

# CHRO Website Content – draft

## Background

Deschutes County and the Cities of Bend, La Pine, Sisters and Redmond are recipients of [House Bill 4123](#), which provides \$1 million in funding over to operationalize a coordinated office to strengthen Central Oregon’s houseless response system.

## Strategy

Our office takes an 'all strategies' approach to support multiple program, shelter, and housing types to suit the broad range of needs. We especially look for opportunities to scale long-term solutions. Our office is currently involved in a variety of efforts to address homelessness in urban and rural areas throughout Deschutes County. Some of these include:

- Coordinating with public land management agencies to assess current encampments and provide technical assistance.
- Coordinating service providers to conduct outreach, navigation, and other efforts in both urban and rural areas.
- Supporting City and County efforts to explore utilization of public lands for safer camping alternatives.
- Reviewing safety and outreach plans with partner agencies (ODOT, BLM, NFS, DCSO, etc.), as needed.
- Providing guidance to the County's temporary project manager working on encampment relocation efforts.
- Contributing to a recent Bend Fire Department grant application for fuels reduction projects near high-risk encampments.
- Supporting expedited development of shelter and housing options for unhoused individuals and families.

## Community Resources

- CoC OR-503: Homeless Leadership Coalition (HLC)  
[www.cohomeless.org](http://www.cohomeless.org)
- Oregon House Bill 4123  
[www.olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2022R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB4123](http://www.olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2022R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB4123)
- HUD Exchange: Resources and Assistance to Support HUD’s Community Partners  
[www.hudexchange.info](http://www.hudexchange.info)

- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)  
[www.hudexchange.info/programs/hmis/](http://www.hudexchange.info/programs/hmis/)
- Continuum of Care (CoC) Program  
[www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/comm\\_planning/coc](http://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc)
- Central Oregon Interagency Council (COIC) – Regional Housing Needs Assessment  
[www.coic.org/needs-assessment/](http://www.coic.org/needs-assessment/)
- State of Oregon Homelessness  
[www.oregon.gov/ohcs/homelessness/Pages/index.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/homelessness/Pages/index.aspx)
- League of Oregon Cities (LOC) Homeless Solutions  
[www.orcities.org/resources/reference/homeless-solutions](http://www.orcities.org/resources/reference/homeless-solutions)
- Community Solutions: Built For Zero  
[www.community.solutions/built-for-zero/the-movement/](http://www.community.solutions/built-for-zero/the-movement/)
- Housing and Shelter Resource Listings at 211info.org  
[www.211info.org/get-help/housing-shelter/](http://www.211info.org/get-help/housing-shelter/)
- Deschutes County Behavioral Health Department  
[www.deschutes.org/health/page/behavioral-health](http://www.deschutes.org/health/page/behavioral-health)
- Houseless in Deschutes  
[www.houselessindeschutes.org](http://www.houselessindeschutes.org)
- United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH)  
[www.usich.gov/all-in](http://www.usich.gov/all-in)
- Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council's EO 23-02  
[www.coic.org/EO2302/](http://www.coic.org/EO2302/)
- Oregon Housing & Community Services EO23-02 FAQ  
<https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/Pages/housing-eo.aspx>
- HousingWorks  
<https://housing-works.org/>
- HUD Annual Report – 2022  
<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sites/default/files/pdf/2022-AHAR-Part-1.pdf>
- PIT Count  
<https://cohomeless.org/agency-tools/point-in-time-count/>
- Bend Bulletin – Homelessness  
<https://www.bendbulletin.com/homeless/>

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Click here to get added to our distribution lists for the following topics:

- Newsletter (monthly or quarterly)

- CHRO Board Meeting Materials
- Press Releases and Media Contact

**Include representative agency logos, links, etc.**



**Sections to be developed and included in future iterations:**

- **Press Releases** – More to come
- **Data & Reports** – More to come
- **Strategic Plan** – More to come - <https://www.houselessindeschutes.org/our-plan-to-solve-houselessness>
- **'23- '24 Adopted Work Plan** – TBD
- **Link to Access Meeting Materials** – More to come
- List of partner agencies and their website links