



Aging Services Advisory Council (ASAC)

May 19, 2026

Aging, Disability, and Veterans
Services Division

Department of County Human Services

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YOUR DEVICES**



Meeting goals

- Welcome
- Zoom, microphone use, and accessibility statement
- Land acknowledgement
- Introductions
- STF/STIF Background and Funding Challenges
- State Plan on Aging feedback period
- Logic Model Presentation feedback
- Break
- Budget and Program Updates
- Community Presence Presentation
- Public testimony



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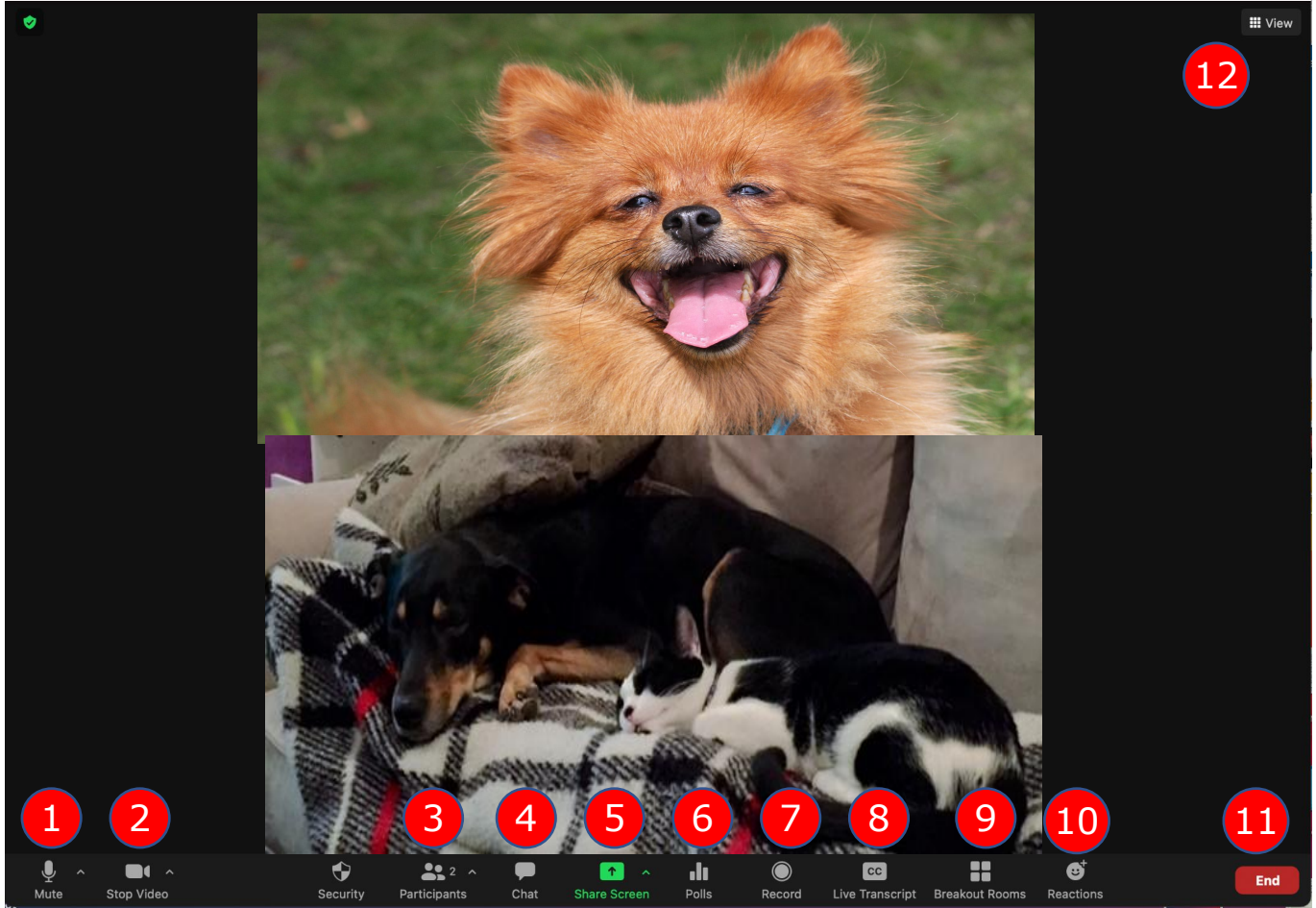
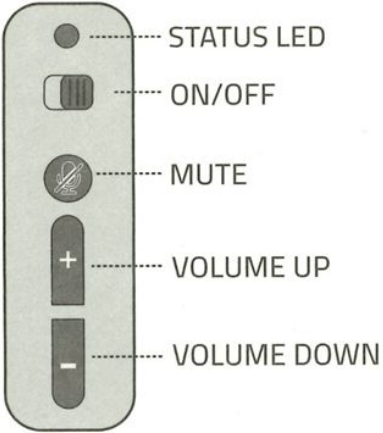
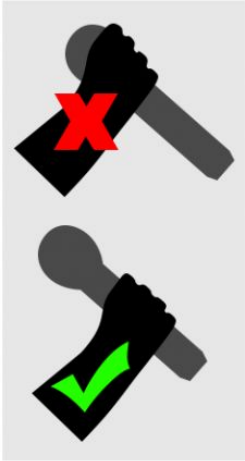


