

UMPQUA HEALTH ALLIANCE

SHARE 2021

Supporting Health for All through Reinvestment Initiative

County Demographics

 Douglas County has a growth rate of 0.77% in the past year, according to the most recent Census Data. Douglas County is Oregon's 10th largest county.



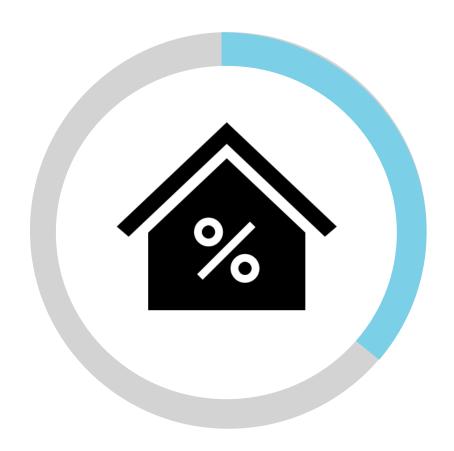
A 2019 housing analysis conducted in Roseburg showed an acute shortage of affordable housing, a situation that could likely worsen as the population continues to grow. The study showed there will need to be more than 2,600 new housing units built in the next 20 years to accommodate the expected population growth.



According to Oregon's state website, the 2020 point-in-time count for Douglas County listed around 845 individuals experiencing homelessness in the county. Around 20 percent of those people are considered chronically homeless.



Homeless shelters, even temporary ones, are not very common throughout the state. A study conducted by EndHomelessness.org says only 36 percent of the communities in Oregon offer or have shelters available for those struggling with homelessness.



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 What low barrier shelters or temporary shelters are in your community?

Nationally, the state of Oregon has some of the highest rates of total homelessness, unsheltered homelessness, Unaccompanied Youth homelessness, as well as Veteran and Chronic homelessness. Additionally, the Balance of State (BoS) Continuum of Care (CoC) has some of the highest rates of total homelessness, unsheltered homelessness, and youth, family, Veteran, and Chronic homelessness among largely rural CoCs nationally.



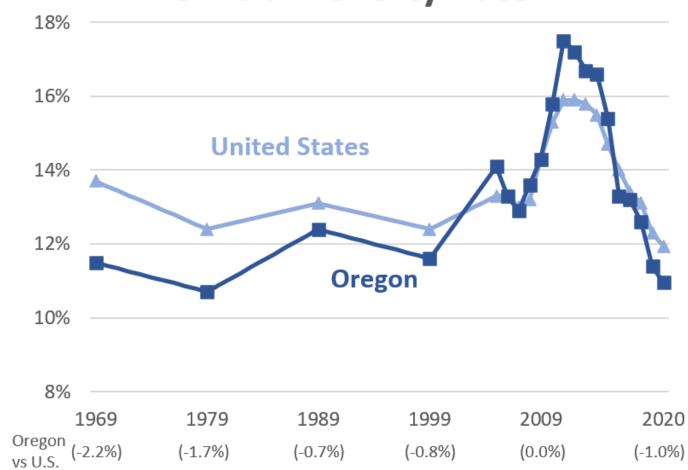
Across the Douglas County public school system, student homelessness has averaged around 4.6% for the last few years, which is in line with the Oregon state average for student homelessness. However, some school districts have alarmingly high rates of student homelessness, such as Glendale and Reedsport, where roughly one in five students experience homelessness at some point during the year. These are some of the highest rates of student homelessness in the country.



Census data from the annual American Community Survey (ACS) show that poverty rates in Douglas County are higher than the state average for nearly ever subpopulation. These high poverty rates are especially acute for children and families, with about 22% of children in Douglas County living below the federal poverty line and about 27% of very young children under age 5. Families with children in Douglas County are about 50% more likely to be living in poverty than the state average. The subpopulation with by far the highest rates of poverty are female-headed households with children under age 5, who have a poverty rate approaching 60% in Douglas County.

