# Portland Housing Bureau

# Community Resources

The mission of the Portland Housing Bureau (PHB) is to create home for Portlanders by influencing the larger livability agenda, and delivering housing investments and services where the market leaves voids.

PHB is proud to support a number of community services and programs serving people with disabilities and their families.

#### 211 info

211 info helps community members navigate the maze of health and community service offerings with specially trained information and referral specialists, who are skilled at locating and providing information about good resources to contact for help with a wide variety of problems and needs.

Dial 2-1-1 or 503-222-5555

http://www.211info.org

# Community Energy Project (CEP)

CEP offers installation of energy-saving weatherization materials and small in-home safety repairs in the homes of low-income senior citizens and people with disabilities.

503.284.6827

http://communityenergyproject.org

### Fair Housing Council of Oregon

Federal, state, and local fair housing laws prohibit public and private housing providers from discriminating against people with disabilities, or because the individual associates with individuals with disabilities.

If you have a fair housing question, or want to report a fair housing complaint, contact FHCO:

503.223.8197, ext. 2

1.800.424.3247, ext. 2 (TTY and translation available)

http://www.fhco.org

NOTE: All programs on this brochure — except those offered by the Fair Housing Council of Oregon — have income-eligibility criteria.

### **Housing Connections**

Housing Connections is a web-based housing locator that helps people find information about available affordable, accessible and special needs housing. Housing Connections is currently working to improve its information regarding accessible housing.

Dial 2-1-1 for assistance

http://www.housingconnections.org

# Legal Aid Services of Oregon (LASO)

LASO provides legal representation on civil cases (including housing discrimination cases) to clients throughout Oregon.

503.224.4086 or 1.888.610.8764

http://www.lasoregon.org

#### **REACH CDC**

REACH's Community Builders Program provides free home repairs for seniors and homeowners with disabilities living on low income.

503.208.8152

http://www.reachcdc.org





## **Rebuilding Together**

Rebuilding Together provides free home repair services to low-income elderly and disabled households.

503.943.7515

http://rebuildingtogetherportland.org

#### Rent Well

Rent Well is a series of educational tools that helps landlords and tenant work together for stable, safe and healthy rental housing. The Rent Well tenant education program includes information about reasonable accommodation and modification requests, fair housing protections for people with disabilities.

Dial 2-1-1 to find out more about Rent Well classes

http://www.rentwell.org

## **Shared Housing**

Shared Housing is a matching and referral service bringing together those who need affordable housing with people who have homes and want help with rent, household chores or personal care. Rent and/or services provided through homesharing is an important factor in enabling people to remain in their homes.

503.225.9924

http://emoregon.org/shared\_housing.php

# Special Housing, Inc.

Special Housing Inc. is a a non-profit housing developer that focuses on developing fully accessible housing. Portland Housing Bureau contributed funding for the development of their most recent property, Eastgate Station.

503,469,9248

## Unlimited Choices, Inc.

The "Adapt-a-Home" program is designed to provide people with physical disabilities the opportunity to retain their independence by making their residence accessible. The program makes accessibility modifications such as adding wheelchair ramps, handrails and grab bars, installing roll-in showers and raised toilets, and widening doorways.

503.234.6167

http://unlimitedchoices.org

# Focusing on Housing Needs

City of Portland Commissioner Nick Fish is Commissioner-in-Charge of the Portland Housing Bureau. Nick is committed to creating affordable housing opportunities for all Portland residents by strengthening the city's housing system, expanding the safety net, and focusing resources to meet the community's most critical housing needs.

In addition, Commissioner Fish is the City of Portland Council Liaison to Elders in Action. The advocacy group has more than 150 volunteers who work to solve problems, tackle important ssues and help businesses and communities better serve the older customer.

Visit http://www.eldersinaction.org

Learn more about Commissioner Fish: http://www.portlandoregon.gov/fish

# Serving People with Disabilities Experiencing Homelessness

In 2009, more than 39% of people who received homeless services funded by the City of Portland reported having a disability. The city's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness funds a number of programs that help people with physical and mental disabilities get the help they need to move into stable housing.

To connect to local services for people experiencing homelessness, dial 2-1-1.

The Portland Housing Bureau offers homeownership programs and funds a variety of nonprofit and for-profit organizations to help promote and retain affordable homeownership options.

http://portlandonline.com/phb/homeownership

#### FOR HOMEBUYERS

Down Payment Assistance Loan

503.823.3400

nh@portlandoregon.gov

Limited Tax Exemption Program

503.823.3270

indirect@portlandoregon.gov

Mortgage Credit Certificate Program

503.823.3400

#### FOR HOMEOWNERS

Portland Regional Lead Hazard Control Program

503.823.3400

lead@portlandoregon.gov

Home Repair Loan Program

503.823.3400

nh@portlandoregon.gov



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