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PHOTO COURTESY THE REBUILDING CENTER

A reclaimed sink from the ReBuilding Center is prepared to be installed by a volunteer at a home in north Portland, helping a long time resident make needed repairs and stay housed. The Day of Service event was sponsored by the community organization and the African American Alliance for Home Ownership, another nonprofit.

## Fighting Displacement

### Volunteers help residents stay housed

The ReBuilding Center teamed up with the African American Alliance for Home Ownership Saturday to tackle the housing crisis by providing home

repairs for low-income and struggling long-time homeowners in Portland who may be in danger of losing their homes because of maintenance issues that risk code violations.

The 2019 Day of Service provided home re-

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U.S. Sen. Cory Booker bought his presidential campaign to Portland Sunday for a meet-and-greet fundraiser, the end of a week-long West Coast tour. (KGW photo)

## Booker Campaigns in Portland

As he continues his long-shot bid in the Democrat presidential race, Sen. Cory Booker came to Portland Sunday and hinted that that Oregon would be more of a player in this year's national race. Booker said the lengthy primary season gives a more weight to states like Oregon and his own

state of New Jersey, which have later primaries, and that might help tip the scales.

According to KGW, Booker's fundraiser at the Riveter in southeast Portland was all but sold out, and in his speech, as he addressed homelessness, he recalled his own family's struggles with racism

when they tried to buy a home. But he says he has a plan -- using a new kind of tax credit -- to help prevent homelessness. The government should also put more money toward solving problems of homeless veterans and people

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