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Using the microphone



Hold the mic about 5cm/2" from your mouth...



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(unless you're rapping)



Accessibility statement

We will (imperfectly!) model accessible presentation techniques such as:

- Using a minimum of 20 point font on slides.
- Limiting reliance on words and images.
- Orally describe visual presentation elements.
- Taking time on slides.
- Ask ahead of time if anyone needs accommodations.



Accessibility statement, continued

- Use a virtual platform with auto-generated closed captioning.
- Include alternate text or image descriptions.
- Accommodations were requested and met.
- In use—voice amplification.
- Not in use—ASL interpretation, CART services.



Land acknowledgement

We are located in Portland, Oregon, Multnomah county.

Today, we honor the Indigenous people whose traditional and ancestral homelands we stand on—the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya and many other Indigenous nations of the Columbia River.

It is important we acknowledge the ancestors of this place and to recognize that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them.

In remembering these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

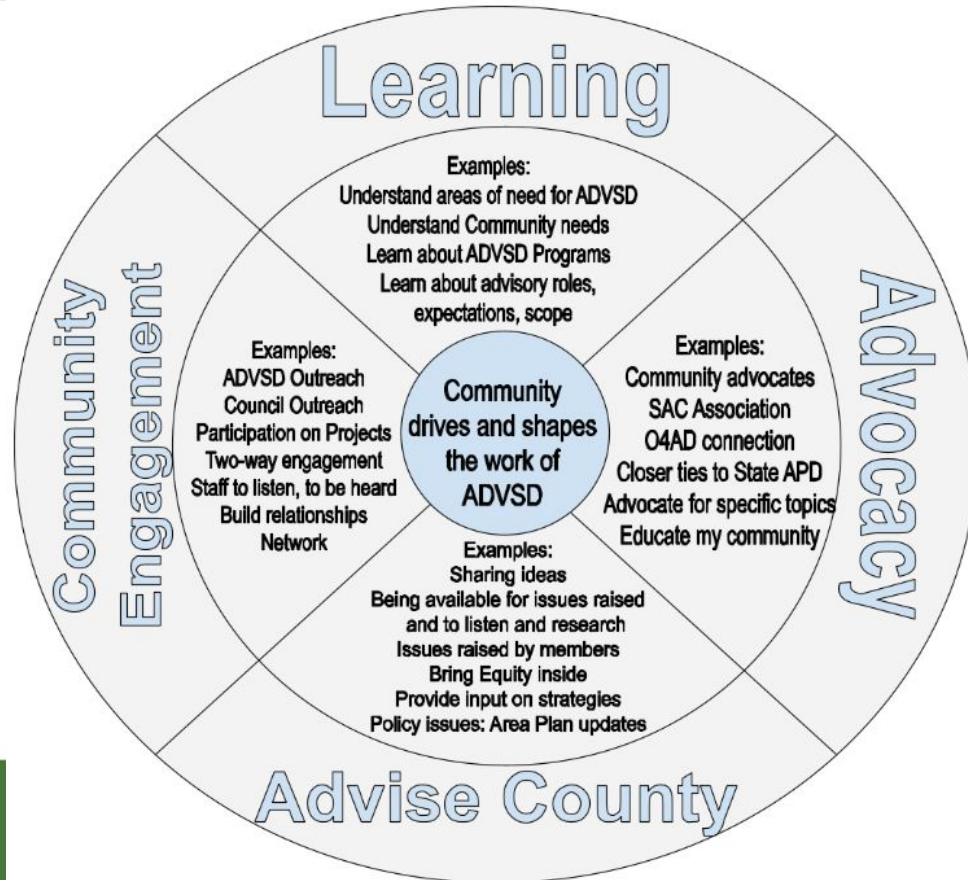
Quick introductions

Please share:

- Your name
- Pronouns
- *Prompt* – What is your favorite way to spend a sunny morning?