Oregon Poverty

Official Poverty Rate



Data: 1970, 1980, 1990, 2000 Decennial Census, 2005-2020 American Community Survey Source: Census, Oregon Office of Economic Analysis

Overcoming Obstacles

- In 2019, the temporary solution to homelessness (a homeless respite shelter) was taken down. The County experienced issues of increased waste as the shelter site and complaints from neighbors.
- Douglas County Commissioner Chris Boice said the shelter was put in place after the community voiced safety and health concerns for homeless people sleeping downtown by the courthouse.
- The temporary shelter included a garbage can, portable toilet, a picnic table and a sharps disposable container, all covered by a small metal structure. The site also came with a list of rules for keeping the area clean. Overall, it was able to shelter about seven to eleven individuals each night.
- The county noted numerous successes from the temporary shelter. This included eliminating complaints about safety and health concerns, eliminating needles being found in that section of town near the library, reducing littering issues, increased awareness of homeless issues in the county and provided a clean space for people to sleep.

"NIMBY"

NIMBY – "Not in my Backyard" A colloquialism that signifies one's opposition to the location of something undesirable in one's neighborhood. This concept has historically acted as a barrier to the establishment of homeless shelters and facilities and played a role in the removal of the shelter.



Photo Credit: News Review

Overcoming obstacles

Temporary homeless respite shelter taken down.

In 2021, 72-hour notices were issued to homeless members across Roseburg, notifying them that their unlawful campgrounds must be vacated.

Oct. 2020

2021

Dec 2019

2021

In October 2020, Roseburg's homeless youth center, Casa De Belen, was forced to shut down and sell due to lack of funding.

In 2021, the City of Roseburg and Roseburg Police Department cleaned up and removed an estimated 150 homeless camps in the city.

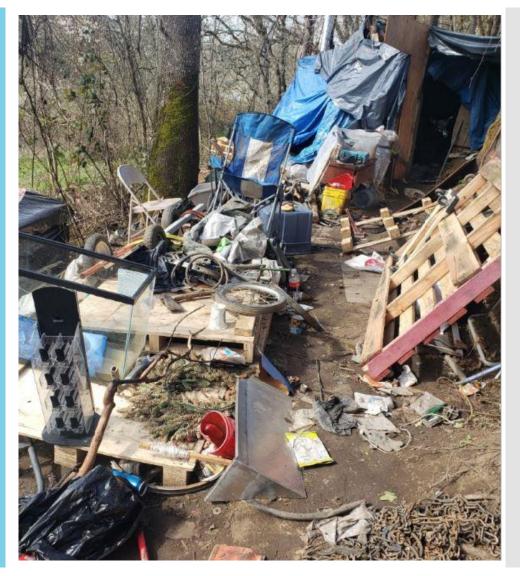


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Hurdles?

• What are some of the obstacles your community is experiencing?

What's Available

DOUGLAS COUNTY RESOURCES

ADAPT / Drug & Alcohol Treatment 621 W. Madrone St., Roseburg (541) 672-2691 www.adaptoregon.org

COMPASS / Mental Health Treatment Mental health crisis line:

(541) 440-3532 / (800) 301-8226 www.compassoregon.org

UCAN / Housing, Food, Clothing

(541) 672-3421 / (800) 464-6543 www.ucancap.org

Peace at Home

Survivors of domestic violence, sex assault, human trafficking, other (541) 673-7867 (800) 464-6543 crisis line (24/7) www.peaceathome.com

Onward Roseburg / Homeless Outreach

Various services & connections Call or text Kimetha - (541) 236-2089

Housing First Umpqua

Help with SSI/SSDI benefits / Other Call or text (541) 236-5047

SHELTER / FOOD

Roseburg Rescue Mission (men's shelter) 752 SE Pine St., Roseburg (541) 673-3004

Samaritan Inn (women's shelter) 544 W. Umpqua St., Roseburg

(541) 672-5387 Youth Shelter/Connections/Family Services:

FARA / 505 SE Main St., Rosburg (541) 229-0510

FISH Food Pantry:

405 Jerry's Drive, Roseburg (541) 673-9804

Hours: Mon/Wed 1:30-3:30pm & Thurs/Fri 9:30-11:30am

Roseburg Dream Center:

2555 Diamond Lake Blvd. 9:30 am-1:45 pm Mon-Thur

(541) 673-5918 Food pantry Mon & Wed

Connecting Point - Mondays 10-11:30 a.m.

