PHB HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

Affordable Homeownership

- The goal of PHB homeownership programs is to create affordable homeownership opportunities with a focus on increasing homeownership for communities of color in Portland.
- A family of 4 at 80% MFI (\$55,500 in 2014) can afford a mortgage of approximately \$200,000 without spending more than 30% of their income on housing-related expenses.

Type of Home	Average Cost	Average MFI
Market unit in Lents	\$195,000	78%
Market unit in Interstate	\$409,000	145%
PHB DPAL Lents	\$162,000	61%
PHB DPAL Interstate	\$181,000	61%
LTE/SDC	\$225,000	74%
MCC	\$209,000	92%
Habitat for Humanity	\$171,000	55%
Proud Ground	\$141,000	65%

Benefits of Homeownership

- Avoids involuntary displacement due to gentrification
- Subsidy dollars are efficient and effective
- Levels the playing field by helping families build assets
- Subsidies free up rental resources
- Brings tangible results for people of color in the equity agenda in the City of Portland
- Adds to the property tax base
- Services include providing families with financial fitness education so that they can become mortgage ready
- Integral part of the continuum to create complete neighborhoods and stable communities

PHB Homeownership Program Overview

Current PHB Homeownership Programs and Services include:

- Homebuyer Education and Counseling (community partners)
- Down payment assistance loans (PHB)
- Indirect Homeownership Assistance (PHB)
 - Mortgage Credit Certificate Program (PHB)
 - Homebuyer Opportunity Limited Tax Exemption (PHB)
 - System Development Charge Exemptions (PHB)
- Home Retention Programs (foreclosure prevention & home repair)

Current PHB Partners include:

African American Alliance for Homeownership (AAAH), Asian and Pacific Islander Community Improvement Association (APICIA), Habitat for Humanity, Hacienda, NAYA, PCRI, Portland Housing Center, and Proud Ground.

Homeownership Resources



Portland Homeownership Rates

Homeownership Rates in Portland By Race and Ethnicity



ACS data 2007-2012

Homebuyer Education

Individuals Receiving Homebuyer Education By Race and Ethnicity FY 13/14 (1,984 individuals)



Homebuyer Education

Individuals Receiving Homebuyer Education By Race and Ethnicity FY 12/13 and 13/14



1,984 individuals received homebuyer education in FY 13/14 1,619 households received homebuyer education in FY 12/13

New Homeowners

Homebuyer Education Clients Who Bought Homes By Race and Ethnicity FY 12/13 and 13/14



New Homeowners by Program



HOMEOWNERSHIP OUTCOMES

Outcomes Data (Homebuyer Education Attendees and New Homeownership)



Homebuyer Education Class Attendees Who Became New Homeowners

FY 13/14 (under 80% MFI) FY 13/14 (all)

PHB Homeownership Successes

- PHB homeownership funding and partners are getting communities of color into homeownership
- PHB and partners fund a continuum of services and programs that provide the diversity of assistance and programs necessary to support different household sizes and incomes.
- PHB partners collaborate to support families getting into homeownership
- PHB and community partners are actively tracking program data to identify homeownership successes and opportunities.

Homeownership Equity Challenges

- Homeownership subsidies are not fully "right-sized" to reflect the market in neighborhoods where funding is available.
- Availability and affordability of both homes and land is diminishing every day in all parts of the City, particularly in "opportunity areas".
- City homeownership subsidies have primarily been provided in the form of down payment assistance and not for homeownership development.
- High market rents make saving for homeownership difficult
- Lack of funding tools in Oregon (housing trust fund)
- Generational poverty and lack of historical wealth creation in communities of color

Homeownership Equity Opportunities

- Review homeownership subsidies to ensure they are adequate to support access to affordable homeownership, particularly within the Interstate URA.
- Continue to improve and standardize homeownership data analysis so that programs are designed to be responsive to the needs of the community and changes in the market.
- Fund a cohesive and coordinated continuum of programs that leverage the assets of partner organizations, private sector developers and jurisdictions to increase opportunities and maximize the effectiveness of resources.
- Innovation: land banking, tax deferral programs, employer assisted housing, tools for seniors to stay in their homes, and mortgage guarantees, for example