



Manufactured Communities Resource Center (MCRC)

(Program Factsheet)

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Mission Statement

To provide services and information to residents and landlords of manufactured dwelling parks to promote cooperative relationships and positive alternatives to the court system.

Funding

The MCRC program is funded through an annual assessment of \$6 for each manufactured home on rented or leased land, as well as a \$25 annual park registration fee paid by landlords of Oregon manufactured home parks.

Program Overview

The MCRC program was created in 1989 by the Legislature (ORS 446.543) with three main purposes: to provide services and activities to support the improvement of manufactured dwelling park landlord and tenant relationships; to develop and implement a centralized resource referral program for tenants and landlords to encourage voluntary dispute resolution; and to maintain a directory of manufactured dwelling parks.

Since its inception, MCRC has continued to evolve and improve. Legislation passed after 1989 added new responsibilities to the program, including assuring that landlords complied with continuing education and park registration requirements. The MCRC was also charged with monitoring the park closure notification process and providing additional assistance for park residents in the process of closing, including counseling and service referrals. Most recently, 2009 legislation added the requirement that landlords register their parks annually and pay a \$25 registration fee.

Services Provided: The MCRC helps community members understand fair housing laws and their rights and responsibilities under Oregon's landlord and tenant law. The program offers free mediation services and communication skills training for both landlords and tenants.

The MCRC website provides access to a variety of resources, including Oregon statutes and administrative rules related to manufactured home parks, links to landlord and tenant associations in Oregon, and a comprehensive directory showing all manufactured home parks in Oregon. The website also includes space vacancies and contact information for each park, as well as landlord training and park registration status.

The MCRC works in cooperation with the OHCS park preservation program to help facilitate resident-owned cooperative ownership of parks that might otherwise close in order to support the preservation of manufactured dwelling park communities in Oregon.