DHS (Food Stamps, Other): 738 W. Harvard Ave., Roseburg

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General Resources: 211 (look for "211info" in the app store)

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What's Available

Adapt Mobile
Crisis Intervention

 Adapt Mobile Crisis Team was established in the last three years and works in cooperation with the Roseburg Police Department to provide solution-oriented community response to mental health crises.



What's Available

Roseburg Sobering Center The Sobering Center provides a safe, supportive and supervised environment for publicly intoxicated individuals to become sober. The Sobering Center reduces the burden on local jails and can reduce needless and often repeat visits to the emergency department for public intoxication.







Whether you lack housing, need better housing, or need help staying in your home, UCAN may be able to help you



- Help people search for housing,
- Help people understand a lease,
- Help people work with a possible landlord,
- Help people improve their chance of having a landlord accept you as a tenant.
- Help with move in fees, utilities and rent.

What's Available

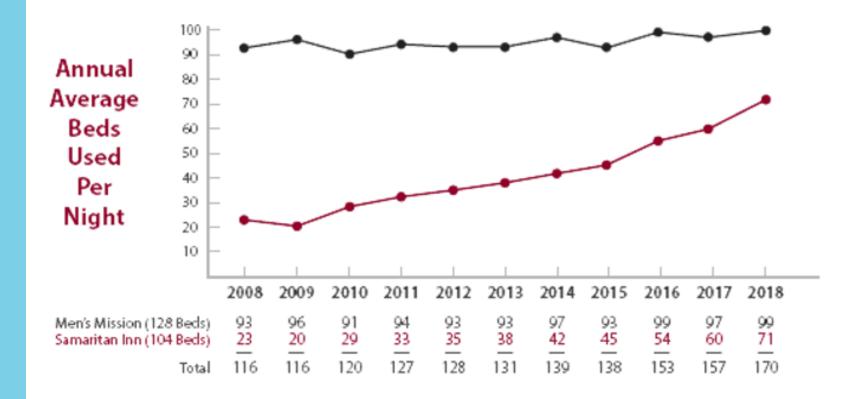
 Roseburg Rescue Mission – Men's Mission – Requirements include but are not limited to: Must pass urinalysis for drug use, weekly chapel, 10:00PM curfew.



Roseburg Samaritan Inn –
 Women and Children's Shelter –
 Requirements include but are not limited to: 6:30PM curfew, children must be accompanied by a guardian, must pass urinalysis for drug use, drug and alcohol free for at least thirty days at intake.



Shelter Averages



UHA's Community Support

- UHA has provided temporary housing (i.e. hotel stays) over the years to support folks who are homeless and have medical issues that need a stable environment.
 - Post hospitalization or ER visit
 - Outpatient wound care or infusion therapies
 - Oxford House (sober living) support for SUD treatment
 - Members receiving a Direct Acting Antiviral medication for Hepatitis
- UHA has assisted in emergency rent, utilities, and renovation to enable members to <u>remain</u> in their housing.
- UHA has additionally provided care coordination to connect members with wrap around services that foster permanent independence.

NO LOW BARRIER SHELTER OPTIONS

• Prior to June 2022, Douglas County had NO low barrier shelters.

A Call to Action

In response to the pressing need for shelter, Roseburg City Mayor Larry Rich established a "homelessness Commission" in 2020/2021.

