



MEMORANDUM

To: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC)
From: Tonia Holowetzki, Director, Public & Government Affairs
RE: Legislative Update - Letter of Appreciation to the Clackamas Caucus
Date: March 10, 2026

REQUEST: Approve a letter of appreciation to the state legislators representing Clackamas County for their support of the Clackamas Recovery Campus project.

BACKGROUND: The 2026 State Legislative Session adjourned sine die on Friday, March 6, 2026. With the support and advocacy of the Clackamas Caucus, those legislators who collectively represent areas of Clackamas County, the county is expected to receive \$5 million to help fund the construction of the Clackamas County Recovery Campus.

In celebration of this achievement and support, PGA has drafted a letter of appreciation to be sent to the caucus for the BCC's review.

PGA will return to the BCC on April 21 to present a full report on the county's activity during the state legislative session.

RECOMMENDATION: PGA recommends the Board approve the letter of appreciation as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tonia Holowetzki".

Tonia Holowetzki, Director, Public & Government Affairs

ATTACHMENTS:

A – DRAFT Letter of Appreciation

DRAFT Board of County Commissioners Letter

March 10, 2026

Dear Clackamas Caucus,

On behalf of Clackamas County, thank you for your leadership and commitment to addressing the intersection of homelessness, mental health, and substance use disorder. We are deeply grateful for your efforts to achieve a \$5 million investment from legislative funds for the construction of the Clackamas County Recovery Campus.

Your sustained focus on integrated housing and behavioral health solutions directly aligns with Clackamas County's Recovery-Oriented System of Care and our shared goal of helping people achieve and sustain long-term recovery.

The Recovery Campus will provide a coordinated continuum of care, including 24 residential treatment beds, 16 withdrawal management beds, and 36 transitional housing beds, expanding access to timely, person-centered services for those most in need.

Clackamas County has invested significantly to advance this project, including the purchase of a six-acre site to ensure readiness and momentum. The funding that you helped secure this session closes a critical gap and enables us to proceed as originally envisioned, rather than in phases.

We value your partnership in strengthening the county's response to homelessness, addiction, and behavioral health needs. We look forward to sharing this journey with you as we bring the Recovery Campus into operation and continue our collective efforts to build healthier, more stable communities across our county.

Thank you for your commitment to this work and to the people of Clackamas County.

Sincerely,

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Craig Roberts, Chair

On Behalf of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners