



Oregon Legislature 2015

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The 2015 Oregon Legislature

- Adjourned Sine Die July 6, 2015
- A new governor
- A strong majority with a strong agenda



Courthouse funding



Secured \$17.4 Million



Mental Health

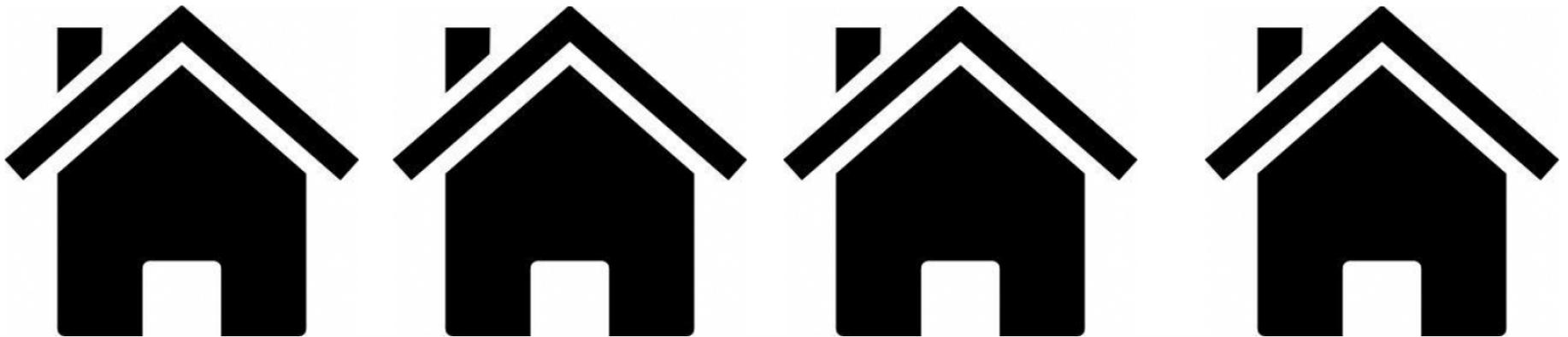
Secured an additional \$28 million in funding for mental health services including:

- Jail diversion
- Crisis services
- Addiction treatment
- Rental assistance



Housing

- \$62.5 million for affordable housing (including \$20 million for people with mental illness)
- Tax foreclosure sale proceeds now dedicated to housing



Helping seniors keep their homes



Improved the Senior and Disabled
Property Tax Deferral program



New tools to fight elder abuse

Allows Multnomah County to bring civil suits to recover damages for vulnerable people who have been abused.



Increased support for families



- Paid sick leave
- Expanded Employment Related Day Care
- Improved Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
- Reduced caseloads for developmental disabilities



Health System Modernization



- Focus on core functions
- Focus on best practices
- Improve quality statewide



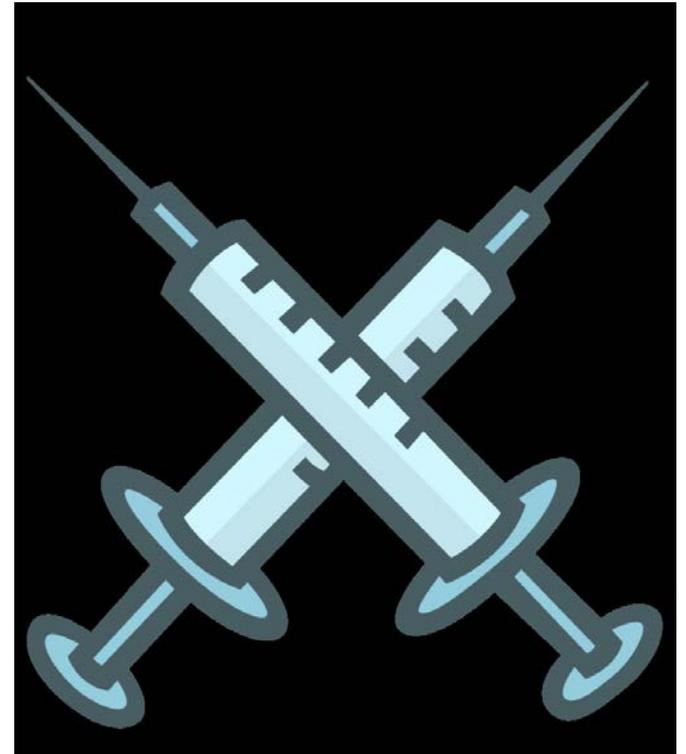
E-cigarette Regulation

- State law now mirrors county law
- Access by children is prohibited
- Second-hand vapors are treated like second-hand smoke



Good Samaritan Law

- Provides immunity from drug prosecutions
- More overdose witnesses call 911
- Lives are saved



Justice Reinvestment



\$40 million dollars to reduce recidivism through effective community supervision



Infrastructure and Environment

- New sources of funding for levee inspection and repair
- \$5 million for levee improvement
- \$7 million for brownfield remediation
- Land bank authority for local governments



Cornelius Pass Road



\$3.9 million in safety improvements



A good session for Multnomah County

It was a team effort:

- Commissioners
- Department staff
- Community partners



Questions?

