



Portland Fair Housing Plan

Draft Recommendations – April 2023

The following draft fair housing recommendations have been provided by PHB staff in response to the Low Income Households Analysis. The Bureau requests feedback on these initial recommendations from the Fair Housing Advocacy Committee.

Draft recommendations will continue to be developed and revised after each set of analysis, in accordance with the Portland Fair Housing Plan workplan.

FHAC feedback will be documented and incorporated into the final Portland Fair Housing Plan.

Low Income Households

Considerations	Recommendations
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proportion of extremely low-income households has increased at a higher rate than the growth of all households since 2011. Affordability has continued to decline. 2. Low-income households are disproportionately people of color. 3. Low-income households have the highest rate of a household member experiencing some form of disability. 4. Low-income households are disproportionately renters and tend to be severely cost burdened. 5. Low-income renter and owner households are most often geographically located in East Portland. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue funding for emergency rent assistance programs for low-income households and consider deep City support of long-term rent assistance programs. 2. Continue funding development of subsidized, accessible housing units for individuals and families below 30% MFI in high opportunity areas of the city, near employment, transportation and education opportunities. 3. Increase partnerships and communication strategies to reach targeted populations of those living in East Portland, Black, Indigenous and people of color households, and households experiencing disability. 4. Hire a dedicated East Portland Policy Coordinator to work directly with community and in partnership with other bureaus to develop programming for low income households in East Portland. 5. Continue to work with partners to increase employment and income outcomes for households through work training, education

and enforcement of employment law.

6. Continue funding and consider increasing funding for low-income homeownership retention with services of foreclosure prevention and grant assistance for repairs or modification.