



AFFORDABLE RENTS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS



# Academic Success through Housing Stability

## What is ARCS?

Student housing is a national issue. Nearly 50% of all college students experienced housing insecurity in 2020. ARCS lowers one of the most significant barriers to housing security—rental expenses and upfront costs like security deposits and application fees—by providing 50%+ reduced rental costs to aspiring students in need of financial assistance. The cost of housing in the last decade has drastically increased along with tuition. Providing assistance for post-secondary education, trade school, and community college students is not only possible, but scalable. We're connecting students with a place to call home.

Affordable Rents for College Students launched in 2020—the program is raising awareness about these crucial issues and actively raising funds to make an impact.

### **ARCS is a project powered by Oregon nonprofit College Housing Northwest**

CHNW has provided student housing below market rates in Portland, Oregon for over 50 years. Now, we're raising money to provide subsidies through ARCS for students in need.

*In collaboration with New Avenues for Youth, NAYA Family Center, Mount Hood Community College, Portland State University, and Portland Community College*

## How ARCS Makes a Difference

ARCS does more than increase graduation rates, student retention, and overall GPA. We're offering a social safety net for our students in need and promoting equity in education. We foster supportive environments focused on student success, leveling the playing field for historically marginalized populations and making a direct impact for those who need it most.

## Why do we do it?

Connecting students experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity to subsidized secure housing helps them progress with their education and pursue the quality of life they aspire to. Housing is essential to educational success—students deserve affordable housing.

## Get involved

### **We're looking for collaborators**

Interested in learning more?  
Looking to invest in student success?  
Ready to foster real opportunity?

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