Grounding us in the Purpose of Advisory Councils



Oregon Special Transportation Programs

STF / STIF Background & Funding Challenges

Transportation equity for older adults and people with disabilities

The Special Transportation Fund (STF)

1985

Created to fund transportation for older adults and people with disabilities.

Funding Sources

- Cigarette tax (\$0.01→\$0.02/pack)
- Photo ID Card sales
- Non-vehicle fuel tax revenue

Who's Eligible

- 33 original transit districts/counties
- 9 federally recognized Tribes added 2003
- 42 total STF Agencies today

Services Funded

- Dial-a-ride services
- Taxi & bus ticket subsidies
- Travel training & capital purchases

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF)

Introduced by House Bill 2017

STIF funds public transportation improvements statewide. Funds may be used for planning, deployment, operation, and administration of public transportation programs.

STIF Eligible Uses

- Planning and coordination of transit services
- Deployment of new routes and services
- Operations — day-to-day running costs
- Program administration

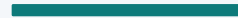
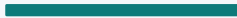
Funding Source

0.1%

Oregon State Payroll Tax
("Transit Tax")

One-tenth of 1 percent of payroll — a broad-based statewide funding source.

The 2023 STF / STIF Consolidation



1985

STF Created

Oregon Legislature establishes Special Transportation Fund for older adults & people with disabilities.

2003

Tribes Added

9 federally recognized Indian Tribes join; 42 STF Agencies total.

2020

SB 1601 Passed

Senate Bill 1601 directs consolidation of STF and STIF programs.

2023

Merger Takes Effect

July 1, 2023 — STF absorbed into STIF. New structure: Qualified Entities + Advisory Committees.

Legislature's stated intent: preserve STF priorities and provide funding stability for rural, frontier counties, and federally recognized tribes through the new STIF structure.

The Funding Crisis: A Broken Promise

While the Legislature intended to stabilize ATFAC funding through consolidation, the opposite has occurred in the TriMet service area.

\$14.6M

Awarded last biennium
to 23 ATFAC projects

\$4M

TriMet contribution
being eliminated

27%+

Proposed cut to ATFAC
programs for 2027–28

Transportation is a top-3 concern for Oregon seniors — alongside caregiver support and housing insecurity.

Source: Oregon DHS State Plan on Aging survey

Disparate Treatment of Vulnerable Populations

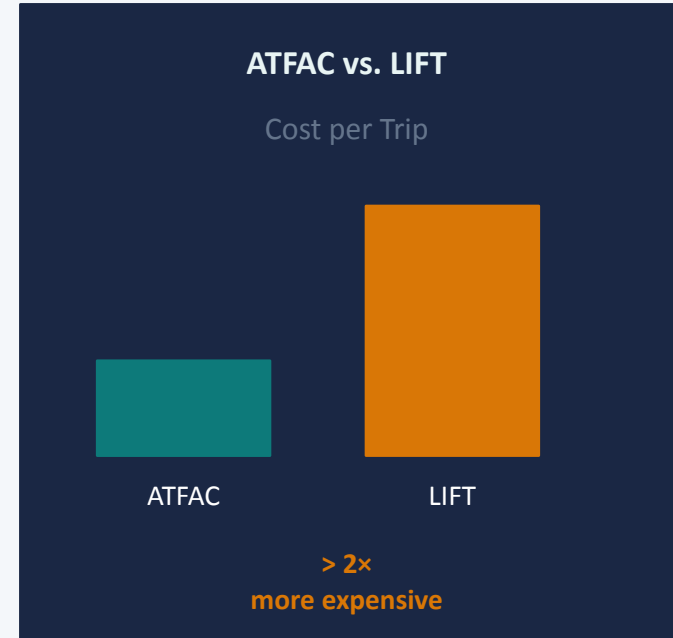
TriMet's ATFAC decisions have been handled fundamentally differently from its general-population services:

Category	TriMet General Services	ATFAC Programs
Community Outreach	Extensive outreach on route restructuring	No outreach for 27% ATFAC cuts
Decision Process	Engaged elected & appointed officials	Unilateral staff decision; no consultation
Magnitude of Cuts	Low single-digit % reductions	27%+ reduction in funding
Impact on Riders	Reduced frequency — still transported	Rides eliminated — no alternatives

The Financial Paradox: Cutting ATFAC May Cost More

Why a \$4M cut could backfire:

- Over 67,000 adults 75+ with disabilities live in Multnomah, Clackamas & Washington counties.
- Many ATFAC riders qualify for LIFT ADA paratransit — and will switch if ATFAC is cut.
- LIFT cost per trip is more than double the cost of ATFAC services.
- If just 256 individuals migrate to LIFT and take two round trips/week, the \$4M reduction disappears.
- Ride Connection has documented a direct correlation between ATFAC cuts and LIFT cost growth.



ATFAC is a win-win: riders get flexible, accessible transportation at less than half the LIFT cost.

What We Are Asking For

A fair, open process — and fully informed decisions on human impact before cuts are implemented.

1 Transparent Process

Most affected riders & some service managers were never notified. Public awareness is essential before any cuts take effect.

3 ATFAC-to-LIFT Cost Analysis

Assess how cutting ATFAC shifts riders to the more expensive LIFT system — trends that could worsen significantly with these cuts.

2 Informed Board / AB2017 Review

Conduct a thorough public process to assess human impact and allow affected organizations to demonstrate the value of these funds.

4 Protect Rural & Frontier Areas


For many seniors relocating for affordable housing, ATFAC is their only mobility lifeline — and critical to bipartisan legislative support.

These services represent a legislative promise to Oregon's most vulnerable transportation users.

Oregon State Plan on Aging - Public Comment Open

Aging and People with Disabilities Community Engagement

The Office of Aging and People with Disabilities (**APD**) is committed to engaging with the people we serve, their families, advocates, providers and community partners. We encourage you to connect with us to share feedback, join in discussions and receive updates.

 Legislative session updates

 Senate Bill 739 implementation

 Updating the State Plan on Aging

 Advocacy Award

 Current initiatives

 APD Rules Advisory Committees



Oregon State Plan on Aging - Public Comment Open

The public comment period for the draft 2026-2030 State Plan on Aging is open through **June 12, 2026**.

- Email comments to sua.email@odhsoha.oregon.gov
- Mail comments to: ODHS Office of Aging and People with Disabilities
Attn: Debbie McCuin
500 Summer St., NE, E-12
Salem, OR 97301
- Attend the public hearing scheduled for **Wednesday, June 10, 2026**, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be hosted online via Zoom.
- <https://www.oregon.gov/odhs/engagement/pages/apd-engagement.aspx>



Celebrating Older Americans Month!

Thank you Kathleen and Dave and all our supporters!



Logic Models: Presentation Feedback

Nutrition Program Review

We recently explored the Nutrition Program Logic Model, including key data and indicators.

Next Step: Veterans Directed Care

This will be our next Logic Model presentation.

We would like your feedback and input on the presentation format before we proceed.



15-minute break

**I'M TAKING
A BREAK**

Budget and Program Updates

Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) Program Positions

Safety Net Program

Oregon Project Independence (OPI)/Oregon Project
Independence - Medicaid (OPI-M)



Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Community Presence

Department of County Human Services





Overview

The Multnomah County Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division (ADVSD) serves older adults, people with disabilities, and veterans in meeting basic needs, preserving safety and choice, and accessing care. We focus on increasing access for communities that experience marginalization due to systemic racism and other forms of discrimination.

555 staff

Total Budget:

\$123,429,143

Public Guardian & Conservator (PGC)

- Provides legal protection and vital decision making for incapacitated adults at risk for abuse and neglect
- Addresses abuse and exploitation, critical medical needs and supportive housing
- Advocates for benefits and protects income and assets from financial abuse
- Educates and consults with community partners, providers, and the public regarding guardianship process and alternatives
- Serves participants with a person-centered, culturally responsive approach to promote quality of life

11 FTE
Budget:
\$1,947,904



Public Guardian & Conservator (PGC)

1,911

In-person visits or meetings conducted in FY25

PGC also serves clients in Clackamas, Hood River, Lane, Marion, Polk, Washington, and Yamhill counties.

