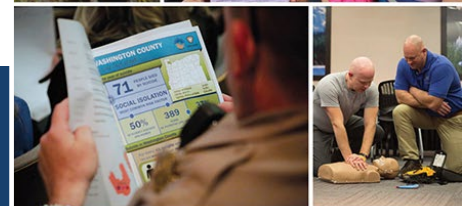


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2023 Legislative Session Updates



WASHINGTON COUNTY
Public Health



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Oregon State Legislature

- Odd years = Long Session
- Even Years = Short Session
- 2023 Session begins January 17th
- Maximum length of session is 160 days

Guiding Principles

- Maintain the County's ability to design and implement programs that support, serve, and respond to community needs by defending local control of policies, processes, and outcomes.
- Enhance local efforts to serve the diverse population of Washington County in an equitable and inclusive manner
- Oppose efforts to preempt, restrict, reduce, or eliminate existing revenue sources.
- Oppose unfunded mandates.
- Approach policy solutions through the promotion of recognized best practices and collaborative problem solving.
- Maintain and enhance state funding of programs and services provided by the County in partnership with the state.
- Support policies that enhance economic growth while advancing a healthy and sustainable environment.
- Secure flexibility in funding services and advocate for policies that recognize the critical partnership between state, counties, and cities that is necessary for our economy and community to thrive.

Washington County Legislative Priorities

- Secure stabilized and sustainable funding for services that the state requires the county to provide
- Secure State investments supporting local government investments in economic development and job creation
- Develop policies to enable the county to recruit and retain the talent necessary for our communities to thrive
- Support funding to initiate the planning process for replacing the county's almost 100-year-old Courthouse, which will improve how the public safety system serves our growing community
- Support state funding for the development of the Center for Addiction Triage and Treatment (the CATT) and additional behavioral health infrastructure

2023 Public Health Legislative Issues

- Fund Public Health Modernization at \$286 million
- Pass a \$47 million Public Health Workforce Incentives Package
- Pass a restriction on the sale of flavored tobacco and nicotine products in Oregon (LC 1731)