CHANT COHORT

COLLABORATIVE HOUSING ACCESS & NAVIGATION COHORT

A Relational Launchpad for Mutual Aid & Systemic Action

Join a hands-on co-learning journey of neighbors responding to our housing crisis

ONE COHORT, THREE INTERCONNECTED ROLES

HOSTING

- Sharing personal home spaces, co-housing, & creating warm, welcoming spaces.
- Mutual hospitality & relationally invested living within actual homes, backed by the cohort safety net.

NAVIGATION

- Accompanying families & youth as partners.
- Finding & adapting rigid program restrictions to fit real family needs.
- Walking alongside people through systems.

ORGANIZING

- Connecting mutual aid to systemic power.
- Leading relational 1-to-1s, conducting power analyses, mapping local housing funds, & transforming personal stories into collective power.

What We'll Learn & Unlearn Together

Everyone Has a Housing Story

Unlearn the myth of persistence.
Shift toward healthy mutual aid & relational investment.

From Control to Agency

Unlearn the instinct to fix. Respect autonomy.
Set goals collaboratively, not as heroes.

Tough on Systems, Kind to People

Unlearn moralizing productivity. Practice trauma-informed communication. Focus friction on systems.

Mapping Resources & Following the Money

Map county funds, rental assistance, money & power through interactive Power Analysis.

Conflict, Agitation & Transition

Build mediation, de-escalation, and constructive agitation skills. Prepare for healthy boundaries.

How to Step in with Us

Attend Info Session
Mon, Sept. 21
6:30-8:30 PM
Meaningful snacks!

Fill Out Sign-Up Form
Share your hopes & interest in roles or areas (link here)

Commit to 1st 3 Mondays
Sept. 28 - Oct. 12
Intentional pause & group evaluation.

INFO SESSION: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

6:30 - 8:30 PM | Spirit of Life Lutheran Church | 290 W Gloucester St, Gladstone, OR 97027

COHORT GATHERINGS MONDAYS, SEPT. 28 - NOV. 16, 2026 | 6:30-8:30 PM

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