

MID-WILLAMETTE HOMELESS INITIATIVE TASK FORCE
Affordable Housing and Financial Subcommittees

Informal Recommendations

1. Recommend that Jurisdictional policies (county and city) be revised to provide authority to administrators to make the decision to apply for competitive grants that would further the goals of the jurisdictions and the Task Force. Once awarded the grant, it is recommended that there is a review and approval by the governing body (City Council or County Commissioners) for acceptance of the grant.
2. Recommend that jurisdictional policies/ordinances be revised to allow planning staff to consider reduced parking for affordable housing projects when the projects are near transit. Approval of such consideration should be evaluated based on market studies, location of the structure, and neighborhood input.
3. Recommend endorsement of the Residential Implementation Strategy from the City of Salem's Housing Needs Analysis.
4. Recommend jurisdictional consideration of conversion for existing, vacant buildings into affordable housing including revisions to zoning and/or conditional uses to allow affordable housing in light industrial areas.
5. Recommend endorsement of moving forward with accessory dwelling unit (ADU) planning in both Salem and Keizer.
6. Recommend exploring the possibility of system development charges (SDC) waivers for bonafide affordable housing projects across the jurisdictions, including review of the financial impact to the jurisdictions.
7. Recommend exploring the possibilities of implementing inclusionary zoning in the jurisdictions.