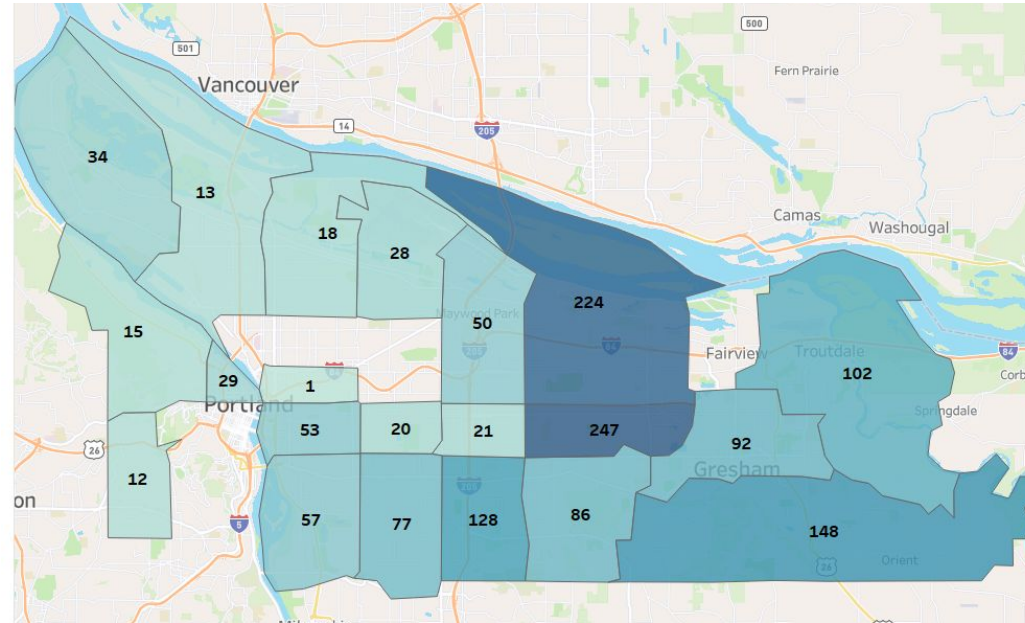
3,076

Hours conducting in-person visits or meetings in FY25

This includes client visits, client escorts, case review, and site/agency visits

Map of PGC In-person visits/meetings

Based on zip code of client residence



Note: This map excludes **456** visits to clients outside of Multnomah County

Adult Protective Services (APS)

- Prevents and intervenes in harm and neglect affecting older adults and adults with physical disabilities
- Investigates reported abuse, neglect and self-neglect
- Helps people in community settings as well as licensed facilities, such as assisted living and residential care facilities
- Partners with local law enforcement agencies to pursue prosecution when appropriate

62 FTE
Budget:
\$13,498,379



Adult Protective Services (APS)



