



Transition Projects

Our Mission



Transition Projects exists to help those experiencing homelessness transition successfully into housing.

With over five decades of experience providing shelter, housing and supportive services for very low-income people, we are recognized across the region for our work with veterans, women, people with disabilities, and other highly vulnerable groups. Founded in 1969, we operate out of eight Metro-area locations, enabling our team of over 350 to assist more than 10,000 people each year through programs designed to help people survive the streets, find housing, and retain their housing.





Outreach Team

Our team of outreach specialists are out in the community every day, distributing resources to people living on the street and helping connect them to additional services. During times of crises, they are a lifeline for people living on the street.





Resource Center

The Transition Projects resource center is unique in Portland, offering drop in services like laundry, showers, clothing, hygiene items, food, outlets, mail, lockers, haircuts, and help replacing IDs and accessing other resources.





Shelter Services

We operate eight permanent shelters for adults and couples, providing case management, wellness services, and a safe place to sleep in the Portland area, with added emergency shelters during harsh weather conditions.





Permanent Housing

To address the growing need for affordable housing in Portland, we opened Argyle Gardens, a first-of-its-kind co-housing project offering deeply affordable housing in the Kenton neighborhood.





Permanent Housing

We also have two residential facilities for 50+ individuals in recovery. The Barbara Maher apartments in North Portland and the Clark Annex in SE Portland offer sober living and ongoing support during recovery.





Wellness Access

Our Wellness Access Specialists work with people to identify their physical and mental health needs and develop an individualized plan. Peer Health Navigators accompany them to appointments to ensure they're getting appropriate care.





Retention Support

We continue to work with people who have transitioned out of homelessness as they adjust to a permanent living situation, offering case management and offsetting some expenses to ease the transition into a long-term housing.





Veterans Services

Each year, the agency supports hundreds of Veterans in meeting their housing, income, and wellness goals through our services and over 13% of individuals in Transition Projects' shelters have served in the military.





Rent Well Program

Our Rent Well program educates participants on basic housing policies, and their rights and responsibilities as tenants, to help ensure that they can go into long-term housing knowledgeable and empowered.

Volunteer

Make a direct impact by donating your time and labor to help fill the roles that we do not have the funding or resources to support.

Volunteer Opportunities Include:

- Sorting mail in our mail room
- Organizing materials and resources
- Leading an activity in shelter
- Special event planning and support
- Support during emergencies
- Gardening and cleaning projects
- Much more!







Cook a Meal

Bring together your family, neighborhood, office, faith group, or club to cook dinner for one of our shelters on a one-time or recurring basis. Meal providers donate over 100,000 meals each year in our shelters!



Join a Potluck

Not ready to take on your own meal? Join a potluck group to plan a meal, then cook and contribute one part of the dinner. An easy way to dip your toes into cooking shelter meals!





Volunteer

We would love to have you on our volunteer team! Here are some first steps for becoming a volunteer at Transition Projects:

- Attend a volunteer orientation (register at tprojects.org/orientation-form)
- Email volunteer@tprojects.org to get started on an application
- Some (not all!) positions require a background screening
- Questions? Call us at 503.488.7745 or email volunteer@tprojects.org







Attend an Event

From clean-ups hosted with community partners to our annual gala, we participate in dozens of events each year. We'd love to have you and your group join us and demonstrate the impact of our community.



Host an Event

Your community group can host a third-party event in support of our work. We've supported groups in hosting concerts, trivia nights, and special campaigns to raise funds and materials to support our neighbors.





Contribute

Donations of all kinds help us maximize our resources and give us more to distribute to our neighbors experiencing homelessness.

Ways to give:

- Host a donation drive or benefit event in your community (lots of options!)
- Check out our Amazon wishlist
- Assemble hygiene kits
- Donate new and gently used items
- Help us meet urgent needs during severe weather and other crises







Show Compassion

People experiencing homelessness are our neighbors and community members, and deserve compassion and kindness.

- We don't know what someone has encountered before becoming homeless
- Different people experience homelessness differently
- <u>Every person experiencing homelessness has</u>
 <u>experienced trauma</u>
- Be patient, kind, and a good listener
- Look out for neighbors experiencing homelessness and help connect them to resources!





Keep in Touch

Have an idea for a donation drive? Want to host an event to benefit our work? Looking for volunteer opportunities? We'd love to hear from you!

How to stay connected with our work:

- Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter at tprojects.org/newsletter-signup
- Follow us on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, or LinkedIn
- Email us at events@tprojects.org
- Find us at a benefit event in your community!





