We believe that housing is a human right. Good, affordable, stable housing is directly linked to favorable outcomes in health, education, and connection to community. We must act now to ensure that the future of Portland is one that works for residents of all incomes and backgrounds.

We want abundant, diverse, and affordable housing for all people who live in Portland. Together, we urge Portland City Council to expand housing choices to better meet the needs of all residents.

All members of Portland for Everyone agree that we should:

1. Allow plenty of affordable and diverse housing types in every Portland neighborhood
2. Prioritize the housing needs of historically and currently under-served populations, including communities of color, the elderly, immigrants, and low-income residents
3. Prioritize housing for humans over housing for cars (for example, make sure that we don’t require parking when it might mean we build less affordable housing)
4. Allow more people to live in areas with good access to transportation, parks, and services
5. Create and maintain economically diverse neighborhoods

By joining Portland for Everyone, members agree that these are five goals we should work towards—and it’s ok to have different ideas and approaches to achieve these goals. Members choose the ways they want to get involved, and what they focus on, that work best for them or their organization.

What is Portland for Everyone doing? We are building a citywide platform that demonstrates to Portland decision-makers that we have broad support for inclusive, equitable housing options. We build participation by hosting presentations and community discussions, partnering with community-based organizations dedicated to equitable housing, and sharing residents’ stories across Portland and especially with elected representatives at City Council.

We believe that if we tell our stories and make our already widespread support more visible, we can make Portland a city that works better for everyone. To find the best housing solutions for all Portlanders, decision makers need to hear from us all.

Visit www.portlandforeveryone.org to
- Share your Portland Housing Story with us
- Sign up to speak directly to City Council & other Portland decision makers
- Get updates about the project, and about housing issues in Portland, and more!

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Here is what a few organizations have to say about why they joined Portland for Everyone:

“As a statewide association of nonprofit housing and community development organizations, including 20 organizations working here in Portland, we know that a stable, affordable home is the key to health and prosperity. Our members are affordable housing developers and service providers working across the continuum from homelessness to homeownership. At this moment of crisis, we need the entire community to step up with increased resources, improved policy, political leadership and collective will to increase access to housing that is safe, decent, and affordable to all.” – Housing Oregon

“We love our neighborhood. We want anyone and everyone who wants to live in Cully to have the opportunity to do so…. We value the economic and ethnic diversity of our neighborhood. We acknowledge that people of color face higher barriers to finding housing and employment, and are particularly vulnerable to displacement…. It is our vision that improvements in Cully will benefit existing residents and encourage them to remain in the neighborhood as we also welcome and make room for new residents, including people of color, working families, and lower-income people in need of affordable housing.” – Cully Association of Neighbors

“Inclusive Cully Policy

“Oregon Walks is working to make walking a safe, convenient, and accessible transportation option for every Oregonian, regardless of which community they live in. It’s imperative that walkable communities have abundant, affordable housing stock that provides options and choices for every Portlander who wishes to live in a walkable community, whether a student starting off at community college, a family raising kids, or a senior citizen who wishes to maintain her independent living. Prioritizing building and rehabilitating housing in our existing walkable communities provides stronger neighborhoods for all.” – Oregon Walks

What is Portland for Everyone? We are a coalition of individuals, affordable housing advocates, community organizations, neighborhoods, and local businesses. We are also a project of 1000 Friends of Oregon, the non-profit steward of our statewide land use program.