3,220

of investigations completed in FY25



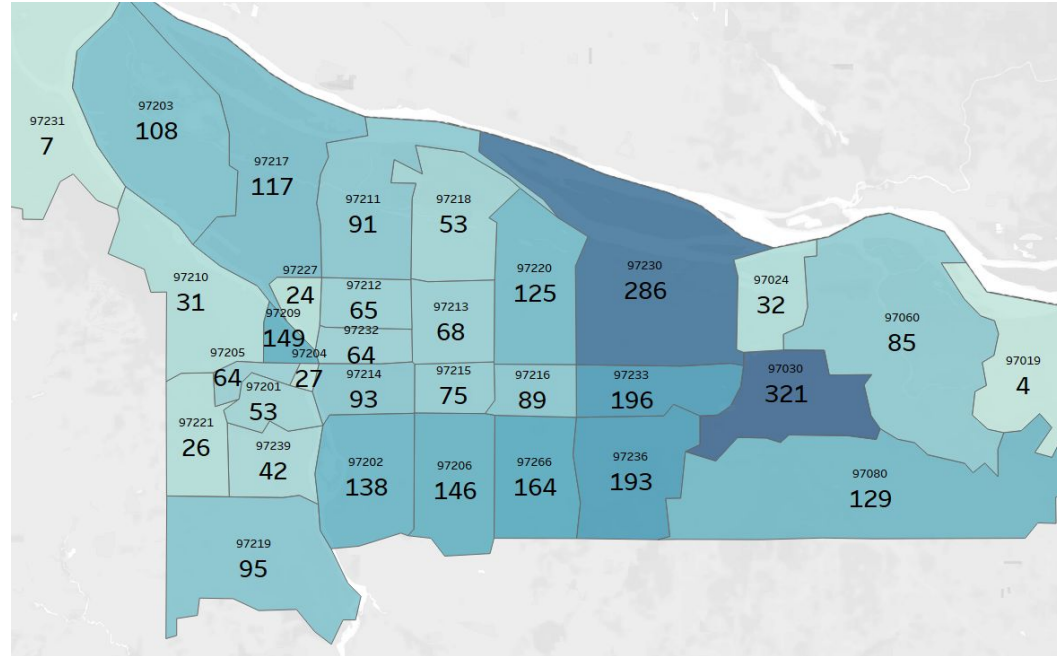
8,944

of in-person interviews conducted in FY25

Investigators interview alleged victims, alleged perpetrators, witnesses, and other key contacts during investigations

Map of APS Investigations Completed in FY25

Based on zip code of victim residence at the time



Adult Care Home Program (ACHP)

- Oversees Adult Care Homes: single-family residential homes where the primary provider lives in the home along with up to 5 residents that are being served
- Licenses and monitors each home to serve a specific population based upon the providers' experience and skills
- Hosts a biennial conference for care home operators and residents
- Provides ongoing coaching and education to care home operators; ensures a high standard of care

31 FTE
Budget: \$6,727,062



Adult Care Home Program (ACHP)

630

of licensed homes in operation in FY25

Adult Care Homes provide a safe environment that honors residents' independence, cultural needs, and choices

1,781

of inspections and monitoring visits in FY25

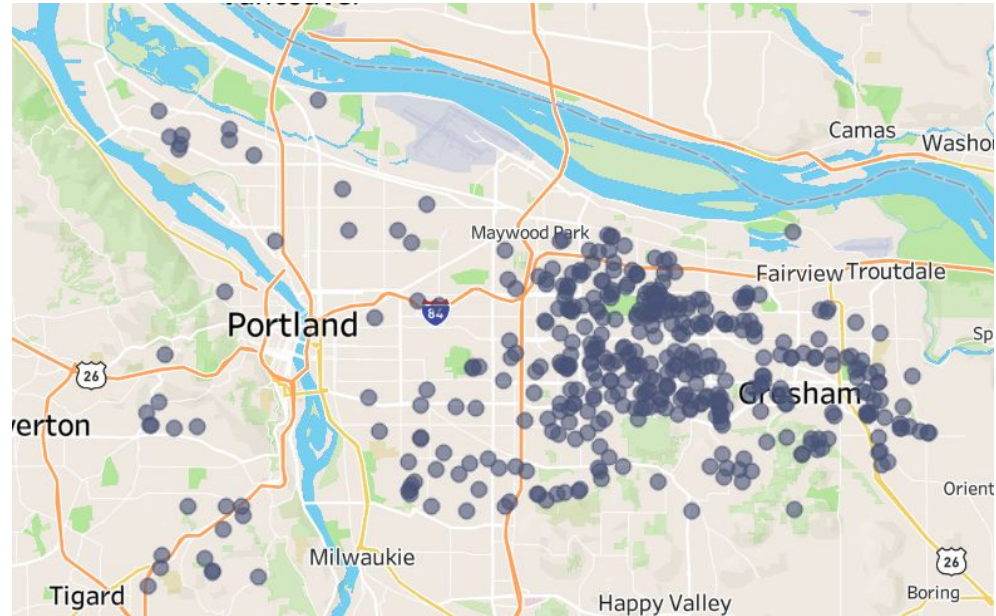
Annual on-site inspections and quarterly monitoring visits ensure that every home meets the highest safety standards

101

of in-home coaching sessions in FY25

ACHP offers first-year providers comprehensive monthly one-on-one training in their homes

Map of Multnomah County Adult Care Homes



Long Term Services & Supports

- Determines eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), medical benefits, and Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS)
- Provides ongoing case management, advocacy, research and referral to other community based resources that would meet participants' needs
- Assists consumers in accessing services in the care setting of their choice and need including: in-home, adult care home, assisted living, or skilled nursing facility
- Operates the Homeless Mobile Intake Team, which meets older adults and people with disabilities where they are and assists them in navigating services, including housing and care placements



360.5 FTE
Budget:
\$65,851,927

Long Term Services & Supports (LTSS)

