

House Committee on Human Services and Housing
February 24th, 2016
Field Trip to Home of the Brave
655 Cottage St., NE
Salem, OR 97301

Present:

Rep. Keny-Guyer

Rep. Evans

Ben Grimmer, Director – Home of the Brave

Gerald Pygott, Deputy Director, Home of the Brave

Adam Crawford, Committee Administrator

Committee members convened at 3:00 pm at the Home of the Brave facility to discuss their rehousing and reintegration program for homeless vets. Members received a tour of the facility, as well as a presentation about program eligibility, process and outcomes. The program staff tailor a plan for each veteran in the program, with the end goal of having that veteran achieve and sustain self-sufficiency. The program focuses initially on rehousing veterans, followed by an expectation of finding stable employment. After six months, the veteran moves out of the facility into their own housing and a new veteran is brought in. At the time of the presentation, the program has a 100 percent success rate.