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Secrets Unlocked! Risk Mitigation Programs - Level 2 - Claim Form Mania

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Time: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM **Room:** F152

Description: At last year's conference, Program Administrators from Portland Housing Bureau (PHB), Housing Development Center (HDC), Homeless Services Department (HSD) and Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) shared distinguishing attributes and applicability criteria for the Permanent Supportive Housing Risk Mitigation Pools offered by PHB, HSD, and OHCS. This session aims to bring together the different Risk Mitigation programs once again to offer an in-depth informative session regarding the available program including changes to the claim process. The panel will show examples of eligible costs and offer data collected from the programs. The panel will also include stories from successful claimants who have utilized funding. Additional resources will be provided after the session to assist and guide potential applicants through the process of applying for the right Risk Mitigation Pool program.

Tracks: Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Multnomah County - Homeless Services Department

Presenters:

- Martha Tena-Lopez, PSH Program Specialist, OHCS
- Maryam Alshaiji Hill, Associate AM Project Manager, Housing Development Center
- Lindsay Brown, Housing Portfolio Finance Coordinator, Portland Housing Bureau
- Erin Goldwater, Program Specialist Senior, Homeless Services Dept., Multnomah Co.

Supportive Housing with Native Communities: Partnerships, Models, and Lessons from the Field

Monday, September 28

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM **Room:** F150-151

Description: Developing supportive housing in Native communities demands more than standard models; it requires strong partnerships, cultural responsiveness, and alignment with community priorities. This workshop unites nationwide perspectives from the National American Indian Housing Council and on-the-ground expertise from BeauxSimone Consulting, drawing on 50+ projects developed on and off Tribal land.

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Through case studies, including the Native American Youth and Family Center, this session highlights models centering Native leadership, integrated culturally responsive services, and alignment with community priorities. Participants will explore strategies across Tribal, urban, and non-Tribal contexts for leveraging Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funding off reservation, braiding in non-Tribal funding sources for projects on Tribal land, and common challenges and missteps in supportive housing development. Whether you are a Tribal partner or non-Native developer, you will gain practical, actionable tools for what it takes to show up well, build trust, and contribute meaningfully without imposing outside frameworks.

Tracks: Equity & Racial Justice; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: National American Indian Housing Council

Presenters:

- Maria Danz, Training and Technical Assistance Program Director, National American Indian Housing Council
- Zoe LeBeau, Supportive Housing Consultant, BeauxSimone Consulting

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Oregon Executive Order 26-01: Refinements to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Next Steps

Monday, September 28

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM **Room:** E145-146

Description: Governor Tina Kotek issued Executive Order 26-01 extending Oregon's state of emergency on unsheltered homelessness, focusing on mental and behavioral health as ongoing conditions that continue to threaten public health, safety, and economic stability across the state, constituting an emergency. Participants in this session will learn about EO 26-01 requirements for OHCS and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the State's PSH Program, and will hear perspectives on successes and challenges from ground-level partners implementing an "intensive PSH" pilot project, and the work being done to better integrate behavioral supports into PSH across Oregon.

Tracks: Rural Communities; Resident Services; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Oregon Housing and Community Services

Moderator: Amy Baker, Behavioral Health Initiative Director, Office of Governor Tina Kotek

Presenters:

- Dana Schultz, Supportive Housing Analyst, OHCS
- Mike Savara, Special Initiatives Advisor, OHCS
- Chris Aiosa, Director of Project Development, The Father's Heart & LoveOne
- TBD - Oregon Health Authority

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Advancing Better Supportive Housing

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Time: 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM **Room:** F150-151

Description: What is the future of supportive housing? What challenges do providers face with Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units? Is PSH-focused building better than scattered placement? Does building scale affect PSH resident success? What are the key factors for PSH residents' health and housing stability?

Central City Concern's Fall 2025 white paper, "Engaged Supportive Housing: Sustainable Models for Housing and Clinical Services in Supportive Housing," addressed current housing and behavioral health challenges and suggested reforms. Health Share of Oregon, Metro, Multnomah County, and the City of Portland have jointly funded an extensive, data-driven study—likely the nation's largest—to examine the connections among housing, homelessness services, and health care.