Map of LTSS Service Direct Contacts

Based on zip code of client residence

38,343

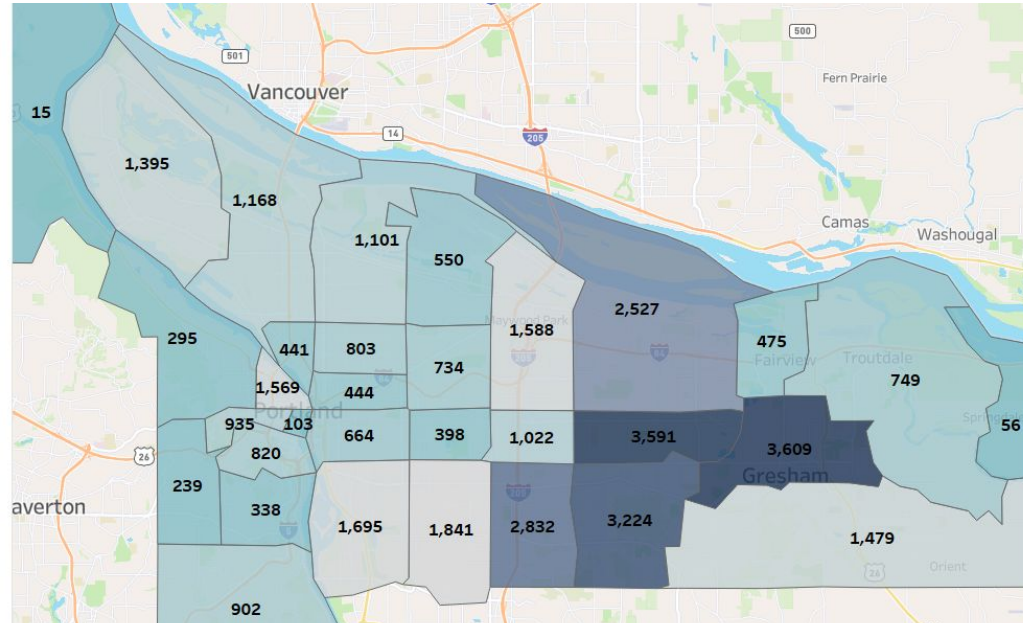
Direct Service Contacts in FY25

This number only includes consumers with an active service benefit as of 2/9/26, resulting in an undercount.

12,732

Medicaid service case management consumers in FY25

This number includes any LTSS consumer with an active service benefit during FY25.



Note: This map excludes **741** visits to consumers outside of Multnomah County

Community Services (CS)

Older Americans Act and other federally, locally, and privately funded programs focus on providing information, services, and support to older adults, adults with disabilities, Veterans, and family caregivers so that they may remain as independent as possible in their communities.

CS Program Offers:

- Case Management and In-Home Services
- Community Participation and Program Operations
- Family Caregiver Support
- Health Promotion
- Nutrition
- Outreach, Information, Referral and Assistance
- Safety Net
- Transportation
- Veterans Services



74.8 FTE
Budget:
\$31,988,838

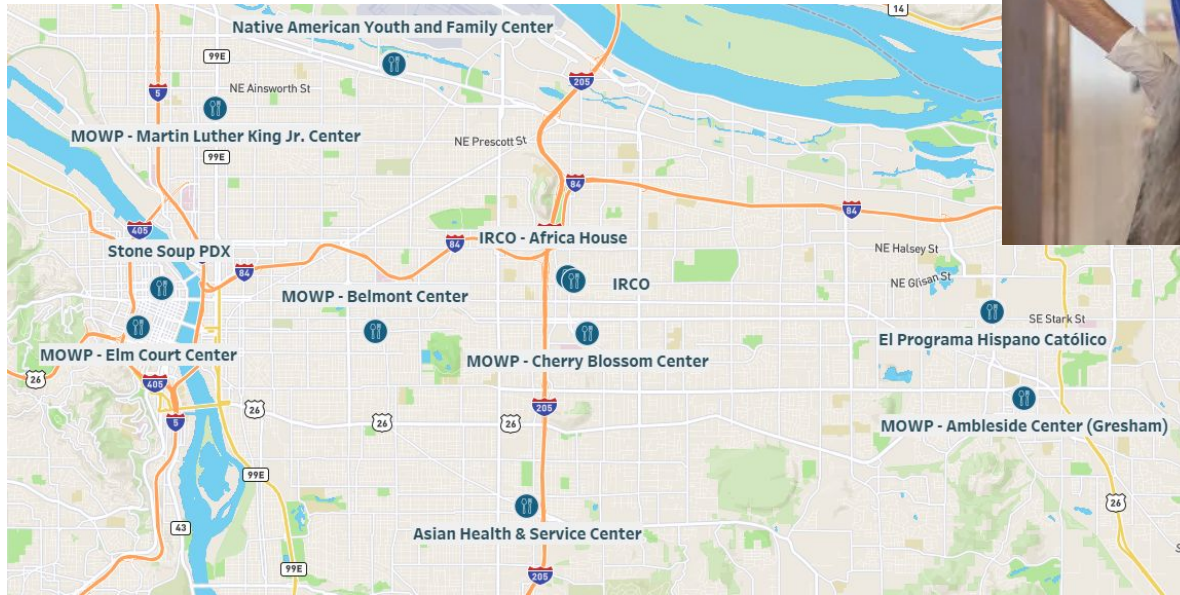
Community Services: OAA Nutrition Services



