THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT’S IMPACT IN OREGON’S 5th DISTRICT

THE HOUSING CREDIT’S BENEFITS FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES & THE ECONOMY 1986 – 2017

- 5,308 homes developed or preserved in OR-05
- 5,998 jobs supported for one year
- $225 million tax revenue generated
- $572 million wages & business income generated

THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
The Housing Credit, combined with other key resources, has had a tremendous impact in Oregon. However, much more affordable housing is still needed to meet the growing demand.

- 156,571 renter households in Oregon pay more than half of their monthly income on rent, leaving too little for other expenses like health care, transportation and nutritious food.

In order to afford a modest one-bedroom apartment, a minimum wage worker in Oregon has to work 67 hours per week.

ADDRESSING OUR NATION’S SEVERE SHORTAGE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- 2,455 additional affordable homes could be built in Oregon over the next ten years through a 50 percent increase in Housing Credit allocation authority.

The Housing Credit is a proven solution to help address the affordable housing crisis.
The Housing Credit is our nation’s most successful tool for encouraging private investment in affordable rental housing. It has financed over 3 million apartments nationwide since 1986, providing about 7.4 million low-income families, seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities homes they can afford.

Without the Housing Credit, it would be financially infeasible for the private sector to build affordable homes for the families that need them most.

The ACTION Campaign calls on Congress to:
- **Expand** the Housing Credit to make a meaningful dent in our nation’s severe shortage of affordable housing.
- **Strengthen** the Housing Credit by making it more streamlined and flexible.
- **Enhance** multifamily Housing Bonds, which provide critical financing to about 50 percent of Housing Credit developments.

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