The panel will discuss current conditions, insights from data, and potential recommendations for future supportive housing and services. To review CCC's report: https://tinyurl.com/zfkb3ztx

Tracks: Affordable Rental Housing - Preservation & Portfolio Stabilization; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Salazar Architect

Moderator: Jennifer Nye, Managing Director Pacific Northwest, Salazar Architect

Presenters:

- Sarah Holland, Senior Director of Supportive Housing & Employment, Central City Concern
- Cat Livingston, Medical Director, Health Share of Oregon
- Lori Kelley, Planning and Evaluation Manager, Homeless Services Department, Multnomah County
- Mary Eileen Langsdorf Hanson, Deputy Director of Asset Management, Community Development Partners
- Dan Easdale, Program Director, Corvallis Housing First

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Description: This workshop will highlight the Psychiatric Hospital to Housing (PHH) Systems of Care Pilot. Launched in spring 2026 through a collaborative effort led by New Narrative, Health Share, Metro, and Multnomah County, the pilot supports clients with high-acuity behavioral health conditions to avoid being discharged into homelessness following a psychiatric inpatient stay at Providence Portland Medical Center or Unity Center for Behavioral Health. The goal of the session is to share updates on how key housing and health care partners have been coordinating across systems to provide prioritized identification and coordinated referrals from inpatient psychiatric settings into hotel shelters, outpatient behavioral health care, and longer term housing placement. Among other outcomes, workshop participants can expect to learn about how the pilot is working to reduce returns to homelessness after discharge from psychiatric inpatient units while evaluating the health, housing, and racial equity impacts of enhanced coordination and resource prioritization.

Tracks: Policy & Advocacy; Homelessness; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Metro

Presenters:

- Kelli Horvath, Senior Policy Analyst, Metro
- Adam Peterson, Portfolio Manager of Healthcare and Homeless Services Integration, Health Share of Oregon
- Josh Thomas, Clinical Care Coordination Operations Manager, Multnomah County Behavioral Health Division
- Erin Pidot, Program Manager, PSH and Coordinated Access Team, Multnomah County Homeless Services Department
- Maura Delaney, Program Director, New Narrative

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Five Years In - The State Of Our Homeless Services Systems And What Comes Next

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Time: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM **Room:** E145-146

Description: Hear from executive leaders at all four jurisdictions about the progress made in homeless services systems through the SHS measure and in regionalizing our systems of care. Learn about changes in each county, and how county systems are intentionally being knit together to create regional standards of care. Leaders will reflect on continued challenges and areas of improvement that remain to further public trust and confidence for future reinvestment, and welcome feedback as we prepare for the work ahead. Panelists will include Molly Rogers (Wash Co), Nathaniel VerGow (Mult Co), Liam Frost (Metro) and Shannon Callahan(Clack Co).

Tracks: Policy & Advocacy, Homelessness; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Washington County, Department of Housing Services

Moderator: Gabi Duarte, Community Relations Manager, Washington County Department of Housing Services

Presenters:

- Molly Rogers, Director, Department of Housing Services Washington County
- Nathaniel VerGow, Director, Homeless Services Department, Multnomah County
- Shannon Callahan, Director, Housing and Community Development, Clackamas County
- Liam Frost, Director, Housing Department, Metro

Overcoming NIMBY: Turning Opposition into Opportunity

Tuesday, September 29

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM **Room:** F150-151

Description: Reframing community resistance as a predictable and solvable part of developing community enhancing projects. Drawing from real-world case studies in Oregon, this breakout session offers a practical framework for anticipating NIMBY dynamics, engaging neighbors before opposition takes hold, and transforming critics into project champions. Attendees will learn proven engagement strategies, from early listening sessions and design pivots to Good Neighbor Agreements and relationship-based advocacy that builds long-term trust. Through candid lessons from permanent supportive housing and recovery campus projects, the session moves beyond theory into actionable tools architects, developers, and public agencies can apply immediately. Participants will leave with strategies to reduce entitlement risk, strengthen

approvals, and design housing that works not just for residents, but for the surrounding community.

Tracks: Policy & Advocacy; Permanent Supportive Housing; Fair Housing

Host Organization: Pinnacle Architecture

Moderator: Briana Manfrass, President, Pinnacle Architecture

Presenters:

- Rick Russell, Executive Director, Mountain View Community Development and Deschutes County Commissioner-Elect
- Lynne McConnell, Executive Director, Housing Works
- Ryan Cain, Principal, Pinnacle Architecture

When and Why Mass Timber Pencils for Affordable Housing

Tuesday, September 29

Time: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM **Room:** F152

Description: As the AEC industry advances toward ambitious decarbonization goals, mass timber and Cross-Laminated Timber have emerged as transformative tools for sustainable development—yet their application in the affordable housing sector requires a nuanced approach to feasibility. This session provides a candid, data-driven comparison of three landmark Portland affordable housing projects that explored the strategic use of timber.

