

NOVEMBER 22, 2013 / THE DAY OF

# HOMELESSNESS



# AWARENESS

17%

Family  
homelessness  
grew by 17%  
between 2011  
and 2013...

...and yet state  
emergency  
shelter and  
assistance  
funding is 25%  
less than it was in  
2007.

25%

**It's time to act on behalf of  
vulnerable Oregon families  
forced to sleep in their cars or  
on the street.**

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Here's what you can do: —

**1. Watch the film Time to Listen**, a 15-minute film that tells the unique stories of six individuals who experience homelessness.

**2. Write a letter** to your state representatives asking them to restore funding in 2014 for the Emergency Housing Account and the State Homeless Assistance Fund.

**3. Bring your letter to the 4th Annual Day of Homelessness Awareness on November 22nd.** Following a 7:00 AM breakfast and a tour of the Old-Town area, we will be meeting at Pioneer Courthouse Square at 8:30 AM for an Interfaith Convocation.

>>> For details, letter-writing templates, and much more, visit our website:



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## Comparison of Renter Households and Availability of Rental Units for Portland and Multnomah County

		Portland	Multnomah County
<b>Extremely Low Income Households (0-30% MFI)</b>			
	Total Renter Households	30.005	34.790
Rent < \$365 is affordable for a HH of one with \$0-\$121 monthly income	Affordable Units	10.505	12.010
Rent < \$520 is affordable for a HH of four with \$0-\$133 monthly income	Surplus/Deficit of Affordable Units	-19,500	-22,780
	Renters With Over 50% Rent Burden	67%	68%
<b>Very Low Income Households (31-50% MFI)</b>			
	Total Renter Households	19.425	23.595
Rent of \$365-\$608 is affordable for a HH of one with \$1217-\$2025 monthly income	Affordable Units	33.510	41.045
Rent of \$520-\$868 is affordable for a HH of four with \$1733-\$2892 monthly income	Surplus/Deficit of Affordable Units	14.085	17.450
	Renters With Over 50% Rent Burden	27%	26%
<b>Low Income Households (51-80% MFI)</b>			
	Total Renter Households	23.150	28.920
Rent of \$608-\$971 is affordable for a HH of one with \$2025-\$3238 monthly income	Affordable Units	48.975	60.125
Rent of \$868-\$1388 is affordable for a HH of four with \$2892-\$4625 monthly income	Surplus/Deficit of Affordable Units	25.825	31.205
	Renters With Over 50% Rent Burden	7%	6%

Annual median family income (MFI) for a HH of one is \$47,810 and for a HH of four is \$68,300

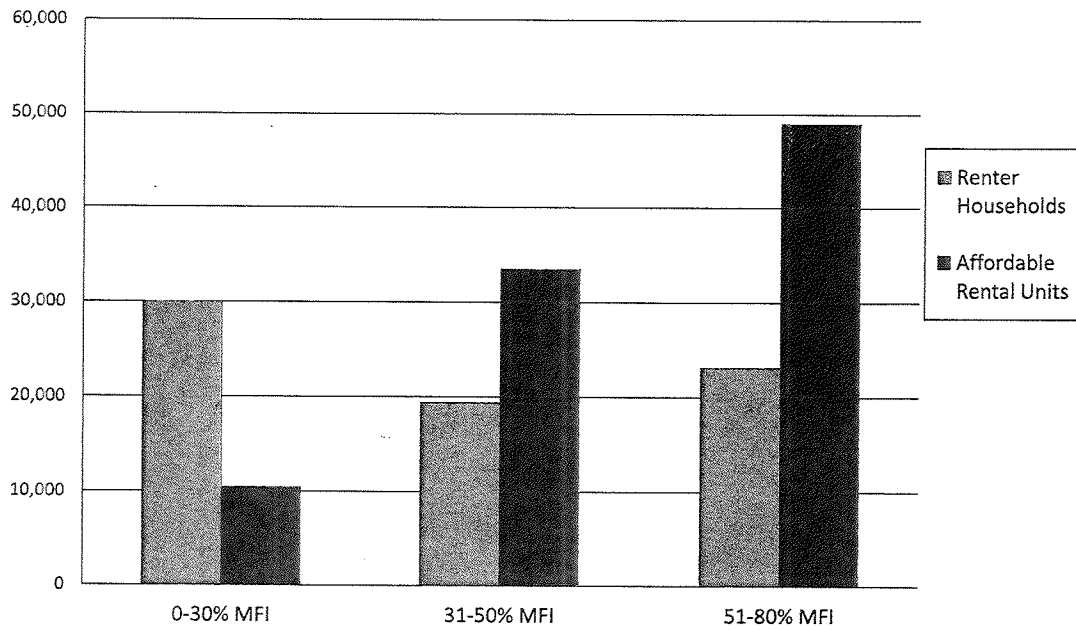
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Data source: National Low Income Housing Coalition Tabulations of CHAS 2005-2009 County and Place Data (Tables 8, 14B and 15C)

Chart on reverse

Prepared by: Northwest Pilot Project - April 2013

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THE HELEN, EGBERT AND MARGUERITE  
OLIVER LECTURE

# Ending homelessness



## PORTLAND'S HOUSING CRISIS AND HOW TO SOLVE IT

SUSAN EMMONS  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
NORTHWEST PILOT PROJECT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2013  
3 P.M.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
PORTLAND, OREGON

Welcome.....	The Reverend Charles Svendsen Interim Senior Minister First Congregational UCC
A Remembrance of Marguerite Oliver .....	Julie Young Moderator First Congregational UCC
Introduction.....	Deborah Imse Executive Director Multifamily NW
The Oliver Lecture .....	Susan Emmons Executive Director Northwest Pilot Project
Questions and Discussion	

Please join us for a post-lecture reception in Fellowship Hall,  
immediately beneath the sanctuary.

