# OREGON HOUSE DEMOCRATS

# **Moving Oregon Forward Together**

In 2017, House Democrats will focus on meeting the needs of every community in every corner of the state. We will defend and preserve equal opportunity and fairness, while working to deliver on Oregonians' priorities:

#### **Expanding Opportunity Through Quality Public Education**

- Prioritizing funds for early childhood and K-12 education, the smartest investments we can make in our future.
- Improving opportunities and graduation rates by rebuilding career and technical education programs and making community colleges and universities more affordable.

#### Ensuring Transparent, Accountable Government that Effectively Meets People's Needs

- Building trust in state government through responsible budgeting, increasing effectiveness and efficiency, improving transparency by streamlining access to public records, and strengthening accountability in lobbying rules.
- Recognizing the need for a revenue system that's fair, stable, and adequate to fund our state's priorities, including education, health care, and senior services.

## Keeping Oregon's Economy Growing

- Investing in a comprehensive transportation plan that will preserve the infrastructure we have and modernize our systems to meet the everyday needs of families and businesses across the state.
- Identifying critical projects to better prepare our state for natural disasters.
- Boosting small businesses and encouraging the growth of living-wage jobs in every part of the state.

#### Protecting All Working Families and Workers' Rights

- Ensuring that women are paid an equal income for equal work.
- Supporting working families through high quality, affordable childcare and workplace policies that allow workers time to care for family members.
- Taking action to address the statewide affordable housing and rent crisis.

## Standing with Women, Seniors, Communities of Color, and Underrepresented Communities

- Minimizing the disproportionate impact that budget cuts can have on children, communities of color, low-income people, seniors and people with disabilities, veterans, and people experiencing homelessness.
- Protecting civil rights and addressing racial and economic disparity in the legal system.
- Preserving and expanding access to reproductive health care for all women.

#### Supporting Healthy Communities

- Tackling the high cost of prescription drugs and hospital care, prioritizing public health investments for long-term outcomes, and ensuring access to affordable health care.
- Reducing gun violence, domestic assault, and sexual violence through common-sense protections.
- Ensuring that our air and water are clear of dangerous pollutants.
- Supporting the clean energy economy to grow jobs and address climate change.