461,500 meals served in FY25

85% of meals were home-delivered

15% were served in congregate meals sites located throughout the County



Veterans Services & Veteran's Directed Care

26

Community Outreach Events in FY25

As part of the 2025-2029 Area Plan goals, the Veterans Services aims to spread awareness to Veterans and their families of potential VA benefits such as VA pension, disability and health benefits.

472

Community members engaged at events in FY25

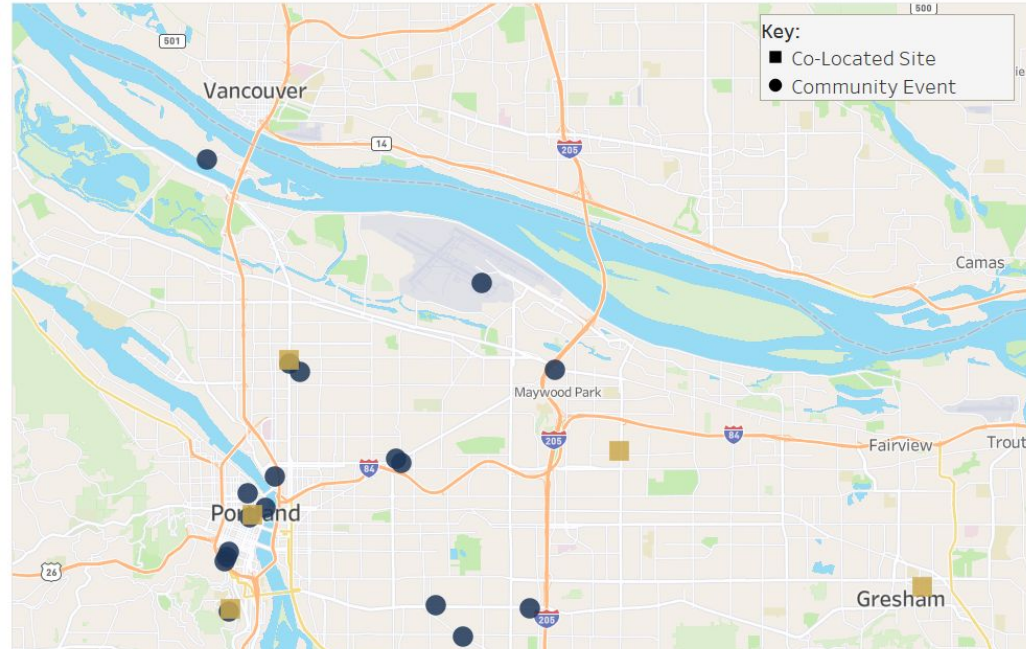
This does not include community members engaged at the five sites where Veteran Services is co-located.

680

Home-visits to Veteran Directed Care participants

Data reflects VA-required visits only; tracking for all home visits began in FY26. The program is currently at max capacity (25 participants)

Map of Veteran Services Community Events and Co-Located Sites in FY25



Note: Excludes 2 virtual community engagement events. Veteran Services also maintains weekly community hours at five co-located sites.

Community Services



ADVSD conducted outreach at 51 community events in FY25 to reach populations that are underserved and help connect the public to our services.

Annual outreach events include:

- Delta Park Powwow
- Portland Arab Mahrajan Festival
- Pride Northwest (Portland LGBTQ+ Pride)
- El Grito Portland
- Several resource fairs for seniors, people with disabilities, and those with limited resources

Questions?

Public testimony

- Please feel free to provide comments.



Wrap-up

- Thanks for attending!
- Next meeting
 - ASAC: Tuesday, June 16, 2026
 - DSAC: Wednesday, June 17, 2026