Several community leaders, including Umpqua Health Alliance's CEO, Brent Eichman, were selected to serve on the City Commission

The City of Roseburg
Homelessness Commission
engaged in a strategic
planning process focusing on
building local capacity for
services which would serve
the unhoused



Steps to Achieve a Low Barrier Shelter

- Site-visits of successful homeless low barrier projects in surrounding counties were completed.
- Through its local representative Gary Leif, the City of Roseburg applied for, and received, \$1.5M in State funding to create a Navigation Center which needed to be operational by June 2022.
- A parcel of land was identified which was centrally located to individuals experiencing homelessness.





Gary Leif Navigation Center

948 SE Mill St, Roseburg OR 97470 541-492-2135





Navigation Center Partners Umpqua Health Alliance

City of Roseburg

Roseburg Police Department

OHA

ADAPT

UCAN





\$300,000 Partnership

Umpqua Health Alliance provided City of Roseburg \$300,000.00 in SHARE funds to assist in the expected costs of operation of the Gary Leif Navigation Center as a low barrier, temporary homeless shelter in Douglas County.

The Navigation Center had a soft opening for the County on June 20, 2022 and began accepting formal applications from potential residents on July 11, 2022.

The center was at capacity by July 13, 2022.

Waitlist is being maintained with approximately 50 people currently on list.

Gary Leif: A Legacy of Caring





Gary Leif

Leif was raised in Douglas County and owned a business here for over 40 years.

He had been a member of the Winston Planning Commission and in 1985 was named a First Citizen of Winston. Among his many community projects over the years, he had served as chairman of CASA of Douglas County, a member of the United Community Action Network board, Downtown Roseburg Association president and Downtown Development Board president.

He was elected in May 2016 election as the 105th Douglas County Commissioner in Position 1.

He served as Douglas County Commissioner until May 9, 2018, when he accepted appointment to the Legislature.

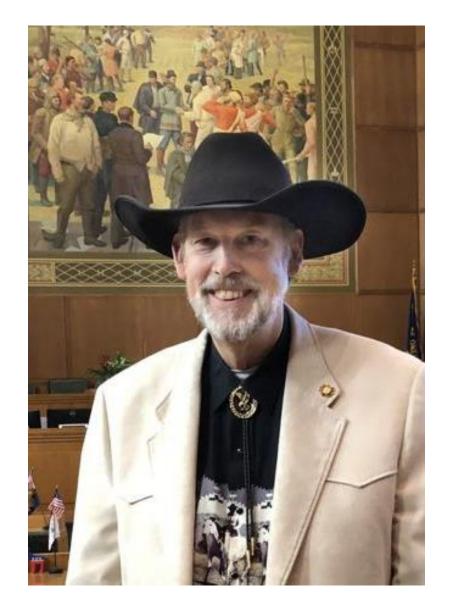


Photo Credit: Portland Tribune



Navigation Center Information

The Navigation Center identifies as a low barrier shelter, per State description. Guests will not be denied admission for lack of income, poor credit, mental health, physical health, substance abuse issues, criminal background, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, etc.

Grounds for denial are limited to registration as a sex offender, or a criminal background as a sexual predator.

The shelter is not permanent housing and is meant to help guests transition out of homelessness and into a permanent residence.

Staff are available on site 24/7.

Staff are trained in Peer Support to assist with basic life skill needs

Providers available Monday – Friday for wrap around services.

Weekly group/support meetings.



Navigation Center Information

Quiet Hours: 10:00PM to 6:00AM.

Curfew: 9:00PM – Unless otherwise approved by Case Management.

Limited space available (Ten pods, two beds per pod). Families, women, and person(s) discharged from hospital or other health facilities who are in recovery or high risk are prioritized.



