

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

2018 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

PRIORITIES

Protect County Safety Net Programs

With a possible State General Fund reduction, vital safety net programs provided by the county need to be protected.

Take Action on Housing and Homelessness

Increase state funding for construction of new affordable, supportive housing, sheltering people experiencing homelessness and housing placement and eviction prevention. Restrict no-cause evictions and lift the preemption on local government regulation of rent increases.

Fund Behavioral Health

Fill the large gaps in mental health service availability and improve the quality of services.

Prevent Gun Violence

Keep firearms away from potentially dangerous individuals by closing loopholes.

IMPORTANT ISSUES

- Strengthen efforts to reduce opioid crisis addiction.
- Expand regulation of tobacco sales to curb youth smoking.
- Protect Oregonians from toxics in the air and water.
- Protect health care access to children and all Oregonians.
- Fight poverty with jobs, training and needed services.
- Shift public safety funds from expensive incarceration to effective supervision.
- Improve efforts to fight climate change, reduce carbon emissions and create clean energy jobs.
- Seek funding for Burnside Bridge seismic safety improvements.