## **Susan Emmons and Northwest Pilot Project**

Northwest Pilot Project (NWPP) is a nonprofit social service agency serving the housing needs of low income older adults age 55+ throughout Multnomah County. The agency helps its clientele with finding and retaining affordable housing. Northwest Pilot Project advocates for increasing the affordable housing supply to ensure everyone in our community has the opportunity to have a decent and affordable home.

Susan Emmons joined the staff of Northwest Pilot Project in 1985 and became its Executive Director in 1987. Prior to this, Ms. Emmons served as Secretary/Office Manager of First Congregational Church for 7 years. Northwest Pilot Project is located in downtown Portland, has 14 staff members, an active Board of Directors, and over 200 volunteers. The Project publishes an annual inventory of affordable housing that is widely used. NWPP continues to lead successful advocacy efforts to preserve low-income housing, and increase the stock of affordable housing for homeless and very low income people.

Northwest Pilot Project began 44 years ago through the visionary leadership of the Reverend Peter Paulson, a member of First Congregational Church. The agency's original focus was on elderly residents living alone in "SRO" (single room occupancy) apartments in the inner city. Today the agency touches the lives of 3,000 people each year. Its mission is to offer opportunities for a life of dignity and hope to elderly, disabled, poor and homeless people in downtown Portland, with the goal to end homelessness of seniors living in Multnomah County and to foster long term housing stability. During the past year, NWPP helped 594 seniors to find and maintain permanent housing. A central concern of NWPP is to help people direct their own lives and provide continuing support for their self-reliance.

## **The Helen, Egbert and Marguerite Oliver Lecture**

In 1977, following the death of his wife Helen (1902-77), Dr. Egbert Oliver (1902-89) established a perpetual fund in First Congregational United Church of Christ of Portland, for a Helen Oliver memorial lectureship. Since 1978 it has been an annual event "related to the Christian world mission and our commitment to it. Subjects may include examination of a broad range of current public issues as well as the church's life and organization and its relationship with other religious and secular institutions and movements."

Dr. Oliver married Marguerite Reese in 1979. Following his death in 1989 the church renamed the event the Helen and Egbert Oliver Memorial Lecture. Until her death, this past July, Marguerite Oliver was an avid and interested participant in planning and hosting the event. In her honor, henceforth the name is The Helen, Egbert and Marguerite Oliver Lecture.

The most recent lecture, on February 29, 2012, was presented by Dr. F.W. de Klerk, former President of the Republic of South Africa, and co-recipient of the Nobel Peace prize with Nelson Mandela. A list of all the former lecturers is available upon request to the church office.

The 2013 Oliver Lecture Committee is comprised of Suzanne Mattox, Don Severson, and Assistant Minister Reverend Sara Rosenau.



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PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION REQUEST  
Wednesday Council Meeting 9:30 AM

Council Meeting Date: Nov 20, 2013

Today's Date Mon 30 Sep

AUDITOR 09/30/13 AM 11:24

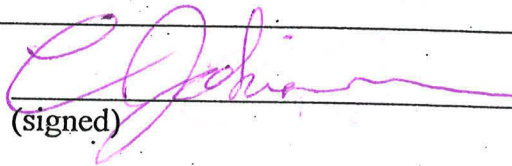
Name C. JOHNSON

Address 650 N.W. Irving street

Telephone 503 420-0387 Email simcha5772@gmail.com

Reason for the request:

Address suicide(s) and the BHU of PPB's  
Suicide statistics report released 30 Sept

  
(signed)

- Give your request to the Council Clerk's office by Thursday at 5:00 pm to sign up for the following Wednesday Meeting. Holiday deadline schedule is Wednesday at 5:00 pm. (See contact information below.)
- You will be placed on the Wednesday Agenda as a "Communication." Communications are the first item on the Agenda and are taken promptly at 9:30 a.m. A total of five Communications may be scheduled. Individuals must schedule their own Communication.
- You will have 3 minutes to speak and may also submit written testimony before or at the meeting.

*Thank you for being an active participant in your City government.*

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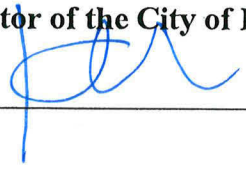
Request of C. Johnson to address Council regarding suicide and the Behavioral Health Unit of the Portland Police Bureau statistics report (Communication)

NOV 20 2013

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**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland

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COMMISSIONERS VOTED  
AS FOLLOWS:

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1. Fritz		
2. Fish		
3. Saltzman		
4. Novick		
Hales		