Access to Hygiene resources: 
A Basic Right and the Foundation of Personal and Public Health

Lisa Hawash, MSW, PSU School of Social Work
Lindsay Day, Sisters Of The Road
MSW Student Research Group
Western Regional Advocacy Project (WRAP)

- Unite local social justice organizations into a movement that is inclusive and shares power with all members of the community.
- Hold the federal government responsible for restoring affordable housing funding and protecting poor and homeless people’s rights.
- Develop effective and socially just solutions to all barriers that prevent the ending of homelessness.
- Ensure the policies and priorities of local, state and federal governments are grounded in the common truths of poor and homeless people. www.wraphome.org
Sisters Of The Road

- A grassroots, community based organization focused on building relationship and organizing with people experiencing extreme poverty and homelessness for change at the systemic level.

- Founding member of WRAP

- Sisters is a leader in the move to put forward HBR legislation in Oregon and most importantly, we know that our community must be included in the proposed solutions for change.

www.sistersoftheroad.org
Lack of access to hygiene resources is a public health and social justice issue. This research seeks to identify the need for local hygiene centers. These centers would provide space for individuals to use the bathroom, shower, wash clothing, etc. on their own time.
Project Overview

- Goals
- Community Forum
- Surveys and outreach
- Information will go to WRAP

Right to Dream Too  Sisters Of The Road  Portland Rescue Mission
“A Homeless Bill of Rights is much more than a response to an isolated set of discriminatory policies against those who are economically disenfranchised. It underscores our desperate need in this country to once and for all create a society where all people are valued and treated with the dignity and respect they deserve.”

-Paul Boden, Organizing Director, WRAP

(Huffington Post, January 13, 2013)