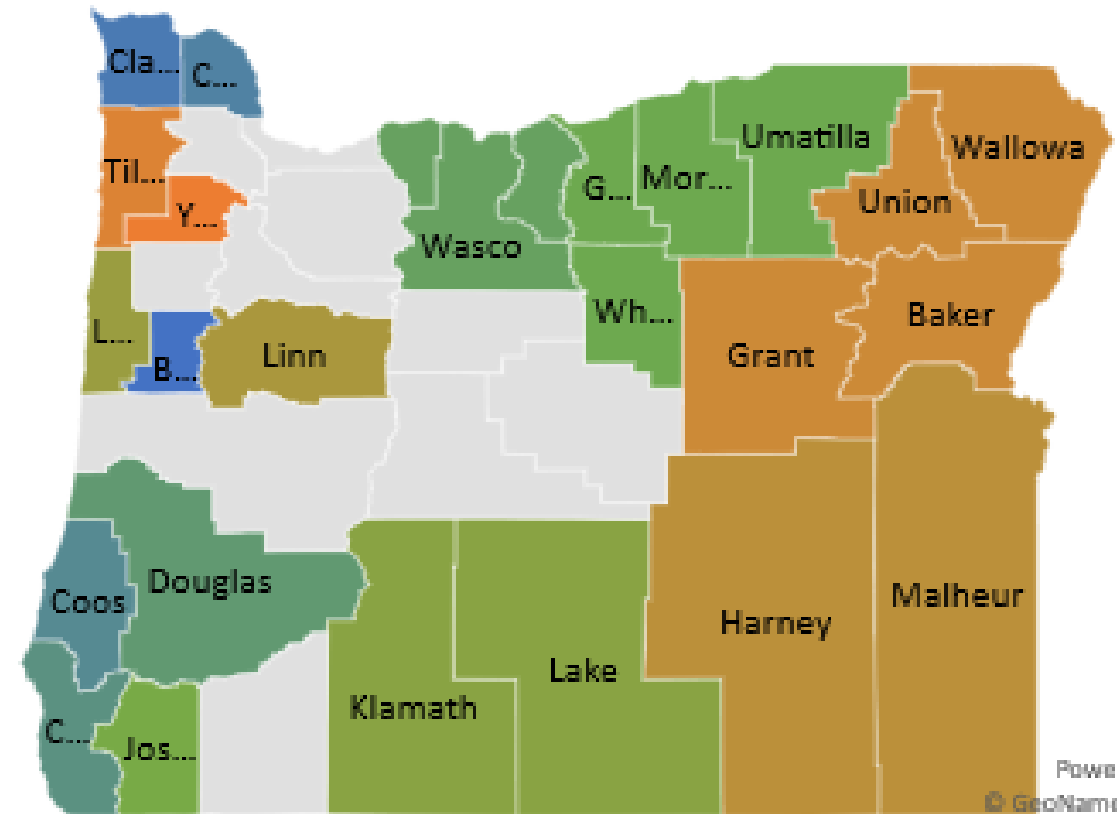
Each Continuum of Care region named in EO 23-02 established MAC group responsible for achieving its goals through:

- Interagency planning and coordination and identifying resources
- Development and implementation of community plan

MAC Groups submitted Community Plans that include strategies to reach regional goals.

Local Planning Groups

- Baker, Union, Wallowa & Grant Counties
- Benton County
- Clatsop County
- Columbia County
- Coos County
- Curry County
- Douglas County
- Hood River, Wasco & Sherman Counties
- Josephine County
- Klamath & Lake Counties
- Lincoln County
- Linn County
- Malheur & Harney Counties
- Tillamook County (HB 4123 Planning Group)
- Umatilla, Morrow, Wheeler & Gilliam Counties
- Yamhill County



Addressing Disparities

- Community planning workbook included disparities analysis for each EO region (race/ethnicity)
- Plans required to include strategies to address homelessness while centering race/equity
- Funding to support capacity of culturally specific organizations in implementation of EO 23-02
- Technical Assistance
- Data dashboard with services disaggregated by race
- Accountability:
 - Tracking outcomes each month (households served, demographics)
 - Engagement with communities if off track on outcomes, including racial equity

Key Trends

Integration
with local
services

Rehousing
Unit Access

One-time
Funding

Workforce

Sanitation
Services

Landlord
Engagement



Achievements



1,047 low-barrier shelter beds created,
surpassing the original goal by 447 beds (175%)



1,426 households were rehoused,
exceeding the original goal by 226 households (119%)

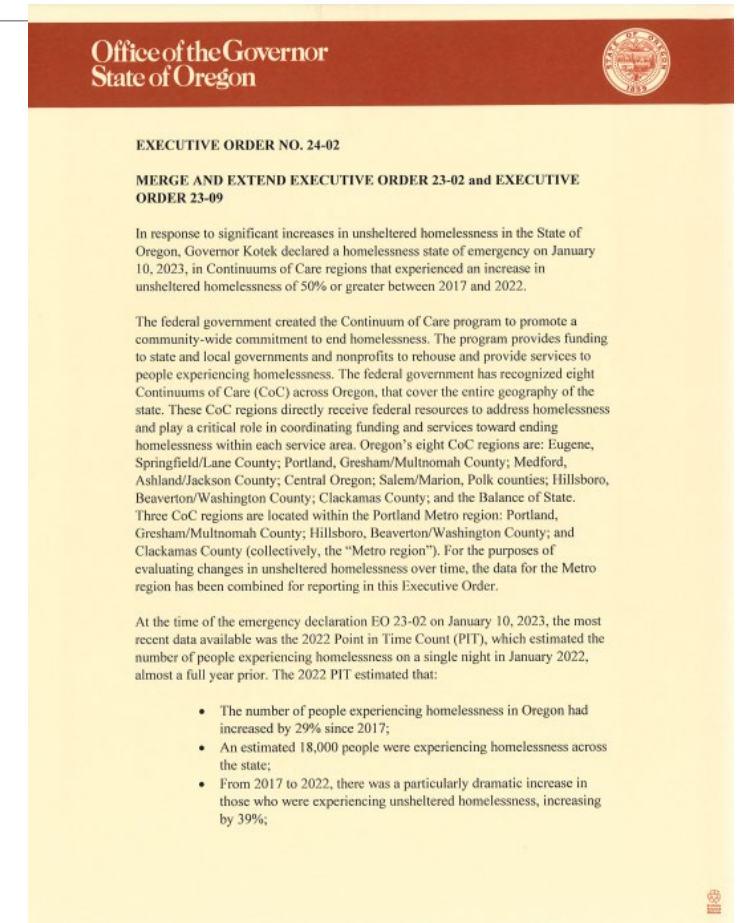


9,023 households prevented from homelessness,
exceeding the original goal by 273 households (103%)

Executive Order 24-02

On Jan. 9, 2024, Governor Kotek signed Executive Order (EO) 24-02 to:

- **Maintain** the added capacity to the state's shelter system;
- **Rehouse** additional households experiencing homelessness;
- **Prevent homelessness** for additional households;
- **Merge and extend** EO 23-02 and EO 23-09.



Audience Q&A Discussion

