



**PORTLAND  
HOUSING  
BUREAU**

**Fair Housing Advocacy Committee**

**12, December 2017  
03:00 p.m. – 05:00 p.m.  
Portland Housing Bureau  
421 SW Ave., Suite 500  
Portland, OR 97204**

✓ = PHAC public member action item  
▶ = PHB staff member action item

**Members Present:** Betty Dominguez, Christina Dirks, Deborah Imse, Allan Lazo, Katrina Holland, Jerad Goughnour, Patricia Rojas,

**Members Excused:**

**Staff Present:** Kim McCarty, Laurie Wells, Neisha Saxena

**Guests Present:**

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<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/phb/74577> <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/phb/phac> and click "Meeting Schedule & Materials" in the gray block on the left side of the page.

**December 2017 Minutes**

<b>AGENDA TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>Introductions- Kim McCarty</b>	Kim McCarty, Program Coordinator at PHB facilitated the meeting	Introductions
<b>50th Anniversary of Fair Housing Act</b>	<b>Suggested themes.</b> Recommit to the big ideas Fair Housing Act, Housing Choice and Access. Connect the history of segregation to displacement and access segregation today. Compare progress since last Fair Housing Plan. Suggest new best practices, and action, services going forward. Use this as an opportunity to tell the public about their fair housing rights. Show the CBS fair housing special. Introduce landlords to newer best practices, i.e. waitlist management, email training. Criminal records, and expungement programs. Show how protected classes are more vulnerable to housing instability and housing instability leads to other issues. Culturally specific programming. Highlight issues like disproportionate lack of use of public housing by the Latino community. Homeless youth are more likely to be LGBTQ. "What is good for you is good for me."	Discussion

	<p>Fair Housing is achieved when there is a fair balance of power.</p> <p><b>Other Events:</b>  Gresham- Proclamation  FHCO- April 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Speaker Richard Rothstein  Multnomah County-  Multifamily NW- February Fair Housing Fair  City of Portland Proclamation and Fair Housing Poster Contest Winners</p> <p><b>Resources:</b> \$10,000</p> <p><b>Possible Speakers:</b> Nikole Hannah Jones, Stephen Menendian, Richard Rothstein, Van Port Mosiac, Imarisha Walidah, Lisa Bates, Karen Gibson</p>	
<i>Proposal</i>	<p>Plan an event that amplifies Fair Housing issues and reaches the public. Large event April 11<sup>th</sup>. Support local events in other jurisdictions, and the FHCO events April 18, 19, 20<sup>th</sup>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press Conference with the unveiling of a proposal in the morning. Ideally the proposal includes commitments to action, i.e. preference policy citywide based on discovery of acts of wrongful displacement by government.</li> <li>• Leadership breakfast.</li> <li>• Invite the public to tell their stories in the Portland City Hall Atrium to the press, while the leadership breakfast takes place. Or a listening session in the Atrium the night before. The listening session could be a part of the Annual Action Plan hearings.</li> <li>• City Council Session time certain action. Proclamation, testimonials. Recognition of Fair Housing Poster contest winner.</li> </ul>	
<i>Planning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor’s Office invites elected in Gresham, Multnomah County, DOJ, HUD, OHCS, and BOLI and Metro to join a Fair Housing leadership breakfast. Additional invites to Clackamas, Tigard, Milwaukie, Beaverton, etc....</li> <li>• PHB supports by coordinating with jurisdictions that have agreed to participate.</li> <li>• FHAC drafts a proclamation</li> <li>• LASO, CAT, El Programa Hispano, Home Forward, Multifamily NW seek testimonials</li> <li>• PHB plans the food, venue, press and social media</li> <li>• FHCO will review content of communications. May be able to analyze Fair Housing complaint data.</li> <li>• Multnomah County staff will inquire with Multnomah County leadership.</li> <li>• CAT will provide trauma informed training and care.</li> </ul>	➤

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Forward will reach out to Metro, Urban League, and Home Forward residents</li> <li>• PHB will inquire with Commissioner Fish due to his family connection to the Fair Housing Act.</li> </ul>	
<b>Legislation</b>	We did not have time to review the City of Portland, Multnomah County or City of Gresham draft State and Federal legislative proposals.	Update

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