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Testimony to **Portland City Council** on the **Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Recommended Draft**

I support passing the S2HC Project. It is imperative that we get our 4,000+ houseless individuals off of the streets asap. Until then, we must do whatever we can to provide safety, security, and stability to those trying to work and take care of themselves and their loved ones. Please prioritize the voices of houseless individuals to make sure that we are accounting for their needs and preferences (e.g. trauma informed design, rehabilitation services and job search assistance, offering services and shelter to partners and pets). People living on the streets is absolutely an emergency; getting these folx into transitional and then long-term housing with the resources to help maintain this should be our city's top priority. We can do better.

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