

Metro's Regional Housing Coordination Strategy: Engagement approach

The engagement approach for developing Metro's state-mandated Regional Housing Coordination Strategy (RHCS) focuses on outreach and coordination with many individuals, governments and organizations from across the region. These efforts have centered on understanding barriers to housing production and equitable access, and collecting ideas from a variety of perspectives about what Metro can do to fill regional gaps and support local work. A goal of this outreach is to foster stronger relationships with our partners and to create an impactful strategy that can be feasibly implemented over the next six years.

Implementers Work Group jurisdictions represented

- Beaverton
- Cornelius
- Fairview
- Forest Grove
- Gladstone
- Gresham
- Happy Valley
- Hillsboro
- Lake Oswego
- Milwaukie
- Oregon City
- Portland
- Sherwood

- Tigard
- Troutdale
- Tualatin
- West Linn
- Wilsonville
- Clackamas County
- Multnomah County
- Washington County
- Clackamas Housing Authority
- Washington County Housing Authority
- Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development

Coalition engagement and focus groups

Affordable housing developers

Housing Oregon – policy committee meeting and follow-up survey (27 responses from representatives of public, private, and nonprofit affordable housing development and finance organizations)

Market rate developers

- Home Builders Association government affairs meeting and follow-up survey
- Oregon Smart Growth



Development and financial professionals with experience in innovative approaches to affordable housing outside of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC):

- Related NW
- Edlen & Co
- Community Development Partners
- Central Bethany Development
- Network for Oregon Affordable Housing (NOAH)
- ECONorthwest

Housing advocacy and provider coalitions

- Fair Housing Council of Oregon
- Welcome Home Coalition
- Here Together
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- Unite Oregon
- AARP
- Additional outreach planned in August/September to provide an update and seek feedback

Urban Native community-based organizations

- NAYA
- NARA
- Future Generations Collaborative
- Native Wellness Institute

Regional committees

- Washington County Planning Directors
- 1000 Friends Land Use Leadership Initiative (LULI)
- Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4 Metro Subcommittee)
- Washington County Coordinating Committee (WCCC and WCCC TAC)

Metro committees

- Metro Council Two work sessions completed, third work session scheduled for July 29, 2025
- Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) four meetings completed, two remaining
- Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) two meetings completed, two remaining
- Metro Committee on Racial Equity (CORE) two meetings completed