

# KATIE O'BRIEN

**Board Member**, National Women's Shelter Network, Inc.

**Executive Director**, Rose Haven

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Katie O'Brien has served as Rose Haven's Executive Director since 2020, after working with the agency in a variety of capacities since 2009.

With 30 years of non-profit experience, her proven track record of success in strategic visioning and cultivating relationships has played a pivotal role in building the infrastructure for Rose Haven to support increased demand for services in Portland, Oregon, where they are experiencing the second highest rate of unsheltered homeless in the country.

Operating for 26 years, Rose Haven remains the city's only day shelter and resources center for women, children, and gender diverse communities experiencing homelessness and poverty.

Katie and her team provided consistent and compassionate services throughout the pandemic; a source of practical and emotional support to those most vulnerable in the community.

Simultaneously, Rose Haven designed and built a new, trauma-informed facility that tripled capacity and is now daytime home to 3,000+ people annually.