

# JUSTICE FOR ALL.

## YES ON HB 2169

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## THAT'S WHY WE SUPPORT POLICIES PUT FORWARD BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE RACIAL JUSTICE COUNCIL.

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## BLACK OREGONIANS EXPERIENCE SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT TREATMENT BY OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM.

- **CONVICTED AT MORE THAN DOUBLE THE RATE:** Both ethnic and racial disparities were identified in traffic and pedestrian stop data submitted by the Oregon State Police, according to 2019 reporting from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission. A 2016 study from the OCJC found that Black people in Oregon were convicted of felony drug possession at more than double the rate of white people.
- **FIVE TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE PULLED OVER:** Black Americans are five times more likely to be pulled over in a vehicle, even though caucasians are three times more likely to have contraband than people of color. Profiling leads to disproportionate arrests and conviction rate among communities of color.
- **GENERATIONAL IMPACTS:** Incarceration greatly exacerbates the harms of racial targeting by police. Each time we lock someone up, we also sentence their family members to traumatic separation and financial hardship. Two in three families had difficulty meeting basic needs as a result of their loved one's incarceration. 70 percent of these families were caring for children under 18.

## ABOUT FAIR SHOT FOR ALL

Our work as a coalition is centered on ideas and input from those both historically and currently bearing the burden of Oregon's broken systems and the COVID-19 pandemic. Our ideas will work for the state as a whole because they work for those of us who are most impacted.

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# FAIRSHOT FOR ALL

## 2021 PRIORITY: RACIAL JUSTICE

### THE PROBLEM

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### THE SOLUTION

Public safety should make the public feel safe. And police must be held accountable for how they do their jobs. In 2021, we'll be ensuring that Oregon approaches public safety and police accountability with a racial justice lens across all systems. We will do so by passing legislation proposed by the Public Safety Subcommittee of the Racial Justice Council.

- + Mandatory Sentencing Reform
- + Restorative Justice
- + Police Oversight Measures
- + Immigration Reforms
- + Public Defense Reform
- + Police Disciplinary Files Access
- + Reentry Work
- + Police Reform

Together, we can make Oregon a place where we all have a fair shot and feel safe.

### ABOUT THE RACIAL JUSTICE COUNCIL

Convened in 2020 by Governor Kate Brown, The Racial Justice Council's charge is to:

- Direct the collection of data from across sectors of society to support smart, data-driven policy decisions
- Provide principles and recommendations that center racial justice to the Governor to inform the '21-23 Governor's Recommended Budget and Tax Expenditures Report
- Creating a Racial Justice Action Plan for six specific areas: Criminal Justice Reform and Police Accountability, Housing and Homelessness, Economic Opportunity, Health Equity, Environmental Equity, Education Recovery



Fair Shot for All is an economic justice coalition of grassroots organizations and labor unions working together to build power with our communities, to create opportunities for all working families to thrive, and to dismantle historic and systemic economic inequities for Oregonians who identify as Black, Indigenous, and/or people of color (BIPOC); women; immigrants; and/or LGBTQ+. Fair Shot's work centers racial and gender equity that seeks to address inequalities through organizing and concrete policy change.

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