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Washington County Delegation Secures Major Investments to Improve Infrastructure for Affordable Housing, Increase Recovery Services

Lawmakers deliver \$19.8 million in new funding to address urgent local needs

Washington County, OR - Today, the Governor signed the Emergency Housing Stability and Production Package ([Senate Bill 1530](#), [Senate Bill 1537](#)) into law. Between this package and other legislation signed recently, including the Oregon Drug Intervention Plan ([House Bill 4002](#), [House Bill 5204](#)), lawmakers representing Washington County in the Oregon State Legislature are celebrating \$19.8 million in new funding to address urgent local needs. These investments will go towards improving infrastructure to support the construction of new, affordable housing and increase availability of drug treatment and recovery services.

“This session, we were laser-focused on the most urgent issues impacting Oregonians every day, especially the homelessness and drug crises,” said **Senator Janeen Sollman (D - Hillsboro)**. “We want every neighborhood to be a great place to live, work, and raise a family, and I know that this funding will get us closer to achieving that goal.”

Major projects secured by lawmakers include:

- Center for Addictions Triage and Treatment project development, Beaverton and Hillsboro locations (\$8.9 million) – *HB 5204*
- Drinking water for new neighborhoods in the Cooper Mountain Community Plan Area via the Kemmer Booster Pump Station (\$3 million) – *SB 1530*

- Upgrading the pump station on SW 189th Avenue in Beaverton to support more housing (\$3 million) – *SB 1530*
- Sewer and stormwater infrastructure improvements for housing development in the City of Tigard (\$1.5 million) – *SB 1530*
- Down payment and operational support for housing sites across Washington County through Bridges to Change (\$1.5 million) – *SB 1530*
- Down payment and operational support for Transcending Hope Familias Transcendiendo (\$1 million) – *SB 1530*
- Transition home for Free on the Outside, Inc (\$750,000) – *SB 1530*

"This new funding builds on what we have done in recent years to invest in community safety and housing affordability. There is more to do, but we have a strong foundation, and I fully expect Oregonians will soon see real results," said **Rep. Courtney Neron (D - King City, Sherwood, Tigard, and Wilsonville)**.

Washington County will also benefit from statewide investments aimed at improving connections between substance use disorder services and the criminal justice system so more Oregonians get the help they deserve.

- Grants to assist counties with setting up deflection programs that will connect Oregonians dealing with addiction to treatment services and prevent them from becoming involved in the criminal justice system (\$30 million) – *HB 5204*
- More staff and coordination for drug courts to divert those already involved in the justice system to treatment (\$9.7 million) – *HB 5204*

"More people are going to have access to the care they need to overcome addiction. More people are going to be able to afford stable, safe homes," said **Senator Winsvey Campos (D - Aloha)**. "I'm so excited for the Oregonians in our community who are going to be able to build better lives for themselves and their families because of the opportunities this funding will open up."

These new investments are part of the legislature's statewide commitment to taking immediate action on the drug crisis, building more affordable housing, and sheltering the Oregonians living on our streets. The [Senate](#) and [House](#) Democratic caucuses prioritized these issues in their 2024 session agendas.

Senators Winsvey Campos (D - Aloha), Kate Lieber (D - Beaverton & SW Portland), Janeen Sollman (D - Hillsboro), Elizabeth Steiner (D - Beaverton & NW Portland), Rob Wagner (D - Lake Oswego), Aaron Woods (D - Wilsonville) and Representatives Ben Bowman (D - Tigard, Metzger & S Beaverton), Farrah Chaichi (D - Aloha, Beaverton & Hillsboro), Maxine Dexter (D - Portland), Dacia Grayber (D - E Beaverton & SW Portland), Ken Helm (D - Beaverton & Cedar

Hills), Susan McClain (D - Hillsboro), Courtney Neron (D - Wilsonville), Hai Pham (D - W Beaverton & S Hillsboro), Nathan Sosa (D - Hillsboro), Lisa Reynolds (D -Washington County), and Jules Walters (D - West Linn) all represent Washington County in the Oregon Legislature and worked to secure this funding for the community.

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