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Neighborhood Partnership Fund  
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# Support HB 3551! Take the 3-Friends Challenge

Dear Housing Alliance members and supporters,

We are making amazing progress towards our goal of securing the \$100 Million for Affordable Housing. Because of your advocacy combined with the advocacy of Housing Alliance supporters across Oregon, we are on the verge of a tremendous victory!

## Help Push HB 3551 Over the Top: Take the 3 Friend Challenge

HB 3551, the legislation that dedicates an increase to the document recording fee to affordable housing, is being heard by the Ways and Means Transportation Subcommittee. We are optimistic that HB 3551 will pass out of this committee and come to the House Floor for a vote in the next two to three weeks.

## NOW is the time for members of the House to hear from their constituents through out Oregon!

Already this session, you have probably called, emailed or visited your Representative and Senators three or four times—which is great! Please continue to call your Representatives and Senators. Its important they keep hearing from you.

But do you know what would be even better? Getting **3 new** people to contact their Representative. Maybe your friends, co-workers, or family members? Or anyone who lives in Oregon and believes in housing opportunity!

Below is a sample letter that you can share with three friends. Please take 15 minutes to send this Action Email to three people who you think will follow through and contact their representatives this week. If the friend you contact seems particularly enthusiastic, ask them take the 3 Friend Challenge!

## We are so close to victory. Take heart and take action!

Thank you,

The Housing Alliance

### 3 Friend Challenge

Below is the text for you to paste in an email to your 3 Friends. Please send out your email in the next few days.

Hi,

Over the next few weeks, the Oregon House of Representatives will vote on bill HB 3551, which would dedicate a \$15 increase to the states' existing document recording fee as an ongoing funding source for affordable housing.

The funds would be used to develop and preserve rental housing affordable to working families earning low wages, as well seniors, veterans, people with disabilities living and other vulnerable populations living on fixed incomes. Funds from HB 3551 would also expand opportunities for first time homebuyers and provide services and support to people coming out of homelessness.

**Your representative needs to hear from you that HB 3551 is right for Oregon. Please call or email your representative today, and share this message:**

- ⇒ Please support HB 3551: We need a document recording fee for housing.
- ⇒ Oregon's housing market has left working families, seniors, people with disabilities and veterans out in the cold (click link below for need data from your county).
- ⇒ We need to commit significant state funds to re-open the doors of housing opportunity for those who have been left behind by the housing market.
- ⇒ When everyone has a place to call home, communities thrive: Kids do better in school, employees perform better on the job, and seniors and people with disabilities can live with independence and dignity.
- ⇒ **HB 3551 is right for Oregon.**

To find your state representative, go to: <http://www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/>

To find local need data for your county, go to: [http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org/story\\_wages\\_v\\_housingcosts\\_x\\_County.html](http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org/story_wages_v_housingcosts_x_County.html)

To find out more about HB 3551, go to: <http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org/downloads/HB3551Onepager.pdf>

To find out about the rest of the Housing Alliance \$100 Million for Homes platform, go to: <http://www.oregonhousingalliance.org/agenda.html>