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## **New Residential Treatment Facility Coming to Gresham**

- **New Narrative is an integrative mental health nonprofit organization that collaborates with government agencies and the private sector to meet the growing mental health care and housing needs of adults in Oregon with a full continuum of mental health services.**
- **In partnership with the Oregon Health Authority, Health Services Division, New Narrative is opening Maple House, a new 11-bed residential treatment facility in Gresham, Oregon this winter.**
- **A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at 1307 SE 4th St, Gresham on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 -11:45 AM.**

**Gresham, OR** - New Narrative is excited to announce the opening of a new 11-bed residential treatment facility (RTF) in Gresham, Oregon, dedicated to supporting adults experiencing persistent mental health challenges. This facility will focus on providing comprehensive, person-centered care for individuals transitioning from the Oregon State Hospital or other levels of care. Maple House will host a ribbon cutting event on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 -11:45 AM at the facility site. This will be the third residential treatment facility added to New Narrative's portfolio this year. Oregon State Representatives Rob Nosse and Ricki Ruiz will be offering brief remarks along with other community leaders.

New Narrative's treatment model incorporates full-time residential staff, qualified mental health professionals (QMHP), clinical case managers, and peer support services, all on-site. This integrated care team provides individualized services, including group and individual therapy, case management, skills training, and peer support. Residents will also have access to medical care through New Narrative's outpatient clinics.

This holistic approach addresses both habilitative and rehabilitative needs, with the goal of supporting residents as they transition to lower levels of care and more independent living. New Narrative's multidisciplinary team will work closely with each resident to help them find resources in the community, such as job opportunities, volunteer work, or new hobbies.

As pressure on the state hospital has increased, New Narrative has remained committed to increasing the capacity to serve populations needing transitional living support as they re-enter into the community. New Narrative operates 14 residential treatment sites counting Maple House, housing 107 residents at any time. New Narrative CEO Julie Ibrahim echoed the enthusiasm for these projects, saying, "We are fully aware of the compelling need for residential treatment beds in Greater Portland and are partnering with the Oregon Health Authority to bring housing and treatment options to our neighbors living with severe mental health challenges. Our expansion into Gresham with a new treatment facility is evidence of our dedication to meeting the growing demand for residential treatment in our region. We are grateful to the Oregon Legislature and the Oregon Health Authority for providing the funding to make this possible."

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*New Narrative is a non-profit agency established in 1977 which provides mental health treatment services, housing programs, and peer support and mentoring services to adults with persistent and severe mental illness. Over 52% of its funding comes from Medicaid and the remainder through private philanthropic sources. Visit: [www.NewNarrativepdx.org](http://www.NewNarrativepdx.org)*