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

I am writing in support of the provision to eliminate the "conditional use" permit process. This process slows down churches that want to host temporary shelters on or inside their property. We are in a huge housing crisis amid a pandemic and need all the options available quickly! Plus, if churches and other institutions across the region can shelter those in need, assistance will be distributed more equitably. Thank you.

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