We will analyze hollywoodHUB, where a shift to post-tensioned concrete maximized unit density; Julia West House, Oregon's tallest mass timber building, where schedule efficiencies and biophilic benefits for its permanent supportive housing residents created a successful value proposition; and the Broadway Corridor, an up-and-coming high-rise affordable housing project further expanding timber's potential. By comparing site constraints, building programs, sustainability goals, and owner requirements, the speakers will illustrate the decision-making framework behind each choice. Attendees will gain a practical understanding of how to align structural innovation with project mission and the financial bottom line.

Tracks: Affordable Rental Housing - Manufactured, Modular, CLT, Mass Timber; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Holst Architecture

Presenters:

- Nici Stauffer, Senior Associate, Holst Architecture
- Dave Otte, Principal/Owner, Holst Architecture
- Mark Schmidt, Principal, Holst Architecture

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Oregon Centralized Application (ORCA) Training

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Description: This session will provide guidance about key steps in the ORCA process and highlight proposed changes for 2027 based on feedback from applicants and lessons learned. This session will also focus on specific requirements related to project budgets, construction monitoring, draw requests and change orders. Participants will have an opportunity to ask the experts about funding available through the ORCA, and navigating the timeline from closing to Certificate of Occupancy, and leasing up units.

Tracks: Affordable Rental Housing - Development & Design Fundamentals; Homeownership; Permanent Supportive Housing

Host Organization: Oregon Housing and Community Services

Presenters:

- Hattie Iott, Housing Production Manager, OHCS
- Casey Baumann, Construction Oversight Manager, OHCS
- Amy Cole, Assistant Director, Development Resources, OHCS
- Edward Brown, Development Applications Manager, OHCS

Supportive Housing Preservation: Tools and Resources to Strengthen Supportive Housing Developments Challenged by Financial and Operational Issues

Tuesday, September 29

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM **Room:** E141-144

Description: Are you a developer, owner, property manager, service provider or asset manager working in supportive housing projects? This session is a deep dive into helpful practices and tools that will assist in supportive housing preservation. While both Affordable and Supportive Housing developments may struggle with fiscal and operational challenges, Supportive Housing has the added layer of services that add to the complexity. Learn about Tools and Resources CSH has created to assist supportive housing owners and boards in managing their assets and improving operations within their portfolio. The session also includes time for attendees to share challenges they've experienced and approaches they've used successfully with Supportive Housing projects in their portfolio and to talk about additional tools and resources needed to stabilize projects.

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Tracks: Affordable Rental Housing - Preservation & Portfolio Stabilization; Permanent Supportive Housing; Property & Asset Management

Host Organization: Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)

Presenters:

- Rae Trotta , Senior Program Manager, Northwest, Corporation for Supportive Housing
- Rachel Mokry, Deputy Director, Loan Originations, CSH
- Ryan Mosley, Senior Community Investment Officer, CSH

Transforming Hillside Park: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Public Housing Redevelopment

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Time: 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM **Room:** F150-151

Description: This session uses the Hillside Park redevelopment as a case study to examine how aging public housing can be transformed into a resilient, mixed-income, master-planned community through coordinated, cross-sector collaboration. Rather than focusing solely on design, it highlights how developers, housing authorities, planners, designers, and builders align priorities, navigate constraints, and make critical decisions throughout a complex, phased redevelopment process.

Participants will gain practical insights into structuring public-private partnerships, assembling capital stacks, and delivering occupied redevelopment while minimizing disruption to residents. The session will also explore strategies for determining unit mix, integrating supportive housing, and incorporating sustainability, resilience, and infrastructure investment into long-term community planning. Attendees will leave with actionable tools, frameworks, and lessons learned that can inform redevelopment efforts across Oregon and similar contexts, particularly those involving aging housing stock and community transformation.

Tracks: Affordable Rental Housing - Preservation & Portfolio Stabilization; Permanent Supportive Housing; Property & Asset Management

Host Organization: Ankrom Moisan Architects

Moderator: Brad Bane, Affordable Housing Studio Leader, Ankrom Moisan Architects

Presenters:

- Alec Lawrence, Project Manager, Related NW
- Devin Ellin, Director of Housing Development, Housing Authority of Clackamas County
- Vera Kolias, Planning Manager, City of Milwaukie
- Brandon Fassiotto, Project Manager, Walsh Construction
- Robert Lecher, Project Manager, Ankrom Moisan Architects