The Shelter



The Shelter

- Two bathrooms with wash stations.
- Men and women shower stations.
- Laundry facility.Covered outdoor non-smoking lounge facility.
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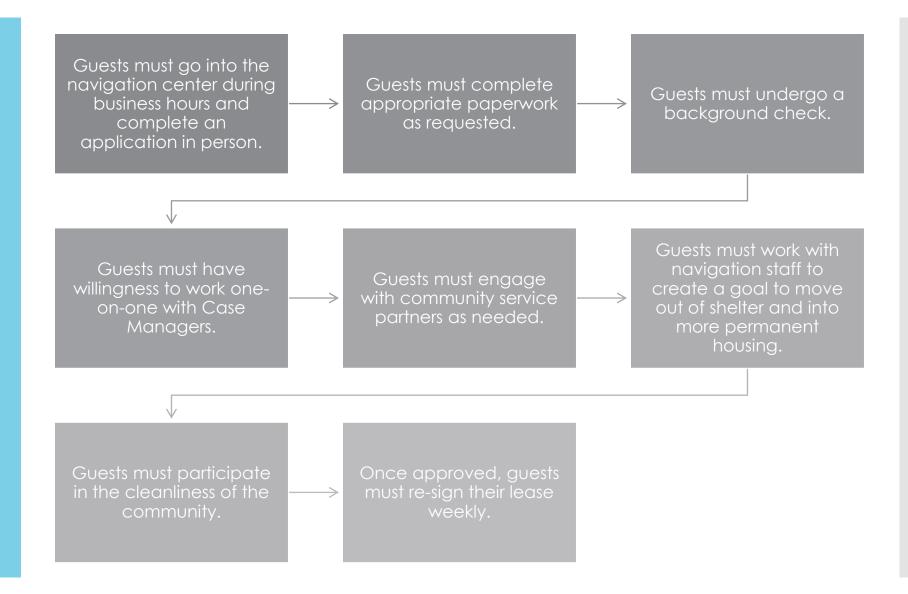




The Shelter



How do people experiencing homelessness get into the shelter?







Reducing Barriers

Reducing Barriers



The Navigation Center Rules and Regulations

- No violence to yourselves or to others.
- No Theft.
- No alcohol, illegal drugs, or drug paraphernalia on the premises at any time.
- No persistent, disruptive behavior.
- Everyone must contribute to the cleanliness of the property, structures, and hygiene facilities.
- Clutter free environment.

Shelter Guest Agreements



I agree to meet with my assigned case manager to help me identify my strengths, set forth a short term and long-term goals in efforts to help navigate the situations that have kept me unhoused.

I agree to be a positive member of this community and surrounding neighborhood; keeping it clean, safe, secure, and a pleasant place to live.

I agree to NOT bring any alcohol, THC, or any illegal drugs onto the property.

My behavior will be based on love and respect for myself and others.

I am willing to honor quiet times of 10:00PM to 6:00AM.

I will NOT disrespect others based on ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, disability, lifestyles, or economic status.

I will abide by the curfew of 9:00PM, unless I am at my job or treatment, and I have supplied a copy of my schedule to my Case Manager.

Shelter Guest Agreements



I will not panhandle or "Fly signs" while a guest.

I will support the goal of self-sufficiency.

I will attend weekly Guest Gatherings, unless I have an approved, acceptable reason for absence.

When I am concerned or upset with situations at the shelter, I will bring these problems to the attention of the appropriate people, so that we can work together to resolve everything.

Shelter Guest Agreements



Violating the agreements above, Guest Hosts will work with their supervisors to determine if the guest will be asked to leave temporarily, or in serious or repeat cases, to leave permanently.

- I will leave peacefully and not return unless I am authorized to, or during the business hours to speak to a supervisor.
- Failure to leave peacefully will result in a call to the Roseburg Police Department. A citation may be given for trespassing.



UHA Participation \$300,000.00 SHARE commitment

UHA Involvement

What's Next?

Effective September/ October 2022, construction is starting on the navigation center to expand their shelter services.

Construction is anticipated to take six months.

Upon completion, the facility will have new office space for staff and visiting providers, a new dining and kitchen area for guests, storage space for both staff and guests, and new sleeping quarters with the ability to house forty guests.







The Expansion



The Navigation Center



Other SHARE Projects

Umpqua Heart



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Mission:

Offering a hand up to Homelessness in Douglas County by helping communities develop successful collaboration with community leaders and service providers in those places, to make sure homeless people, either permanent or arriving in Douglas County, have adequate services and support to help them transition successfully.



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Questions?

