



District 6 Newsletter

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Neighbors:

As the newly appointed Metro Councilor for District 6, I want to take a moment to introduce myself and share what I'll be focusing on during my time on Metro Council. First and foremost, I want my constituents to know that I am here to listen to any concerns you may have.



Our District

After redistricting at the end of 2021, District 6 is now comprised of portions of southeast and southwest Portland, along with a small portion of northeast Portland. As a resident, you know that we share a diverse and vibrant community, brimming with small businesses, nationally recognized restaurants, and beautiful parks. However, not everyone in District 6 has access to the same opportunities. Many have been displaced from their homes due to high rents. Worse, many of our neighbors continue to experience homelessness and lack protection from the elements, hygiene facilities, and access to regular trash services. In my first month in this role, I've heard loud and clear that addressing the housing and homelessness crisis is our region's top priority.

About Me

As a community development professional and organizer, I have a track record of delivering concrete change for the communities I advocate for. For the past 9 years, I've been in the leadership of the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO). Some of my proudest accomplishments have been in building affordable housing, such as the Orchards of 82nd at the heart of the Jade District, providing social services throughout the pandemic, and leading the organization's response to the recent surge in hate & bias incidents. These experiences will serve me as well as I work with a sense of urgency in shaping the safe, inclusive, neighborhoods we all want to live in.

I grew up in an immigrant family and my mother opened the first Chinese restaurant in Upper Michigan. Our interactions with the government were always intimidating. As your Metro Councilor, I want to be sure to hear from everyone and will be proactively seeking out to connect with those that are the hardest to reach. I want to involve you in projects from the start, not simply inform people after the fact. Thank you in advance for sharing your thoughts with me, and please feel free to share this newsletter with a friend. I'll be in regular communication and my door is always open.

