



Portland Housing Bureau

North/Northeast Preference Policy Updates

Program updates, insights
and upcoming initiatives

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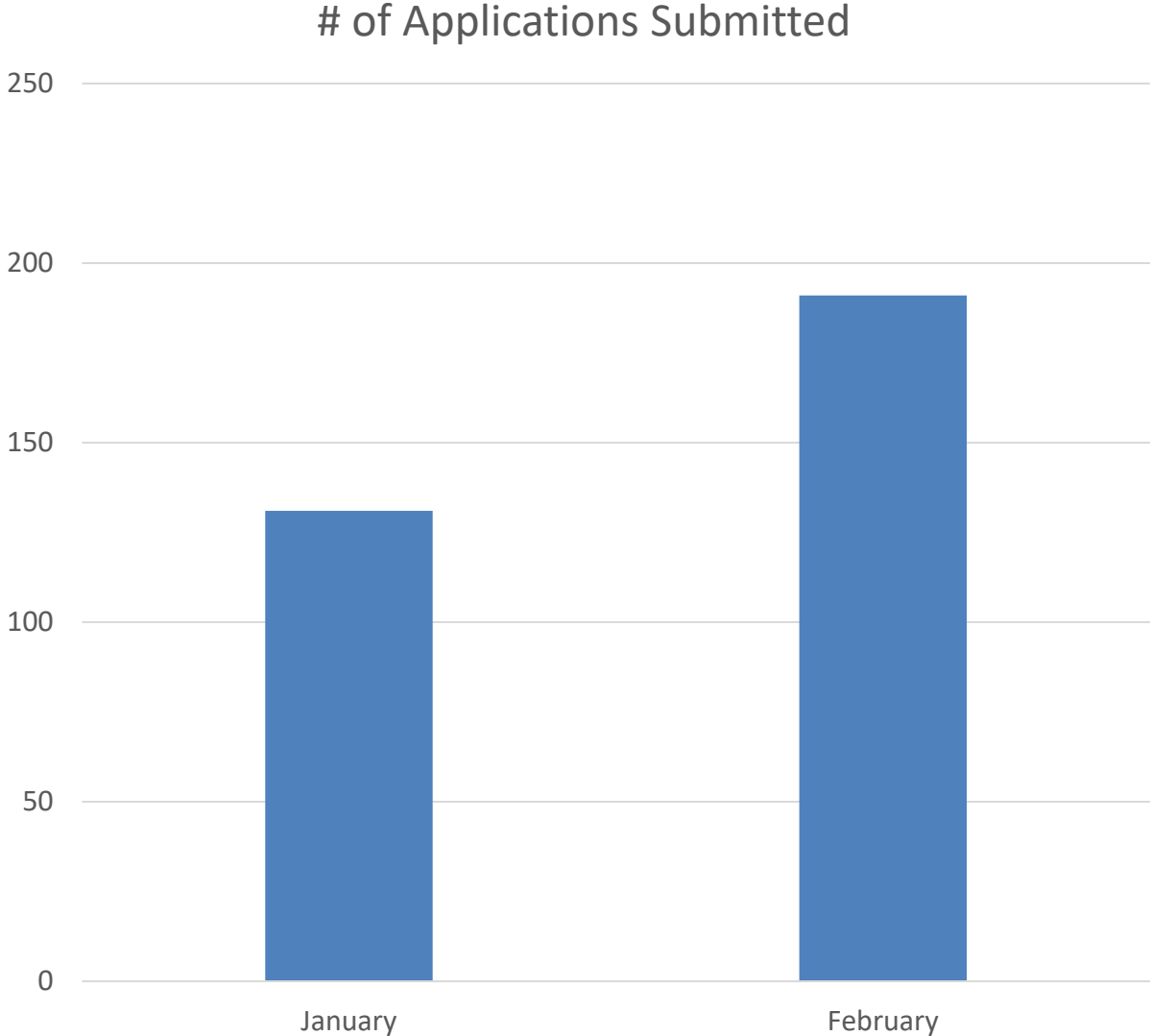
Application Submissions

The total number of applications submitted by month:

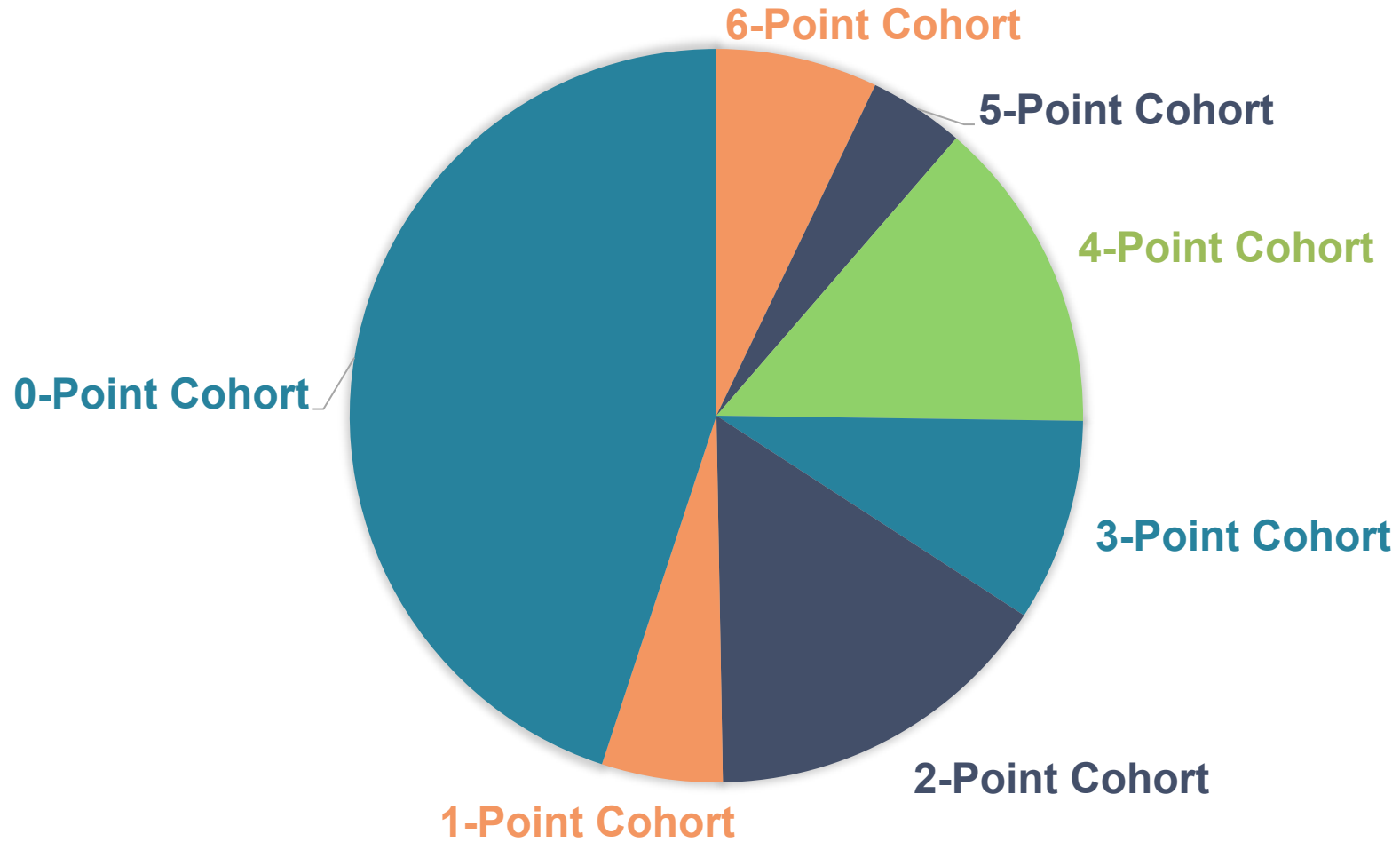
January: 131

February: 198

**These figures may encompass duplicate entries.*



Applications Submission: Point Cohort Breakdown



Security Deposit Grant Assistance Pilot Program

Program Updates

- **Program Launch:** January 2024
- **Shared Lists with Property Owners:** REACH CDC, PCRI, Central City Concern
- **Pilot Program Referrals:** None yet
- **Factors Contributing to Underutilization**
 - Low acceptance rates at buildings
 - Lists have been shared recently with three buildings since program launch

Next Steps

- Working closely with partners to educate their leasing staff about the program
- Collaborate with community partners to increase communication about acceptance of households
- Monitoring the existing referral process and exploring alternative referral models.

N/NE Preference Policy Homeownership

Key Dates

- Application Open Date: **March 19, 2024**
- Application Closing Date: **April 19, 2024**

Process Overview

- Open Application Period: Prospective homeowners apply during the designated period and can receive technical assistance.
- Verification Period: Rigorous six-week verification process
- Referral & Readiness Period: Prospective homebuyers referred to Portland Housing Center to become mortgage ready

Questions and Feedback

